NEWS AND VIEWS OF WOMEN

PARADE OF THE LADIES' FOUR-IN-HAND DRIVING CLUB.

Mrs. Arthur Iselin, Colonel William Jay, Arthur Iselin, Mrs. Alfred G. Vanderbilt, Miss Evelyn Parsons and Moncure Robinson.

Miss Louise Gulliver (driving), W. C. Gulliver (front seat), G. G. Haven, jr., Mrs. Gulliver and Mrs. Hiram Dewing.

LADIES' DRIVING CLUB

Annual Parade of Four-in-Hand Coaches Reviewed by Mrs. Iselin.

Fifth avenue at 72d street looked for all the world like an old English coaching print of the days of George IV yesterday morning, when the Ladies' Four-in-Hand Driving Club held its annual parade. Although there were only eight coaches in line, fewer than in most previous years, these made a gallant showing, and it was a mighty pretty spectacle that society saw from its autos and electric cabs and the public from the park benches, the sidewalks and the tops of express wagons and ice carts. As for the tourists from Oshkosh and Tombstone who happened to be doing Millionaires' Row at the psychological moment, their bosoms swelled with pride, as they said they had never imagined anything so lovely, and they would have to tell the folks all about it when they got home.

At first the day looked dubious. That soft, opalescent gray sky, so watery, yet so innocent looking—would it be kind or would it pour?

"'Tis but the pride o' the marnin'," quoth the Irish hostlers as they gave a final polish to their high stepping beauties.

That's what everybody else seemed to think, too, for there wasn't an umbrella in the whole parade. With sublime confidence all the pretty, smiling women on the tops of the coaches had donned their smartest coaching regalia—hats like birds of paradise saucily tiptilted over their noses, or flower beds blooming in an undisciplined riot of color that never was on land or sea. The men, too, came out in white spats and silk hats and buttonhole flowers to match the women's corsage bouquets and the posies at the horses' ears.

Up would bowl a coach, everybody, including the grooms and horses, wearing blue—blue cornflowers, the kind that grow among the scarlet poppies and yellow wheat on the field of Waterloo. Then round the corner of Madison avenue would dash another, scattering sweetness as it went from great bunches of valley lilies, and close on its heels a third, picked out with crimson geraniums, or white camellias, or yellow primroses, or American Beauties.

The coaches lined up in 72d street, between Fifth and Madison avenues. Entering the park at the 72d street entrance, they rounded the Mall, then took the West Drive to the high hill at 106th street, where they were reviewed by Mrs. Arthur Iselin, the vice-president.

First in the line of march came Mrs. Iselin, driving the green and yellow drag of her father, Colonel William Jay, who sat beside her on the box seat. With her as guests were Mrs. Alfred Vanderbilt, Miss Evelyn Parsons, Arthur Iselin and Moncure Robinson. Next in procession came the Gerry coach, picked out with much scarlet and driven by Miss Angelica L. Gerry, who had with her her brother, Robert Livingston Gerry, Miss Mabel Gerry, Bradish Johnson and Mrs. James L. Kernochan.

Mrs. C. Ledyard Blair drove James Hazen Hyde's former coach, her leaders being a pair of peacocky, blue ribbon winners at last year's horse show. Mrs. Blair, Miss Georgiana H. Parr and George Mifflin Wharton were her guests.

Miss Mary Harriman held the ribbons over the mated team of grays and bays that drew the Harriman coach, her party including Thomas Hastings, Miss Cornelia Harriman, John R. Townsend and Peter Gerry. Miss Cornelia Bryce tooled James Henry Smith's blue coach, the hand Mr. Smith beside her on the box and the party otherwise was composed of Mr. and Mrs. J. Sergeant Cram and Mrs. J. Norman de R. Whitehouse. Mrs. Ralph Sanger, who drove the big black and yellow coach of the club, was accompanied by Mr. Sanger, Mr. and Mrs. August Belmont, Miss Wenonah Wetmore and G. Paten Snow. A mixed team of bays and chestnuts drew the Loew coach, which was driven by Mrs. W. Goadby Loew. Her companions were Mr. Loew, Miss Marguerite Loew, Miss Natalie R. Knowlton, Samuel Willetts and Worthington Whitehouse. Last of all came the club secretary, Miss Louise Gulliver, driving a quartet of bays to her father's coach. William C. Gulliver was on the box with her, and the others were Mrs. Gulliver, Mrs. Hiram E. Dewing, Phœnix Ingraham and G. G. Haven, jr.

The spin through the park, now in its first spring beauty, was delightful. Accompanying the coaches was a picturesque mob of scarlet and yellow touring cars, hansoms and traps of all descriptions. Along the sides were drawn up private carriages, pony phaetons filled with children, groups of park laborers and pedestrians. On the way home a second review was held at the Mall, after which all the coaches drove to the Metropolitan Club for luncheon.

RAINY DAISIES' BIRTHDAY.

Costumes So Gay Masculine Guests Wonder What They Wear in Fine Weather.

Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of the Rainy Daisies at their tenth birthday luncheon at the Hotel Astor yesterday. It was a rainy day, but they were not going to celebrate their birthday in rainy day costumes, therefore they donned their most flowerlike hats and most conspicuously unabbreviated gowns and so dazzled the eyes of their twelve masculine guests that they said:

"If this is the rainy day costume, would that we might see the Rainy Daisies in fair weather attire."

They sat down to luncheon two hundred and fifty strong, and their blue hats and white dresses seemed striving to reproduce the club colors. Behind the president was the famous club banner, bearing an open umbrella in a shower of rain and the legend "Experientia docet," and on all the tables were bouquets of white daisies. All went merry as a marriage bell until the lights were turned down and a triumphal procession of waiters, each one bearing a birthday cake with ten lighted candles, entered the room. There was a turquoise ring in each one of these cakes, but those who did not draw prizes were not unduly depressed, for all got little Japanese parasols as souvenirs.

After luncheon Mrs. Belle de Rivera installed the new as well as the old president, the only one that the Rainy Daisies ever had, Mrs. A. M. Palmer, and then Thomas Dixon, jr., and Dr. Charles Fagnani attempted to define the limits of that mythical region known as woman's sphere.

Mr. Dixon appeared to be much concerned about these boundaries, for he had just been reading a book which declared the female to be the original unit of creation and the male a superfluous addition, and he was badly scared.

"I am glad to come to the Rainy Day Club," he said, "for I feel protected here against this more aggressive wing of modern womanhood."

The Rainy Daisies laughed, for sitting serenely at his right was Mrs. Belle de Rivera, president of the New York Equal Suffrage League.

Dr. Fagnani quoted Scripture.

"The man is not of the woman," he said, "but the woman of the man. Neither was the man created for the woman, but the woman for the man. That is the Pauline doctrine, and I am not going to tell you whether it is mine or not. If, as Mr. Dixon has said, you can see through a three-foot stone wall, you ought to be able to find out for yourselves."

Miss Anna Caulfield gave an address on art, and Mrs. Mary Mannering Hackett, Mrs. Charlotte Wilbour and General James Grant Wilson said a few words. There was music by Mrs. Carrie Gilman Edwards, Mrs. Augusta Snyder, Mrs. H. N. Fique, Charles Kaiser and the Rainy Day Carol Club.

THE RIGHT TO SLEEP.

Interesting Facts About Mrs. Rice's Crusade Against River Noises.

Have New Yorkers the right to sleep o' nights? Mrs. Isaac L. Rice, of Riverside Drive, as every one who reads the papers knows, is one of the people who think they have, and who made up her mind not to endure the unnecessary noises of noisy New York a moment longer if she could help it. In "The Forum" Mrs. Rice tells the story of her gallant crusade against the tooting of river craft—a fight which, beginning with an appeal to the Department of Health, carried her to the Police Department, the collector's office, the federal authorities in Washington and the Department of Commerce and Labor.

Mrs. Rice supposed that when she had secured the names of three thousand residents of Riverside Drive and the support of every hospital and municipal institution in Manhattan, and collected reams of corroborative evidence, she had made out a pretty strong case against these noises as a menace to health, but the various authorities didn't seem to see it that way, and if the National Association of Masters, Mates and Pilots, a society numbering ten thousand men, had not come to her assistance, dwellers along the Hudson might yet be passing sleepless nights. After hearing Mrs. Rice speak, the masters, mates and pilots issued a circular letter, asking all members to abstain from needless whistling. Almost immediately the nights along Riverside Drive became quieter. Not content with this, they are trying to abolish the siren whistle altogether. A bill has been introduced in the House of Representatives to prevent the unnecessary blowing of whistles in harbors.

Mrs. Rice's story, besides being an exceedingly interesting one, throws valuable light on the power of initiative and resolution of the modern woman and the power of inertia of certain servants of the people.

MASONS ELECT OFFICERS.

Townsend Scudder, of Glen Head, L. I., New Grand Master.

At the session of the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons held yesterday morning in the Masonic Temple, 23d street and Sixth avenue, the following officers were elected:

Grand Master, Townsend Scudder, Glen Head, Long Island; Deputy Grand Master, S. Nelson Sawyer, Palmyra, N. Y.; Grand Senior Warden, Charles Smith, Oneonta, N. Y.; Grand Junior Warden, Thomas Penney, Buffalo; Grand Secretary, E. M. L. Ehlers, New York City; Grand Treasurer, Frederick P. Morris, Flushing, Long Island.

The retiring Grand Master, Frank H. Robinson, received a handsome loving cup from the members, a Master Mason's badge from Past Grand Master William A. Sutherland, of Rochester, and a thirty-third degree badge from Past Grand Master John Stewart. The newly elected officers will be installed to-day.

At the afternoon session a reception was given to the representatives of foreign grand lodges, among whom were the Most Worshipfuls Levin Irving Handy, Grand Master of Delaware; Walter Chandler, of New Jersey; Ben Allen, Past Grand Master of Canada, and James W. Brown and W. J. Kelly, Past Grand Masters of Pennsylvania. W. L. Gorgas, Grand Junior Warden of Pennsylvania, and James H. Burritt, Grand Master of Canada, were also received.

NEW YORK WOMAN PRESIDENT.

Convention of Daughters of Revolution Closes with Election of Officers.

Philadelphia, May 2.—The national convention of the Daughters of the Revolution closed to-day. These officers were elected:

President, Mrs. D. Phoenix Ingraham, New York; first vice-president, Mrs. Adaline F. Fitz, Massachusetts; second vice-president, Miss Elisabeth E. Moody, Pennsylvania; third vice-president, Miss Harriet L. Hill, Maryland; fourth vice-president, Miss Tarquina L. Voss, Indiana; recording secretary, Mrs. Minnie S. Helper, New York; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Caroline P. Heath, Massachusetts; treasurer, Miss Mary A. Kent, Pennsylvania; registrar, Mrs. Mary Martin Casey, New York; historian, Mrs. Maria F. Daniels, Massachusetts, and librarian, Miss Clara B. Adams, Massachusets.

THE TRIBUNE PATTERN.

There seems literally no limit to the variations of the lingerie blouse and no limit to its popularity. This one is among the prettiest and the latest, and is shown in white batiste, with trimming of simple lace banding. It can, however, with propriety be made from silk and wool materials, as well as from washable ones, and can be either lined or unlined, so that the model serves a great many purposes. For the separate waist lingerie materials are a bit smarter than anything else, unless it be the simple wash silks, but entire gowns are equally correct in linen, cotton, wool and silk.

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The pattern, No. 5,343, is cut in sizes for a 32, 34, 36, 38, 40 and 42 inch bust measure.

The pattern will be sent to any address on receipt of 10 cents. Please give number of pattern and bust measure distinctly. Address Pattern Department, New-York Tribune. If in a hurry for pattern, send an extra two-cent stamp, and we will mail by letter postage in sealed envelope.

TRADE IN CHICAGO.

[By Telegraph to The Tribune.]

Chicago, May 2.—Wheat was heavy throughout the session, although near the end it gave some symptoms of revival. Closing prices gave May without change for the day, but July down ¾c and September ½c. Corn for May left off about the same figures as on the day preceding, with July and September each ¼c lower. The oats market was firm, but prices for May and July were about unchanged at the close. The provision market was heavy; pork left off at 17½c decline, lard 12½c and ribs 7½c lower.

Favorable weather and glowing accounts of crop conditions made the wheat market heavy from the start. Later liquidation by smaller holders, frightened into selling by the severe slump in stocks, caused a rapid break in prices. Toward the close of the session there was some recovery. Local receipts were 1 car, with 9 cars estimated for to-morrow.

The corn market opened firm, with a little demand and moderate offerings. The lake strike apparently had little influence. Later in the day the market weakened a little, due to the selling out by several local longs, influenced by the decline in wheat and the heavy stock market. Local receipts were 94 cars, with 185 cars estimated for to-morrow. Shipments hence were 213,000 bushels.

The oats market was moderately active, but firm, though without much change in prices. Local receipts were 111 cars, with 114 cars estimated for to-morrow.

Provisions showed considerable weakness at the start. There was much liquidation by smaller holders on the early trading, and the buying was scattered. The selling increased in volume later in the day. Hog receipts were 27,000 head, and prices at the yards were 2½@5c lower.

THE MARKETS.

TOTAL DOMESTIC RECEIPTS TO-DAY.

		New York, May 2, 1906.	
Beans, white, bbls	592	Cheese, pkgs	2,136
Flour, bbls	3,636	Eggs, cases	41,289
Flour, sacks	16,932	Dressed poultry, pkgs	1,589
Cornmeal, bags	8,200	Live poultry, crates	927
Oatmeal, bbls	452	Oranges (Cal), cases	12,675
Wheat, bush	124,000	Lemons (Cal), cases	625
Corn, bush	91,375	Apples, bbls	950
Oats, bush	102,000	Potatoes, bbls	10,525
Barley, bush	9,600	Onions, bbls	2,850
Malt, bush	13,500	Rosin, bbls	1,025
Rice, pkts	4,900	Spirits turp, bbls	1,475
Hay, tons	1,170	Sugar, bags	24,625
Straw, tons	70	Oilmeal, bags	100
Millfeed, tons	170	Oil, lub, bbls	244
Hops, bales	460	Oleo stock, pkgs	556
Flaxseed, bush	41,000	Peanuts, bags	50
Beef, canned, cases	1,440	Tobacco, hhds	75
Pork, bbls	86	Tobacco, pkgs	750
Hams, pkgs	37	Whiskey, bbls	221
Bacon, pkgs	121	Wool, sacks	225
Cut meats, pkgs	1,288	Cotton, bales	6,925
Lard, tierces	545	Cottonseed oil, bbls	280
Lard, kegs	4,305	Copper, pieces	9,200
Stearine, pkgs	150	Lead, pigs	1,650
Tallow, pkgs	105	Hemp, bales	125
Grease, pkgs	227	Skins, bales	75
Butter, pkgs	7,234	Wine (Cal), bbls	200

CASH QUOTATIONS.

Iron, Nor, No 1 fdy	$18 85	Flour, Mpls, patents	$4 35
Iron, So, No 2 soft	17 75	Cotton, middling	11.75
Steel rails	28 00	Coffee, No 7 Rio	8
Lake copper ingots	18.65	Sugar, granulated	4.60
Exchange lead	5.70	Molasses, O K prime	35
Tin	40.10	Beef, family	12 00
Spelter	6.10	Beef hams	21 25
Wheat, No 2 red	93	Tallow, prime	5⅝
Corn, No 2 mixed	56	Pork, mess	17 50
Oats, mixed, 28 to 32 lb	37½	Hogs, dressed, 160 lb	9¼
		Lard, prime	8.75@8.80

EXPORTS TO-DAY.

Corn, bush	120,365	Pitch, bbls	10
Oats, bush	63,939	Refined, pet, gals	$14,120
Barley, bush	10,103	Naphtha, gals	3,000
Buckwheat, bush	10,000	Gasolene, gals	1,200
Peas, bush	820	Cottonseed oil, gals	132,365
Beans, bush	1,916	Lubricating oil, gals	315,300
Flour, bbls	12,610	Pork, bbls	1,122
Flour, sacks	19,804	Beef, bbls	354
Cornmeal, bbls	476	Beef, tcs	81
Bran, lb	35,040	Bacon, lb	1,095,825
Hay, bales	2,652	Hams, lb	211,600
Whiskey, gals	1,700	Lard, lb	1,343,350
Cottonseed meal, lb	1,000	Tallow, lb	245,900
Oilcake, lb	675,000	Grease, lb	86,000
Refined pet, gals	3,950	Butter, lb	66,050
Rosin, bbls	8,435	Cheese, lb	180,660

GENERAL MARKET REPORT.

New York, May 2, 1906.

COFFEE—The coffee market was easier to-day under large estimates for Brazilian receipts during May, prospects for a less bullish visible supply statement than expected earlier, and some selling by Wall Street longs and Europe, part of which may have been inspired by the weakness in the early stock market. The market opened barely steady at a decline of 5 to 10 points, and increased the loss to a matter of 10 to 15 points during the middle session. But offerings were not very heavy and were pretty well absorbed at the decline, with prices steadying up slightly in the late session. The market closed steady at a net decline of 5 to 15 points. Sales for the day were reported of about 52,000 bags. Karle Krische estimates receipts at Rio for the month of May at 250,000 to 300,000 bags, against 73,000 bags for the same month last year, and the Santos receipts for the month at 250,000 bags, against 162,000 bags last year, pointing to a total movement for the month of about 500,000 to 550,000 bags, against 235,000 bags last year. The big increase in the Rio movement thus indicated is supposed to be due to bad transportation facilities last winter and early spring, and which must now have been improved. A private cable from Havre predicted that the world's visible supply statement for the month would show a decrease of only 322,000 bags, against a decrease for the same month last year of 669,000 bags, but a wire from San Francisco increased the estimate of coffee destroyed by fire to 100,000 bags. The market for spot coffee was easier, with quotations on the basis of 8c for Rio No 7.

The range of contract prices in the local market to-day was as follows:

	Opening.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yesterday.
May	6.40	6.40	6.35	6.35@6.40	6.45
June	6.40	6.40	6.40	6.45@6.50	6.55
July	6.60	6.60	6.50	6.55@6.60	6.65
August	6.65	6.65	6.65	6.60@6.70	6.70
September	6.75	6.75	6.70	6.70@6.75	6.80
October	—	—	—	6.80@6.85	6.90
November	—	—	—	6.90@6.95	7.00
December	7.00	7.05	6.95	7.00@7.05	7.10
January	7.10	7.10	7.10	7.05@7.15	7.15
February	7.15	7.15	7.15	7.15@7.20	7.20
March	—	—	—	7.20@7.25	7.30
April	—	—	—	7.30@7.35	7.35

COTTON—The cotton market was very quiet to-day, sales for the day being only 50,000 bales, according to estimates. Fluctuations were narrow and irregular, with the close 1 point lower to 1 point higher. The opening was steady at unchanged prices to an advance of 3 points in response to higher cables. Weakness in the stock market led to some selling by Wall Street houses and a renewal of bear pressure shortly after the opening, but offerings were not very heavy and were well absorbed. The market, after easing off to a net loss of 5 points on the near months and 2 points on the new crop positions, which were relatively steady, in spite of the good weather, rallied slightly in the late trading. Southern spot markets were unchanged, according to official reports, and private advices received during the day reported offerings of desirable cotton very light, with spinners paying prices far above a parity with local contracts for good grades. Private cables from Liverpool attributed the steadiness there to the trade demand, but one cable said that business in Manchester was less active, owing to increasing supplies of goods in foreign markets. Weather reports continued very favorable, and the majority of private advices received from the South indicates excellent early prospects for the new crop. Receipts continued in about the recent scale, and exports for the day were light.

The range of contract prices in the local market to-day was as follows:

	Opening.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yesterday.
May	11.18	11.18	11.10	11.14@11.15	11.15
June				10.95@10.96	10.95
July	10.98	10.99	10.90	10.94@10.95	10.95
August	10.79	10.81	10.75	10.77@10.78	10.78
September	10.47	10.48	10.47	10.48@10.49	10.47
October	10.39	10.41	10.37	10.40@10.41	10.39
November	—	—	—	10.39@10.40	10.39
December	10.40	10.44	10.39	10.41@10.42	10.41
January	10.45	10.45	10.44	10.45@10.46	10.45
February	—	—	—	10.48@10.49	10.48
March	—	—	—	10.51@10.53	10.51

The local market for spot cotton was quiet, with prices unchanged on the basis of 11.75c for middling upland and 12c for middling Gulf. Southern spot markets telegraphed as follows: Augusta steady, unchanged at 11⅜c; sales, 557 bales. St. Louis steady, unchanged at 11¼c; sales, 17 bales. Norfolk quiet, unchanged at 11.16c; sales, 289 bales. Baltimore nominal, unchanged at 11½c. Mobile steady, unchanged at 11¼c; sales, 100 bales. Savannah quiet, unchanged at 11¼c; sales, 537 bales. Charleston firm, unchanged at 11c. Galveston quiet, unchanged at 11 7-16c; sales, 133 bales. New Orleans quiet and steady, ⅛c lower at 11¼c; sales, 1,250 bales. Wilmington steady, unchanged at 11¼c. Memphis steady, unchanged at 11 3-16c; sales, 900 bales. Estimated receipts at leading points for to-day: At Houston, 1,300 to 1,800 bales, against 1,118 last week and 3,101 last year; at Galveston, 2,500 to 3,000 bales, against 2,277 last week and 4,929 last year, and at New Orleans, 2,800 to 3,500 bales, against 1,445 last week and 7,429 last year. Cotton Exchange special Liverpool cables—Spot cotton quiet and unchanged; sales, 8,000 bales; speculation and export, 1,000; American, 7,000; receipts, 1,000, all American; middling upland, 6.06d; futures opened steady at 2 points decline; closed quiet but steady at a net decline of 1 point from old and of 3@4 points on new crop; May and May-June, 5.87d; June-July, 5.88d; July-August, 5.88d; August-September, 5.84d; September-October, 5.71d; October-November, 5.64d; November-December and December-January, 5.62d; January-February, 5.63d, and February-March, 5.64d. Manchester—Yarns quiet but steady; more business could be done in cloths if sellers would concede something.

FLOUR AND MEAL—The flour market to-day was quiet, but firmly held. Sales were confined to small miscellaneous lots for immediate needs. Quotations remain unchanged. Spring patents, $4 25@$5 05; winter straights, $3 75@$3 90; winter patents, $3 90@$4 20; spring clears, $3 40@$3 75; Extra No 1 winter, $3 10@$3 35, and extra No 2 winter, $2 85@$3 05. RYE FLOUR steady; quoted: Fair to good, $3 35@$3 90; choice to fancy, $3 95@$4 10; CORNMEAL steady; quoted: Kiln dried, $2 70@$2 80, as to brand; BAG MEAL firm; quoted: Fine white and yellow, $2 20; coarse, $2 07@$2 09. FEED. Western quiet, city firm; quoted: Western spring, $21; standard middling, $21, in 100 lb sacks; flour do, $22 50; red dog, $24, all May shipment; city bran, $22 50 bulk, $25 50 sacks; middling, $23@$24 50; red dog, $25; hominy chop, $21 50@$21 75 bulk, $22 70@$22 80 sacks; oil meal, $26@$26 50.

GRAIN—WHEAT—In line with further weakness in the stock market wheat showed notable losses again to-day, and although somewhat steadier at the close was still ⅝@⅞c under the preceding night. Liquidation occurred in all markets, especially the Northwest and in May at New York, the latter opening ⅜c down, in contrast to declines of only ¼c on the sales in later months. After the opening bear pressure became a feature, influenced by a better run of crop news from sections of the belt where bulls had recently been claiming considerable damage. The weather also was better in the Northwest for completing a firm work in spring seeding districts, up to the last hour bears remained in control of the market without much difficulty, but toward 2 o'clock were disturbed by reports that Chicago had put through a considerable export business. Some of the advices claimed as high as 50 loads No 1 Northern at 3c over May, but in conservative circles this figure was not credited. New York reported only two loads up to the close. The rumor nevertheless started shorts on the run and prices advanced about ½c, closing rather steady. Cable news had little effect in any market, and was about unchanged from Liverpool, but 40 points higher from Paris, 14 points down from Budapest and ¾ mark lower at Berlin. Primary receipts were 246,000 bush, compared with 258,000 bush a year ago. Cash wheat closed barely steady in the local market as follows: No 2 red, 91c nominal in elevator, and 93c nominal f o b afloat; No 1 Northern, Duluth 89c, to arrive; No 1 Northern Manitoba, 88½c f o b afloat.

CORN—The local market was rather firm all day, and at the close showed ⅛@¼c net rise, in contrast to slight declines at Chicago. For the strength here the unsettled lake situation and firmness in cash circles were chiefly responsible, causing a flurry among shorts. Even in Chicago, although the price was not so well sustained as here, there was no decided break as in wheat owing to light country offerings and support from cash houses. The weather was still wet in the Ohio Valley, but clearing elsewhere. Cables were steady, but the interior movement continued to run considerably ahead of last year. No 2 corn in the local market was quoted 58c elevator and 56c f o b afloat.

OATS—There was scattered buying of oats by commission houses, with elevator people best sellers. The market ruled about steady all day, without much change either way. Cash oats in the New York market closed as follows: Mixed, 26 to 32 lb, 37½c; natural white, 30 to 33 lb, 38@39c; clipped white, 38 to 40 lb, 39½@41½c.

RYE—Market dull. No 2 Western, 70c asked f o b New York.

BARLEY—Market quiet. Feeding, 47¼c, and malting, 52@57c, c i f New York.

NEW YORK PRICES.

	Opening.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yesterday.
Wheat:					
May	87⅝	87⅞	87 7-16	87⅝	88½
July	85¼	85¼	84½	85	85½
September	83 11-16	83 11-16	83	83⅝	83⅝
Corn:					
May	56	56	55⅝	56	55⅝
July	53⅝	53⅝	53⅝	53⅝	53⅝
September	—	—	—	53⅝	53⅝
December	—	—	—	52⅝	52⅝

METALS—TIN—There was a sharp advance in the London tin market, with spot closing at £154 5s and futures at £153. Locally the market was firm in sympathy, with spot quoted at 40@40.20c. COPPER was lower in the English market, with spot quoted at £83 10s and futures at £82, but no change was reported in the local market. Lake is quoted at 18.50@18.75c, electrolytic at 18.25@18.50c and casting at 18@18.25c. LEAD was unchanged at £16 in London, but showed continued firmness in the local market, where spot is quoted at $5 50@$5 75, according to lot and delivery. SPELTER advanced 2s 6d to £26 12s 6d in London, but was quiet and unchanged at $6 05@$6 15 locally. IRON was lower in the English market, standard foundry being quoted at 49s 3d and Cleveland warrants at 49s 3d. Locally no change was reported. No 2 foundry Northern is quoted at $18 25@$18 50. The market for pig iron certificates at the Produce Exchange was decidedly more active, with trading confined chiefly to regular grades. Regular and foundry grades were quoted lower, while standard foundry held steady. Sales, 600 tons cash regulars at $16 60, 1,000 tons May regulars at $16 65, and 100 tons June regulars at $16 60. In warrants there were sales of 300 tons Dayton No 2 foundry at $13 50. Standard foundry certificates are quoted as follows: May and June, $17 25@$17 75; October, $17@$17 50.

MOLASSES AND SYRUPS—New Orleans reported moderate receipts, with good demand for both high and low grades, and general market firm, and New York was steady to firm, with good jobbing demand at full rates. Syrups in moderate supply and firmly held. Quotations follow: MOLASSES—New Orleans centrifugal, common, 14@21c; fair, 16@18c; good, 18@20c; prime, 20@28c; New Orleans, open kettle, 30@38c. SYRUPS—Common, 14@15c; fair, 15@17c; good, 18@20c; prime, 22@24c; fancy, 26@28c.

OILS—Cottonseed oil was firm on the spot on light supplies, while later months eased off a shade generally under freer offerings and absence of outside and export demand. Sales, 200 May at 37⅝c and 200 at 37½c, 600 July at 37½c, 200 September at 37½c and 1,000 at 37¼c. Linseed oil was unchanged. Refined petroleum was firm and refined oil in bbls was 20 points higher at 7.80c for standard white in bbls. Oil in bulk was unchanged. We quote: PETROLEUM, standard white, bbls, 7.80c; bulk, 4.70c; Philadelphia, 7.75c; bulk, 4.65c; refined cases, New York, 10.80c; Philadelphia, 10.25c; water white, New York, bbls, 9.80c; bulk, 6.70c; Philadelphia, 9.75c; bulk, 6.65c; water white, cases, New York, 13.30c; Philadelphia, 13.25c; COTTONSEED OIL, prime crude, f o b mills, 30½c; prime summer yellow, May, 37½@37¾c; July, 37¼@37½c; September, 37¼@37½c; October, 35¼@35⅝c; November, 33¼@34c, and December, 33@33⅜c; prime white, 40c; prime winter yellow, 40c; LINSEED OIL, American seed, city raw, 42@43c; out-of-town raw, 40@41c; Calcutta raw, 65c; LARD OIL, 72@74c.

PROVISIONS—There was considerable weakness shown in the provision market as a result of easier live hogs and heaviness in grain, but the market rallied a little near the close on scattered covering. There was some buying of ribs, while the cash trade continued good, but as a whole the market did not display any great amount of bullishness on the part of speculators. Total receipts were 79,000 hogs. Chicago had 27,000 and expected 24,000 on Thursday, Kansas City had 12,000 and Omaha 7,000. PORK steady; quoted: Mess, $17 25@$17 75; family, $18 50; short clear, $16 25@$18. BEEF quiet; quoted: Mess, $8@$9 50; family, $11 50@$12 50; packet, $10@$11; extra India mess, $17 50@$18. BEEF HAMS steady; quoted, $20 50@$22. DRESSED HOGS barely steady; quoted: Bacons, 8¾c; 180 lb, 8⅝c; 160 lb, 9¼c; 140 lb, 9¾c; pigs, 9½@9¾c. CUT MEATS—Pickled bellies steady; quoted: Smoking, 10½c; 10 lb, 10¾c; 12 lb, 9¾c; 14 lb, 9¼c. Pickled shoulders nominal; quoted, 8c. Pickled hams steady; quoted, 11@11¾c. TALLOW steady; city, 5⅛c; country, 5⅛@5⅜c. LARD easy; quoted: Chicago prime steam, nominal; Middle West prime, 8.75@8.80c nominal; city lard easy; quoted, 8¼c; refined lard easy; quoted: South America, 8.85c; Continent, 9c; Brazil kegs, 10.85c; compound firm; quoted, 7@7¼c. STEARINE steady; quoted: Oleo, 10c; city lard, 10¼c.

RICE—Rice was firm at Southern points, with offerings moderate and demand good, while New York was fairly active and the sales movement quite liberal. Quotations follow: Domestic, screenings, 3¾@4¼c; second heads, 3⅝@4¼c; choice heads, 4½@4¾c; fancy heads, 5@5½c; extra fancy heads, 5⅝@6c; Japan domestic, 4@4½c; Patna, 5½@5¾c; Java, 4¾@5c; Rangoon in bond, 2¼@2½c.

SUGAR—Withdrawals were fairly active of refined sugar, but new business was practically at a standstill. The undertone was generally steady, the Federal and Arbuckle Brothers selling only at full prices, with the Federal quoting a net basis of 4.45c, less 1 per cent cash, for granulated, and Arbuckle Brothers' at 4.50c, and the American and National were taking orders at a cut of 10 points while quoting a net basis of 4.50c. Prices quoted are net, less 1 per cent for cash: Cut loaf and crushed, 5.30c; molded A, 4.95c; cubes, 4.85c; XXXX powdered, 4.75c; powdered, coarse powdered and fruit powdered, 4.70c; Eagle confectioners' granulated, 4.85c; Eagle coarse and extra fine granulated, 4.70c; Eagle 2-lb cartons, 5-lb bags and 5-lb bags of fine granulated, 4.75c; Eagle fine or standard granulated and Diamond A, 4.60c; confectioners' A, 4.45c; No 1, 4.35c; Nos 2 and 3, 4.30c; No 4, 4.20c; No 5, 4.15c; No 6, 4.10c; No 7, 4.05c; No 8, 4c; No 9, 3.95c; No 10, 3.90c; No 11, 3.85c; No 12, 3.80c; Nos 13, 14 and 15, 3.75c. London reported a dull and easier market, with May quoted at 8s 3d and May at 8s 3¾d. The local market was quiet but steady to firm, with former prices quoted, and duty paid rates were as follows: Centrifugal, 96 test, 3 7-16c; muscovado, 89 test, 2 15-16c, and molasses sugar, 89 test, 2 11-16c. Sales were 25,000 bags Cuban centrifugal, afloat, 2½c, basis 96 test, to Howell, late yesterday and to-day. Meltings at the four United States ports for the week were 89,000 tons, contrasted with 83,000 the previous week and 36,000 same time last year. Receipts were 47,655 tons, against 66,356 the week before and 29,802 same time a year ago. Total stock is 333,776 tons, against 325,121 the week before and 278,132 same week last year.

COUNTRY PRODUCE MARKETS.

New York, May 2, 1906.

BEANS AND PEAS—There is no material change in the position of our market. Marrow and medium when wanted bring quotations, but the trade is quiet. The demand for pea is also light at the moment, but the firm tenor of Western advices gives holders confidence in the position, and there is quite a strong holding, not much business and yet above $1 70, but 2½@5c more is asked. Red kidney quiet, shippers getting fewer orders this week. California lima steadier for spot goods, sales of which are at $3 15 generally. Scotch peas quiet but steady. We quote: BEANS, marrow, choice, per bush, $3@$3 10; fair to good, $2 50@$3; medium, choice, $2 05@$2 10; common to good, $1 90@$1 95; pea, choice, $1 70; fair to good, $1 50@$1 65; red kidney, choice, $3 05; fair to good, $2 75@$3; white kidney, choice, $3 10@$3 20; black turtle soup, $3 30@$3 40; yellow eye, $1 90@$1 95; lima, California, $3 10@$3 15; GREEN PEAS, Scotch, $1 22½@$1 25.

BUTTER—Receipts to-day, 7,234 pkgs. The decline of yesterday brought out a little better trading and the market to-day was steady for fine goods. The proportion of stock suitable for best trade is small, and buyers who are critical in their examination have to pay a little more than the official rate. There is an accumulation, however, of all the other qualities and they are pressed for sale, as the butter deteriorates by holding. Held creamery working out slowly at easy prices. Renovated very dull and still favoring the buyer. Factory and packing stock do not have much call. We quote: Creamery, extras, per lb, 20@20½c (Mercantile Exchange, official quotation, extras, 20c); do firsts, 17@19c; do seconds, 15@16c; do thirds, 13@14c; do held, extras, 19c; do firsts, 16@17c; do seconds, 15c; do thirds, 13@14c; state, dairy tubs, fresh, fancy, 19@19½c; do firsts, 17@18c; do seconds, 15@16c; do thirds, 13@14c; renovated, extras, 16½c; do firsts, 15@16c; do seconds, 12@14c; do thirds, 10@11c; Western, factory, firsts, 15c; do seconds, 14@14½c; do thirds, 13@13½c; packing stock, No 1, 14½@15c; do No 2, 12½@13½c; do No 3, 10@12c.

CHEESE—Receipts to-day, 2,136 boxes. There is a steady movement in old cheese, and with stocks gradually reducing holders are quite firm in their views. New cheese in liberal supply, selling very slowly, and with a large accumulation prices are weak and unsettled, with 10c the extreme for best grades. Exporters are taking the best of the large sizes, but particular regarding quality and turning down a good many lots. New skims plenty, dull and weak. Liverpool cable, 62s for colored and 61s for white. We quote: Old, state, full cream, large and small, colored and white, fancy, 14¼c; do good to prime, 13½@14c; do common to fair, 11@13c. New—State, full cream, large and small, best, 10c; do fair to good, 9@9½c; light skims, best, 7¾@8c