FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

New York Stock Exchange—Sales March 3.

UNITED STATES AND STATE BONDS (IN $1,000s).

10 U. S. 4s, c	117¼	3 Louis. cons. 4s, s	85¾
1 U. S. 4s, r	110¾	2 Nor. Car. cons. 4s	98

CLOSING PRICES OF UNITED STATES BONDS.

	Bid.	Asked.		Bid.	Asked.
U. S. 2s, r	100		U. S. 6s, 1896	111	—
U. S. 4s, r	110¾	112¾	U. S. 6s, 1897	114	—
U. S. 4s, c	111¾	112¾	U. S. 6s, 1898	116¼	—
U. S. 5s, 1904	109	—	U. S. 6s, 1899	119	—

RAILROAD AND OTHER BONDS (IN $1,000s).

36 Atchison 4s	82¾	11 N. J. C. gnl. 5s, r	111⅞
5 Atchison in	61⅞	10 "	112
8 Burl., a Ph. 5s	118	10 N. Y. C. 6s, r	110¾
5 B., R. & W. 5s	100½	5 N. Y. & Nor. 1st	108
25 "	100	20 N. Y. & Nor. 2ds	58
2 Chi. & O. con. 5s	113¾	2 N. Y., C. & St. L. 4s	108¾
8 "	104½	5 N. W. gold c	125
4 "	104¾	1 N. W. gold r	125
2 C., B. & Q. conv. 5s	108¾	5 N. P. 1st & land gr.	107
10 "	108¾	7 N. Y., O. & W. 1st	111⅞
20 "	108¾	6 N. Y., O. & W. con. 5s	102¾
5 C., B. & Q. 4s, neb.	99½	3 Oregon imp. 5s	70
" ex.	89¾	2 Phila. & Read. 2d	102¾
2 "	89¾	1 Pac. of Mo. 2d ex 1905	109
10 C., B. & Q. 7s	122¾	1 Peo., D. & E. E. div 1902	17
2 C., B. & Q. 5s, S. F.	104¾	47 Peo. & East. con. 4s	32
8 Can. So. 1st	107¾	8 Pitts. & Wn. 1st	88¾
8 "	107¾	4 "	88¾
10 Can. So. 2d	101¾	1 Rh. & W. P. T. 5s	63
20 "	101¾	40 Rh. & W. P. T. 5s	63¾
14 Chic. & N. P. 1st	81¾	48 "	63
5 "	81¾	5 "	63¾
2 "	81¾	15 "	63¾
1 Ch., P. & St. L. 5s	117¾	20 "	63¾
10 Chic. & E. Ill. 1st	114¾	25 "	63
4 Ch. & E. Ill. gnl. 5s	102	25 "	63
25 "	102¾	10 "	63¾
1 Co. Coal 6s	101	8 Rock Island 6s, c	125¾
2 Chic. Gas L. & C. Co. 1st	89¾	10 Rock Isl. ex. 5s	102¾
8 Chic. & E. Ill.	102	7 Reading gnl. 4s	80¾
25 Chic. & Ind.	52¾	5 "	80¾
2 Dal. & Waco 1st	88¾	15 Reading 2d pf. in	66¾
2 Ill. C. R. 4s	94	5 "	65¾
3 Erie con. 2d	107¾	5 "	65¾
60 "	107¾	50 "	66¾
10 "	107¾	10 "	66¾
5 Equit. G. A. 1st	100	10 Reading 3d pf. in	50¾
8 Edison E. Ill. 1st	101	11 "	50
2 E. Tenn. 1st	111¾	20 "	58¾
1 Ft. Wayne 1st	118¾	10 Reading def. in	18¾
8 Green Bay in	37	10 "	18¾
8 Hock. Val. 5s	88¾	105 "	18¾
12 "	88¾	10 Rio G. W. 1st	70
1 H. & T. C. deb. 6s	80½	2 "	78¾
8 H. & T. C. gnl. 4s	104	1 St. P. & Min. 2s	120¾
2 Iron Mt. & A. 1st	108	15 St. P. & Ma. 1st, M. C. 5s	103¾
2 Iron Mt. 5s	85¾	11 "	101¾
2 Ill. Cent. 4s	102 1/2	2 St. P. & Ma. 2d	118¾
6 Ind. & Sp. 1st	115	1 St. P. 1st, L. C. d.	122¾
2 Kan. & Tex. 4s	80¾	14 "	123½
6 "	80½	17 St. P. gnl. 4s	89¾
2 Kan. & Tex. 2ds	30¾	1 St. P. 1st, C. & M.	109¾
8 "	30½	7 "	101¾
6 Ken. Cent. 1st	89½	2 St. P. 1st, C. & P. W. div	106⅞
1 Kansas & M. 4s	76	1 St. L. & So. W. 1st	71
1 Laclede Gas 1st	81¾	1 St. L. V. & T. H. 1st	108
3 "	81¾	5 Sav. Am. & M. 1st	74
5 Lake Shore 1st, c	121½	1 "	77¾
17 Lon. & N. 7s	142¾	10 Sav. & W. 1st	77¾
1 Long Island 4s	95	7 San. & A. P. 1st	66¾
5 L., N. O. & Tex. 1st	85	10 St. Jo. & C. C. 1st	37½
1 Man. con. 4s, S. L. 1st, ls. ex.	115	10 Tex. Pac. 1st 5s	81
2 Mem. & Chas. 1st	98¾	95 Tex. Pac. 2d in	32¾
1 Met. El. 1st	111	5 "	32¾
2 "	111¾	3 "	32¾
1 Met. El. 2d	105	2 T., A. & A. G. 7 1st	110
37 Mob. & Ohio gnl.	93¾	7 Tol. & O. C. 1st	105
4 Mex. Pac. con.	108	37 Tenn. ex. 1st, L. & R.	90
6 Nor. Pac. 1st c	118¾	14 Miss. Riv. div	92
1 Nor. Pac. 3d c	108¾	12 Wabash 1st	104¾
1 Nor. Pac. ch. 5s	75	9 Wabash 2d	89¾
2 "	75¾	5 "	89¾
8 "	79	5 W. Union col. 5s	102¾
1 Nort. & W., M. & W. div	91¾	22 West Shore 4s, r	104
8 N. J. Cent. gnl. 5s	112¾	10 West Shore 4s, r	103¾
		14 "	103¾

Total sales of railway bonds (par va ue), $1,532,000.

RAILROAD AND OTHER SHARES.

Sales.		Opening. Bid.	High est.	Low est.	Closing. Bid.	Asked.
15	Amer. Cable	81	81	81	81½	82
110	American T. pf	108¾	108¾	108¾	108	109
185	American Ex.	117½	117½	117	118	120
170	Amer. Cot. oil	37¾	37¾	36	36¼	40
222	Amer. Cot. oil pf	70¾	71¾	69¾	69¾	70
510	Atch., T. & S. Fe	38¾	39¾	38¾	38¾	38¾
100	Bun., Roch. & P.	99¾	99¾	99	99¾	99
500	Balt. & Ohio	91¾	91¾	91¾	91¾	92
470	Can. Southern	62¾	63	61¾	61½	62
400	Can. Pacific	89¾	89¾	89¾	89¾	89¾
1618	Ches. & Ohio	26	26	25¾	25¾	26
181	C. & O. 1st pf	62	62	61¾	61	62
2695	C. & O. 2d pf	43¾	43¾	43	43	43¾
8810	Chicago Gas	71¾	72¾	70¾	70¾	70¾
2875	C., C., C. & St. L.	72¾	72¾	71¾	71¾	71¾
300	C., C., C. & St. L. pf	98	98	98	98	99
18285	Chic. & N. W.	118¾	118	116¾	118	118¾
2910	C. & Alton	154¾	154¾	153¾	153¾	155
5606	C., B. & Q.	73	73	65	65	73
26480	C., M. & St. P.	78¾	79¾	78¾	78¾	79
3399	C., M. & St. P. pf	127¾	128	127¾	128	127¾
4235	C., R. I. & Pac.	88¾	89¾	88¾	88¾	89
400	Colorado Coal	36¾	36¾	36¾	36	36¾
400	Col., H. V. & Tol.	31¾	31¾	31¾	31¾	31¾
2600	Del., Lack. & W.	155	156	154	154¾	155
350	Consol. Gas	112	112	112	112	112¾
8883	Del. & Hudson	143¾	143¾	141	141¾	141¾
5400	Lackawanna	143¾	143¾	142¾	142¾	143¾
125	Denver & R. G.	18¾	18¾	18¾	18¾	18¾
6690	Den. & R. G. pf.	53½	53½	52	52	52¾
8630	Distilling & C. F.	46¾	46¾	46	46	46¾
1100	E. T., V. & G.	7¾	7¾	7	7	7¾
800	E. T., V. & G. 2d pf	18	18	17¾	17¾	18
608	Edison G. E.	98¾	98¾	98	98	98½
400	Evans. & T. H.	125	125	124	124	125
35	Green Bay & W.	11¼	11¼	11¼	11¼	11¼
79	Harem	250	250	250		
630	Ill. Central	105	105¼	105	105	105¾
20	Iowa Cen. pf	54	54	52	51	54
700	Lo., St. L. & T.	19¾	21	19¾	21	22
515	L. E. & Western	26	26	25¾	25¾	25¾
400	L. E. & Western pf	70¾	70¾	70	70	70¾
2675	Lake Shore	127¾	128	127	128¾	128¾
175	Long Island	101	101	101	100	101
5020	Louis. & Nash.	74¾	74¾	73¾	73¾	74¾
400	Manhattan Con.	113¾	113¾	113¾	113¾	113¾
3891	Mich. Central	109¾	110¾	109¾	109¾	110
435	Missouri Pac.	82¾	82¾	81¾	81¾	82¾
200	Mobile & Ohio	29¾	29¾	29¾	29¾	29¾
100	Natl. L. Oil	32	32	32	31¾	32¾
1610	N. J. Central	142¾	142¾	141	140	141
25000	N. Y. Central	117¾	117¾	117	117	117¾
388	N. Y. City & N. pf.	17¾	17¾	17¾	16¾	17¾
1060	Natl. Cordage	95¾	95¾	95¾	95¾	95¾
160	Natl. Cord. pf	107¾	107¾	107¾	107¾	107¾
300	North Amer.	15¾	15¾	15¾	15¾	15¾
80370	N. Y. & Eng.	59	59	51¾	52¾	52¾
200	N. Y., C. & St. L.	19¾	19¾	19¾	19¾	19¾
180	N. Y. & St. L. 1st pf	77¾	77¾	76¾	76	77
100	N. Y. & S. 2d pf	42¾	42¾	42¾	42¾	42
6520	N. Y., L. E. & W.	33¾	33¾	32¾	32¾	32¾
2690	N. Y., L. E. & W. pf	77	77¾	76¾	76¾	77
300	N. Y., S. & W.	13	13	12¾	12¾	13
200	N. Y., S. & W. pf	55¾	55¾	55¾	55	56
100	Nor. & West. pf	50	50	50	50	50
657	Northern Pac.	23¾	23¾	23¾	23¾	23¾
6420	North. Pac. pf	67¾	67¾	67¾	67¾	67¾
100	Ontario & Min.	43¾	43¾	43¾	43	45
100	Ontario & West.	21	21	20¾	20¾	20¾
40	Pacific Mail	37¾	37¾	37	37	37¾
41900	Phil. & Read.	59¾	59¾	58¾	58¾	58¾
6	Phil. Pal. Car Co.	187¾	187¾	187¾	188	189
900	Pitts. & W. pf	42	42	41	40	41
315	Peo. & E.	12¾	12¾	12¾	12	15
200	Rio Grande W.	38¾	38¾	38¾	38¾	38¾
2713	Rich. & W. P.	13¾	13¾	13¾	13¾	13¾
3600	Rich. & W. P. pf	75	75	68¾	69¾	71¾
200	St. P. & Duluth	43¾	43¾	43	43	43¾
1300	St. J. & Grand Is.	48¾	48¾	48¾	48¾	48¾
700	Southern Pac.	40¾	40¾	39¾	39¾	40
8220	Tenn. Coal & I.	45¾	45¾	44¾	44¾	45
310	Texas Pacific	10¾	10¾	10¾	10¾	10¾
20	T., A. & N.	25¾	25¾	25¾	25¾	25¾
8706	Union Pacific	47¾	47¾	46¾	46¾	46¾
50	U. S. Express	50	50	50	50	50
820	W., St. L. & P.	12¾	12¾	12¾	12¾	13¾
882	W., St. L. & P. pf	29¾	29¾	29¾	29	29¾
2545	West. Un. Tel.	88¾	88¾	87¾	87¾	88
8600	Wheel. & L. E.	36¾	36¾	35¾	35¾	36¾
411	W. & L. E. pf	76¾	77¾	75¾	76¾	76¾

Total sales of stocks were 598,532 shares.

UNLISTED DEPARTMENT TRANSACTIONS.

Sales.	Name.	Opening.	High est.	Low est.	Closing.
16845	Amer. Sug. Ref. Co.	87¾	87¾	86¾	86¾
400	Amer. Sug. Ref. Co. pf.	94¾	94¾	94¾	94¾
20	Natl. Lead Trust Ctfs.	106	106	106	106
120	Natl. Lead Co.	33¾	33¾	33¾	33¾
100	Natl. Lead Co. pf.	82¾	83	82¾	82¾
1	Nat. Starch M. Co., T. R.	98¾	98¾	98¾	98¾
300	Tol., Peo. & W.	20¾	20¾	20¾	20¾
100	Alice	80	80	80	80
1000	Brunswick	12	12	12	12
10	Horn Silver	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00
10000	Pipe Line Ctfs.	59	59	59	59

BOSTON CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

	Bid.	Asked.		Bid.	Asked.
Bos. & Albany	204	205	Tyson-Hson R.	50	50½
Bos. & Maine	166	169¾	Westbouse E.	14¾	15¾
Cent. Mass.	17	17¾	West End land	19	19¾
Fitchburg	87¾	88	Boston & Mon.	35¾	36¾
N. Y. & N. E. pf.	—	103¾	Butte & Boston	14¾	15¾
Mex. Cent. 4s	75¾	76¾	Calumet & H.	225	—
Old Colony	173	—	Santa Fe M. Co.	22¾	28
Wis. Cent. pf.	41	—	A., T. & S. Fe 4s.	82	82¾
Amer Bell Tel.	200¾	200¾	A., T. & S. Fe m.	60¾	61
Erie Tel.	4¾	4¾			

PHILADELPHIA CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

	Bid.	Asked.		Bid.	Asked.
Lehigh Valley	58¾	58¾	Penna. R. R.	55	55¾
L. C. & N. Co.	54	54¾			

LATEST LONDON QUOTATIONS.

Atchison	40¾	Norfolk & West pf	50¾
Canadian Pacific	52¾	Northern Pacific pf	69
Erie Common	24¾	Ontario & West	21
Erie 2d consols	110	Pennsylvania	54¾
Illinois Central	107¾	Reading	30¾
Kansas & Texas	17¾	St. Paul	89¾
Lake Shore	130¾	Union Pacific	46
Lou. & Nashville	76¾	Wabash pf	30¾
N. Y. Central	119¾		

THURSDAY, March 3.

The report of an important deal affecting the control of the New York and New England Railroad, which was the sole basis for a sharp advance in the stock of that company late yesterday afternoon, lost its force within a few minutes after the opening of business on the Stock Exchange to-day. There was no difficulty yesterday afternoon in confirming the report that the Presidency of the New England Company had been offered to Dr. Seward Webb of the Vanderbilt family, but it was impossible to learn that he had accepted the position. On the contrary, all the trustworthy information obtainable last night and again to-day was that Dr. Webb would not participate in the management of the property. In consequence the stock began to sell "ex-mystery" practically at the opening.

Of course, the usual contingent of credulous speculators was on hand to buy the stock, "mystery-on," and some of them paid as high as 59 for it, which was three points above the closing price of yesterday. Others at the same time paid 56 and various prices between that figure and the one first mentioned; for the opening was excited and the group of brokers dealing in the stock was so large that prices ranging from 56 to 59 were recorded the moment the clock struck 10. Within a few minutes the trading became more rational, but at a decline in price to 54, and a little later to 53. During the middle of the day the stock rallied feebly, and then sold down to 51⅞. It closed 3½ ⅌ cent. lower than yesterday at 52⅞. All of yesterday's improvement was, therefore, wiped out and a further loss of 1⅛ ⅌ cent. was sustained. The dealings were enormous, being approximately 300,000 shares, or nearly 50 ⅌ cent. more than the capital stock of the company.

If the true story of this latest deal in New England could be told it would doubtless read about as follows: In consequence of a lack of harmony between President Austin Corbin and Director Charles Parsons, who recently acquired an interest in the property, the last named, who had had a pleasant experience with the Vanderbilts in disposing of the Rome, Watertown and Ogdensburg Railroad to the New York Central, suggested to his associates in the management of the New England Company that they should interest the Vanderbilts in that company. Negotiations were opened with the view of securing Dr. Seward Webb as a successor to Mr. Corbin, and up to last night the anti-Corbin faction in the New England Board felt reasonably sure of success.

In the absence of Dr. Webb from town, his friends say that the negotiations broke down because the New England party was unable to carry out the arrangement it had suggested. Equally trustworthy information is that, as soon as the management of the New York Central Company became convinced of Dr. Webb's serious predilection for the Presidency of the New York and New England Company, it intrusted two of the members of the Vanderbilt family with the task of persuading the prospective President that he was being led astray to the detriment of enormous vested interests in New York Central. That corporation has for years enjoyed exceedingly close traffic arrangements with the Boston and Albany and the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Companies, and its managers felt that they could not afford to have those relations put in jeopardy, as they doubtless would be if Dr. Webb should accept the proffered Presidency. This view is said to have been presented to the candidate with such force that the negotiations referred to above broke down over night. Still, the market for New England opened with sufficient force this morning to enable all well-informed insiders to dispose of all the stock they wished to, and possibly put out an extensive line of shorts besides. And yet Wall street wonders why stock speculation is unpopular with the public.

The collapse of the New England movement was temporarily offset in the general list by the strength of Lake Shore and New York Central, but in the later dealings the entire list gave way, and the professional element, seemingly disgusted with the day's business, made a sharp attack upon Richmond Terminal securities and lowered the prices of all of them materially. Whoever engineered the movement probably took into account the impatience of the street at the delay in promulgating the plan of reorganization. The decline gave currency and color to rumors that the reorganization had met with a setback. That, however, does not appear to be the case. But the magnitude of the interests involved has required a longer time for the completion of details relating to the reorganization than it was estimated would be required a week or ten days ago.

Outside of New England the market was narrow, and only a few stocks, notably New York Central, Lake Shore, St. Paul, Northwest, Rock Island, Louisville and Nashville, and National Cordage common, resisted the downward tendency. The closing was weak, with prices in the main at the lowest figures, and these in most cases were materially below the final figures of yesterday.

Final sales compare with those of yesterday as follows:

	March 2.	March 3.		March 2.	March 3.
A., T. & S. Fe	38¾	38¾	Nat. Cordage	95¾	95¾
Amer. Cot. Oil	37¾	36	North. Am. Co.	15¾	15¾
Buff., R. & P.	39¾	39	North'st com.	114	113
Can. Southern	62¾	61¾	Nor. Pac. com.	23¾	23¾
Can. Pacific	90	89¾	Nor. Pac. pf.	67¾	67¾
C., C., C. & St. L.	71¾	71¾	N. Y. Central	118	117
C., B. & Q.	65	65	N. Y., C. & St. L.	19¾	19¾
Ches. & Ohio	26	25¾	N. Y. & N. W.	125	125
C. & O. 2d pf.	43¾	43	N. J. Central	142¾	141
Chicago Gas	70¾	70¾	Omaha com.	48¾	48¾
Del., L. & W.	156¾	155	Rock'n & W.	21¾	21
Del. & Hudson	143¾	141	Rock Island	89	89
Denver & R. G.	18¾	18¾	Rich. & W. P.	14¾	13¾
Brn. & R. G. pf.	52¾	52	R. & W. P. pf.	75¾	70
Dist. & C. F. Co.	46¾	46	St. Paul com.	78¾	79
Erie	33¾	32¾	St. Paul pf.	127	127¾
Rock Valley	31¾	31¾	Texas Pacific	10¾	10¾
Ill. Central	105	105¾	T. C. I. & R.	45¾	44¾
Kan. & Tex. pf.	29¾	29¾	Union Pacific	47	46¾
Louis. & Nash.	73¾	73¾	Wab. & P. com.	13¾	12¾
Lake Shore	128¾	128¾	Wab. & P. pf.	30	29¾
Lake E. & W.	36¾	35¾	West. Un. Tel.	88¾	87¾
Manhat. Con.	113¾	113¾	Wheel. & L. E.	36¾	36¾
Mich. Central	109¾	110	W. & L. E. pf.	77	76¾
Mo. Pacific	82¾	81¾			

Government bonds firm. The 4s closed ¼ ⅌ cent. higher bid. Railway bonds weak. The features were Texas Pacific 2ds, Savannah and Western 1sts, Richmond and Terminal 5s, Pittsburgh and Western 1sts, Kansas and Texas 2ds, Erie 2d consols, Chicago and North Pacific 1sts, and Reading issues. The more important net declines were in Chicago and North Pacific 1sts, ¼ ⅌ cent., to 81; Erie 2d consols, ⅛, to 107; Kansas and Texas 2ds, ⅜, to 49½; Pittsburgh and Western 1sts, ⅛, to 83; Richmond and Terminal 5s, ⅜, to 69½; Reading general 4s, ⅛, to 80⅛, and 3d preference incomes, 1, to 58¾; Savannah and Western 1sts, 2, to 77½, and Texas Pacific 2ds, ¼ ⅌ cent., to 32.

Bar silver in London, 41¼d.

In bank stocks 50 shares of Merchants' sold at 154½.

Money on call, 1½@2 ⅌ cent. Time money, 3 ⅌ cent. for sixty days, 3½ ⅌ cent. for three to four months, 4 ⅌ cent. for six months, and 4½ ⅌ cent. for a year on good mixed Stock Exchange collateral. Commercial paper quiet. The demand is less active. Prime endorsed bills receivable are quoted at 3½@4 ⅌ cent., first-class single-name, four months, at 4½@5 ⅌ cent., good names at 5@6 ⅌ cent., and out-of-town names at 6@7 ⅌ cent.

Sterling exchange dull and steady. Posted asking rates $4.86@$4.86½ for long bills and $4.88@$4.88½ for demand. Actual rates are: Long bills, $4.85½@$4.85¾; sight drafts, $4.87½@$4.88⅛, and cable transfers, $4.88. Francs are quoted 5.16¼@5.17½ for sight and 5.18¾ less 1-16@5.16⅛ for long; reichsmarks, 95 1-16@95¼ for short and 95 5-16 for long; guilders, 40 1-16@40⅛ for long and 40⅜@40 5-16 for short.

Domestic exchange on New York: Boston —15@20 cents discount ⅌ $1,000. Charleston —Buying, par, and selling, ⅛ premium. Savannah—Buying, par; selling, ⅛ premium. New Orleans—Bank, 150 premium; commercial, 50 premium. San Francisco—Sight, 25 cents; telegraphic, 30. St. Louis—25 cents premium. Chicago—75 cents discount.

Railway gross earnings for February compare with those of the same month last year as follows:

	1892.	1891.		
St. Paul	$2,304,102	$1,878,992	Inc.	$425,110
Milwaukee and Northern	121,962	110,439	Inc.	5,523
Northern Pacific	1,557,982		Inc.	88,021
Wisconsin Cent'l	395,866		Inc.	69,364
Rock Island system	1,321,438		Inc.	208,556

Treasury balances compare with those of yesterday as follows:

	March 2.	March 3.
Gold coin and bullion	$122,122,111	$122,309,469
Silver coin and bullion	3,044,278	3,769,642
Legal tenders, including Treasury notes	4,716,986	4,411,040
Totals	$130,783,375	$130,541,151

Deposits in national banks, $13,753,215, against $14,535,840 yesterday. In addition to the foregoing the Treasury reports silver bullion purchased under the act of July 14, 1890, $85,470,679, and Treasury notes issued against the same, $85,320,212, of which $75,063,097 are outstanding.

Money in London, 2@2½ ⅌ cent. Rate of discount in the open market, for both short and three months' bills, 2 ⅌ cent. The Bank of England's minimum rate of discount remains unchanged at 3 ⅌ cent. Amount of bullion gone into the Bank of England on balance to-day, £5,000. The proportion of its reserve to liabilities is 42 3-4 ⅌ cent., against 44.05 ⅌ cent. last week and 53.80 ⅌ cent. last year. Bullion in the Bank of England increased last week £118,000, and reserve decreased £304,000. Paris advices quote 3 ⅌ cents at 90 francs 47½ centimes and exchange on London at 25 francs 21½ centimes. The weekly statement of the Bank of France shows an increase of 7,100,000 francs gold and a decrease of 800,000 francs silver. The statement of the Imperial Bank of Germany shows a decrease in specie of 500,000 marks.

The sales of mining stocks at the New York Consolidated Stock and Petroleum Exchange to-day were as follows:

Sales.	Name.	Opening.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.
3,000	Brunswick	11	12	11	12
100	Belmont	60	60	60	60
500	Caledonia B. H.	1 02	1 10	1 00	1 00
200	Deadwood Ter.	2 00	2 00	2 00	2 00

The total sales were 4,400 shares.

Electric Stock Quotations.

Forney, March 3.—The latest electric stock quotations to-day were:

	Bid.	Asked.
Boston Electric Light Co.	10½	11
Thomson-Houston Electric Co.	70½	70¾
Thomson-Houston Electric Co. pf.	27¾	28¾
Fort Wayne Electric Co.	12¾	12¾
Westinghouse Electric Co.	14¾	15¾
European Welding Co.	1¾	2¾

New York Markets.

TUESDAY, March 3.—FLOUR AND MEAL—The flour market was active, the sales aggregating about 25,000 bbls. and sacks, and prices at the opening were rather firmer, but the close was dull and barely steady. CORNMEAL—Futures opened a little dearer, especially for the early months, on the better general business in spot cotton at the South and elsewhere, with a smaller crop movement. But there was very little demand. It was simply a case of no sellers at the prices; yet the extreme dulness caused a flat closing, neither bull nor bear seeming to understand precisely what ailed him. Spot cotton was dull: middling uplands, 7 11-16c.; do. Gulfs, 7 7-16c. The following are the details of the transactions in futures, with sales of 47,300 bbls:

Months.	Closing Prices.	High'st.	Low'st.	Sales.
March	6.72@6.73	6.73	6.72	1,100
April	6.82@6.83	6.85	6.81	4,100
May	6.92@6.93	6.94	6.92	11,100
June	7.02@7.04	7.05	7.02	9,800
July	7.13@7.14	7.14	7.13	3,300
August	7.23@7.24	7.25	7.22	11,900
September	7.33@7.34	7.34	7.33	700
October	7.43@7.44	7.44	7.41	1,800
November	7.53@7.54	7.54	7.52	2,900
December	7.62@7.64	7.63	7.63	300

	1891-92. Bbls.	1890-91. Bbls.
Port receipts this day	13,685	16,846

PROVISIONS—Lard futures declined pretty sharply under selling to realize, some of the bulls, despairing of the prospect for any advance. Sales 2,500 tcs. at 6.70@6.72c. for March, 6.79@6.85c. for May, and 6.97c. for July. After Change the close was easier at 6.70c. for March, 6.76c. for May, and 6.96c. for July. Spot lard was fairly active, but at lower prices in sympathy with the contracts market; sales 650 tcs. prime city at 6.75@6.80c., and 750 tcs. prime Western at 6.77½@6.85c. regular, renned for the Continent quoted at 6.90@7.10c. Pork quiet and unchanged at $9.75@$10.50 for mess. Cut meats without decided change; sales 20 bxs. clear bellies at 6½c., and 1,000 pickled hams at 9c. Dressed hogs firmer at 6¼@6½c.; pigs, 6½@6¾c. Tallow quiet but steady at 4 11-16c. Stearine easier at 6¼@6½c. Oleo oil and tcs. Butter and cheese in good demand. Eggs easier.

GRAIN—heat futures opened firmer, on stronger cable advices and reports of bad weather in France, but a pressure to sell on Western account gave values a downward tendency, under which the early advance was more than lost. Sales 7,000,000 bush. at $1.0 ⅌ $1.05, for March, $1.04@$1.05⅝, for April, $1.02⅝@$1.03⅝, for May, $1.01⅝@$1.00⅝, for June, 98⅝@99⅝c. for July, and 100⅝@101⅝c. for August. Spot wheat was in fair export demand and about steady; sales 100,000 bush. including No. 2 Northern, spring at $1.05, afloat, No. 2 do. at $1, and No. 2 red winter $1.07 afloat. Indian corn futures opened at some further advance, but the demand was not maintained, and the close was a fraction lower, under full receipts at the West. Sales 685,000 bush. at 49⅝@49⅞c. for March, 50⅝@50⅞c. for April, 49⅝@50c. for May, 48⅝@48⅞c. for June, and 49⅝@49⅞c. for July. Spot corn was more active for export, with a good local demand, and prices were pretty well sustained. Sales 185,000 bush., including No. 2 mixed at 49⅝@50⅝c. in elevator and afloat, steamer do. at 49⅝@49⅞c., and No. 3 do. at 49½c. afloat; also yellow, at 49⅝@50c., and white at 51⅝@52c. Oats were fairly active but prices were barely steady. Sales 185,000 bush., including No. 2 mixed at 36⅝@36⅞c. for March and 37c. for May, and on the spot, mixed at 35⅝@37½c., and white at 37½@42c., as to quality; also, No. 2 white at 39⅝@39⅞c. in elevator, and No. 2 mixed at 36⅝@36⅞c. in elevator. Rye steady, with small sales of prime nominally at 98c. Barley still non-nominal. Buckwheat quiet at 55c. for prime afloat. After Change—Wheat closed easy. No. 2 red winter for March, $1.03¾; April, $1.04; May, $1.02; June, $1.01⅝; July, 99⅝c.; August, 100c. Corn easy. No. 2 mixed for March, 49½c.; April, 50½c.; May, 49⅝c.; June, 48⅝c.; July, 49½c. Oats easy; No. 2 mixed for March, 36⅝c.; May, 37c.; No. 2 white for March, 39½c.

COFFEE—Contracts were dull, but values made a slight improvement on stronger European advices. Cost and freight quoted 1-16c. higher, as compared with yesterday's final prices. Receipts at Rio, 9,000 bags; at Santos, 16,000 bags. Sales, 10,250 bags, closing firm, with sellers at the following prices:

March	12.70c.	June	12.70c.
April	13.20c.	July	12.55c.
May	12.95c.	August	12.50c.
		September	12.35c.
		October	12.25c.
		December	12.10c.

The spot market was fairly active and steady. Rio quoted at 15c. for No. 7. Mild grades were fairly active and firmer. Sales of Cordova at 14½@17c., 1,500 bags do. to arrive per Alliance, at 14c., 1,500 bags do. to arrive per Gravesend, at 14½c., and 500 bags Santos, No. 2, to arrive per Hochelaga, at 13½c. Mild grades easy; sales 1,400 bags Maracaibo at 20½@20¾c. for good ordinary.

SUGAR, &c.—The market for raws was fir