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INTEREST CENTERED ON THIRD AVENUE.

MOVEMENT IRRESPECTIVE OF THE VALUE.

Close Was Firm in All Departments—Burlington Continued Strong.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

New York, March 15.—Although the Bank of England did not advance its discount rate, the returns showed an important decrease in the proportion of reserve against liabilities. This had the effect of somewhat depressing the London market, and American stocks hung round about parity all day, with very little life in them. In view of the position in Europe and the probable outflow of gold from London to Berlin, an advance in the money rates there seems not improbable.

In the New York market interest chiefly centered on Third Avenue. The movements were quite irrespective of the apparent value of the stock. On this showing of the receiver, the position is so very bad that it is an open question whether the security is worth anything at all. In a market where only 100,000 shares are available, under the influence of a bull corner in the stock, it may be worth anything.

People were found during the day who thought it was worth 70. Like Sugar, this seems to be a very good stock for the public to let alone. Sugar advanced on the squeeze of one or two weak bear pools, in spite of the fact that another refinery had been shut down in Williamsburg.

The strength in Burlington, noticeable yesterday, was maintained, and there were rumors of the refunding of the 7 per cent bonds. It was also said on rather better authority that the Rockefeller dividends on Standard Oil were being invested in it, and that part of them had already gone into St. Paul. The rest of the list benefited from the advance, and Burlington, although dearer money had the effect of checking outside speculation. The demand for bonds showed a considerable falling off.

The close was firm in all departments, although part of the sensational and almost fictitious advance in Third Avenue had been lost. The buying in the railroad stocks was of good character up to the finish, and commission-houses reported rather better business. Money was rather easier, and the bulk of the stock was continued at from 4½ to 5 per cent. Among the more speculative of the bonds, the Atchison adjustment fours are rapidly attracting more and more attention. The fact that the interest was made payable out of the net earnings initiated against them, but the position of the road and the possibilities of a dividend, even on common stock, caused some sound investment buying.

There seems very little doubt that the movement of money in Europe will have the effect of bringing tighter rates here. A further fall in the American exchange will bring gold from England, and a protective advance in the London bank rate seems almost inevitable before the end of the month. The signing of the currency bill is an important factor on the other side, but it is difficult at present to foresee the exact influence upon the market.

New York Stock Quotations.

The following shows the opening, highest, lowest and closing quotations on the New York Stock Exchange yesterday, corrected daily for The Republic by D. R. Francis, Bro. & Co., bonds and stocks, 410 Olive street.

Stocks.	Sales.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Close.
Am. Car & Fdry	1,600	37½	38½	37½	38½	38½
Do. pfd	100	84	84	84	84	84
Am. Cotton Oil	200	25½	....	....	25½	25½
Am. Linseed Oil	200	13½	....	....	13½	13½
Do. pfd	400	37½	37½	37	37½	36
Am. Smelt. & Ref	600	39	....	....	39	39
Do. pfd	200	93½	....	....	93½	93½
Am. Steel Hoop	6,200	33½	33½	33½	34	33½
Do. pfd	....	....	....	....	....	90
Am. Steel & Wire	2,100	56	56½	55½	55½	56
Do. pfd	500	91½	91½	91½	91½	91½
Am. Sugar Ref	28,300	136½	137	130½	130½	134½
Am. Tinplate	200	33½	33½	33	33½	33
Do. pfd	100	82	....	....	82	81½
Am. Tobacco	3,700	103½	104½	103½	103	103½
T. C. & I. F.	5,900	63½	64½	63½	63½	63½
Do. pfd	13,622	87½	88½	87½	87½	87½
Baltimore & Ohio	3,420	62½	62½	62½	62½	62½
Do. pfd	1,465	76	76½	75½	75½	75
Balt. & Ohio S. W.	24,600	61½	63½	61½	62½	61½
Central of N. J.	100	....	....	....	115	115½
Ches. & Ohio	300	28½	....	....	28½	28½
C., B. & Q.	26,930	125½	127½	125½	126½	125
Chicago Gt. West	220	19½	19½	19½	19½	19½
C., M. & St. Paul	16,079	127½	134	127½	132½	129½
C., R. I. & Pac.	2,906	149½	149	148½	149½	149½
C., C., C. & St. L.	600	99½	99½	99½	99½	99½
Colo. Fuel & Iron	100	44½	....	....	44½	44½
Consolidated Gas	7,200	176½	178	176½	178	176
Cont. Tobacco	240	29½	....	....	29½	28½
Do. pfd	....	....	....	....	....	85
Del. & Hudson	100	114½	....	....	114½	113½
Del., Lack. & W.	....	....	....	....	....	160
Denver & Rio G.	300	19½	....	....	19½	19
Do. pfd	....	....	....	....	....	71½
Federal Steel	2,720	50	50½	49½	49½	50
Do. pfd	240	75	75½	75	75½	74
General Electric	270	128½	128	128½	128	126½
Glucose Refining	400	31½	31½	31½	31½	32½
Illinois Central	....	....	....	....	....	132
Lake Shore	....	....	....	....	....	202
Lou. & Nash.	1,250	93½	93½	93½	93½	93½
Manhattan L.	1,200	97½	98½	97½	98½	97½
Met. Street Ry.	600	170	170	169	169	169
Mich. Central	200	93	....	....	93	93
M., K. & T.	2,000	31½	31½	31	31½	31½
Missouri Pacific	7,100	41½	42½	41½	42½	41½
National Biscuit	....	....	....	....	....	39
Do. pfd	....	....	....	....	....	129
National Lead	100	21	....	....	21	20½
National Steel	500	42	42	41½	41½	41
Do. pfd	300	92	....	....	92	92
New York Cent.	1,200	134½	135½	134	135½	134½
N. Y., Ont. & W.	100	19½	....	....	19½	19½
Norfolk & West	100	25½	....	....	25½	25½
Do. pfd	200	75	....	....	75	75
Northern Pacific	2,100	56½	56½	56½	56½	56½
Do. pfd	200	74	74½	74	74½	74
Pacific Mail	1,000	34	34½	33½	33½	33½
Pennsylvania	2,200	61½	61½	61	61½	61½
People's Gas	12,300	97	98½	96½	98½	96½
Pressed Steel Car	100	35½	....	....	35½	35½
Do. pfd	....	....	....	....	....	75
Pullman	300	170	....	....	170	170
R. & G. 1st pfd	9,100	79½	80½	79½	80½	79½
Do. 2d pfd	500	50½	50½	50½	50½	50½
St. L. & S. F.	....	....	....	....	....	75
Do. 1st pfd	....	....	....	....	....	170
Do. 2d pfd	....	....	....	....	....	165
St. L. S. W.	....	....	....	....	....	25
Do. pfd	100	52½	....	....	52½	52½
Southern Pacific	4,400	48½	49½	48½	49	48½
Southern Ry.	1,100	12½	12½	12½	12½	12½
Do. pfd	1,000	71	71½	71	71½	71
Tenn. Coal & Iron	200	50½	50½	50½	50½	50½
Union P. & P.	100	19½	....	....	19½	19½
Do. pfd	....	....	....	....	....	70
Utd. Gas Imp.	200	31	....	....	31	31
Do. pfd	100	74½	....	....	74½	74½
U. S. Leather	1,900	12½	12½	12½	12½	12½
Do. pfd	700	74½	75	74½	75	74½
U. S. Rubber	1,300	34½	....	....	34½	34½
Do. pfd	100	70	....	....	70	70
Wabash	1,100	12½	12½	12½	12½	12½
Wabash pfd	1,200	27½	27½	27½	27½	27½
Wheel. & L. E.	100	17	....	....	17	17
Do. pfd	200	37½	....	....	37½	37½
Republic I. & S.	200	42½	42½	42½	42½	42½
Do. pfd	200	96	96	96	96	96

BOND SALES AT NEW YORK.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

New York, March 15.—Sales of bonds were made here today as follows:

First Call.

25,000 Atch gen 4s 101½@101¾	6,000 L. N. & C. 1st 114
129,000 do adj 4s 84@84¾	10,000 Mex C 4s 90½
2,000 Adams ex 4s 102½	2,000 M K & T 2d 30
1,000 A. T. & S. F. deb 4s 103	2,000 M P 1st 5s 111
24,000 B. & O. 5s 111½	1,000 M & O 6s 110
19,000 do 4s 101½@101¾	1,000 N Y C & H R 7s 140
10,000 B. R. & N. 5s 117½	2,000 N. & W. 1st 5s 120
50,000 Cent of Ga 5s 102	2,000 N Y & E 1st 5s 110
10,000 do 2d inc 37	1,000 N. & W. 1st 5s 120
2,000 C. & N. W. gen 5s 125	4,000 N P 1st 4s 112½
10,000 C. R. I. & P. col tr 5s 107	1,000 O. S. L. 1st 6s 117
7,000 C. & O. gen 4½s 97	2,000 O. R. N. con 5s 100
5,000 do 25 yr 4½s 97	2,000 O. S. L. 1st 6s 117
10,000 C. B. & Q. 4s 100	2,000 O. R. N. con 5s 100
2,000 C. M. & St. P. 5s 118	2,000 O. S. L. 1st 6s 117
50,000 do 4s 100½	2,000 O. R. N. con 5s 100
25,000 C. R. I. & P. gen 4s 100½	2,000 O. S. L. 1st 6s 117
5,000 Chicago term 4s 99	2,000 O. R. N. con 5s 100
11,000 C. T. & S. L. 1st 5s 113	2,000 O. S. L. 1st 6s 117
10,000 C. C. C. & I. con 7s 120	2,000 O. R. N. con 5s 100
10,000 C. H. & D. gen 5s 111½	2,000 O. S. L. 1st 6s 117
25,000 C. & A. 1st 4s 95	2,000 O. R. N. con 5s 100
2,000 D. R. G. con 5s 99	2,000 O. S. L. 1st 6s 117
2,000 Erie 1st gen 5s 112	2,000 O. R. N. con 5s 100
4,000 E. A. T. H. gen 5s 104	2,000 O. S. L. 1st 6s 117
25,000 L. S. & M. S. 4s 107½	2,000 O. R. N. con 5s 100
7,000 L. E. & St. L. 1st 5s 110	2,000 O. S. L. 1st 6s 117
2,000 L. N. & C. 1st 5s 114	2,000 O. R. N. con 5s 100

Second Call.

4,000 Adams ex 4s 102	10,000 M. P. 1st 5s 111
10,000 Atch 4s 101½	2,000 Mex Cen 4s 90½
10,000 B. & O. 4s 101½	2,000 Mo. Pac. 3d 7s 116
2,000 B. & M. 4s 101	2,000 N. & W. 1st 5s 120
2,000 C. & N. W. con 7s 140	2,000 N. Y. C. & H. R. 7s 140
2,000 C. M. & St. P. 5s 118	2,000 N. Y. & E. 1st 5s 110
4,000 C. C. C. & I. con 7s 120	2,000 N. & W. 1st 5s 120
5,000 C. & O. 4½s 97	2,000 N. P. 1st 4s 112½
5,000 C. B. & Q. 4s 100	2,000 O. S. L. 1st 6s 117
2,000 C. R. I. & P. col tr 5s 107	2,000 O. R. N. con 5s 100
2,000 C. & A. 1st 4s 95	2,000 O. S. L. 1st 6s 117
2,000 D. R. G. con 5s 99	2,000 O. R. N. con 5s 100
2,000 E. T. V. & G. con 5s 106	2,000 O. S. L. 1st 6s 117
2,000 E. T. H. & I. gen 5s 104	2,000 O. R. N. con 5s 100
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2,000 L. N. & C. 1st 5s 114	2,000 O. R. N. con 5s 100

Third Call.

2,000 A. & N. W. 1st 98	2,000 M. K. & T. 2d 30
4,000 Ann Arbor 4s 94	2,000 M. P. 1st 5s 111
2,000 B. & O. 5s 111½	2,000 N. & W. 1st 5s 120
2,000 B. & O. S. W. 4s 100	2,000 N. Y. C. & H. R. 7s 140
2,000 C. & O. R. A. 4½s 97	2,000 N. Y. & E. 1st 5s 110
2,000 C. B. & Q. 4s 100	2,000 N. & W. 1st 5s 120
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Chicago Stocks and Bonds.

Received daily by D. R. Francis, Bro. & Co., 410 Olive street.

	High.	Low.
Diamond Match	141½	140
National Biscuit	39½	39
Do. pfd	....	....
West Chicago Street Railway	31½	31
Lake Street Elevated	27	26
Metropolitan West Side Elevated	36	35
South Side Elevated	....	....
Union Gas	19½	19
Diamond Match	141½	140
National Biscuit	39½	39
Do. pfd	....	....
National Stockyard	....	....
Chicago City 5 per cent bonds	....	....
Fort Dearborn	....	....
Do. pfd	....	....
Diamond Match	141½	140
Lake Street Elevated	27	26
Do. trust certificates	....	....
Metropolitan West Side Elevated	36	35
Do. pfd	....	....
National Biscuit	39½	39
Do. pfd	....	....
National Carbon	....	....
Do. pfd	....	....
North Chicago Street Railway	....	....
South Side Elevated	....	....
West Chicago Street Railway	31½	30

Pittsburg Stocks.

Received daily by D. R. Francis, Bro. & Co., 410 Olive street.

	Bid	Asked
Westinghouse Air Brake	32½	34
Pittsburg Plate Glass	150	151

New York Curb Stocks.

Received daily by D. R. Francis, Bro. & Co., 410 Olive street.

	Bid.	Asked.
American Air Power	3½	3¾
Bicycle	13	14
Do. pfd	42	45
American Woolen	11	12
Do. pfd	59½	60½
New Amsterdam Gas	27	27½
Do. pfd	83½	85
Amalgamated Copper	94½	94¾
Bay State Gas	1½	1¾
Chicago and Alton subs	19½	19¾
Distilling Company of America	6½	6¾

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RIVER NEWS.

Rise and Fall of the Rivers

For twenty-four hours ending at 7 a. m.
St. Louis, March 15, 1900.

Stations.	Danger.	Gauge.	Change.
Pittsburg	22.0	12.2	....
Morgantown	15.0	3.3	....
Cincinnati	50.0	17.1	....
Louisville	25.0	12.4	....
Nashville	40.0	14.1	....
Chattanooga	13.0	3.4	....
Florence	16.0	9.2	0.1
Evansville	30.0	7.5	....
Johnsonville	18.0	11.8	....
St. Paul	14.0	Frozen	
Dubuque	16.0	Frozen	
Davenport	17.0	Frozen	
Keokuk	15.0	9.4	0.2
Cedar Rapids	....	9.3	....
Kendall	13.0	....	....
Peoria	14.0	19.2	0.5
Grafton	32.0	....	....
Alton	25.0	....	....
Boonville	27.0	12.3	0.1
Beardstown	18.0	11.9	0.1
Hannibal	20.0	....	....
Louisiana	25.0	13.4	0.2
Le Claire	14.0	12.2	0.1
Chester	30.0	13.2	0.1
Cairo	40.0	18.9	0.1
Memphis	34.0	22.4	0.1
Little Rock	23.0	9.6	0.1
Vicksburg	41.0	26.2	0.1
Shreveport	40.0	8.2	0.1
New Orleans	17.0	5.4	0.1
*Fall.		0.1	

H. J. BRANT,
Local Forecast Official.

River and Business.

The river marked 22.1 feet yesterday, showing a rise of 1.0 feet in the last twenty-four hours. Today the river is expected to rise slowly.

Business along the river front light, with prospects for heavy traffic Sunday.

Paragraphs.

Captain James S. Smith of Pulaski, Ill., was a visitor here yesterday. In the afternoon he called on Secretary P. S. Brown at the Mississippi and Ohio River Pilots' Society rooms, of which organization Captain Smith is a member. He is now running for his farm near Pulaski and, when not steamboating, makes his home there.

Captain Thomas Hickridge left St. Louis yesterday for Hunter, Ind., by rail to visit his mother, who is seriously sick in that city.

Steamer City of St. Louis, Captain James Grant, is expected to be in port this morning from New Orleans. In addition to a large line of freight, she brings many passengers from the Mardi Gras festivities. She is to clear on her return Saturday evening.

The City Eagle is now receiving passengers and freight for her passage to Cape Girardeau and intermediate, clearing this evening at 4 o'clock.

The Rose Lee is due this morning from Memphis, departing on her return passage this evening.

Steamer City of Memphis was to arrive last night, she comes well patronized and will clear at 5 o'clock for Memphis and Helena.

Steamer Cherokee will hereafter resume her St. Genevieve and St. Mary's trade, making three trips a week, clearing on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays from the Eagle Packet wharfboat. Captain Hunter Ben Jenkins is her agent.

The regular Peoria packet steamer Bald Eagle will depart Saturday evening for Beardstown and Peoria.

The carrier is receiving for first season's trip to Hamburg, clearing Saturday afternoon.

The City of Shreveport will arrive in time to unload at her foot Monday evening.

Steamer Price Lee will be due Sunday to depart for the Tennessee River Monday.

It was reported in river circles yesterday that the steamer R. J. Gaston, which cleared from St. Louis for Naples Wednesday, had been seriously damaged by striking a stump near Wetzel's Landing at 8 a. m. The water was reported to be within 2 feet of her boiler deck. Captain Alexander Lamont is serving as master of the Gunter.

Steamer City of Pittsburg, according to reports from Portsmouth, has all of her gas now before steam and connected.

The Columbia was moved above the Eads Bridge yesterday.

By Telegraph.

REPUBLIC SPECIALS.

Cairo, Ill., March 15.—The river rose 1.4 during the last twenty-four hours, gauging 40.0 feet now. It will rise but a trifle today, and the probability is that it will come to a stand tomorrow or next morning. The weather is cool, cloudy and foggy. The temperature is 2 degrees warmer and the prospect now is that it will be several degrees more by to-morrow morning. A light snow fell last night and to day, which melted over immediately after falling. Wind prevailed all day and is brisk now. Observations will be made in preference with the movements of boats. The Fred Heald did not get away for Memphis until 2 p. m. She had a good trip. The Rose Lee arrived at 4 p. m. with a moderate trip, consisting of lumber staves and sundries. She discharged a few sundries, made light additions and departed for St. Louis at 4 p. m. The Joan from Paducah, with a line of railroad ties passed up for St. Louis at 5 a. m. The United States steamer Mistletoe arrived from St. Louis at 7 a. m. and departed for New Orleans at 9 a. m. She has the United States River Commission aboard. While the boat was in port a delegation of Kentuckians from Wickliffe called on the commission to urge the construction of levees in the Ballards without delay. The Beaver from the Upper Ohio with one barge of salt in tow passed south at 8 a. m. The Jack Rose from the Tennessee River with two barges of logs passed up for St. Louis at 11 a. m. The United States steamer J. M. Macomb from New Orleans arrived at 5 p. m. She awaits orders here. She reports having met the Bald Eagle off the following places: Two at Old Hickory, one at Rabbit's, one at Hatchie River, two at Buttermilk Landing, one at Kate Amery Tow Head, four at Chute of Island No. 1, one at Beckett's Point and two at head of Island No. 18. The John K. Speed from New Orleans, the New South from Cincinnati, the Gordon Lee and City of Paducah from St. Louis are due to-morrow.

Memphis, Tenn., March 15.—River marks 37.6 feet on the gauge, a rise of 3.3 in 24 hours. Weather cloudy and cool, with rain and light wind. The Kate Adams arrived last night from Arkansas City with 15 bales of cotton and other freights and cleared at 9 o'clock evening on return trip. The John K. Speed from New Orleans arrived late last evening with 40 tier of molasses, discharged 17 barrels of molasses and left early this morning for Cincinnati. The John A. Wood, with tow of empties, passed up this morning on way to the Little River. The James Lee will arrive tonight from Friars Point and will clear at about 9 o'clock evening on return trip. The Robert E. Lee will get in tonight from Arkansas and leave Memphis evening on return. The City of Helena is due from Helena to leave Memphis evening. The Chute will be due in morning from St. Louis on way to Helena. The Georgia Lee will be due to-morrow from St. Louis, to leave with 4 coaters on return trip.

Grand Tower, Ill., March 15.—Dolphin No. 2, with 2 empty barges, passed down at 7 last night. Harvester moored up for St. Louis at 9 last night. City of Memphis departed for St. Louis at 11 last night. City of St. Louis departed for St. Louis at 11 a. m. Fannie Lockwood, with 2 barges of logs departed for St. Louis at 6:30 a. m. J. M. Chatham passed down at 4 p. m. Cherokee passed up for St. Louis at 1:30 p. m. City of Paducah and Georgia Lee are due down. The stage rests 21.8 feet, a rise of .4 in last 24 hours. Weather cloudy and cold.

Paducah, Ky., March 15.—River gauge reads 20.8 and rising. The H. P. Frisbie down at 4 p. m. The Dick Fowler to Cairo at 5:15. The Tennessee is due out of the Tennessee to-night. The New South passed down at 3 p. m. The Peter Lee left out of the Tennessee to-morrow morning. The John S. Hopkins to Evansville at 2 p. m. The R. A. Speed departed at 1 p. m. for the Ohio River. Business quiet today. Weather cloudy and cold, snow fell very heavy today.

Chester, Ill., March 15.—River rising; gauge 5.2 feet. Weather cold; high north wind, and clearing. City of Memphis left for St. Louis at 10 a. m. A Mississippi River steamer passed down light at 11 a. m. City of St. Louis departed for St. Louis at noon. City of Paducah left for Tennessee River at 1 p. m. Tenlee left 5 in and went on with 6 coaters. Lee is due down. Cherokee and Rose Lee due up.

Wheeling, March 15.—River 17.4 feet; falling, showing 1 departed. Leona for Pittsburg at 4 p. m. Greenwood for Parkersburg at 5 a. m. Queen City departed at 8 a. m. H. K. Bedford for Parkersburg at 11 a. m. Up: Dave Woods at 5 p. m.

Burlington, Ia., March 15.—The ice became blocked above the city yesterday and is now 8 feet 3 in. above several inches and is now 8 feet 3 in. here above lower mark, after a rapid rise. Another rise is expected soon. Weather clear and colder.

Clarksville, Mo., March 15.—Weather cloudy with light snow this morning. River rising slowly; gauge marks 20.8 feet. The Lookout cleared for St. Louis at 7 a. m. The Rose Lee up at 7 p. m.

New Orleans, La., March 15.—The Hill City did not get out owing to inclement weather. The Barbara State expected tomorrow. River business light. Rain all day.

Cincinnati, O., March 15.—River 27.4 feet; falling. Showers. Mercury 34. Sunshine for Memphis. Awaiting state for Pittsburg.

Louisville, March 15.—River falling; 10.1 feet on canal; 8.5 on falls; 29.7 below the locks. Cloudy and cold.

Warsaw, Ill., March 15.—Stage of water 13.2 feet, a fall of 0.3 in last 24 hours. Clear and nipping colder.

Evansville, March 15.—River 27.3 feet; falling. Cloudy and cold.

Pittsburg, March 15.—River 5.3 feet; falling. Smoking.

Sprinkling Contract Forfeited.

Ernest Weber, who was awarded the contract for sprinkling district No. 23, called upon Street Commissioner Vorrelmann yesterday and notified him that he was unable to execute his contract. Weber's explanation was that the men who had promised him financial backing had failed to keep their promise, and the only alternative was to forfeit the contract. The district which was to have been sprinkled by Weber extends from Twelfth to Eighteenth, Market street to Chouteau avenue. The bid submitted by Weber was $158. The National Surety Company of New York is his security on the bond.

Mr. Vorrelmann said yesterday that Weber's forfeiture of the contract would necessitate a reletting, but that the streets in this district will be sprinkled just the same.

Sugar.

New York, March 15.—Sugar—Raw firm; refined firm.

New Orleans, La., March 15.—Sugar quiet; open kettle 3@3¾c; open-kettle centrifugal 4½@4¾c; centrifugal yellow 4⅝@4¾c; seconds 3¾@4¼c. Molasses quiet; centrifugal 8@20c.

RAILROAD TIME TABLE.

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