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HEAVY ACTIVITY IN CURB CONTINUES

Strength in Standard Oil Securities Is Feature of Outside Dealing.

Renewed heavy activity and strength in Standard Oil issues was the main feature in the outside market dealings yesterday. With a steady demand from the opening, large advances were made in most of the active shares. Toward the close profit taking caused reactions but last prices generally were well above last week's closings. The heaviest trading took place in Standard Oil of New Jersey, which in the morning crossed 900, representing an over Sunday gain of more than 50 points and during the week 200. Prairie Oil and Gas and South Penn Oil were among the other strong and active issues.

In the rest of the market were several strong spots, although professional pressure toward the close resulted in some ground being lost. General Asphalt stood out prominently with an advance of more than 6 points and Gilliland went higher in response to the announcement that it completed another well for 12,000 barrels in the Homer field. Simms Petroleum suffered heaviest from the late selling, losing an early gain of almost 2 points.

Texas Company new stock was heavily bought throughout the session and ended 3 points higher. On its first day's trading International Petroleum new shares rose 2 points.

Trading in silver shares continued heavy. Cortez Silver made its initial appearance and Eureka Holly sold to a new high on Western buying.

Total sales and range of prices follow:

INDUSTRIALS.

Sales.		High.	Low.	Last.	Chge.
1100	Acme Coal	2½	2	2½	..
400	Aetna Explos	8	8	8	..
100	Air Reduction	45½	45½	45½	−⅛
1100	Aluminum M'f'g	29½	28	29	..
100	Amer Candy	9¼	9¼	9¼	..
300	A Marconi	5⅝	5⅝	5⅝	..
1200	Am Safety Razor	10¼	9¾	10	+⅛
200	Austin Nichols	24⅝	24⅝	24⅝	+⅝
100	Butler Bros	52	52	52	..
600	Brit Am Chem	8	7⅞	8	..
2000	Br-A Tob v t r ctf	7	7	7	−⅛
1000	Brit-Am Tob coup	20	19¾	20	−⅛
5300	B-A Tob coup rts	7½	7¼	7½	−¼
300	Car Light	2⅝	2⅝	2⅝	+⅛
1800	Central Teresa	7½	7	7½	+½
1400	Colombia Emer'ld	11	10	10	−1
700	Conley Tin Foil	26	26	26	−¼
300	Davies, Wm A	43	42	42	..
13100	General Asphalt	106½	102	107¼	+4⅝
100	Gen Asphalt pf	165	165	165	+29
1000	Goldwyn Pictures	23½	23½	23½	−½
600	Grape Ola	1½	1½	1½	..
300	Grape Ola pf	2½	2	2½	..
1000	Hanes Knitting	20¼	28	28	−2½
400	Hall Signal	6	6	6	..
200	Heyden Chem	4½	4½	4½	..
200	Hydraulic Steel	34½	34½	34½	+1½
100	Hydraulic Stl pf	98	98	98	−1½
300	Indian Packing	15	14½	15	..
250	Inter Rubber	13	13	13	..
200	Keystone Solether	13½	13	13	..
1400	Locomobile	23	20	22	..
300	P Lorillard T rts	10	9	10	+2½
500	National Ice	45	42	42	..
4200	New Mexico Land	2½	2½	2½	..
800	North Am Paper	5⅝	4½	5½	+⅛
900	Orpheum Circ x-d	30	29¾	30	..
100	Patchogue Ply	40	40	40	..
600	Perfection Tire	4½	4	4½	..
2300	Pressman Tire	3½	3	3½	..
700	Radio pf	3	2⅞	3	..
600	Rep Tire Rub	4½	4½	4½	..
100	Root Vandervort	46½	46½	46½	..
300	Stand Gas & El	12	12	12	+1
200	Stand G & El pf	35½	35½	35½	+1½
4600	Submarine Boat	18	17	17½	−½
700	Sweets Co	4½	4½	4½	−¼
1100	Times Sq Auto S	32	29	32	+2
200	Temptor Corn	42	42	42	+2
1000	Tob Prod Exp	20	19	20	..
50	Todd Ship	175	175	175	−5
3100	Triangle Film	8½	8	8½	−⅛
300	U S High Sp T	32	31½	31½	−⅝
14900	U S Steam	28⅝	27¾	28⅝	+⅛
500	U S Transport	10⅝	10½	10⅝	+⅛
500	United Piet Prod	14	13¾	14	+⅛
4100	Un Profit Shar	2½	2	2½	+⅛
900	United Ret Candy	14½	14	14½	+⅛
400	V Vivadou Inc	17⅝	17½	17⅝	+⅝
1000	Wayne Coal	4	3⅞	4	..
500	Willys Corp	20½	19	20	+1
100	Willys Corp 1st pf	96	96	96	..
1000	World Film 1st pf	1	1	1	..

STANDARD OILS.

Sales.		High.	Low.	Last.	Chge.
150	Ohio Oil	395	375	380	+5
145	Prairie O & G	730	695	730	+30
50	South Penn Oil	350	338	350	+17
940	S Oil of N J	595	585	590	+15
200	S Oil of N Y	470	470	470	−5

INDEPENDENT OILS.

Sales.		High.	Low.	Last.	Chge.
1800	Allen Oil	2½	2⅜	2⅜	−⅛
47000	Allied Oil	⅛	⅛	⅛	..
6200	Anne Belle	1 75	1 70	1 70	..
8000	Amal Royalty	41	37	41	−1
600	Associated Oil	1½	1¼	1¼	+⅛
2700	Boone Oil	4½	4	4½	..
500	Boston Mexico	2⅝	2⅝	2½	..
2000	Boston Wyoming	1⅛	1⅛	1⅛	..
500	Burk Van Cleave	1⅛	1⅛	1⅛	..
1800	Carib Synd	32	29	30	+1
200	Circle Oil	3⅞	3⅞	3⅞	+⅛
600	Cities Ser 'B' ctfs	40¼	40	40¼	−⅛
1700	Cosden & Co	9½	9	9½	..
200	Cushing Pete	2	2	2	−⅛
17000	Dominion Oil	17½	15¾	16½	+⅛
100	Duquesne	7½	7½	7½	+⅛
5600	Elk Basin Pet	10⅝	10	10⅝	+⅝
2200	Engineers Pet	1½	1½	1½	+⅛
1200	Ertel Oil	1⅝	1½	1⅝	+⅛
600	Esmeralda Oil	⅛	⅛	⅛	..
1500	Federal Oil	4	3⅞	3⅞	..
200	Gum Cove Oil	2	2	2	..
8200	Gilliland Oil	47⅛	44½	46½	+3½
1000	Gilliland Oil pf	98½	96	98½	+1
100	Glenrock Oil	3½	3⅜	3½	+⅛
400	Guffey Gillespie	31½	31	31	..
100	Home Oil	2½	2½	2½	−⅝
500	Home Petroleum	3⅝	3½	3⅝	..
200	Houston Oil	118	117	117	+1
6100	Hudson Oil	1½	1½	1½	−⅛
2808	Indiahoma Ref	8⅝	8⅝	8⅝	..
3900	Int Petrol, new	39½	37	39¾	+3¼
4600	Invincible	37⅝	35¼	37½	+2
1800	Island Oil	5	4⅞	4⅞	..
200	Kay County Gas	2	1⅞	2	+⅛
1500	Lance Creek	⅛	⅛	⅛	−⅛
200	Livingston	1⅛	1⅛	1⅛	..
100	Lone Star Gas	26	26	26	..
1200	Magna Oil	4⅝	4⅛	4⅝	+⅛
300	Manhattan Oil	20	19⅞	20	..
1100	Maracaibo Oil	21	19	21	+2½
700	Merritt Oil	21¼	20½	21	+⅛
800	Metax Oil	4⅝	4⅝	4⅝	+⅛
400	Metrop Pet	3	2⅞	3	..
2000	Mexico Oil	1⅝	1½	1½	..
800	Midwest Ref	175	171	175	+1
800	Midwest Tex	½	½	½	..
600	Morten Pet	2½	2½	2½	..
700	No Am Oil	4	3⅞	4	..
400	Northern Texas	2	2	2	−⅝
700	Okla Nat Gas	41½	41	41	..
700	Omar Oil	5	4⅞	5	+⅛
300	Panhandle P & R	18½	18	18½	..
900	Pennok Oil	7½	7	7½	+⅛
1100	Phillips Pet	42½	41	42½	+½
1300	Producer & Ref	9	8⅛	8⅞	..
1100	Red Rock Oil	1	⅞	1	+⅛
600	Rickard Texas	1½	1⅛	1⅛	−⅛
4600	Ryan Oil	3½	2⅞	3	..
1700	Salt Creek Prod	52½	51	51½	+⅛
2100	Sapulpa Ref	5⅞	5½	5⅝	−⅛
1300	Sequoyah Oil	½	⅜	½	+⅛
17900	Simms Pet	38½	35⅝	35⅝	−⅝
100	Sinclair Cons	14	14	14	−1
200	Skelly Oil	11½	11	11½	+⅛
400	Southern States	1½	1½	1½	..
700	Spencer Pet x-d	21½	21⅜	21⅜	−⅛
100	Steiner Oil	5	5	5	..
200	Superior Oil	19	18⅝	18⅝	..
800	Texas Ken	3⅝	3½	3⅝	+⅛
100	Texas Chief	20	20	20	−10
13900	Texas Co w i	54	50	54	+3⅝
300	Texas Pac Coal	98	96	98	+1½
9100	Texon Oil	1	⅞	1	..
1000	Thraman Oil	⅝	⅝	⅝	..
200	Trinity Oil	½	½	½	..
700	Tropical Oil	21½	21	21½	+⅛
2500	United Texas Oil	1½	1½	1½	..
400	Valvoline Oil	9	8½	9	+½
700	Victoria Oil new	1⅝	1½	1½	−⅛
1000	Western States	⅞	⅞	⅞	..
2200	White Oil	30½	29½	30	+⅛

MINING.

Sales.		High.	Low.	Last.	Chge.
5400	Alaska-Br Col	1¼	1 3-16	1¼	..
100	Am Mines	1½	1½	1½	..
2000	Am Tin & Tungs	5-16	¼	5-16	..
700	Arizona Silver	1⅝	1⅝	1⅝	..
2000	Atlanta	3½	3½	3½	..
6500	Belcher Divide	13	11	13	..
1500	Belcher Ext	14	14	14	..
1100	Big Ledge	7-16	7-16	7-16	..
1700	Booth	8	8	8	..
2050	Boston & Mon	69	68	69	..
5600	Caledonia Min	36	34	34	−2
200	Canada Cop	1 3-16	1 3-16	1 3-16	..
10100	Candelaria M	11-16	⅝	⅝	..
800	Carson Hill	54½	49	54½	+13½
3500	Cortez Silver	65	62	65	..
100	Cons Virginia	4	4	4	..
500	Cresson Gold	1⅞	1⅞	1⅞	..
1005	Crescent 2 SN	3-16	3-16	3-16	−1-16
1300	De Beers Mines	41½	41	41½	..
3500	Divide Ext	11-16	⅝	11-16	+1-16
500	El Salvador	3	3	3	+⅛
5000	Emma Silver	15	13	15	..
6000	Eureka Croesus	1⅝	1⅝	1⅝	+1-16
47200	Eureka Holly	1⅛	15-16	1⅛	+3-16
1500	Gold Mining	1⅝	1⅝	1⅝	−⅛
2600	Golden Gate	1	⅞	1	..
1000	Gold Cons	13	13	13	..
2500	Gold Kewanas	3	2	3	..
20000	Gold Merger	4	3	4	+⅛
8100	Gold Silver Pick	28	19	28	+7
11000	Gold Zone	28	27	27	−1
1000	Great Bend	3	3	3	..
850	Hecla Mining	4⅝	4½	4⅝	+⅛
200	Honduras Syn	18½	18	18½	..
2500	Harmill Div	2	1⅞	1⅞	..
11200	Jumbo Extension	12	11	12	..
1500	Knox Divide	11	11	11	..
500	La Rose Mining	½	½	½	..
2000	Louisiana Con	⅛	⅛	⅛	..
3500	McKin Dar	62	61	61	..
7000	McNamara	¾	½	¾	..
200	Magma Cop	37	37	37	..
4600	Marsh Min	19	18	19	..
400	Mason Valley	2¼	2	2¼	..
1000	Motherlode	50	50	50	..
300	Murray Morr'ge	76	76	76	..
500	N Y Honduras	14¾	14¾	14¾	+¾
400	Nipissing	10⅝	10⅝	10⅝	..
3000	North Star	11	11	11	..
1500	Ophir Silver	⅛	⅛	⅛	..
1100	Prince Con	¾	¾	¾	..
2000	Red Warrior	¼	¼	¼	−⅛
2500	Rex Cons	10	9	9	−1
1200	Rochester Mines	18	18	18	..
11300	Roper Group	⅛	⅛	⅛	..
100	Seneca Copper	15¾	15¾	15¾	..
800	Silver Dollar	½	½	½	..
1000	Sil King of Ariz	⅞	⅞	⅞	..
8500	Silver King Div	7	6	7	..
1500	Sutherland Div	6	5	6	..
500	Silver Lead	⅞	⅞	⅞	..
1000	Stewart Min	19	19	19	..
2000	Success Min	5	5	5	..
500	Tonopah Bel	2⅛	2⅛	2⅛	−⅛
11500	Tono Cash Boy	9	7	8	−1
12500	Tono Divide	2⅛	2⅛	2⅛	..
2600	Tonopah Ext	2¼	2⅛	2⅛	−⅛
4000	Tono-Jim B	23	22	22	−2
1000	Tonopah Midway	16	16	16	..
4400	Tonopah Min	2⅛	2⅛	2⅛	+⅛
21000	Tonopah Mispah	21	18	19	..
1000	Tono Montana	14	14	14	..
3100	Tono Resc Rule	23	23	23	..
1500	U S Continental	7	7	7	..
1200	United Eastern	4	3⅞	3⅞	−⅛
1800	Utah Metals	2½	2⅜	2½	..
2100	Victory	8	8	8	−2
300	West End C	1⅛	1⅛	1⅛	..
2000	White Caps	14	14	14	..
3000	White Caps Ext	3	3	3	..
1100	Wilbert	9	8	8	−1
1500	Wash G A	1½	1½	1½	..
200	White Knob pf	1⅝	1⅝	1⅝	..
1200	Yerrington	4	4	4	..

BONDS.

Sales.		High.	Low.	Last.	Chge.
$38000	Allied Packer 6s	77¾	76	77	−⅜
20000	Amer Tel 6s '22	94⅝	94⅝	94⅝	+⅛
1500	Amer Tel 6s '24	94	94	94	−⅛
1000	Belgian Gov 6s '25	96½	96½	96½	−⅛
15000	Gen Electric 6s	100	99⅞	100	..
6000	Inter R T 7s	73	72¾	73	−1½
1000	Swiss Gov 5½s	87	87	87	..

*Odd lots. †Sells cents a share.

CONSOLIDATED EXCHANGE.

The news of the German revolution had very little effect on the market on the Consolidated Stock Exchange. Prices in most instances opened fractionally lower, but the initial declines were not followed by any selling pressure and a recovery soon began which developed into a sharp upward movement before the session ended. Different specialties were taken in hand and their prices marked rapidly, notable in the oil, motor, steel and equipment issues. Some of the earlier advances were reduced at the close, but the general tone was strong.

Crucible Steel was particularly notable for the extent of its early advance and later reaction, which eliminated the preceding gain. From 244 there was a rise to 255, with a return to the first named at the close. United States Steel rose 1⅝ to 100¾ and closed at 99¾. Republic Iron and Steel rose 2¾ to 96½ and closed at 94⅝. Bethlehem Steel B rose 1⅝ to 93⅝ and closed at 93. Among the equipment shares Baldwin Locomotive jumped 6½ to 125 and closed at 123½. American Locomotive gained 3 to 101½ and closed at 100½. American Car and Foundry advanced 1½ to 142 and closed at 141. In the motors Chandler advanced 1½ to 152, but reacted to and closed at 150½; Pierce-Arrow gained 3⅝ to 65⅝ and closed at 64. Studebaker rose 3¼ to 99⅞ and closed at 98½. Mexican Petroleum led the oils with a gain of 6½ to 189½ and closed at 187½. Middle States Oil rose 2⅝ to 38¼ and closed at 37½. Pan-American Petroleum gained 3¼ to 96¾ and closed at 96¼. Royal Dutch rose 2¼ to 102¼ and closed at 101¼. Among the other specialties American Woolen gained 3¼ to 130¾ and closed at 127¾. American Tobacco Securities rose 2¼ to 67½ and closed at 67⅝. International Paper advanced 4½ to 84 and closed at that figure. United States Industrial Alcohol gained 4⅝ to 97 and closed at 94⅝ and United States Rubber rose 3⅝ to 109½ and closed at 107¼. The rails closed generally a fraction lower, with Union Pacific at 122¼, Southern Pacific at 100⅝, Reading at 87¼, St. Paul at 40½ and Rock Island at 38¾.

LONDON MARKET.

LONDON, March 15.—Closing—Consols for money, 48½; British 5 per cent. loan, 87¾; British 4½ per cent. loan, 80; Atchison, 114; Baltimore and Ohio, 50; Canadian Pacific, 167; Chesapeake and Ohio, 78; Chicago Great Western, 12½; St. Paul, 53; Denver and Rio Grande, 11; Erie, 26; Erie first preferred, 32; Grand Trunk, 6½; Illinois Central, 123; Louisville and Nashville, 143; Missouri, Kansas and Texas, 13; New York Central, 102; Norfolk and Western, 130; Ontario and Western, 23; Pennsylvania, 57½; Reading, 116; Southern Railway, 33½; Southern Pacific, 133; Union Pacific, 164; United States Steel, 133; De Beers, 29¼; Rand Mines, 4⅛.

Bar silver, 7¼d. an ounce. Bar gold, 112s. 4d. Money, 3½ per cent. Discount rates—Short bills, 5¾ per cent.; three months' bills, 5¾@5⅞ per cent. Gold premiums at Lisbon, 140.

DIVIDENDS.

	Stock of Record.	Payable.
Ahmeek Mining Co., q. 50c.	Mar. 18	Mar. 31
Beatrice Creamery Co., q. 4%	Mar. 20	Apr. 1
Beatrice Creamery Co., pf. q. 1¾%	Mar. 20	Apr. 1
Beech Creek R. R. Co., q. 50c	Mar. 16	Apr. 1
Dayton Power & Light Co., pf. q. 1½%	Mar. 20	Apr. 1
Fry Rubber Co., pf. 2%	Mar. 20	Apr. 1
Glidden Co., 50c	Mar. 15	Apr. 1
Glidden Co., pf. 1¾%	Mar. 15	Apr. 1
Hendee Mfg. Co., pf. q. 1¾%	Mar. 22	Apr. 1
Internat. Fur Exchange, pf. q. 1¾%	Mar. 22	Apr. 1
Kansas City, Fort Scott & Memphis Ry. Co., pf. tr ctfs. q. 1%	Mar. 25	Apr. 1
Manhattan Railway, q. 1¾%	Mar. 22	Apr. 1
Osceola Mining Co., 50c	Mar. 15	Mar. 31
Panama Power & Light Corp., pf. q. 1¾%	Mar. 15	Apr. 1
Prairie Oil & Gas Co., q. 5%	Mar. 31	Apr. 30
Prairie Oil & Gas Co., ex. 5%	Mar. 31	Apr. 30
Prairie Pipe Line, q. 3%	Mar. 31	Apr. 30
Standard Textile Products Co., q. 2%	Mar. 15	Apr. 1
Standard Textile Products Co., pf. A, q. 1¾%	Mar. 15	Apr. 1
Standard Textile Products Co., pf. B, q. 1¾%	Mar. 15	Apr. 1
Texcalokan Oil & Gas Co., mo. 1%	Mar. 15	Mar. 30
Towar Cotton Mills, pf. s-a, 3½%	Mar. 20	Apr. 1
Traylor Engineering Mfg. Co., 3%	Mar. 25	Apr. 1
Traylor Engineering Mfg. Co., pf. 2%	Mar. 25	Apr. 1
United Drug Co., 1st pf. $7½ c.	Apr. 15	May 1
United Drug Co., 2d pf. $1.50	May 15	June 1
Utah-Idaho Sugar Co., 2%	Mar. 13	Mar. 31
Utah Power & Light Co., pf. q. 1¾%	Mar. 16	Apr. 1

EX-DIVIDEND TABLE.

To-day—
Amer. Coal, Alleghany Co. of N. J. $2.00
Amer. Gas & Elec. 2½%
Amer. International $1.50
Amer. International pf. $1.50
Bethlehem Steel A 1¼%
Bethlehem Steel B 1¼%
Bethlehem Steel 7% pf. 1¾%
Bethlehem Steel 8% pf. 2%
Crucible Steel pf. 1¾%
Endicott Johnson $1.25
Emerson Johnson pf. $1.75
Famous Players-Lasky Corp. $2.00
Stutz Motor $1.25
Texas Co. $2.50
United Shoe ..... 50c.
United Shoe Mach. pf. 1½%

Wednesday—
Amer. Can pf. 1¾%
Guantanamo Sugar $1.25
Railway Steel Spring 2%
Utilities Securities pf. 1¾%
White Motor $1.00
Yale & Towne 5%

Exports From New York.

Oats, 39,990 bu.; beans, 6,243 bu.; beef, 27 tierces; lard, 754,600 lbs.; cheese, 172,260 lbs.; rye, 23,986 bu.; pork, 105 bbls.; bacon, 861,000 lbs.; flour, 39,679 sacks; cottonseed oil, 200,000 lbs.; lubricating oil, 140,150 gallons.

MARCH COTTON IS AT HIGHEST PRICE

Sells at 40.04, the Top Figure for a Future Contract, in Late Trading.

The cotton market gave the bear element little of an encouraging nature yesterday and, despite the day's adverse news, showed rallying power amazing to the general trade. Not only were all opening losses regained, but in the late trading March and May rose to new highs, the former selling to 40.04, the highest price that a futures contract has ever sold at. Buying was mostly for trade account, but there was undoubtedly new support from a few old bulls who have never shown weakness in their attitude. The day's chief bearish factor was the unsettling news from Germany, which was partly offset by a slightly bullish consumption report, the Bureau of Census placing the domestic consumption in February at 640,320 bales, against 449,523 in February, 1919.

The market here was easy at the start, first sales showing a loss of 13 to 47 points from Saturday's finals. Liverpool cables were weak, reflecting the unfavorable foreign situation, and English interests were early sellers. There was also some scary liquidation by local longs, and the market fell below the opening to its low mark of the day before the end of the first hour. At the lowest there was an increase in buying, the trade purchasing steadily on a scale down. Securities were strong, but weather was more favorable for crop preparation.

During the early afternoon the advance was more marked and carried the list over Saturday finals. Hasty covering by room shorts helped things along for the bull crowd and offerings readily found takers. Business was not as active as at the call, but there were frequent lively periods. Bear sentiment in brokerage houses seemed severely shaken by the market's action during the late session. Many thought that the sharp recovery was positive proof of how great was the basic strength of the staple. Buying held brisk in the final half hour and the close was not far below the best, 16 to 35 points higher. Local spots finished unchanged at 41 cents a pound.

Range of prices:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Saturday.
March	39.75	40.04	39.75	40.00 B	39.75
April	.....	.....	.....	37.95 N	37.60
May	36.60	37.23	36.38	37.09-12	36.90
June	.....	.....	.....	34.80 N	34.60
July	33.60	34.44	33.50	34.20-24	34.00
August	32.77	33.16	32.77	33.04 B	33.01
September	.....	.....	.....	32.55 N	32.40
October	31.13	31.88	31.01	31.74-75	31.59
November	.....	.....	.....	31.05 N	30.85
December	30.15	30.95	30.14	30.81 T	30.60
January	29.75	30.45	29.75	30.40 T	30.15
February	29.80	30.35	29.75	30.35 T	29.95

Spots—Local, 41; New Orleans, 41.

COTTON STATISTICS.

	Yesterday.	Last Week.	Last Year.
Port receipts	14,312	77,203	19,465
Exports	1,025	85,153	42,308
Exports season	4,636,959	4,551,850	3,226,447
New York stocks	51,478	51,837	41,525
Port stocks	1,329,129	1,381,074	1,297,686
Interior receipts	13,000	12,629	8,417
Interior shipments	13,000	8,144	5,345
New York arrivals	1,000	10,564	431

Liverpool Cables—Spot cotton quiet at 61 points decline on the basis of 20.04d. for middling. Sales 4,000, American 2,000. Imports 11,000, American 10,000. Futures opened easy at 3 to 17 points decline. Closed steady at a net decline of 11 to 43 points. March, 26.19d.; May, 24.99d.; July, 24.19d.; October, 22.34d.; December, 21.47d. Manchester—Yarns irregular; cloths, a fair business doing.

GRAIN MARKET.

Corn touched the highest levels it has reached since the bull movement of last summer when it rose yesterday 3¼ cents to 5⅛ cents a bushel after earlier efforts to depress deliveries. The rise was due directly to the better tone in the cash market, overpopularity of the short side and reports of no cars in the West. These factors easily overbalanced bearish influences at work earlier which failed in their purpose. Cash corn, which has been selling lower for the last few days, turned about yesterday afternoon and was quoted 2 cents higher. That change and the fact that there were too many bears, proved beneficial in sending up the futures and offset short arguments. With no cars receipts will remain light, although there were unconfirmed reports of large numbers of cars being sent to Chicago to get the corn East. Because of the lack of verification of that report it did not have much effect.

The foreign political situation received scant attention, although before the opening it was generally expected that the market would give some consideration to it. But it remained dull and inactive until after midday, when the shorts were driven to cover in the advance.

Argentine markets have been very erratic during the last week owing to the great increase in speculative trading.

Oats strengthened with grain and are still under the influence of the same old factors.

Provisions were weak and inactive at the opening but steadied along with the rise in the grains.

CORN—In the local cash market No. 2 yellow corn was quoted at $1.78; No. 3 mixed, $1.77, cost and freight New York, 15 days' shipment.

OATS—The local cash market was firmer; No. 1 white quoted at $1.04½; No. 2 white, $1.04@1.04½; No. 3 white, $1.03½@1.04; No. 4 white, $1.02@1.03; fancy clipped white, $1.06; ordinary clipped white, $1.04, all elevator.

RYE—Market firm. No. 2 Western, $1.95½, free on board New York.

BARLEY—Market easy. Feeding, $1.59@1.60; malting, $1.64@1.68, free on board New York.

BUCKWHEAT—Market firm. Sounding milling, $3.35@3.40 per 100 pounds.

HAY—Market barely steady. No. 1, $2.55@2.65; No.