CLOSING GRAIN PRICES SHOW SLIGHT CHANGES

The Market Very Quiet and Hesitating—Show of Firmness at the Close.

LIVERPOOL IN WAITING MOOD

World's Visible Decreased 1,000,000 Bu.—News and Gossip of the Grain Trade.

Minneapolis Chamber of Commerce, March 25.—Extreme dullness ruled in all the grain markets this morning. There was not enough trade to hold the market even against very moderate selling, and May sagged to 69⅞c after an hour. The pit traders were a very undecided lot. They did not like to be bears in view of the late decline and present comparatively low price range, and they were afraid to turn bullish after the recent disastrous experience on the long side. On the whole, sentiment favored a moderate upturn, but everyone waited for someone else to take the initiative. Liverpool was off ¼d at the close. New York wired that the cash wheat cables were a little more favorable and there were some acceptances from abroad. From the southwest it was the same story; rain and more rain. That the winter wheat is in good shape no longer admits of doubt, and the question now is whether the prospect for a good yield has been sufficiently discounted in the decline to the present figure. Any upturn must start here, and cables have less than the ordinary significence as Liverpool for the time has dropped all pretence at leadership and is following our lead closely. Richardson of Chicago had a Liverpool cable saying that it was utterly impossible to stir up the least enthusiasm there in the face of the present tone of discouragement in American markets.

Bradstreet's figures for the change in the world's visible supply, show a decrease of 1,000,000 bu. The quantity east of the Rockies increased by 600,000 bu, and the quantity in Europe and afloat decreased 1,600,000 bu.

Receipts at primary points were 442,000 bu, compared with 624,000 bu last year, and shipments were 385,000 bu, compared with 384,000 bu. Wheat and flour clearances equaled 379,000 bu. Receipts at Minneapolis were 159 cars, and at Duluth 134, against 210 and 158 last year.

The market closed steady at prices not particularly changed from yesterday. May closed at 70⅛@70¼c; July at 71⅛c; September, 70⅜c. Chicago May closed at 72½c.

There was practically no change in the cash market. Demand was good, and the quiet option gave a correspondingly narrow range on cash sales. The basis of trading was the same as yesterday. No. 1 northern brought 71⅛@71½c. A few cars of No. 1 hard came in and sold at 72½c. No. 2 northern sold at 69⅝c for the bulk, with a few scattered sales at 69½c. No. 3 wheat sold from 68½c for musty to 69c for choice, averaging 68⅝c. An active trade was noted in low grades, and rejected and no grade were salable from 67½c down to 60c.

RANGE OF WHEAT PRICE IN MINNEAPOLIS

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close To-day.	Close Yesterday.	Close Year Ago.
Mch..	$	$	$	$ .70⅛	$ .70⅛	$ .73¾
May..	.69⅞@70	.70⅝@70½	.69¾@69⅞	.70⅛@70¼	.70⅛	.74 @74⅛
July..	.71¼	.71½@71⅝	.70⅞@71	.71¼	.71⅜	.75⅝
Sept..	.....	.....	.....	.70¾	.71	.....

THE DAY'S RESULT

May Wheat.	Minneapolis	Chicago.	Duluth.	St. Louis.	New York.
Close to-day.....	$ .70⅛@70¼	$ .72¼	$ .71½	$ .77⅝	$ .78¼
Close yesterday...	.70⅛	.72¼@72⅜	.71½	.77⅝@77½	.78⅜

CLOSING CASH PRICES

On Track—No. 1 hard, 73⅝c; No. 1 northern, 70⅞@71⅝c; No. 2 northern, 69⅝c; No. 3 wheat, 67⅝@68⅝ c.
No. 1 flax, $1.74; No. 3 yellow corn, 53½@55c.
No. 3 white oats, 40@40½ c; No. 2 rye, 52¼c.
Barley, 52c to 62c.

THE FLOUR MARKET

Continued Good Business—Foreign Inquiry Increasing.

The market continues active with a good general demand. Millers report sales running well up every day, and to-day there were some round lot orders booked. The foreign inquiry is better than for a long time, and while considerable business is unacceptable owing to the low bids of foreigners, yet millers are able to enter a good many more foreign orders than formerly at satisfactory prices.

Shipments for the day were 45,705 brls.

First patents are quotable $3.65@3.75; second patents, $3.55@3.65; first clears, $2.80@2.90; second clears, $2.10@2.20.

THE CASH TRADE

Inquiry for May Flax—Other Grains Were Active.

FLAX—There was inquiry noted for the May delivery and a trade in May was made at $1.75, although the later quotation was ¼c lower. The spot market showed a better general tone, and there was a continued firm market and good demand. No. 1 sold at $1.74 and rejected brought $1.73.

Receipts were 7 cars, compared with 14 last year, and shipments 7 cars. Duluth had 11 cars.

market and good demand. No. 1 sold at $1.74¼ to arrive, $1.74; March, $1.74; May, $1.74¾. Duluth—Cash, $1.72¾; on track, $1.72¾; to arrive, $1.72¾; May, $1.74; September, $1.30½.

CORN—The market was active on a price basis unchanged to a shade firmer. No. 4 was traded in freely around 51½c and up to 52½c. No grade brought 51½c and ear corn 51c. No. 3 yellow corn closed at 53½@55c. Receipts, 24 cars; shipments, 6 cars.

OATS—The market was active, but showed no recovery from yesterday's dip. No. 3 white oats closed at 40@40½c. Receipts, 16 cars; shipments, 16 cars.

FEED AND MEAL—Coarse corn meal and cracked corn, $20; No. 1 feed, $21; No. 2 feed, $22; No. 3 feed, $23; granulated corn meal in cotton sacks, at the rate of $2.80 per barrel.

MILLSTUFFS—Bran in bulk is quoted at $12.50@12.75 per ton; bulk shorts, $12.50; flour middlings, $14.50; red dog, $15.75@16; feed in 200-lb sacks, $1 per ton additional; in 100-lb sacks, $1.50 per ton additional. Shipments, 1,190 tons.

BARLEY—The market was fairly active and a little firmer. No. 4 sold at 58½c and No. 5 at 57c; feed grades are quotable at 52@56c, and malting grades, 57@62c. Receipts, 3 cars; shipments, 1 car.

RYE—The market was weaker and lower. No. 2 closed at 52¼c. Receipts, 3 cars; shipments, 4 cars.

HAY—Upland fancy, $7.50@8; upland, choice, $7@7.50; No. 1, $7; midland, $6@6.25; medium, $5.75@6; timothy, choice, $11@11.50; rye straw, choice, $4@4.50. Receipts, 80 tons; shipments, 30 tons.

Puts and Calls.

Two o'clock report:
Puts—May wheat, 69⅞c.
Calls—May wheat, 70⅜c.
Curb—May wheat, 70⅛c.

Cash Sales Reported To-day.

No. 1 hard, 1 car	$0.72½
No. 1 northern, 1 car	71½
No. 1 northern, 2 cars	71¼
No. 1 northern, 3 cars	71⅛
No. 2 northern, 22 cars	69⅝
No. 2 northern, 1 car	69½
No. 3 wheat, 1 car	69
No. 3 wheat, 3 cars	68⅝
No. 3 wheat, 1 car	68¼
No. 3 wheat, 1 car, smutty	68⅜
Rejected wheat, 1 car	68¼
Rejected wheat, 1 car	67¼
Rejected wheat, 3 cars	.67
Rejected wheat, 1 car	.68
No grade wheat, 7 cars	.65
No grade wheat, 1 car	.68
No grade wheat, 7 cars	.66½
No grade wheat, 3 cars	.64½
No grade wheat, 1 car	.62½
No grade wheat, 1 car	.60
No grade wheat, 1 car	.63¾
No grade wheat, 2 cars	.67¼
No grade wheat, 4 cars	.66
No grade wheat, 2 cars	.67
No grade wheat, 1 car	.63½
No grade wheat, 1 car	.61½
No grade wheat, 1 car	.62
No. 4 corn, 2 cars	.51¾
No. 4 corn, 1 car	.52
No. 4 corn, 3 cars	.51½
No. 4 corn, 1 car	.52½
No. 3 corn, 1 car	.52½
No grade corn, 3 cars	.51½
One car ear corn	.51
No. 4 white oats, 1 car	.39½
No grade oats, 1 car	.36½
No grade oats, 1 car	.37½
No grade oats, 1 car	.38
No. 3 oats, 2 cars	.38
No. 3 oats, 1 car	.38½
No. 3 white oats, 1 car	.41
No. 4 barley, part car	.60
No. 4 barley, 1 car	.60
No. 4 barley, 1 car	.58
No. 4 barley, 1 car	.57
Rejected flax, 2 cars	1.73
No. 1 flax, 2 cars	1.74½

State Grain Inspection.

March 24.

Inspected In—Wheat—Cars—Great Northern—No. 1 hard, 3; No. 1 northern, 50; No. 2 northern, 73; No. 3, 26; rejected, 4; no grade, 33.

Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul—No. 1 northern, 1; No. 2 northern, 41; No. 3, 32; rejected, 18; no grade, 24.

Minneapolis & St. Louis—No. 1 northern, 5; No. 2 northern, 10; No. 3, 4; rejected, 2; no grade, 1.

Soo Line—No. 2 northern, 3; rejected, 1; no grade, 1.

Northern Pacific—No. 1 northern, 14; No. 2 northern, 14; No. 3, 5; rejected, 1; no grade, 17.

Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis & Omaha—No. 1 northern, 2; No. 2 northern, 30; No. 3, 16; rejected, 3; no grade, 3.

Minnesota Transfer—No grade, 1.

Totals—No. 1 hard, 3; No. 1 northern, 72; No. 2 northern, 171; No. 3, 83; rejected, 29; no grade, 80.

Other Grains—No. 3 corn, 1 car; No. 4 corn, 15; no grade corn, 14; No. 3 white oats, 8; No. 4 white oats, 9; No. 3 oats, 2; No. 3 barley, 1; No. 4 barley, 6; No. 5 barley, 5; No. 1 flax, 18; rejected flax, 16; no grade flax, 1.

Cars Inspected Out—No. 1 hard wheat, 1; No. 1 northern wheat, 43; No. 2 northern wheat, 71; No. 3 wheat, 48; rejected wheat, 8; no grade wheat, 8; No. 3 corn, 1; No. 4 corn, 1; no grade corn, 3; No. 3 white oats, 18; No. 3 oats, 3; No. 2 rye, 4; No. 1 flax, 6; rejected flax, 1.

Receipts and Shipments.

March 24.

Received—Wheat, 159 cars, 138,330 bu; corn, 18,480 bu; oats, 18,400 bu; barley, 2,010 bu; rye, 2,010 bu; flax, 5,630 bu; flour, 1,170 brls; millstuffs, 12 tons; hay, 30 tons; fuel oil, 213,180 gals; fruit, 403,698 lbs; merchandise, 3,067,056 lbs; lumber, 42 cars; posts and piling, 1 car; barrel stock, 5 cars; machinery, 1,129,050 lbs; coal, 1,131 tons; wood, 56 cords; brick, 51,000; lime, 3 cars; household goods, 29,200 lbs; pig iron, 25 cars; railroad iron, 1 car; stone and marble, 6 cars; live stock, 4 cars; dressed meats, 132,140 lbs; wool, 62,150 lbs; railroad materials, 7 cars; sundries, 65 cars; car lots, 686.

Shipped—Wheat, 36 cars, 32,040 bu; corn, 5,940 bu; oats, 22,080 bu; barley, 980 bu; rye, 4,080; flax, 5,000; flour, 45,705 brls; millstuffs, 1,190 tons; hay, 30; fruit, 24,000 lbs; merchandise, 2,684,900 lbs; lumber, 49 cars; posts and piling, 1 car; machinery, 624,900 lbs; coal, 20 tons; lime, 2 cars; household goods, 84,000 lbs; railroad iron, 2 cars; stone and marble, 4 cars; live stock, 1 car; linseed oil, 400 brls; oil cake, 360,018 lbs; wool, 20,000 lbs; railroad materials, 4 cars; sundries, 19 cars; car lots, 766.

Wheat Movement.

The following are the receipts and shipments at the principal primary wheat markets:

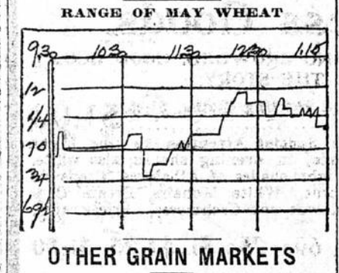
	Receipts. bu.	Shipments. bu.
New York	114,950	16,025
Philadelphia	5,577	42,400
Baltimore	46,037	54,600
Toledo	17,000	3,000
Detroit	None	721
St. Louis	22,000	167,000
Boston	1,334	163,612
Chicago	55,800	95,435
Milwaukee	73,600	32,000
Duluth	84,444	None
Minneapolis	138,330	32,040
Kansas City	41,600	33,200

Wheat Movement by Roads.

Received—Cars—Milwaukee, 59; Omaha, 15; St. Louis, 1; Great Northern, 63; Soo, 3; Northern Pacific, 18.

Shipped—Cars—Milwaukee, 23; St. Louis, 6; Wisconsin Central, 1; Chicago Great Western, 6.

RANGE OF MAY WHEAT



OTHER GRAIN MARKETS

CHICAGO GRAIN

Southwestern Rain Continues Keeping Wheat Prices Down.

Chicago, March 25.—Indifferent cables and continued rains in the southwestern wheat country weakened grains at the opening today. May wheat started ¼@⅜c to ⅝@⅞c lower, at 72c to 71⅞c, but at once met an active demand from commission houses and strengthened to 72⅜@72½c. Trade for a time was heavy and there was considerable covering. Offerings were fair, but wehe well taken. Later the pit turned quiet and May slid off and steadied around 72¼c. Local receipts were 81 cars, three of contract grade. Minneapolis and Duluth receipts were light, at 293 cars, making a total for the three points of 574 cars, against 434 cars last week and 505 cars a year ago.

Late trading was quiet. March dipped again to 72c, with corn, but recovered, and on a demand for the short accounts sold up to 72⅝c. May closed steady, a shade under, at 72¼c.

Close: March, 71c; May, 72¼c; July, 73@73⅛c; September, 73@73⅛c; December, 74⅝c. Cash: No. 2 red, 78½@79½c; No. 3 red, 75½@77½c; No. 2 hard winter, 72½@73½c; No. 3 hard winter, 72½@73c; No. 1 northern spring, 73½@75½c; No. 2 northern spring, 72@73⅝c; No. 3 spring, 68@72½c.

May corn opened ⅜@½c to ½@⅝c lower, at 58¼ to 58⅛c, in sympathy with wheat and on the warmer weather in the stock country. There was heavy early buying, however, of excellent character, and corn had an upturn to 58⅝c. For a time the demand was strong, but later offerings were liberal and after prices fluctuated uncasily for a time, May eased to 58¼@58⅜c and steadied. Local receipts looked large at 203 cars, but were for two days.

Corn was for sale in liberal quantities after the first hour of trade. May sold down to 58c, recovered some of the loss later but closed weak ⅜c lower at 58⅛@58⅜c.

Close: March, 57½c; May, 58¼@58⅜c; July, 58⅞c; September, 57⅝c; December, 48⅛c; cash No. 3, 55½@55⅝c.

Oats were lower at the opening, following other grains, but the trade was quiet. May started ¼@⅜c lower, at 42⅛c to 42⅛c. On the early upturn in corn May advanced to last night's closing price, 42½c but later offerings again eased the market to 42¼c. Receipts were 225 cars.

Close: March, 41⅝c; May, 42⅜c; July, 34⅛c; September, 28⅞@29c; December, 29⅛c; cash No. 2, 41⅝@42c; No. 3, 41⅛@41⅜c.

The following was the range of prices:

Wheat—	May.	July.	Sept.
Opening	72@71⅞	72⅝@⅞	72¾
Highest	72⅝	73⅜	73⅜
Lowest	71⅞	72⅝	72⅝
Close—			
To-day	72¼	73@73⅛	73@73⅛
Yesterday	72¼@⅜	72⅞	73
Year ago	75½@⅝	.....	.....
Corn—			
Opening	58¼@⅜	58⅜@⅝	57¼@57
Highest	58⅜	59¼@¼	58⅛
Lowest	58	58½	57
Close—			
To-day	58¼@⅜	58⅞	57⅝
Yesterday	58⅝@¾	59⅛	57½
Year ago	42½@¼	42⅝	.....
Oats—			
Opening	42¼@⅛	34¼@⅛	28¾@⅞
Highest	42⅝	34⅝	29
Lowest	41⅞	33⅞@¾	28⅝
Close—			
To-day	42⅜	34¼	28⅞@29
Yesterday	42½	34¼@⅜	28⅞
Year ago	25	24¾	.....

Duluth Grain.

Duluth, Minn., March 25.—Wheat was dull and held at about yesterday's prices. May opened at 71¼c, same as last night's close. Sold up at one time to 71⅝c and fluctuated between these prices. July was a cent higher. The close at 71⅛c for May, 72½c for July. Flax opened with sales at $1.75½ and declined to $1.75 for May. Receipts: Wheat, 134 cars; oats, 1; barley, 2; flax, 11; total, 148. Shipments: Oats, 2,200 bu. Close: No. 1 hard, cash, 73½c; No. 1 northern, cash and to arrive, 70½c; May, 71½c; July, 72½c; No. 2 northern, 68c; No. 3, 66c; Manitoba, cash, 69½c; May, 70½c; No. 2, 66½c; flax, cash and to arrive, $1.72¾; May, $1.74¾; September, $1.20½; corn, 57½c; oats, 40c; rye, 52c.

New York Grain.

New York, March 25.—Flour—Receipts, 39,160 brls; sales, 4,700 pkgs; ruled quiet and about steady. Wheat—Receipts, 114,850 bu; sales, 1,315,000 bu; opened easier with cables, but rallied on covering and foreign buying; May, 71⅝@71⅞c; July, 78¼@78 11-16c; September, 78c. Rye—Steady; state, 60@61c, c. i. f., New York, car lots; No. 2 western, 63½c, f. o. b. afloat. Corn—Receipts, 30,000 bu; sales, 60,000 bu; opened firmer on a scare of shorts, later easing off a little; May, 63⅝@64¼c; July, 63⅞c; September, 62¾@62⅞c. Oats—Receipts, 213,000 bu; dull but steady; track white, 50 @56c.

Close: Wheat, May, 78¼c; July, 78⅝c. Corn, May, 63⅞c; July, 63⅞c.

Liverpool Grain.

Liverpool, March 25.—Wheat—Spot, dull; No. 2 red western winter, 6s ½d; No. 1 northern spring, 6s ⅞d; No. 1 California, 7s 3d; futures quiet; March, 6s ½d; May, 5s 11½d; July, 5s 10½d.

Corn—Spot steady; American mixed new, 5s 2d; American mixed, old, 5s 3d; futures, easy; May, 5s ⅛d; July, 4s 11⅛d.

Milwaukee Grain.

Milwaukee, March 25.—Flour, firm. Wheat, steady; close, No. 1 northern, 73@73½c; No. 2 northern, 72@72½c; May, 72⅝c. Rye, lower; No. 1, 58½c. Barley, firm; No. 2, 65½c; sample, 60@65½c. Oats, steady; No. 2 white, 44¼c. Corn, May, 58⅝c.

Wheat—Puts, 72c; calls, 72⅜c.

Corn—Puts, 58c; calls, 58⅞c.

St. Louis Grain.

St. Louis, March 25.—Wheat—Weak; No. 2 red, cash, elevator, 77⅜c; May, 77⅝c; July, 71½c; No. 2 hard, 72¼@76c. Corn—Lower; No. 2, cash, 57½c; May, 58c; July, 58¼c; September, 57½c. Oats—Weak; No. 2, cash, 43c; May, 41⅝c; July, 33¼c; No. 2 white, 46c. Rye—Steady; 58c.

Chicago Seed and Coarse Grains.

Chicago, March 25.—Flax, cash, northwest, $1.72; southwest, $1.68; May, $1.72. Rye, March, 55c; May, 55c; July, 55½@55⅝c. Barley, cash, 61@66c. Timothy, March, $6.95@7. Clover, March, $8.70.

Kansas City Grain.

Kansas City, Mo., March 25.—Wheat, May, 68⅝c; July, 68⅜c; cash, No. 2 hard, 70c; No. 2 red, 77@78c; No. 2 spring, 69c. Corn, May, 58⅝c; September, 55⅝c; cash No. 2 mixed, 59@60c; No. 2 white, 63½@64c. Oats, No. 2 white, 44½@45½c.

Toledo Grain.

Toledo, Ohio, March 25.—Wheat—Firm and unchanged; cash and May, 78c; July, 75c. Corn—Dull and firm; cash, 57⅝c; May, 58⅝c; July, 59½c. Oats—Dull, firm and higher; cash and May, 42@42½c; July, 35½c. Clover Seed—Dull and higher, March, 5.37½; April, $5.15; October, $5.12½. Timothy—No. 2, $2.35 @2.95.

GENERAL PRODUCE

Official Quotations Minneapolis Produce Exchange.

Tuesday, March 25.

Extra creamery butter, firm; extra dairy butter, firm. Strictly fresh eggs, steady. Dressed hens, firm; spring chickens, higher; fancy turkeys, higher. Live poultry, higher. Potatoes, lower. Fancy country dressed veal, steady. Oranges, firm.

BUTTER—Extra creameries, per lb, 18c; firsts, lb, 25@25½c; seconds, per lb, 20@21c; dairies, extras, per lb, 24c; dairies, firsts lb, 20@21c; seconds, per lb, 18c; roll and print, fancy, lb, 21c; roll and print, choice, lb, 19c; ladies, firsts, 20@21c; seconds, lb, 18c; packing stock, per lb, 19c; renovated, fancy, 24c; renovated, choice, 17@18c.

EGGS—Strictly fresh, case county, doz, 13c; checks and seconds, 10c.

CHEESE—Twins or flats, fancy, per lb, 13c; twins or flats, choice, 10½@11½c; brick, No. 1, 14½c; No. 2, 12@12½c; No. 3, lb, 7@8c; limburger, No. 1, per lb, 13c; limburger, No. 2, per lb, 10@11c; pultost, per lb, 9c; primost, No. 1, per lb, 6½c; block Swiss, No. 1, per lb, 14½@15c; No. 2, 8½@9c; round Swiss, No. 1, 15@15½c; No. 2, 8½@9c; Young Americas, fancy, 13c; choice, 9@10½c.

DRESSED POULTRY—Turkeys, fancy hens and young toms, lb, 14½@15c; old toms and hens, lb, 10@11c; thin young toms, 12½@13c; culls, per lb, 5@5½c; chickens, springs, fancy, 12½@13c; fair to good, 10@10½c; hens, fancy, lb, 11@12c; hens, fair to good, per lb, 8@10c; old roosters, lb, 5@7c; ducks, fancy, per lb, 12c; culls, 5@7c; geese, per lb, 10@11c; culls, 6@7c.

LIVE POULTRY—Turkeys, mixed coops, 11@12c; chickens, springs, 10½@11c; hens, 10½@11c; roosters, 5c; dicks, white, 10c; colored, 9c; geese, 8c.

DRESSED MEATS—Veal, fancy, per lb, 8@8½c; fair to good, lb, 7@7½c; thin, small country dressed, 7@7½c; mutoin, thin, 5@7c; lambs, fancy, pelts off, 9@9½c; hogs, light, 7½c; hogs, medium, 7¼c; heavy, 7c.

GAME—Squirrels, gray, doz, 50c; red, doz, 20c.

FISH—Pickerel, 4@5c; Lake Superior herring, 3@3½c.

POTATOES—White stock, per bu, in car lots, 75c; white stock, less than car lots, 85 @90c; mixed red, in car lots, 65c; small lots, sacked, 75c.

ONIONS—Red Globe, bu, $1.75; Red Wethersfield, per bu, $1.75; Silver Skins, per bu, $2; Spanish, per crate, $2.

DRIED PEAS—Fancy yellow, per bu, $1.50; medium, per bu, $1.40; green, fancy, per bu, $1.60; green, medium, bu, $1.35; marrowfat, bu, $2.25.

DRIED BEANS—Fancy navy, per bu, $1.95; choice navy, bu, $1.80; medium, hand-picked, bu, $1.80; medium fair, $1.30; medium, mixed and dirty, 65@90c; brown, fancy, bu, $2.05; fair to good, $1.40@1.65; Lima, California, lb, 6@7c.

APPLES—Limber Twigs, per brl, $4.50@5; Missouri Pippins, brl, $4.75@6; Winesaps, brl, $6; Ben Davis, brl, $5@5.50; box stock, $1.50@ 2.25.

ORANGES—California navels, fancy, $3.75; choice, $3.50; California seedlings, $2.75@3; Mediterranean Sweets, all sizes, box, $3.25; tangerines, California, ½-bu box, $2.50@2.75; Florida, ½-bu box, $3.50; grape fruit, California, per box, $5; Florida, $9.50@10.

LEMONS—Messinas, fancy, $3.75; choice, $3.50; California, fancy, as to size, $3.50; choice, $3.25.

PINEAPPLES—New, southern, large, per doz, $3.75; small and medium, $3.25.

STRAWBERRIES—Florida express receipts, per qt, 60c; Texas, per crate, 24 qts, $7.50.

CRANBERRIES—Jerseys, per brl, $7.50; Jerseys, bu boxes, $2.75.

GRAPES—Malagas, extra fancy, per keg, $7; fancy, per keg, $6.

BANANAS—Fancy, large bunches, $2.50@ 2.75; medium bunches, $2.25; small bunches, $2.

HONEY—New fancy white, 1-lb sections, 15@16c; choice white, 12@13c; amber, 10@12c; golden rod, 11@12c; extracted white, 8@9c; buckwheat, 9@10c; extracted amber, 7@8c.

VEGETABLES—Asparagus, new, doz, $2.75 @3; pieplant, per lb, 8c; beets, per bu, 60c; cabbage, per lb, 2c; cabbage, per ton, $35; radishes, per doz, 60@70c; radishes, home-grown, per doz, 35c; lettuce, doz, 45@50c; lettuce, head, per doz, 60@85c; carrots, bu, 45@50c; cauliflower, crates, $3@3.25; cucumbers, hothouse, per doz, $2; celery, per doz, 25c; carrots, per doz bunches, 50@60c; beets, per doz bunches, 50@60c.

Chicago Produce.

Chicago, March 25.—Butter—Steady; creameries, 20@27c; dairies, 19½@23c. Cheese—Unchanged; twins, 11¼@11½c; young Americas, 12@12¼c; daisies, 12½c. Eggs—Steady; at mark, cases included, 14½c. Dressed Poultry—Steady; turkeys, 10@14½c; chickens, 10@ 11½c.

New York Produce.

New York, March 25.—Butter—Receipts, 7,394 pkgs; market steady; state dairy, 22@27c; state creamery, 22@28c; creameries held, 21@ 26½c; renovated, 19@24½c; factory, 18@22c; imitation creamery, 20@23c. Cheese—Receipts, 1,392 pkgs; market firm; state full-cream, small, early made, fancy colored and fancy white, 13@13¼c; full-cream, large, fall make, fancy colored and fancy white, 12@ 12¼c. Eggs—Receipts, 21,741 pkgs; market firm; state and Pennsylvania, 16c; western at mark, 16c; southern at mark, 15¼@15¾c.

INVESTMENT GOSSIP

New York to L. T. Sowle: Crop weather railway earnings, a possible flurry in money and the chances of a coal strike continue the subjects most discussed in Wall street. Another year of prosperity should put Southern Pacific at par.

Canadian Pacific earnings, third week of March increase $80,000; from July 1, increase $4,870,094.

New York to Watson: It is reported in stock circles to-night that J. R. Keene will return from Florida within a week and there is much discussion as to his market intentions. During his stay at Palm Beach the market has been very largely in hands of Chicago capitalists and speculators, the Moore Brothers, John W. Gates and Leeds, who have taken advantage of the general strength and absence of liquidation to mark up their pet stocks. The Morgan-Keene stocks have been taking care of themselves. With the return of the last-named operator, however, it is thought that the market for these shares will take on new life, as Mr. Morgan's friends quote him as very bullish on the general outlook, and Mr. Keene is known to have advised, while on his vacation, the purchase of his favorite properties.

STOCKS TAKE A DIP

This the Case With the More Important Ones.

COPPER TAKES BOTH DIRECTIONS

"Soo" Rises in the Final Hour—The Closing Is Active and Easy.

New York, March 25.—Opening prices were irregular, but the more important stocks were lower. Evansville & Terre Haute broke 4¾ on a sale of 500 shares but immediately rallied 2 points. There was heavy liquidation in the Readings, the common losing a large fraction. Anaconda fell nearly a point, but Amalgamated Copper was inclined to advance after fluctuations. Sugar lost 1⅝. It was taken by the shorts on the decline and recovered to above 132, but did not hold. Gains of about a point were made in Pacific Coast first preferred, Corn Products and Rutland preferred, while Evansville & Terre Haute rallied 3 from the lowest and New Jersey Central rose 2. Amalgamated Copper, Colorado Fuel and Tennessee Coal lost a point, as did also Reading common and second preferred, Chicago, Indianapolis & Louisville, General Electric and Wheeling & Lake Erie. Some large individual blocks of the United States Steel and Reading stocks were sold. Railroad stocks became heavy but did not suffer much aside from St. Paul, which fell off ¾. Near 11 o'clock prices hardened with Manhattan rising a point. General Electric rallied 1½.

Brooklyn Transit followed Manhattan's rise with a gain of a point, but the temporary improvement in other leaders was checked by renewed selling of Reading, Colorado & Southern and some recently strong specialties. Prices quite generally ruled at the lowest of the morning and there were free offerings of the transcontinental stocks. Declines reached between 1 and 2 points in Chicago Terminal Transfer, Colorado & Southern common and second preferred, the Chicago & Northwestern stocks, St. Paul, Hocking Coal, Great Northern preferred, New York, Chicago & St. Louis, Pittsburg, C., C. & St. Louis preferred, Wells Fargo, Consolidated Gas, Delaware & Hudson, American Ice preferred and Evansville & Terre Haute preferred. North American made a gain of 2¾ and United States Express and American Bicycle preferred showed strength.

There were declines of 1 to 2 in Colorado & Southern first preferred, Erie second preferred, Omaha preferred, Continental Tobacco preferred and American Telegraph before the selling movement was checked. Colorado Fuel was advanced sharply, recovering its dividend and 1⅜ in addition. Tennessee Coal rallied a point in sympathy. North American rose 4⅝ and Sugar recovered a point. The general market responded but slightly to the rally. Virginia-Carolina Chemical preferred declined a point.

Business was intensely dull and but few stocks covered a range of more than a slight fraction. Colorado Fuel fell off 1⅛ from the best. New York, Chicago & St. Louis rallied 1½ from the lowest, and Pacific Coast second preferred made a net gain of 1. Pressed Steel Car preferred 1⅛, and Pullman 3. The general undertone was heavy, and any improvements in the coal stocks brought out fresh selling orders. United States Rubber preferred and Illinois Central declined a point, and Rubber Goods preferred 1½.

Evansville & Terre Haute slumped 7⅛, to 67¼, and Atchison, Missouri Pacific, New York Central and Erie got a point under last night. Rock Island spurted to 181⅛, but sold back to below last night. Colorado Fuel preferred sold at an advance of 4 points, and the common rose again to the best. Kansas City Southern preferred became prominent with a gain of 2½. The common gained a point, and the "Soo" stocks gained a point or more. Evansville & Terre Haute rallied 2½. The general list responded very feebly. The closing was active and easy.

Bonds were irregular. Wabash debenture B's were forced down 1⅛ on large sales.

Stock quotations reported for The Journal by Watson & Co., brokers, Chamber of Commerce, Minneapolis:

Closing figures are bid.

Sales	Stocks—	High-est.	Low-est.	—Close— Bid Mr.25	Bid. Mr.24
	Adams Express	.....	.....	200	200
	Am. Express	.....	.....	229	230
1,900	Am. Car. Oil	.....	.....	45½	46⅛
200	do pr	.....	.....	93½	94
	Am. Car	.....	.....	32	32⅛
	do pr	.....	.....	91¾	91½
	Am. Locomot	32¼	31¾	31¾	32¼
	do pr	94	93¾	93⅞	94
	Am. Ice	.....	.....	19⅝	20
	do pr	.....	.....	60¼	60¾
	Am. Linseed	.....	.....	24¾	24¾
	do pr	.....	.....	51¾	52
16,400	Am. Sugar	132½	131⅛	132	132¾
	do pr	119⅞	118⅝	119⅝	119¾
500	Am. Smelting	46½	46¼	46¼	46½
	do pr	98¼	97½	97¾	97⅝
	Amal. Cop	62¼	61	62	61⅞
	Anacon. Cop	29⅛	28	28⅛	29
5,000	At.,Top. & S.F.	77⅞	77	77¼	78
18,000	do pr	.....	.....	96¾	97⅝
2,300	Balt. & Ohio	106¼	105¾	105¾	106½
	do pr	.....	.....	95	95
2,400	Brook. Rap. Tr.	66¼	65	65¼	65¼
200	Can. Southern	87⅞	87¾	87¾	87½
400	Canadian Pac	115⅝	115¼	115¼	115½
200	Ches. & Ohio	45½	45¾	45¾	45½
500	Chi. & Alton	35⅞	35⅝	35½	36
	do pr	.....	.....	75	75
500	Chi. Gr. West.	24½	24	24½	24½
	Chi., Ind. & L.	67½	66¾	65¾	67¼
	do pr	.....	.....	78	79
	C.,C.,C. & St. L.	.....	.....	.....	102¾
	Chi. Term	.....	.....	18	18
	do pr	34¼	34	34¼	34¾
35,700	Col. Fuel & Ir.	106⅝	106⅛	106⅛	104¾
	do pr	134	132	133½	127½
5,100	Col. Southern	27	26½	26⅝	27½
	do 1st pr	70½	70¼	70¼	71⅝
	do 2d pr	41	39½	39½	41½
	Col., H. C. & I.	21⅝	19¾	20	21⅛
1,100	Consol. Gas	223	222	222½	223¾
	Del. & Hudson	171½	170⅝	170¾	172¼
100	Den. & Rio Gr.	43¼	43	43¼	43
300	do pr	91⅝	91½	91½	91¾
3,500	Erie	37	36¼	36½	37½
800	do 1st pr	69¼	68⅝	68½	69¼
100	do 2d pr	54½	54	54¼	55¼
1,200	Gen. Electric	324¾	323¼	323½	323
	Great Nor., pr	.....	.....	184	184½
	Grass Twine	51⅝	50½	51	50¾
	Hocking Valley	.....	.....	70⅝	71¼
	do pr	86	85⅞	85⅞	86½
900	Illinois Central	142	140⅛	141⅛	141¾
	Iowa Central	48½	48	48	49
	do pr	.....	.....	81¼	82¼
200	Inter. Paper	.....	.....	21	22
	do pr	.....	.....	75	75½
	K. C. & South.	.....	.....	24	20¼
	do pr	56¾	53½	56¼	54¼
	Louis. & Nash.	106⅞	106¼	106⅝	108½
6,200	M.,St. P. & Soo	54⅞	53¼	54⅝	53¼
	do pr	.....	.....	116	114¾
	Manhattan	134½	133	133½	133¼
1,900	Met. St. Ry.	168½	167½	167½	167⅝
200	Minn. & St. L.	110¾	110	110½	110¼
	do pr	.....	.....	120	120
	Missouri Pac.	100⅞	100⅛	100¼