urban Railway and Easton avenue," approved March 28, 1899.

House Bill No. 192. An ordinance providing for the catching and killing of dogs.

House Bill No. 227. An ordinance to reconstruct alley in city block number seventy-seven.

House Bill No. 228. An ordinance to provide for the construction of sewers in Rock Springs Sewer District Number Eight.

EDMUND BERSCH,
Chairman.

House Bills Nos. 28, 39, 192, 227 and 228, as above, were read at length, no objection being made, and all other business being suspended, Mr. Speaker Murrell, in the presence of the House, in open session, affixed his signature thereto in accordance with the provisions of the Charter.

On motion of Mr. Faulkner, all absentees were excused for non-attendance this evening.

Mr. Schumacher moved that the House do now adjourn.

The motion prevailed.

The House adjourned, to meet Tuesday, March 13, 1900, at 7 p. m.

W. H. JUDY,
Clerk.

TO CONTRACTORS.

Office of Commissioner of Supplies,
City Hall, March 10, 1900.

Sealed proposals will be received by the undersigned at his office until 12 o'clock m. of

THURSDAY NEXT, 15TH INST.,

for supplying the City Hospital, Job House of Refuge, Workhouse, Quarantine and Smallpox Hospital, Insane Asylum, Poorhouse and Female Hospital with fresh beef and a change of fresh pork, mutton, straight mutton, so bucks, or veal of calves not over three months old—three times a week if so desired, and fresh fish from March 20th, 1900, to June 30th, 1900.

The fresh meat to be from steers and heifers only, of good and marketable quality, well matured, and in good condition, which have been slaughtered the day before delivered, and furnished in equal proportion of fore and hind quarter meat. Necks, shanks and kidney tallow to be excluded, each forequarter of beef to weigh not less than 250 pounds, and each hindquarter of beef not less than 150 pounds. The necks of the cattle slaughtered for beef shall be cut off at the fourth vertebral joint, and the breast trimmed down. The shank of forequarters to be cut off from three to four inches above the knee joint, and hindquarters from six to eight inches above the gambrel or hock joint.

Separate bids will be received for the meat and fish to be delivered at each institution, and separate awards will be made for all the meat and fish required by any one institution, based upon the estimated quantity required.

The meat and fish to be delivered free of charge for delivery in a clearly covered vehicle, and well protected from dust and weather, in such quantities and at such times as may be required by the officer in charge, and to be subject to his approval. In the event of the proper officer rejecting any of the meat or fish furnished, and the contractor failing to replace it with that of satisfactory quality in proper time, said officer to have the right to purchase, at the cost of the contractor, such meat or fish as is required.

Each bid must be accompanied by a certified check to the order of the undersigned for $200, as a guarantee that in case of its acceptance the bidder will, within five days of the award, enter into contract and file a bond in the sum of $5,000.00, with two or more good and sufficient sureties, to be approved by the Mayor, for the faithful performance of this contract.

The Commissioner reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

All bids having any alteration or erasure thereon will be rejected.

Printed forms and any further information required will be furnished on application to this office.

Bidders are invited to be present at the opening of the bids.

FRED C. MEIER,
Commissioner of Supplies.

The estimated quantities required under the above advertisement are as follows:

	Beef, lbs.	Pork, lbs.	Mutton, lbs.	Veal, lbs.	Buffalo, lbs.	Chickens or Trout, lbs.
For the City Hospital	24,000	18,000	2,600	1,200	1,500	150
For the Jail	26,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
For the House of Refuge	20,500	200	2,000	500	.....	200
For the Workhouse	20,000	600	250	500	.....	200
For the Quarantine, etc.	2,100	800	650	600	.....	50
For the Insane Asylum	23,500	100	6,100	250	1,900	195
For the Poorhouse	44,000	250	6,650	400	.....	550
For Female Hospital	12,000	150	2,100	200	500	200

As to Quarantine Hospital, it shall be optional with the city to purchase meat in such quantities as shall be required by the Commissioner of Supplies.

PROPOSALS FOR RECORD BOOKS.

City Register's Office,
City Hall, St. Louis, March 9, 1900.

Sealed proposals will be received by the undersigned at his office in the City Hall until 12 o'clock noon

MONDAY, MARCH 12, 1900,

for the printing and binding of twenty-five (25) Real Estate Record Books, to be numbered 1586-1610, both inclusive, with private indexes for each, each record to contain 500 pages, to be numbered 49 lines to a page and numbered 1 to 49; Brown or Weston's blue tint paper, style of binding, printing and general appearance to be seen at the office of the Recorder of Deeds, in the Courthouse. The work must be completed and delivered from date of contract at the Recorder of Deeds' Office within 60 days.

The sum of one hundred dollars to be deposited with the City Treasurer, his receipt to be attached to the bid.

No bids shall be considered in which there shall be any erasures or interlineations.

All of said books shall bear on the cover or title page the imprint of the "Allied Printing Trades' Council of St. Louis, Missouri," and no bids will be entertained (pursuant to Ordinance No. 18411, approved July 6, 1899, except from parties who have the right to print on the cover or title page of said books the said imprint.

Bidders will state price for the job complete.

The Register reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

HENRY BESCH,
Register.

POULTRY.

Receipts Light—Market Closed Quiet at 10 Cents.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

New York, March 10.—Dressed poultry receipts to-day were 1,806 pkgs. The fresh receipts of fowls this morning were not heavy, but trade was slow, and the market closed quiet at 10c on prime dry picked fowls, with inferior not moving at 9@9½c. Advices to hand are more liberal than at the same time last week, and the market finished steady and at unchanged prices for both fresh-killed and frozen stock.

Chicago Poultry Quotations.

Chicago, Ill., March 10.—Dressed poultry steady; turkeys 8@11c; chickens 8@10c.

Butter, Cheese and Eggs.

New York, March 10.—Butter—Receipts 4,658 pkgs; steady at decline. June creamery 16@22c. Western 5c lower; factory 17@20c. Cheese—Receipts 4,726 pkgs; fancy large colored 12@12½c; fancy small white 12@12½c; fancy small colored 12½@12½c; choice grades 12@12½c. Eggs—Receipts 4,726 pkgs; firm and higher; Western at mark 14@14½c; Southern at mark 13½@14c.

Liverpool Market.

Liverpool, March 10.—Beef steady; extra India mess 70s 9d; prime mess 62s 6d. Pork firm; prime Western 55s 3d. Hams—Short cut, 14 to 16 lbs., firm; 6s. Bacon—Cumberland cut, 28 to 30 lbs., 28s; short ribs, 26 to 34 lbs., 28s; long clear middles, heavy, 28s; light, 28s; short clear backs, 26 to 28 lbs., 28 6d; shoulders, square, 12 to 14 lbs., firm, 34s. Lard steady; prime Western, in tcs, 28s 9d; American refined in pails 29s 3d. Butter—nominal. Cheese firm; American finest white 61s; American finest colored 62s 6d. Tallow—Prime city firm, 29s. Australian, in London steady, 29s 3d. Cottonseed oil—Hull refined May-Aug. dull, 29s 6d. Turpentine spirits steady, 41s. Rosin—Common firm, 5s. Petroleum—Refined 5½d. Linseed oil 28s 3d. Flour—St. Louis fancy per 280 lbs., 22s 6d. Hops at Pacific Coast steady; 37 10@45 lbs. Pease—Canadian 5s 3d. Wheat—Spot No. 2 red Western winter, No. 1 Northern spring, stocks exhausted; future dull; March 5s 3d, July 5s 3½d. Corn—Spot firm; American mixed firm, 5s 1½d; American mixed, old 5s 1½d; futures firm, May 5s 2½d; July 5s 3½d.

Minneapolis Flour.

Minneapolis, March 10.—Flour—First patents $5.85; second patents $5.75; first clears $3.60; second $3.00. Bran in bulk $7@7.25. Wheat, in store—No. 1 Northern, March 64c; May 63¾c; July 64¾c; on trk.—No. 1 hard 64¾c, No. 1 Northern 64¼c, No. 2 Northern 62¾c.

Dry Goods.

New York, March 10.—The dry goods market closed the week with a quiet demand for all kinds of staple cotton goods, but enough business doing for immediate delivery to take care of ready supplies. No changes in quotations of any moment. Print cloths quiet, but firm, in all makes. Prints and ginghams are firm, but quiet. The conditions in woolen and worsted goods are unchanged. Cotton yarns are still strong and advancing. Woolen worsted yarns quieter and barely steady.

FINANCIAL.

MISSISSIPPI VALLEY TRUST COMPANY.

CAPITAL, SURPLUS AND PROFITS - - - - - $6,500,000

PAYS

4% ON SAVINGS DEPOSITS.

Saturday's financial quotations, local and foreign, will be found in Sunday's paper.

WHEAT CLOSED WEAK, BUT CORN WAS HIGHER CLOSING NEAR THE TOP.

TRADING WAS QUIET IN WHEAT AND THE TONE WAS INCLINED TO BE WEAK ALL DAY.

BUT PRICE CHANGES SMALL.

CORN WAS VERY STRONG EARLY, BUT EASED OFF A LITTLE LATER, THOUGH CLOSING BETTER.

OATS ALSO WERE STRONGER.

Office Republic,
Saturday, March 10, 1900.

WHEAT—The market started in as though the expectation would be fulfilled, too. Uninteresting cables that reported quiet markets in Liverpool and London, the only change in price 3d decline in Liverpool, a probability that the world's shipments would be considerably over 5,000,000 bu, with an estimated increase in passage, continued large Northwestern receipts and perfect spring weather, the cold wave having miscarried, gave domestic markets an easy opening. July sold here 5c lower, at 69¾c. The eye evidently strong advance in corn seemed right, and the opening sales of July sellers of wheat, especially of May, so much so, in fact, that the first trade in that option was at 69¾c, an advance of ⅛@¼c, whereas July did not go above 69½c. After this advance the market quieted down, and there was little trading. Subsequent news was quite of that description that would benefit the market. Both Paris and Berlin were ½c higher, but Antwerp ½c lower, and the Continent reported a seller in the markets of this country. Bradstreet's was off 5c. The day's clearances reported in flour and wheat were only 35,000 bu. The blue bird weather was felt as a bearish influence. It was believed the Government would make the amount in farmers' hands about 100,000,000 bu. There was enough selling and not enough buying during the latter part of the session to weaken the market gradually. May sold down to 69¼c, closing at 69⅛@69⅛c bid, and July's latest trade was at 69¼c. No news of any consequence was heard of late in the day. Cash markets—Received, 884 sks. and cars local. Higher for choice; cents 8 ft winter, No. 2 red selling by samples at 73c this side and 70½c del. E. side. No. 3 red quotable at 70½@72c; No. 4 winter at 65@68c; rejected at 55@62c; No. 2 hard at 67½c; 66½c; No. 3 do. at 67@67½c; No. 4 do. at 61@62c; No. 2 soft spring at 69@70c; No. 3 do. at 67@69½c; No. 4 do. at 62@63c and No. 4 do. at 61@62c. From elevator, 5,000 No. 2 red sold at 2c over May loaded.

CORN—Was the whole thing this morning. Disappointing receipts and prospects they would be much lighter, as not alone the country refusing to sell, but country roads certain to be in miserable condition for hauling, owing to the thaw, were influences that had weight. Then a Government report on farm reserves was due and the trade generally expected that to be bullish. There were also expect sales heard of the first thing, owing to cable acceptances, and Liverpool was 3d higher for futures and 3d for spot. Shorts were startled by the array of bullish information, and there was a whole lot of climbing out. As this chiefly was in May that opened ⅛c higher at 47½c and shot rapidly up to 47¾c. July sold ⅛c higher at 47¼c and 47c then bid.

Receipts at Western markets were 592,000 bu., against 487,000 bu. one year ago, 98,000 bu. arriving at St. Louis, against 27,000 bu. last year. Shipments were 269,000 bu. from Western markets, and 276,000 bu. from Atlantic and Gulf ports. There was no further advance after the early upturn, and some realizing sales late in the day gave a somewhat easier tone to the market. May was offered at close at 47¼c, and July then sold at 47¼c, May No. 2 white was traded in at 49½c. Chicago reported 200,000 bu. cash taken for shipment, and the seaboard twenty-seven loads for export.

Cash Market—Received 174 sacks and seventy-four cars through. Again higher and tight as beeswax, though the demand very small. Sellers very firm. On track, No. 2 at 50¼@50½c; high mixed at 50½c, No. 2 white at 50½c.

OATS—Western markets received 247,000 bu., against 286,000 bu. one year ago, 41,000 bu. at St. Louis, against 28,800 bu. last year—and shipped 217,000 bu. The exports were only 3,200 bu.

The future market was strengthened further by the advance in corn. May selling at 34¾c, to 34¾@34⅞c, and later bid.

Cash market—Received 33 cars local and 4 cars through. Not much doing, as usual Saturday market, but prices about the same. On trk. No. 2 at 34½c, No. 2 at 34½c, No. 2 Northern at 34¼@34½c, No. 2 white at 35½c, No. 3 do. at 35@35½c, No. 4 do. at 34½c.

RYE—Nominally steady and firm at 59c for No. 2 East Side.

FLOUR—There is nothing new to note. Domestic trade is fair, and there is some small-lot business with the United Kingdom and the continent.

Quotations on soft winter wheat flour are as follows:

Patents, $3.00@3.55; extra fancy, $2.90@3.25; straights, $2.75@2.85; clear, $2.75@3; low and medium, $2@2.50.

Hard winter, $2.65@2.40 for bakers', $2.70 to $2.80 for straights; and $3 to $3.20 for patents all in jute sacks.

RYE FLOUR—Firm at $2.65 in sacks.

BUCKWHEAT FLOUR—Eastern selling at $3.25 and Western at $3 per bbl.

CORNMEAL—City meal f. o. b. $1.80; pearl meal, grits and hominy, $2.15.

MILLFEED—Scant supply and a strong market. Sales of bran East St. Louis have made at 67½@67½c, latter choice, in sacks, and 62c in bulk. At mill, bran at 68½@70c, and ships at 70c.

HAY—Received, 400 tons local and 160 tons through; shipped, 266 tons. The market holds firm, but business only moderate, as offerings small and only local buyers in market. The good to choice grades alone are sought after, though nearly everything sells readily. Prices are as follows: Timothy, $12.50 for choice and $12 for fancy, $11@12 for No. 1, $10@10.50 for No. 2, $8@9 for No. 3; prairie, $9 for choice, $8@8.50 for No. 1, $7@7.50 for No. 2. Good to choice clover, $9@11.

STRAW—Wheat, on trk., at $4.75.

LEAD—Steady but quiet, at $4.37½ for soft Missouri, and $4.60 for chemical lead.

SPELTER—Last sale at $5.30 and firm at that.

GRASS SEEDS—Clover, $5.30 for poor to $7.50 for choice; red top $3@5.50 in chaff and $5@6 for choice, to $6@7 for fancy; German millet, $1.50@1.75 for prime, 1 quarter, 65@75c; millet, 75@90c; timothy, $2@2.25.

FLAXSEED—Nominally at $1.07.

CASTOR BEANS—Nominal at $1.12 per bu. for car lots prime on trk.

HEMPSEED—Latest sale at $3 per 100 lbs.

Prices on Change.

The following tables show the range of prices in future and cash grain:

	Closed Friday.	Range Saturday.	Closed Saturday.
Wheat—March	69¼ a	69⅛@69⅛	69⅛ b
May	69¾@¾ a	69¾@69⅞	69⅞@⅞ b
July	69¼ a	69¼@69⅛	69⅛
Corn—March	47¼ a	47	47 b
May	34¾ a	34¾@34⅞	34¾ a
July	34¾ a	34¾@34⅞	34⅞
Oats—March	34¼ b	34	34 b
May	34¾	34¾@34⅞	34¾@⅞

Cash wheat, corn and oats ranged:

	Last Year.	Friday.	Saturday.
Wheat—No. 2 red	73 @74	72½@73	72 @74
No. 3 red	67 @72	69@72	70½@72
No. 4 winter	61 @68	61 @68	65 @68
No. 2 hard	67 @	67 @68	67 @68
No. 3 hard	66 @	67 @68	67 @68
Corn—No. 2	34 @	34½@	35 @35¼
No. 3	33½@	34½@	34½@
No. 2 white	34½@35	35 @	35 @35½
No. 3 white	34 @	34 @	34 @35
Oats—No. 2	28 @	34 @34¼	34½@
No. 3	28½@	34 @	34 @
No. 2 Northern	29 @29¼	34½@34¾	34½@
No. 3 white	28½@31	34½@35	35 @35¼
No. 4 white	29 @30	34½@35	35 @35¼

Movement of Grain.

Stocks of Grain in Store.

Shipments of Flour.

ON THE PRODUCE EXCHANGE.

Local Egg, Poultry, Butter and Produce Markets.

Provisions.

Hides.

Wool.

By Telegraph.

Furs.

Dairy Products.

Poultry, Game and Veals.

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

Fruits and Vegetables.

LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

Native and Texas Cattle Quiet and Steady—Hogs Slow—Sheep Firm.

St. Louis, Saturday, March 10, 1900.

	Rec.	Sales.
Cattle	1,[illegible]	[illegible]
Hogs	1,[illegible]	1,[illegible]
Sheep	42	None
Horses and mules	67	70

CATTLE—Native Cattle Trade—The few offerings in the department were of no consequence, and only sparkling cattle met with an excellent clearance. Some inferior light weight stockers are being held over in second hands. Calculating from the closing conditions last week, best steers are selling good better, heifers 10@15c higher, cows a fraction better, stock cattle steady, veal calves fairly as high. Bulls unchanged and milk cows in improved demand.

Southern Cattle Trade—The final day of the week brought out but 1 car of Mississippi valley cattle. In course of the week 38 cars arrived, against 26 cars received last week and 24 cars the week last year. The ordinary run of steers close practically steady with a week ago, while the choice ones, regardless of weight, figure a little higher. Butcher cattle developed strong to higher quotations.

Representative sales.

No.	Kind.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Kind.	Av.	Pr.
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HOGS—The receipts of these were much more than enough to meet the requirements of the local market, and the quality was generally speaking very ordinary. Packers were not in the market to any great extent, trading at the opening was slow and all grades were easily bringing about 10@15c less than Friday, the bulk of the offerings selling at $3.90@4. The market ruled weak and lower all week, and Saturday's trade was at a slight disadvantage, the drove showing up to be a small fresh supply, consisting, for the most part, of packing stock, and selling at a lower range than prevailed for the greater part of last week. Heavy hogs were in fair request, but there was also a good supply of them, and they ruled about 5@10c lower than last week. The little trade noted at $3.90@4 for the heavy hogs, for quality deemed fairly good, but the bulk of the heavy hogs sold at $3.85@3.90, and heavy lots went at $3.80@3.85, and down to $3.75@3.80. The bulk of the mixed packing stock sold at $3.80@3.85, and down to $3.75@3.80, and the light hogs ranged from $3.80@3.90, the bulk selling at $3.85@3.90. Representative sales.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
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SHEEP—The receipts of these were much more than enough to meet the requirements of the local market, and the quality was generally speaking very ordinary. Buyers were not in the market to any great extent, trading at the opening was slow and all grades were easily bringing about 10@15c less than Friday, the bulk of the offerings selling at $3@3.25. The market ruled weak and lower all week, and Saturday's trade was at a slight disadvantage, the drove showing up to be a small fresh supply, consisting, for the most part, of packing stock, and selling at a lower range than prevailed for the greater part of last week. Heavy sheep were in fair request, but there was also a good supply of them, and they ruled about 5@10c lower than last week. The little trade noted at $3.25@3.40 for the heavy sheep, for quality deemed fairly good, but the bulk of the heavy sheep sold at $3@3.25, and heavy lots went at $2.90@3, and down to $2.75@2.90. The bulk of the mixed packing stock sold at $3@3.25, and down to $2.75@3, and the light sheep ranged from $3@3.25, the bulk selling at $3@3.25. Representative sales.

No.	Kind.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Kind.	Av.	Pr.
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MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

CHICAGO, Ill., March 10.—Cattle Receipts 1,000 head; steady; choice to prime steers, $5.40@5.60; fancy, $5.25@5.35; good, $4.90@5.20; medium, $4.50@4.80; common, $3.75@4.25; stockers and feeders, $3@4.50; cows and heifers, $2.50@4.75; canners, $2@2.50; bulls, $3@4.25; calves, $3@6.50; Texas fed steers, $4@4.75. Hogs—Receipts 40,000 head; active market at strong to a higher range; heavy, $4.00@4.05; mixed, $4@4.05; light, $3.90@4.05; pigs, $3.90@4.05; bulk of sales, $4@4.05. Sheep—Receipts 20,000 head; active and 10@15c higher; lambs 10@15c higher; ewes and mixed, $3@3.50; wethers, $3.60@3.75; Texas clipped yearlings, $3.60@3.75; Texas clipped lambs, $4@4.75. Western lambs, $4@4.75; Western ewes, $3@3.50; Western wethers, $3.60@3.75.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., March 10.—Cattle—Receipts 1,500 head; 500 head to make market; prices largely nominal. The liberal supply this week seems met with a good demand, all classes selling at steady to somewhat higher prices; native steers brought $4@5.60; stockers and feeders, $3@4.50; butcher cows and heifers, $2@4.60; canners, $2@2.50; fed Westerns, $4@4.75; Western grass steers, $3.60@4.25; Texas grass steers, $3@3.75; Texas fed steers, $3.60@4.75. Hogs—Receipts 6,000 head; active market at strong to a higher range; heavy, $4@4.05; mixed, $4@4.05; light, $3.90@4.05; pigs, $3.90@4.05; bulk of sales, $4@4.05. Sheep—Receipts 2,000 head; steady; lambs, $4@4.75; Western lambs, $4@4.75; Western ewes, $3@3.50; Western wethers, $3.60@3.75; Texas clipped yearlings, $3.60@3.75; Texas clipped lambs, $4@4.75.

EAST ST. LOUIS, Ill., March 10.—Cattle—Receipts 1,000 head; 500 head to make market; prices largely nominal. The liberal supply this week seems met with a good demand, all classes selling at steady to somewhat higher prices; native steers brought $4@5.60; stockers and feeders, $3@4.50; butcher cows and heifers, $2@4.60; canners, $2@2.50; fed Westerns, $4@4.75; Western grass steers, $3.60@4.25; Texas grass steers, $3@3.75; Texas fed steers, $3.60@4.75. Hogs—Receipts 6,000 head; active market at strong to a higher range; heavy, $4@4.05; mixed, $4@4.05; light, $3.90@4.05; pigs, $3.90@4.05; bulk of sales, $4@4.05. Sheep—Receipts 2,000 head; steady; lambs, $4@4.75; Western lambs, $4@4.75; Western ewes, $3@3.50; Western wethers, $3.60@3.75; Texas clipped yearlings, $3.60@3.75; Texas clipped lambs, $4@4.75.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., March 10.—Cattle Receipts 500 head; steady. Hogs—Receipts 4,000 head; steady to 5c higher; heavy, $4@4.05; mixed and butchers, $4@4.05; good to choice, $4@4.05; light, $3.90@4.05; pigs, $3.90@4.05. Sheep—Receipts 2,500 head; steady; choice muttons, $3.25@3.50; lambs, $4@4.75.

OMAHA, Neb., March 10.—Cattle Receipts 800 head; steady; native beef steers, $4@5.60; western steers, $3.60@4.25; Texas steers, $3@3.75; cows and heifers, $2.50@4.60; canners, $2@2.50; stockers and feeders, $3@4.50; calves, $3@6.50; bulls, $3@4.25. Hogs—Receipts 6,000 head; 5@10c higher; heavy, $4@4.05; mixed, $4@4.05; light, $3.90@4.05; pigs, $3.90@4.05; bulk of sales, $4@4.05. Sheep—Receipts 2,000 head; steady; lambs, $4@4.75; western lambs, $4@4.75; western ewes, $3@3.50; western wethers, $3.60@3.75; Texas clipped lambs, $4@4.75.

PEORIA, Ill., March 10.—Cattle—Receipts 300 head; steady; choice to prime steers, $5@5.25; fancy, $5@5.25; good, $4.75@5; medium, $4@4.50; common, $3@3.75; stockers and feeders, $3@4.25; cows and heifers, $2@4.50; canners, $2@2.25; bulls, $3@4.25; calves, $3@6.50. Hogs—Receipts 4,000 head; 5@10c higher; heavy, $4@4.05; mixed, $4@4.05; light, $3.90@4.05; pigs, $3.90@4.05; bulk of sales, $4@4.05. Sheep—Receipts 1,000 head; steady; lambs, $4@4.75; western lambs, $4@4.75; western ewes, $3@3.50; western wethers, $3.60@3.75; Texas clipped yearlings, $3.60@3.75; Texas clipped lambs, $4@4.75.

THE COTTON SITUATION.

There Was a Good Strong Market for Cotton and a General Advance.

St. Louis, Saturday, March 10, 1900.

Strength was the feature to-day of the general cotton situation, and the close was at an advance all around. Locally the market was quiet, with no sales, but 1-16c higher. Liverpool was stronger and higher and the New York market responded freely, closing better, for both spots and futures.

The statistical position, as made up by this morning's New York Financial Chronicle, is as follows:

	This Week.	Last Week.	Last Year.
Visible supply	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
of which American	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Crop in sight	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
In sight during week	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Spinners' takings to date	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Exports for week	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Exports to date	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Interior receipts	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Interior stocks	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Interior stocks	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Plantation deliveries	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

The Chronicle states that rain has been quite general throughout the belt for the past week, and a number of correspondents state that the wet weather has interfered with preparations for the next crop.

Local market quotations:

Middling	9¼
Good ordinary	8¾
Middling	9 9-16
Low middling	9 1-16
Good middling	9 9-16
Middling fair	9 15-16

Tinges and stains 1-16@⅛c below white.

Bagging per yard 1¾@1 7-16c; 2 lbs. 6½c; 2¼ lbs. 7c. Iron ties per bale 11-2@1 Hemp twine per lb. 9c.

Warehouse statement to-day:

	1899-1900.	1898-99.
Net receipts to-day	121	98
Net receipts since Sept. 1	[illegible]	[illegible]
Gross receipts to-day	[illegible]	[illegible]
Gross receipts since Sept. 1	[illegible]	[illegible]
Gross shipments to-day	[illegible]	[illegible]
Gross shipments since Sept. 1	[illegible]	[illegible]
Stock on hand	[illegible]	[illegible]

Liverpool Market—Spot demand moderate at 4d advance on islands; 6,000 bales. Futures opened steady at 1-16@⅛d advance, but irregular. March [illegible] March sold [illegible] n., April-May [illegible] May-June [illegible] n., June-July [illegible] July-Aug. [illegible] n., Aug.-Sept. [illegible] Sept.-Oct. [illegible] n., Oct.-Nov. [illegible] Nov.-Dec. [illegible] n., Dec.-Jan. [illegible] Jan.-Feb. [illegible] Feb.-March [illegible] Spot and futures closed quiet.