THE CHICAGO ORCHESTRA.

Mr. Theodore Thomas Again Welcomed to New York City.

Mr. Theodore Thomas, a learned musician, and one of the greatest leaders that ever lived, with an orchestra of eighty musicians, came to make New York a call last evening. There will be six other such visits between now and March 28.

In the issue of Sunday, Nov. 10, 1890, THE SUN said some wise and earnest words which are not out of place here, because the stigma they refer to rests still upon our public, as was amply attested last evening by the exhibition of Mr. Thomas's extraordinary power as a conductor:

"The first rehearsal and concert of the Philharmonic Society for the season of 1890-91 took place on Friday afternoon and last evening. On both occasions the Metropolitan was crowded by an attentive audience.

"Throughout the hall many whispered regrets were heard that the leader endeared to us by so many years of skilful, faithful service, is about to leave our city. It does, indeed, seem strange that, when individuals universally express so much regard for Mr. Thomas and so much appreciation of the stimulating and powerful influence he has exerted upon our musical welfare, the public, a simple aggregation of personalities, should sit calmly still and see him taken from us.

"There is little less than disgrace in the fact that New York thus gives him up. If we are even fortunate enough in time to fill his place, yet there will remain upon our record a stain of ingratitude for non-recognition of worthy almost gigantic labors, past, and a wilful blindness to those grand artistic standpoints always taken and upheld by Theodore Thomas.

"He has deserved much at the hands of our musical public—he has received but little. He should have been able to demand something, to dictate terms; but favors were grudgingly given, or not at all.

"What can a sovereign without a sceptre do but abdicate? And so he is going, and our loss is great, as those who watched his familiar form and steadily governing hand yesterday felt with a keen sense of pain.

"And the more admirable the rendering of the concert, just so much more was the sense of misfortune pressed home to the listener's mind."

A very similar sense of misfortune and loss was felt by many who saw Mr. Thomas last evening and noted the almost military precision which he exacted from his men, the intelligent conception of each phrase, and of the work being performed as a whole, and heard that wonderful elasticity and *tempo rubato* which nobody has ever been able to produce to the same extent or with the same beauty.

Thomas does all his drilling at rehearsals, and at concerts one sees only the easy, graceful poise of his body and the gentle movement of the arm—seldom both arms. He has certainly the ideal pose and manner for a conductor.

Then, too, he has the good, old-fashioned, earnest traditions of long ago—deep sincerity and a love and reverence for art. How else could he have accomplished all he did for New York? He brought us the best novelties and gave them to us in a most popular form in his fascinating Garden concerts.

He was the first to introduce us to Wagner, to Liszt, and to French composers. What a multitude of concerts he has conducted! During at least one season he had three different sets, one of them as some consisting of forty-eight performances.

Last night Mr. Thomas easily declared himself a consummate master in the art of conducting. His orchestra has a style of its own. In the crudest, boldest way of outlining, we should say its strongest characteristics are neatness and precision and the very strong accent which he causes to be used. These perhaps form the foundation, the solid principle of his work, but upon this is built much else that is necessary to perfect renderings.

Naturally following out of this remarkable exactness would come brilliancy, and this we find to a great extent in Thomas's style. There is no sentimentality in the performances of his band, and, indeed, a minimum of sentiment.

His rule is evidently, "use common sense and obey those marks of expression which the composer and myself point out to you, and then let such sentiment as is thus evolved suffice."

His leading is tonic and exciting, rather than languorous, and he excels in dashing pieces like Chopin's "Ritter" Polonaise, which he himself has cleverly orchestrated, and which was encored last evening.

The orchestra played for the most part with a delicious smoothness and repose, making the contrast of climaxes all the stronger by this means. And it was quite wonderful to hear the clearness and individuality given to each separate theme or phrase, no matter in what part of the orchestra it might occur. This was especially noticeable in the marvellous rendering of the "Meistersinger" overture, where, without trying to listen acutely, one would hear four or five distinct motives traveling along each for itself free and clear of the other voices, yet the whole woven together in a glorious mass of musical mosaic. It was by far the cleverest and most remarkable exposition of this *chef d'œuvre* that has ever yet been heard in New York.

The rest of the programme consisted of Tschaikowsky's "Symphony Pathetique," which has been heard at our Philharmonic and also at the Boston Symphony concerts, but which received a neater and more musical, better-balanced rendering last evening than before; Dvorak's "Symphonic Variations," which are more ingenious than inspired or lovable, and Beethoven's Lenore No. 3 overture, of which the interpretation was conventional, smooth, and rather kept upon the side of narrowness than of breadth or force.

The audience filled more than half the Metropolitan, but was by no means as large as it should have been. It was, however, most friendly in its attention to the conductor, and lavish of applause and greetings.

About two years ago some energetic admirers of Mr. Thomas attempted to raise a fund to subsidize a permanent orchestra for him here. This seemed at the time impossible, and as Mr. Thomas wisely chose not to come on any uncertainty this short visit of his is the sole outcome of the desire on the part of people who recognize his present value and the worth of his past labors to see him at work among us again.

A number of prominent wealthy citizens have guaranteed him against loss in the enterprise.

The next concert takes place on Saturday evening next, March 21.

DEATH IN A YONKERS STREET.

W. L. Kellogg Thought to Have Poisoned Himself—Bundle of Cancelled Checks.

YONKERS, March 17.—A man was found lying in a stupor in North Broadway in front of Hempler's hardware store to-night. He died while he was being carried into Police Headquarters.

In one of his pockets was found a bundle of cancelled checks drawn on the City National Bank of Ardmore, Indian Territory. They amounted to $1,058.48, and were signed William L. Kellogg. A letter addressed to William L. Kellogg, in care of G. H. Hollenbeck, 150 Nassau street, New York, was also found.

It is believed the dead man's name was Kellogg, and that he lived at Ardmore. One cent was all the money found in his possession. He had a tooth brush, a watch chain, a pair of eyeglasses, two handkerchiefs, and a pair of gloves. It is thought he had taken poison.

HOKE SMITH TO FIGHT CRISP.

Announcement that He Will Debate in Georgia with the ex-Speaker.

ATLANTA, March 17.—Secretary Hoke Smith's *Journal* contains the announcement that the Secretary will meet Congressman Crisp on the stump in Georgia to discuss the financial question with him.

The Case of John Meehan.

In THE SUN'S story yesterday of the arrest of John Meehan for driving off and tipping over an undertaker's wagon containing an empty coffin, nothing was further from the intent of the article than any reflection upon the people before whose dwelling the wagon was standing, or upon the general character of the neighborhood. The people referred to are most respectable and in good circumstances, and THE SUN regrets that any unpleasantry on the part of its reporter should have occasioned pain to any one's feelings.

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G. A. V. UNIFORMS CHOSEN.

Poke Bonnets and Brown Suits for the Women—Army Blues for Men.

God's American Volunteers will march out on their crusade of evangelizing America in very smart uniforms. The uniform of the women will be seal brown cashmere. The skirt will be perfectly plain, of such a length that it will just clear the ground. The length is important, for it would not only be difficult, but it would be most unsoldierly, for a corps of female Volunteers to march each with a tambourine in one hand and her dress skirt in the other. The waist of the uniform will be a tight-fitting Norfolk jacket, with three box pleats down the front and three down the back.

The headgear for the women will be a bonnet, not a hat. Mrs. Booth has clung tenaciously to the bonnet all along, but many of the women Volunteers have made objections, strong ones. Mrs. Booth has brought all the opponents of the bonnet around to her way of thinking, and the shape will be selected to-day. The three shapes from which the selection will be made are called the "Pilgrim," the "Evangeline," and the "Coalscuttle." They are all coalscuttleish. As compared with the Salvation Army bonnets, they are shorter behind, and they do not cover the ears. The poke is also narrower. The style for spring and summer will be brown straw, trimmed with brown satin ribbon.

The men's uniform will be almost exactly like that of the United States army. The trousers will be light blue and the blouse dark blue. The blouses of the officers will have standing collars. The collars of the privates' blouses will be like the collars of ordinary coats. Upon the collars will be embroidered the letters, "G. A. V." The hat has not been decided on.

FATAL RAILROAD ACCIDENTS.

Engineer and Fireman Killed in One and Engineer and Conductor in Another.

HARRISBURG, Pa., March 17.—The fast line express train, east bound, on the Pennsylvania Railroad, which left this city at 3:45 o'clock this morning, ran into a live-stock train near Steelton, a few miles east of here, and caused a serious wreck. Two men were killed and several injured. The dead are Samuel Welsh, engineer, and Lee Strouse, fireman, both of Philadelphia. They were in charge of the locomotive of the passenger train. The engineer was terribly scalded about the head, face, and body, and died at the City Hospital about 8 o'clock. The fireman was crushed to death under the engine. Several of the passengers were slightly injured, but went on after having their wounds dressed.

A hundred sheep were killed. The cars caught fire and the uninjured passengers went to work with snow and prevented its spread. The wreck was caused by a misplaced switch. The stock train pulled out on the passenger track and was struck in the side.

BINGHAMPTON, N. Y., March 17.—A freight train on the Ontario and Western Railroad ran away last night on a heavy grade near Hancock. The runaway ended in a wreck at Starlight, about six miles from Hancock. Thirty-five cars were piled up, and the engineer and conductor were killed. The body of the engineer, James Head of Middletown, was taken from the wreck at 11 o'clock last night, but the remains of Conductor J. Daly had not been found this morning. Head was an old-time Erie engineer, having worked on the eastern division between Susquehanna and Port Jervis.

VANDALISM AT HARVARD.

Fogg Art Museum Painted with the Words, "Norton's Pride."

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., March 16.—The vandalism which brought discredit to Harvard's name in 1890, when the John Harvard statue was painted red, cropped out again last night. The damage was done this time to the new Fogg Art Museum, the building which has caused so much adverse criticism on account of its architecture, and which has been an especial eyesore to Prof. Charles Eliot Norton, whose advice was not sought when the plans for the building were decided upon. On the white stone of this building stood out this morning the words, "Norton's Pride," in red letters full three feet high.

As soon as the prank was discovered by the college authorities they set to work to efface the words, and also started on a still hunt for the culprits. At 9 o'clock, when the fine arts lecture was in progress, some one let loose a bag of six lively rats, and there was more excitement. There have been several acts of lawlessness this year, beginning with the theft of the Louisburg cross and ending with last night's performance. It is now almost certain that the old "Med Fac" society is still in existence, and that they are initiating their members by forcing them to do something which, in the event of discovery, would mean an expulsion from college.

GOT COUNT DE RIVIERE.

Exploits of the Friesland Swindler in Philadelphia and the South.

A man who has been calling himself Capt. De Lignee, and passing as a representative of the Compagnie Generale Transatlantique, was arrested in Richmond, Va., yesterday, at the request of the New York police, who believe that he is none other than Count Lucien d'Arnan de Rivière, who is wanted here for grand larceny. The warrant for the "Count" was secured by Joseph Roger, a mechanical engineer of Brussels, who came across the ocean with the Count on the steamship Friesland last December, and from whom the Count got a $175 watch and $1,000.

The Burden jewel robbery was committed just after the Count's arrival here and while "E. Calmont, Montreal," was registered at the Brunswick. He occupied room 229, which he gave up the night of the robbery. The window of the room overlooked the Burden residence, and access to the Burden premises could have been obtained by way of it.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

New York Stock Exchange—Sales March 17

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

1 U S 4s, r, 1925	117	1 Tenn Set 3s	80½
16 U S 4s, c, 1925	117	7 Va 6 deferred 2-3s of 1921	61⅝
4 Louis cn 4s	98⅝		

CLOSING PRICES OF UNITED STATES BONDS.

	Bid.	Asked.		Bid.	Asked.
U S 2s, r	95		U S 5s, r, 1904	112¾	113¼
U S 4s, r, 1907	108¾	108¾	U S 5s, c	113	113¼
U S 4s, c	110¼	111¼	U S 6s, 1897	102	—
U S 4s, r, 1925	116¾	117	U S 6s, 1898	103	—
U S 4s, c	116¾	117	U S 6s, 1899	107	—

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

15 Atch gnl 4s, W I	79¾	45 Nor Pac con 5s, T R	49¾
4 Atchison 4s, T R	77⅝	70	49⅝
2	77¾	10	49¾
16 Atch 2ds A, T R	25¾	15	49⅞
1 Ann Arbor 1st	70	27	49⅝
1 Balt & Sus cn 6s	110	20	49¾
1 Bur, C R & N 1st	107	60 Nor Pac, C T N	91
1 Brook, W & W 5s	100¾	1	91⅛
1 Brooklyn El 1st	101	8	90¾
12 C, B & Q 4s, Neb ex	91	10	90⅞
8 C, B & Q 7s	117¾	42	90¾
13	117⅝	10	90¾
12	117¾	6	90⅞
1	118	1	90¾
2 C, B & Q deb 5s	100	5 Norf & W, M & W Div	67
4 Col & Hock Val 1st	104	2 N Y & S 1st, r 5s	97¾
10 Cin, I & D 1st 5s	108¾	1 N Y & S gnl	74
12 Ch & N P 1st, T R	45¾	1 N Y Cen nrl 5s	113
3	45¾	15 N Y Lake Erie 1st	119¾
2	44¾	2 N Y Cen deb 5s	106¾
15	44⅝	1 Nash & Chat cn 4s, 100	91
5	44¾	1 N Y, N H & H 4s, deb ctfs	187
5 C H G L & C Co 1st	92	5 N W s f deb 5s, 1933	110⅛
9 Ch & E Ist, s 20	111	6 N Y, O & W cn 5s	109
10 Ch & Erie	20	9 O R & N cn 5s, T R	67¾
2 Erie gnl lien 3-4s	66	2 Oregon S L & U N, T R	112¾
1	66¾	5	112⅞
4	66⅝	12 Ore S L un cn, T R	68
14	66	2 Oregon Imp 1st	80¾
10 Erie cn, D M 1st	71¾	2	82
5 Edison E Ill cn 5s	102⅝	2 Peo, D & E 1st	101
8 Flint & P M 1st 5s	93	2 Peo & East 1st	80
5 Ft Worth 1st, T R	68	5 Phila C Coppr & S L 4½s, S B, s 20	111
6	68⅝	5 Pitts & Cin 1st 7s	101¾
6	67⅞	2 Rock Isl ss 1st	103¾
5 H W & K G 1st	55	10 Read gnl 4s, T R, U S	89¾
1 Hous & T C con 6s	107	20	89⅞
10 O, H & S A M 1st 5s	92¾	2 Read gnl 4s, T R	78¾
1 Gen Elec deb 5s	90½	15	78
2	90⅞	2 Read 1st pf in 1st L P	31
1 Hock Val 4s	85	10	30¾
8	84⅞	1	31
2 Hock Val cn 4s	85	3 Read 3d pf in 1st L P	16
6 H & T Cen gd 4s	85	4 Rio G W 1st	78¾
7 Int & Gt N 1st	117¾	27	78¾
4 Int & Gt N 2ds	71¾	21	78
3 San Pac con, T R	78	1 St P & Minn cn	126
1 Kan & Tex 4s	85¾	2	126¼
5	85⅝	5 So Pac of Ariz 1st	95
5	85¾	1 St L & S F gd cl A	110
1 Kentucky C 1st	88¾	8 St L & S Trust 5s	94
10 Lex Av & P F 1st	111⅝	10 San Fr & N 1st	100
12	111¾	2 St P Ist, C & P, W D	113⅝
5	111⅝	3 St P Ist, S W D	113¾
10 Lehigh V Ter 6s	112½	3 St L So W 2d	50¾
3 L, N A & Ch gnl	73¾	3 San A & A P 1st 4s	57
2	73¾	8 S C & Ga 1st	94
7	73⅝	8 So Iowa 1st	90⅝
2	73¾	1	90¾
10 Mex Int 1st 4s	74½	43	91
5	74¾	10	91⅛
3 M & Sil Len 5s	101	20	91¼
2 Mo, K & T of T 5s	79	20 Tex Pac 1st 5s	90
5 Mob & Ohio gnl	66	5 Tex Pac 2d in	23¾
1	66¾	5 Tol As & N L 1st	45
3 Nor Pac 1st, c	118	2 Tex & N Or cn 5s	90¾
2	118¾	1	90¾
10	117¾	3 Tol, St L & K C 1st, T R	73
5	117¾	1 Union Pac, S F	93
20 Nor Pac 3d, c	70¾	3 Union Pac 1st	90
2	70¾	4	90⅛
154 Nor Pac cn 5s	49¾	23 Un P, D & G 1st	38
27	49	5 Wabash 1st	107¾
78	49⅝	1	107
5	49¾	3 West Shore 4s	106
55	49⅝	2	105¾
10	49¾	5 Wis Cent 1st, T R	44¾
93	49⅞	15	44⅞
102	50	5	44
80	49⅝		

Total sales of railway bonds (par value), $1,961,000.

RAILROAD AND OTHER SHARES.

Sales.		Open-ing.	High-est.	Low-est.	Closing.—Bid.	Asked.
43,185	Am Sug Ref	118¾	119⅞	118¾	119¾	119⅞
283	Am Sug Ref p	107¾	108	107	107	107
19,440	Amer Tob	83⅞	83⅞	82⅞	83⅞	83⅞
200	Amer Tob pf	107¾	107¾	107¾	108	108¼
1300	Amer Cot Oil	16⅞	16⅞	16¼	16⅝	16⅞
825	Amer Cot Oil pf	82⅞	84	82⅞	84	84⅞
442	A, T & S Fe	18	18	18	18	18¼
100	Ann Arbor	10	10	10	10	10¼
4080	Balt & Ohio	16⅞	17⅞	16⅞	17	17⅛
500	Bay State Gas	2⅞	2⅞	2	2⅞	2⅞
111	Bklyn Rapid Tr	22	22	22	22	22¼
225	Ches & Ohio	16⅞	16⅞	16	16	16⅞
1000	Chicago Gas	66⅞	66⅞	66⅞	66¼	66⅞
192	C, C, C & St L	87⅞	87⅞	87⅞	87	87⅞
200	Chic & N W	103⅞	103⅞	103⅞	103⅞	103⅞
2263	C, B & Q	77⅞	77⅞	77⅞	77⅞	77⅞
4950	C, R I & P	72⅞	72⅞	72⅞	72⅞	72⅞
277	C, M & St P	120⅞	120⅞	120⅞	120⅞	120⅞
1080	C, R I & Pac	71⅞	71⅞	71⅞	71⅞	71⅞
100	Col Fuel	29⅞	29⅞	29⅞	29⅞	29⅞
200	Cols, S & W	58⅞	58⅞	58⅞	58⅞	59
100	Col & H Coal	38⅞	38⅞	38⅞	38	38⅞
860	Consol Gas	153⅞	153⅞	151⅞	151⅞	152¼
1151	Del & Hud	127⅞	128⅞	126⅞	127⅞	127⅞
1060	Den & R G pf	48	48¼	48	48	—
3860	Distilling & C F	18⅞	19	18⅞	18⅞	18⅞
27	Edison E Ill	98	98	98	98½	98
1037	Erie H R	15⅞	15⅞	15⅞	15⅞	15⅞
1177	E R R 1st pf	41⅞	41⅞	41⅞	41⅞	41⅞
1312	Erie, N Y & P	24⅞	24⅞	24⅞	24⅞	24⅞
14010	General Elec	36⅞	37⅞	36⅞	37⅞	37⅞
10	Hi Cent	95⅞	95⅞	95⅞	95	96⅞
100	Illinois Cent pf	90⅞	90⅞	90⅞	90	97
50	L & Western	20	20	20	19	20
100	L E & West pf	71⅞	71⅞	71⅞	71⅞	72
200	Lake Shore	147	147	147	147	149
110	Long Island	81	81	81	81	84
1060	Lacleede Gas	29⅞	29⅞	28⅞	28⅞	29
300	Manhattan con	93	93	93	93	94
1645	Louis & Nash	52⅞	53	52⅞	52⅞	53
300	Louis N A & C	9¼	9¼	9	9	9¼
550	Manhattan con	103⅞	104⅞	103⅞	104⅞	105
800	M & St L vtg pf	49⅞	50⅞	49⅞	50	51
405	Missouri Pac	23⅞	23⅞	23⅞	23⅞	23⅞
300	Mo, K & T pf	28⅞	28⅞	28⅞	28⅞	29⅞
100	Nat Cordage	24⅞	24⅞	24⅞	24⅞	24⅞
616	Nat Lead pf	86⅞	86⅞	86	86	87⅞
900	North Amer	5⅞	5⅞	5⅞	5⅞	5⅞
100	N Y & Harl	47	47	47	40	50
100	N Y Cent & H R	75	75	75	74	—
880	N Y, S & W	9⅞	9⅞	9⅞	9⅞	10
560	N Y Susq & W pf	24⅞	24⅞	24⅞	24⅞	25
50	Norf & W	1⅞	1⅞	1⅞	1⅞	2
1931	Northern Pac	2	2¼	2	2⅛	2¼
8300	North Pac pf	12⅞	13	12⅞	13	13¼
5	Ontario & West	14	14	14	13	14
100	Ontario & W	14⅞	14⅞	14⅞	14⅞	15
100	Oregon S L	3⅞	3⅞	3⅞	3⅞	4
500	Pacific Mail	29⅞	29⅞	29⅞	29⅞	29⅞
2210	Phila & Read	11⅞	11⅞	11⅞	11⅞	11⅞
2	Pull Pal Car	160	160	160	157	160
100	Pullman Pal Car	156⅞	156⅞	156⅞	156⅞	158
100	St P & Dul	26	26	26	26	28
206	South Pacific	19⅞	19⅞	19⅞	19⅞	20
100	South Ry	9⅞	9⅞	9⅞	9⅞	9⅞
340	South Rwy p	30⅞	30⅞	30⅞	30⅞	30⅞
1845	Tenn C & I	29	30	29	29⅞	30
200	Texas Pac	5⅞	5⅞	5⅞	5⅞	6⅞
1750	Union Pac	7	7⅞	7	7	7⅞
411	U S Rubber	27⅞	27⅞	27⅞	27	27⅞
2400	U S Cordage	5⅞	5⅞	5	5⅞	5
120	U S Cordage pf	9⅞	9⅞	9⅞	9	9⅞
200	U S Cord Co	20	20	19⅞	19	20
100	U S Leather	9⅞	9⅞	9⅞	9⅞	9⅞
12207	U S Leather pf	67⅞	67⅞	66⅞	67	67½
450	Wabash pf	18⅞	18⅞	17⅞	17⅞	17⅞
651	West Un Tel	85⅞	85⅞	85⅞	85⅞	85⅞
2760	Wheel & L E	10⅞	10⅞	10⅞	10	10
200	Wh & L E pf	36⅞	36⅞	36⅞	36⅞	36⅞
100	Wis Cent	3⅞	3⅞	3⅞	—	—

Total sales of stocks were 148,270 shares.

BOSTON CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

	Bid.	Asked.		Bid.	Asked.
Bos & Albany	84		Erie Telegr	91	
Bos & Maine	167	170	West'gh'se E	31⅞	32
Central Mass	11		West End L'd	2	2¼
Chi Junc com	97	99	Bos & Mon	70⅞	70⅞
Chi Junc pf	104	109	Butte & Bos	1¾	1⅞
Fitchburg pf	95⅞	96	Calumet & H	303	307
N Y & N E pf	30		Osceola	27	28
Mex Central	6⅞	7⅞	Quincy Min	127	130
Old Colony	176	176⅞	Tamarack M	—	110
Amer Bell Tel	202	203	Bay State Gas	1⅞	1¼

PHILADELPHIA CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

	Bid.	Asked.		Bid.	Asked.
Lehigh Val	34¾	35¼	C T of N J st'k	24	25
Leh C & N Co	43	44	C T of N J s'ks	82	82½
Penn R R	53⅞	54	United G I Co	68¼	69
Phila Trac	39½	39¾	Welsbach Co	56¼	60
Penn Trac, V 4s	72	72¼	Elec S B com	25⅞	26⅞
Elec Trac, U 4s	72	72¼	Elec S B pf	27	27⅞
Met Trac	104	104⅞			

CHICAGO CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

	Bid.	Asked.		Bid.	Asked.
Alley "L"	30		N Y Biscuit	80¼	85¼
Am Strawbd	41½	42½	N'th'n St Ry	246¾	247⅞
Canal & Dock	63	64	Street's St Car	13⅞	14
Diam'd Match	154¼	157	W'n C St Ry	103	103¼
Lake St "L"	22¾	23			

LATEST LONDON QUOTATIONS.

Atchison A A P	16⅞	Norfolk & W pf	7⅞
Canadian Pacific	57⅞	Northern Pac pf	12⅞
Chesapeake & Ohio	16¼	Ontario & West	13
Erie com A & P	25⅞	Pennsylvania	55⅞
Erie 2d consols	73	Reading 1st A P	5⅞
Illinois Central	98⅞	St Paul	70⅞
Kansas & Texas	12⅞	South Ry	9⅞
Lake Shore	151⅞	South R'y pf	31
Lou & Nash	53⅞	Union Pacific	7⅞
N Y Central	100	Wabash pf	18⅞

TUESDAY, March 17.

The fact that the launching of the Northern Pacific reorganization plan has not been followed by efforts to stimulate the market for securities has caused a good deal of disappointment in Wall street. On several previous occasions the publication of important reorganization plans has been the signal for aggressive movements in the stock market; hence the expectation on the part of the speculative community of a spasm of activity and higher prices at the present time. Those who have cherished such hopes have apparently overlooked the fact that in the present case the representatives of a majority of each class of creditors have approved of the Northern Pacific plan, and the coöperation of the stockholders is not particularly desirable from the point of view of the underwriting syndicate. There is, therefore, no reason why those who have the reorganization in charge should make efforts to create public sentiment favorable to the plan by manipulating the stock market. Transactions on the Stock Exchange to-day were below the recent small daily average, and the principal dealings were in the same four industrial stocks that practically monopolized speculative interest yesterday, namely, Sugar Refining, General Electric, United States Leather preferred, and American Tobacco. The first two closed materially higher than yesterday, Sugar Refining scoring a net gain of 2⅝ ₱ cent., while the last two were heavy throughout, and closed at net declines of 1 ₱ cent. and ⅝ ₱ cent. respectively.

The market as a whole was dull and irregular. Noteworthy net declines other than those already mentioned were sustained by Consolidated Gas, Susquehanna and Western preferred, and a few other inactive shares. On the other hand, Baltimore and Ohio and Northern Pacific preferred advanced moderately on the covering of shorts, and on very light transactions American Cotton Oil preferred, C., C., C. and St. Louis, and Laclede Gas preferred closed materially higher than yesterday. Of news affecting values there was practically none. The closing was dull and irregular.

Final sales compared with those of yesterday are as follows:

	Mar. 16.	Mar. 17.		Mar. 16.	Mar. 17.
A, T & S F	15¾	16	North Am	5⅞	5⅞
Am Cot Oil	16⅞	16⅞	North W com	103⅞	103⅞
Am Sug Ref	114⅞	117⅞	North P com	2⅞	2⅞
Am Tobacco	83⅞	83⅞	Nor Pac pf	13⅞	13
Balt & Ohio	16⅞	17¼	Ont & West	14	14
C, C, C & St L	85⅞	87¼	Rock Island	71⅞	71⅞
C, B & Q	77¼	77¾	Reading	11⅞	11⅞
Ches & Ohio	16¼	16⅞	St Paul com	77⅞	77⅞
Chicago Gas	66⅞	66¾	St Paul pf	129⅞	129⅞
Den & R G pf	48	48	South R'y	9⅞	9⅞
Dis & C F Co	18⅞	18⅞	South R'y pf	30⅞	30⅞
Erie, N	15⅞	15⅞	Tenn C, I & R	30	29⅞
Gen Elec	36⅞	37⅞	Union Pac	7⅞	7
Kan & Tex pf	28⅞	28⅞	U S Cordage	5	5
Louis & Nash	52⅞	52⅞	U S Cordage p	9⅞	9⅞
Laclede Gas	28⅞	29	U S Leather	9⅞	9⅞
Man Con	104	104	U S Leath pf	68	67
Missouri Pac	23⅞	23¼	West Un Tel	85⅞	85⅞
Nat Lead	24⅞	24	Wheel & L E	10⅞	9⅞
Nat Lead pf	86⅞	86			

Government bonds firm at unchanged quotations. State bonds nominal. The features were Chicago and North Pacific 1sts, T. R., Erie 2d consols, D. M. ctfs., Reading 1st preference incomes, 1sts, I. P., Southern Railway 5s, Texas Pacific 1sts, Union Elevated 1sts, West Shore 4s, and Northern Pacific issues. The more important net declines were in Chicago and North Pacific 1sts, T. R., 1¼ ₱ cent., to 44¾; Northern Pacific 1sts, C., ⅝, to 117¼, 1sts, R., ⅜, to 117¼, 2ds, C., ½, to 112⅝, 3ds, C., 1⅛, to 108⅞, 2ds, C., T. N., ½, to 90½; Reading 1st preference incomes, 1sts, I. P., ⅝, to 31; Union Elevated 1sts, ½, to 98½, and West Shore 4s, ½ ₱ cent., to 105½. The noteworthy advances in securities were Texas Pacific 2ds, D. M. ctfs., ⅝ ₱ cent., to 73¾; Northern Pacific consol 5s, ⅝, to 49⅝; Dividend consol 5s, T. R., ½, to 49; Southern Railway 5s, 1, to 91¼, and Texas Pacific 1sts, ⅞ ₱ cent., to 90.

In bank stocks, 10 shares of Shoe and Leather sold at 95.

Commercial price of bar silver in New York, 68⅝c. Bar silver in London closed at 31 7-16d. Exports to Europe to-morrow, 543,000 ounces.

Money on call, 2@4½ ₱ cent. Time money, 4 ₱ cent. for sixty and ninety days, and 4½ ₱ cent. for four, five, and six months on mixed Stock Exchange collateral. Commercial paper, 5@6½ ₱ cent. for first-class endorsed bills receivable and four months' commission paper, and 6 ₱ cent. and upward for choice single names.

Sterling exchange was dull and steady. Continental exchange was dull. Posted asking rates for sterling, $4.87¼ for long bills and $4.88¼ for demand. Actual rates are: Long bills, $4.86¾@$4.87; sight drafts, $4.87⅝@$4.88, and cable transfers, $4.88¼@$4.88¾. Francs are quoted at 5.18¾@5.18⅛ for long and 5.16⅞@5.16¼ for short; reichsmarks, 94⅞@95 for long and 95⅛@95⅜ for short; guilders, 40 1-16@40⅛ for long and 40 3-16@40¼ for short.

Domestic exchange on New York: Boston, 15 cents discount. Charleston—Buying, par; selling, ⅛ premium. Savannah—Buying, 1-16 off; selling, par. New Orleans—Bank, 150 premium; commercial, 25@50 cents discount. San Francisco—Sight, 25; par; telegraph, par. St. Louis—50 cents premium; offered at 75 cents premium. Chicago—40 cents discount.

The exports of general merchandise from the port of New York for the week ending to-day were valued at $8,545,226, against $8,012,827 last week and $8,507,357 for the corresponding week of last year.

The Norfolk and Southern Railroad has declared a quarterly dividend of 1 ₱ cent., payable April 10.

The Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Chicago and St. Louis Railroad reports gross earnings for February of $1,170,296, an increase of $95,121 as compared with the same month of last year, and net $224,170, an increase of $20,329. For the two months ending Feb. 29 the gross earnings were $2,405,838, an increase of $213,850 as compared with the corresponding period of last year, and net $517,564, an increase of $55,044. Fixed charges were $540,298, leaving a deficit of $28,733, a decrease of $30,530.

The Columbus, Hocking Valley and Toledo Railway Company reports for