FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

New York Stock Exchange—Sales March 19.

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

20 U. S. 4s.c	114¾	4 U. S. 5s 1912	124¾
10 U. S. 4s.c, 1907	115	15 Va. 6s deferred, J. M.	5
1891	98	5	9⅞

CLOSING PRICES OF UNITED STATES BONDS.

	Bid.	Asked.		Bid.	Asked.
U. S. 6s, 1895	100¼	101¼	U. S. 4s, 1907	113	—
U. S. 4s, 1907	112¾	113¼	U. S. 5s, 1895	105	—
U. S. 4s, c.	114¾	114¾	U. S. 6s, 1897	107¼	—
U. S. 5s, 1904	112¾	113¼	U. S. 4s, 1908	110	—
U. S. 6s, c.	117¾	117¾	U. S. 4s, 1925	113	—

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

27 Atchison 4s	74¾	2 Nor. Pac. & M. 1st	95
15	74¾	5	95¼
15	74¾	5 N. J. Cent. 5s, r.	111¾
10 Atchison 2d s.	36	20 N. J. Cent. 5s	118
5	35¾	5 N. Y. C. 1st, r.	124¾
12	35¾	5 N. Y. C. 1st, r.	124¾
1 Ill. & Pad. 1st	95¾	1 Nash. & Chat. 1st	117
15 Ill. & P. 1st	45¾	1 Nash. & Chat. 2d	102
1	46	5 N. W. 6s, 30 yr.	107¾
1 Am. U. G. 6s	112¾	3	108¾
5 Am. Dock & Im. 5s	104¾	1 N. Y., O. & W. 4s	86
22 B. & O. R. W. 1st	106¾	1	87¾
7 B., C. R. & N. 5s	97¾	5 N. Y. & Hor. 6s	109
1	97¾	5 Or. R. & N. con. 5s	106
17	97¾	4	71
10 Ch. & O. con. 6s	105	1 Oswego & R. 2d	107
10 Ch. & O. 6s, 1892	101¾	12 Ore. S. L. 6s	92¾
5 Ch. & O. 6s, 1893	103¾	5 Ore. S. L. con. 5s	84
1 C. & A. Q. con. 6s	108¾	4 O. S. L. U. T. 5s	49
1 C., B. & Q. 4s, new	95¾	1	48¾
1	95¾	1	48¾
15 C., B. & Q. 2s	120¾	10 Oregon Imp. 1st	97¾
1 C., R. & Q. deb. 5s	101	7	98
2 Cin., D. & I. 1st 5s	97	5 Ore. Imp. 5s	85
5	97¾	5	85¼
10	97¾	5	85¾
1 Cin. So. 1st	113	1 Phila. C. & S. 6s	115
8 Con. 6s, 2d	108	L. 4½s, S. A.	108
5 Chic. & Nor. W. 1st, L. 4½s, S. A.	108	1 Phila. C. & S. 6s, L. 4½s, S. A.	108
7 R. M. 1st	46¾	13 P., D. & E. 1st, E. d.	74
15	46¾	2 Penna. 4½s	110
20	46¾	2	110
15 Chi. & Nor. P. 5s	46¾	3 Rd. & W. P. T. 6s	50¾
15	46¾	5 Rd. & W. P. T. 5s	22¾
10	46¾	5	22¾
47	47¾	2	22¾
1	47¾	1 Rock Isl. ex. 6s	100¾
3	47¾	1	101¾
8	46¾	2	101¾
1 Chi. & Canl. 1st s.	70	6 Rock Isl. deb. 6s	90¾
5 Ch. & R. Ill. gnl. 5s	100¾	2 Rh. & Dav. 5s	98
10	100¾	5 Reading gnl. 4s	77
1 Chic. L. & S. 1st	108¾	1	76¾
10 Erie 1st s.	111¾	12	76¾
5 Erie con. 1st	112¾	10 Read. 1st pf. inc.	37¾
10 Erie con. 2d	85	15	37¾
1 R. Tenn. 5s	95	3	37¾
10	95¾	3	37¾
10	94	15 Reading 2d pf. inc.	26¾
10 Edison E. I. 1st	104	15 Reading 3d pf. inc.	21
1 Gen. Elec. deb.	85	5 Rich. & Dan. 5s	69¾
2 Harlem 1st, r.	119¾	1 Sel. V. & N. N. 4s	74
8 Ion St. 2d	190	6 So. P. of Cal. 5s	91¾
3 Iron M. 5s, gt.	78	5 So. Pac. of Ariz. 1st	93¾
10 Int. & Gt. N. 5s	70	5 So. P. R. F. gnl. 5s	80
2 Ill. Cent. 4s, 1951	110	1	79
1 Ind., Ill. & I. 1st	80	10 St. P. 1st 5s	114¾
5 Ill. Steel con. 5s	85	1 St. P. gnl. 4s	74
1 Ind. Cent. 1st	111	9 St. P. M. & M. 5s	104¾
2 Kan. & Tex. 4s	81	11 St. L. & S. W. 2d	17¾
1	81¼	10 Sav. & W. 1st	42
1	81¾	10	41¾
1 Kan. & Tex. 2s	44¾	1 San A. & A. P. 1st 4s	85¾
5	44¾	5	55¾
2 Knox. & O. 1st	102¾	5	55¾
1 Kentucky C. 1st	84¾	6 Union Pac. 6s	104¾
2 Long Island 4s	95	2 Tol., P. & Wa. 1st	84
5 Lehigh V. T. 5s	106¾	1 Terre H. 2d pf.	101¾
5 Leh. V. C. 5s, 1st	103¾	1 Terre H. 2d inc.	103¾
5 Mo., Kan. & E. 1st	81¾	10 T., A. A. & N. M. con.	30
10 Mex. Int. 1st 4s	68¾	8 Union Pac., 6s	104¾
1 Mex. Nat. 2d	19¾	2 Union Pac., '98s	104¾
1 Mobile & O. gnl.	58¾	2 Union Pac., '98s	104¾
5 Mo. P. col. 1st 5s	67	1 Un. Pacific S. F.	99¾
81 Nor. Pac. 1st, c.	112¾	2 Union El. 1st	99¾
5 Nor. Pac. 2d, c.	86	5	99¾
5	86¾	10	99¾
10	86¾	10 U. S. Leather 6s	105¾
10	86¾	8	105¾
5	87	8 Wabash 1st	104¾
10 Nor. Pac. 3d, c.	63	7	104¾
3	62¾	5 Wabash 2d	75¾
3	62¾	3 Wab. D. & C. ex.	38¾
1 Nor. Pac. cn. 5s	98¾	2 West Shore 4s	103¾
10	31	5	104
10	31¾	3 W. Shore 4s, reg.	103
13	31¾	10 W. N. Y. & Pa. 2d	19¾
5	31¾	4	19¾
65	32	9	19¾
53	31¾	9	19¾
11	32	5	20
1	32¾		

Total sales of railway bonds (par values), $1,489,000.

RAILROAD AND OTHER SHARES.

Sales.		Open-ing.	High-est.	Low-est.	Closing. Bid.	Asked.
61178	Am. Sug. Ref.	92	95¾	91¾	95	95¼
635	Am. Sug. Ref. p.	98¾	99	98¾	99	99¼
2295	Amer. Tob.	75	76	75	75	75¾
240	Amer. Ex.	114	114	113¼	115	—
1520	Am. Cot. Oil	30¾	30¾	29¾	29¾	30
8900	Atch., T. & S. Fe	15¾	16¾	15¾	15¾	15¾
500	Atlantic & Pac.	1¾	1¾	1¾	1	1¾
540	Balt. & Ohio	77	77¾	77	77¾	78¾
65	Canada So.	51¼	51¼	51¼	50¾	51¼
35	Ches. & Ohio	19¾	19¾	19	19	19¾
10465	Chicago Gas	64¾	67¾	64	67¾	68¼
20	C. Gas div. s.	1.2	1.20	1.20	—	—
1015	C., C., C. & St. L.	40¾	41¾	40¾	41	41¼
100	C., C. & St. L. p.	84¾	84¾	84¾	84¾	—
3455	Chic. & N. W.	106¾	107¾	106¾	106¾	107
8150	C., R. & Q.	81¾	82	81¾	81¾	81¾
12525	C., B. & Q.	63¾	63¾	63¾	63¾	63¾
100	C., M. & St. P.	122¾	122¾	122¾	122¾	123¾
7120	C., R. I. & Pac.	70	70¾	69¾	70¾	70¾
110	Consol. Gas	128¾	128¾	128¾	128	128¾
1117	Del. & Hudson	126¾	128¾	126¾	128¾	128¾
200	Den. & R. G. pf.	39¾	39¾	36¾	36¾	37
100	Des M. & Ft. D.	6¾	6¾	6¾	6	7
7410	Dist'l'g & C. F.	27¾	28¾	26¾	26¾	26¾
400	Edison E. I.	97¾	98¾	97¾	98	100
5	Evans. & T. H.	62	62	62	62	65
20	Green R. & W.	7	7	7	6¾	7¾
4857	Gen. Elec.	42	43¾	42	42¾	42¾
20	Illinois Cen.	93	93	93	92	95
2150	Iowa Central	9¾	9¾	9¾	9¾	9¾
1000	Keok. & Des. M.	2	2	2	2	2¾
725	Lake Shore	129¾	129¾	128	127¾	128¾
600	Little Chief	7	7	7	—	—
5	Lacrosse	158	158	158	158	174
160	Lou. & Nash.	49¾	49¾	49¾	49¾	49¾
202	Louis. N. A. & C.	8¾	8¾	8¾	8¾	9
150	L. N. A. & Chic.	32¾	32¾	32¾	32	33
1100	Manhattan Con.	132¾	132¾	131¾	132¾	132¾
100	M. & St. L.	11¾	11¾	11¾	11¾	11¾
5565	Mo. Pacific	26¾	27¾	26¾	26¾	27¾
150	Mo., Kan. & T.	14¾	14¾	14¾	14¾	14¾
1000	Mo., K. & T. pf.	24¾	24¾	24¾	24¾	24¾
187	Nash. Chatt. & St. L.	10	10	10	10	11¾
100	N. J. Central	110¾	110¾	110¾	110¾	117
1500	N. Y. Central	100¾	100¾	100	100¾	100¾
1747	Nat. Lead	35¾	35¾	35¾	34	35¾
1034	Nat. Lead pf.	79	79¾	79	79¾	80
8418	Nat. Cordage	21¾	21¾	19	19	19¾
2112	Natl. Cord. pf.	42¾	42¾	42¾	38	42
2505	North Amer.	5¾	5¾	5	5¾	6
8930	N. L. & N. Exp.	11¾	11¾	10	10¾	10¾
425	N. P. C. & R. L.	158¾	158	158¾	158¾	160
1530	N. C. & St. L.	82¾	82¾	82¾	83	83¾
700	N. Y. L. E. & W.	17¾	18	17¾	17¾	17¾
100	N. Y., N. H. & H.	16	16	16	16¾	16¾
100	N. Y., S. & W.	45¾	45¾	45¾	45¾	46
1540	Northern Pac.	6¾	6¾	6¾	6¾	6¾
8.98	North. Pac. pf.	20¾	21	20¾	20¾	20¾
1840	Ontario & West.	16¾	16¾	16¾	16¾	16¾
5	Oregon Imp.	15	15	14	14	15¾
200	Oregon S. L.	9	9	9	8¾	9
600	Peo., Dec. & Evv.	4¾	5¾	4¾	5	5¾
800	Phila. & Read.	22¾	22¾	22¾	22¾	22¾
56	Pullman Palace	171¾	171¾	171¾	170	171¾
300	Phoenix of Ariz.	.10	.11	.10	.11	.15
30	R. & W. P. 1st A. P.	2	2	2	—	—
3845	Rich. & W. P.	3¾	4	3¾	4	4¾
200	R. C. R. R.	112	112	112	110¾	111¾
400	St. L. & S. W.	4	4¾	4	4¾	4¾
907	St. P. & Omaha	38¾	39	38¾	38¾	38¾
350	Southern Pac.	24¾	24¾	24¾	24¾	25
850	Texas C. & I.	15¾	15¾	15¾	15¾	16¾
310	Texas Pacific	8¾	8¾	8¾	8¾	8¾
1010	Tol. A. A. & N. M.	10¾	10¾	10	10	10¾
818	Union Pacific	18¾	19¾	18¾	18¾	19¾
100	Pac. D. & G.	5¾	5¾	5¾	5¾	5¾
1500	U. S. Rubber	85	85	85	85	86
200	Wabash	7¾	7¾	7¾	7	7¾
1600	Wabash pf.	18¾	18¾	18¾	18	18¾
3302	West. Un. Tel.	86¾	86¾	85¾	86	86¾
556	W. S. & L. E.	12¾	12¾	12¾	12¾	13
110	W. S. & L. E. pf.	40¾	40¾	40¾	47¾	40¾

Total sales of stocks were 178,591 shares.

BOSTON CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

	Bid.	Asked.		Bid.	Asked.
Bos. & Albany	206	207	West'boune R.	102	32
Bos. & Maine	—	149	West End Land	11¾	17¾
Fitchburg	78¾	79	Bos. & Mont.	56¾	57
A. T. & S. F.	28	28¾	Butte & Bos.	10¾	10¾
Flint & Pere M.	5	7	Calumet & H.	290	300
Old Colony	174	175	Dom. Coal	34¾	35
Amer. Bell Tel.	182	—	A., T. & S. F.	28¾	28¾
Erie Tel.	44	—			

PHILADELPHIA CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

	Bid.	Asked.		Bid.	Asked.
C. & I. Trust	61¾	61¾	L. C. & Nav. Co.	55	56
Con. Traction	34	34¾	Penna. R. R.	51	51¼
Con. Trac'n Sta.	84¾	84¾	Nat. Traction	104¾	104¾
Lehigh Valley	40¾	40¾			

LATEST LONDON QUOTATIONS.

Atchison	15¾	Norfolk & Western pf.	20¾
Canadian Pacific	64¾	Northern Pacific pf.	20
Erie common	14¾	Ontario & Western	16¾
Ill. Central	97¾	Pennsylvania	52¾
Illinois Central	106	Reading	16
Kansas & Texas	14¾	St. Paul	68¾
Lake Shore	130¾	Union Pacific	19¾
Mex. & Nashville	5¾	Wabash pf.	19¾
N. Y. Central	103¾		

MONDAY, March 19.

There was very little stock market to-day outside of the speculation in Sugar Refining. The trading in that stock was on a fairly extensive scale, and resulted in a net advance of 2⅛ ₱ cent. The final price, however, was considerably under the highest recorded. As usual of late, news from Washington was responsible for the movement of this stock. The reported decision of the Senate Finance Committee to give the refining industry the benefit of ⅛ of a cent per pound and to apply the color test in determining the grade of sugars was alleged by bulls upon Sugar Refining to be all the protection that refiners require. The market for National Lead was also favorably influenced by the tariff discussion, but Distilling and Cattle Feeding was comparatively neglected and inclined to heaviness.

Chicago Gas was one of the few stocks the course of which imparted an appearance of irregularity to the market. Every step in the quo warranto proceedings and in the legislative attacks against the enterprise were described in detail to Wall street by telegraph contemporaneously with the execution of selling orders in the certificates, which apparently came from Chicago. With the exception of St. Paul, the Granger stocks were strong, and the covering of a few shorts in Northern Pacific preferred lifted the price of that stock. On the other hand, New York and New England was weak throughout, and in the late trading National Cordage reacted sharply and closed 2¾ points lower than on Saturday. This last fluctuation demonstrated the unsubstantial character of the present market for the stock.

The market as a whole showed a good deal of strength, which was generally attributed to a very strong conviction that the Silver Seigniorage bill will be vetoed. Some encouragement was derived from the fact that no gold was taken for export to-morrow, although the sterling exchange market remains very firm. Should even the present limited demand continue, however, exports of specie may be necessary by the middle or end of the week, unless there should be some unforeseen increase in the supply of commercial bills. The closing of the stock market was in the main strong.

Final sales compare with those of Saturday as follows:

	March 17.	March 19.		March 17.	March 19.
A., T. & S. Fe	15¾	15¾	Nor. Pac. com.	6¾	6¾
Amer. C. O.	30¾	30¾	Nor. Pac. pf.	19¾	20¾
C., C., C. & St. L.	40¾	41¾	N. Y. Central	99¾	100¾
C., R. & Q.	81¾	81¾	N. Y. & N. E.	11¾	10¾
Chicago Gas	64¾	68¾	Omaha com.	38¾	39
Del. & Hud.	127¾	128	Ontario & W.	16¾	16¾
Dist. & C. F.	26¾	26¾	Rock Island	70	70¾
Erie	17¾	17¾	R. & W. P.	3¾	4
Gen. Electric	41¾	42¾	Reading	22¾	22¾
Kan. & Tex.	14¾	14¾	St. Paul com.	68¾	68¾
Lewis. & Nash.	49	49	Texas Pacific	8¾	8¾
Lake Shore	128	128	Tenn. C. I. & R.	19¾	19¾
Louisville	49¾	49¾	Union Pacific	19¾	19¾
Mil. Cord.	21¾	19	Wabash pf.	18¾	18¾
Mil. Cord. pf.	42¾	42¾	West. Un. Tel.	85¾	86¾
N. J. Central	110¾	110¾	W. & L. E. pf.	49¾	49¾
Northw'n com.	106¾	107			

Government bonds firm. The 4s coupon closed ⅛ ₱ cent higher bid. Railway bonds strong. The features were Atlantic and Pacific 1sts, Chesapeake and Ohio consol 5s, Cincinnati, Dayton and Ironton 1sts, East Tenn., Va. and Ga. gold 5s, Iron Mountain 5s, Northern Pacific and Montana 1sts, Oregon Short Line 6s, Savannah and Western 1sts, Union Elevated 1sts, Western N. Y. and Penn. 2ds, Atchison, Northern Pacific and leading issues. The more important net advances were in Atchison 4s, ¼ ₱ cent., to 74⅞; Atlantic and Pacific 1sts, ¼, to 46; Chesapeake and Ohio consol 5s, ⅛, to 105; Cincinnati, Dayton and Ironton 4s, ⅛, to 74⅞; Chicago and North Pacific 1sts, ⅛, to 46¾; and 1sts, 1, to 47⅞; East Tenn., Va. and Ga. gold 5s, 1, to 107; Iron Mountain 5s, 1 to 78; Northern Pacific 1sts, 1, to 113; 2d c., 1⅛, to 87; 3d c., 2, to 63, and consol 5s, ¼, to 32¾; Northern Pacific and Montana 1sts, 5, to 38⅛; Savannah and Western 1sts, ¼, to 41¼, and Western New York and Pennsylvania 2ds, ¼ ₱ cent., to 20. The noteworthy declines were in Oregon Short Line 6s, ⅛ ₱ cent., to 92¾; Reading general 4s, ⅛, to 76¾, and 2d preference incomes, ⅛, to 26¾, and Union Elevated 1sts, ¼ ₱ cent., to 96⅞.

In bank stocks 10 shares of Hanover sold at 320 and 100 shares of Mechanics' at 180.

Bar silver in London, 27¾d. Exports to Europe to-morrow 125,000 ounces.

Money on call, 1 ₱ cent. Time money is quoted at 2 ₱ cent. for sixty days, 3 ₱ cent. for six months, and 4 ₱ cent. for eleven months. Offerings continue unusually far in excess of the demand. The market for commercial paper is dull, owing to the small amount of desirable bills. Prime endorsed bills receivable are quoted at 3@3½ ₱ cent., choice single-name paper at 4@4½ ₱ cent., and good at 5@6 ₱ cent.

There was a narrow and firm market for foreign exchange. The demand from remitters was tight, but the supply of bills was very small, and hence rates were well sustained. Posted asking rates for sterling, $4.88 for long bills and $4.89½ for sight and demand. Actual rates are: Long bills, $4.87¼@$4.87½; sight drafts, $4.88½@$4.89, and cable transfers, $4.89@$4.89¼. Francs are quoted at 5.17½@5.16¼ for long and 5.15⅛@5.14⅛ for sight; reichsmarks, 95¾ for long and 95⅞ for short; guilders, 40 5-16@40⅞ for long and 40⅞ for short.

Domestic exchange on New York: Boston—Par to 10 cents premium for cash; checks par for cash. Charleston—Buying, par; selling, ¼ premium. Savannah—Buying, par; selling, ¼ premium. New Orleans—Bank, 150 premium; commercial, 75 premium. San Francisco—Sight, 15; telegraphic, 20. St. Louis—10 cents premium. Chicago—60@70 cents premium.

The all-rail east-bound shipments of dead freight from Chicago last week were 89,016 tons, against 86,955 the previous week and 88,615 tons the corresponding week of the previous year.

The condition of the Treasury at the close of business to-day compares with that of last Saturday as follows:

	March 17.	March 19.
Total available assets	$792,001,763	$791,946,462
Current liabilities	655,209,175	654,916,871
Total balance	$136,792,638	$136,955,591
Gold balance	107,358,201	107,260,676
Currency balance	$29,469,437	$29,695,015

Included in to-day's assets are $18,105,882 fractional silver coin, $11,000,000 minor coins and $11,352,686 deposits in national banks. The Treasury holds $11,630,788 national bank notes for redemption, against $11,562,511 on Saturday.

Money in London, 1¼ ₱ cent. Rate of discount in the open market, for both short and three months' bills, 1 3-16 ₱ cent. Amount of bullion gone into Bank of England on balance to-day, £103,000. Paris advices quote 3 ₱ cents at 16 francs 87½ centimes and exchange on London at 25 francs 22 centimes. The statement of the Imperial Bank of Germany shows an increase in specie of 6,240,000 marks.

The Homestake Mining Company has declared dividend 188 of 15 cents ₱ share, making $5,137,500 paid in dividends to date, payable March 20, and the Highland Mining Company has declared dividend 21 of 2½ cents ₱ share, making $515,000 paid in dividends to date, payable April 2 at the office of the transfer agents, Messrs. Lounsbery & Co., Mills building.

The committee of the first mortgage bondholders of the Chicago and Northern Pacific Railroad Company, of which J. Edward Simmons is the chairman, announce that after March 21 bonds deposited with the United States Trust Company will be received only upon such terms and conditions as the committee may determine.

Electric Stock Quotations.

BOSTON, March 19.—The closing quotations of electric stocks to-day were:

	Bid.	Asked.
Edison Electric Illuminating	110	115
General Electric	42	42¼
General Electric pf.	—	74
Lamson Store service	20	20¾
Westinghouse Electric	31	32
Westinghouse Electric pf.	49¾	50
Fort Wayne Electric	3	4
Fort Wayne Electric Trust (series A)	4¼	—
Thomson-Houston Trust (series B)	4¼	—
Thomson-Houston Trust (series D)	4¾	5¼

Commercial Compend.

MONDAY, March 19.—COTTON—Declined 4 to 5 points, but recovered this and advanced 1 to 2 points, closing steady. Sales 67,400. Liverpool declined ½ to 1 point, but recovered this and advanced 1 to 1½ points, closing steady; spot sales 10,000 at unchanged prices. In Manchester yarns were quiet and steady; cloths quiet. Bombay receipts for the half week 31,000, against 24,000 for the same time last year. Visible supply of cotton 4,300,000, against 4,000,000 last week. New Orleans declined 3 to 4 points, recovered this, and then declined 2 points. Spot cotton here was quiet and unchanged. Middling uplands 7½c. Sales 71 for spinning and 708 on speculation. In southern markets generally quiet, steady, and unchanged. New Orleans sold 3,000, Mobile 800, and savannah 575. Port receipts, 10,708, against 16,496 this day last week and 8,621 last year. Total thus far this week, 17,516, against 25,058 thus far last week. Exports to-day, 5,800 to Great Britain, 150 to France, and 1,257 to the Continent. Augusta receipts to-day, 43, against 120 last year. Memphis receipts, 598, against 775 last year; shipments to-day, 1,841, St. Louis receipts, 253, against 136 last year; shipments to-day, 975. Houston receipts, 1,474, against 613 last year; shipments to-day, 2,273. New Orleans receipts estimated for to-morrow at 6,000, against 8,442 on the same day last week and 4,571 last year. Silver in London advanced ¼d. To-day's sales:

	Cotton.	Hedged.	Lowest.	Sales.
April	7.40@7.41	7.41	7.35	4,600
May	7.46@7.47	7.47	7.40	30,700
June	7.53@7.54	7.54	7.48	20,100
July	7.59@7.60	7.60	7.54	8,600
August	7.64@7.65	7.65	7.59	6,500
September	7.67@7.68	7.68	7.63	500
October	7.69@7.70	7.70	7.65	500
November	7.70@7.72	7.72	7.65	500
December	7.72@7.73	7.73	7.70	500

COTTON COMMENTS—A decline in Liverpool and liberal port receipts caused an early drop in prices here. Then a rally in Liverpool followed by John Collins & Son, a lessened pressure to sell, and the covering of shorts caused an upward turn, which left prices slightly higher than at the close on Saturday. The large receipts at the ports are still a bad feature. The spot trade in cotton is quite light, but cotton goods sell more freely. There is, however, very little speculation. Reports from Fall River, Mass., state that the mills are all rushed with orders and that sales exceed production.

FLOUR—Was dull and weak. Exports 15,536 bbls. and 10,000 sacks. Receipts 14,114 bbls. and 10,870 sacks. The sales were 7,500 bbls., spring in bbls.: Fine, $1.75@$1.90; superfine, $1.85@$2.10; No. 2 extra, $2@$2.25; No. 1 extra, $2.20@$2.30; clear, $2.30@$2.70; straights, $2.35@$2.50; patents, $3.50@$4.50. Mill Feed—Brans, ⅝ 100 lbs. (40 lbs.), 80@85c.; shorts (80 lbs.), 85@90c.; middlings (80 to 100 lbs.), 85@92½c.; sharps, fine, 95c. @$1; rye feed, 85@87½c.; screenings, 60@80c. ⅝ 100 lbs.; oil meal, $27@$27.50.

GRAIN—Wheat declined ⅝c. to 1c. Trade moderate. Spot sales 40,000 bush., including 2 loads for export, No. 2 red at 72c. afloat, and No. 2 red at 72c. in store; No. 2 red at 72c. over May f. o. b. afloat and end of month. These were the receipts: Chicago, 22,767 bush.; Milwaukee, 27,300; Minneapolis, 151 cars; Duluth, 46,712; St. Louis, 14,000; Toledo, 13,427; Detroit, 15,857; Kansas City, 12,105; New York, 1,950; Baltimore, 7,942; Philadelphia, 8,036; Boston, 500. Total, 323,486 bush.; total Saturday, 323,051; total last year, 213,552. Future sales 2,915,000 bush., as follows:

	Opening.	Lowest.	Highest.	Closing.	Sat. Night.
May	61 15-16	61¾	61¾	61¾	62¾
July	64	63¾	64 1-16	63¾	64¾

Corn declined ¼@¾c. Spot sales 40,000 bush., including 4 loads for export, No. 2 mixed at 44½c. in elevator, 45½c. delivered, and 45½c. to arrive, f. o. b. afloat; steamer at 44c. in elevator. Future sales 400,000 bush., as follows:

	Opening.	Lowest.	Highest.	Closing.	Sat. Night.
May	42⅞	42¼	42⅞	42¼	42¼
July	43 7-16	43¼	43⅞	43⅞	43⅞

Oats declined ⅛c. to ½c. Spot sales 60,000 bush. No. 2 white at 37½c., upgraded at 37½@38½c. for white, and 34½@36½c. for mixed. Future sales 90,000 bush., as follows:

	Opening.	Lowest.	Highest.	Closing.	Saturday night.
May	34¼	34	34¼	34	34¼
July				33¾	34

This shows the visible supply:

	Wheat, bushels.	Corn, bushels.	Oats, bushels.
March 19, 1894	73,259,000	19,739,000	2,509,000
Decrease	1,246,000		
Increase		391,000	20,000
March 19, 1893	79,021,000	15,241,000	4,676,000
March 18, 1892	41,143,000	12,272,000	3,972,000

The New York stock is as follows:

	1894. March 17.	1894. March 19.	1893. March 18.	1892. March 18.
Wheat	11,742,668	12,991,000	9,818,000	7,588,000
Corn	830,268	577,877	456,979	1,932,979
Oats	633,224	547,032	662,400	3,000,964
Rye	50,058	47,533	69,286	547,653
Barley	1,925	4,995	122,905	74,296
Peas	21,442	21,442	2,901	3,271
Malt	46,814	46,814	67,960	57,026
Totals	13,026,489	13,847,893	11,200,876	8,182,727

GRAIN STRANDINGS—The weather, crop, cable, and statistical wheat news was generally bear ish, and prices again broke the record for low quotations. The visible supply decreased 1,246,000 bush, but that didn't issue up prices. There was very little business for export. The clearances show a falling off. See news columns. Corn declined, owing to larger receipts, an increase in quantity on passage to Europe of 384,000 bush., and an increase in the visible supply of 391,000. The fall in Wheat also had some effect. Oats sympathized with other grain. The visible supply increased only 20,000 bush. Both corn and oats meet with less cash demand here and at the West.

GROCERIES—Coffee futures opened 5 points lower for some months and 5 points higher for others. The trading was light all day. Havre advanced ¼f. Hamburg ¼ pfg. and London 6d. Rio and Santos quiet. Receipts at Rio 16,000, and at Santos 2,000. United States deliveries on Saturday 5,355 bags. Total for the week 40,473 bags, against 31,047 in the previous week and 36,348 in the same week last year. Stock of Brazil here in New York 145,638. United States visible supply 450,327, against 522,542 last year. To-day's sales:

Month.	Sales.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.
March	200	16.55	16.55	16.40@16.60
April	500	16.20	16.20	16.15@16.25
May	1,000	15.95	15.95	15.90@15.95
June	500	15.70	15.70	15.55@15.60
July	500	15.55	15.55	15.50@15.60
August	200	15.15	15.15	15.10@15.20
December	500	14.30	14.30	14.30@14.35

Rio on the spot was quiet and steady. No. 7, 17½@17¾c. Sales, 2,000 bags. No. 7 flat here at 17¾c. 5,000 bags Maracaibo and 400 Central American on p. t. Raw sugar dull and steady; 96° test, 3⅝c.; 96° test, 3¾c. Refined dull and ⅛c. lower.

NAVAL STORES—Were dull. Spirits, $1@$1½. Common to good strained rosin, $1.10@$1.15.

PETROLEUM—No sales of certificates were made here to-day. National, 82½c. bid. Oil City, 82½c. Refined $11.15 bid.

PROVISIONS—Chicago was higher. There was less pressure to sell. Some of the packers were buying, though other packers sold. Lard here dull. Western, 6½@6¾c.; Western at 6.95c. Dressed hogs, 6@6¼c. and pice, 6¾@6¾c. Mess pork, $12.25@$12.75. Tallow, 5@5 1-16c. Rest butter, 20@22½c.; do. cheese, 11¼@12c. Eggs, 12@14c.

CHICAGO, March 19.—These were the Chicago prices:

| | Opening. | Highest. | Lowest. | Closing. | Sat. Night. |
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