STOCK MARKET ADVANCES

Upward Tendency in Prices With a Steady Tone.

Violent Fluctuations in Sugar Refining Somewhat Disturbing to the General Dealings—All the Standard Issues Notably Strong—Foreign Houses Buying in Fair Amount.

NEW YORK, March 31.—Further advances in prices were common in today's Stock Market, although the exceedingly violent fluctuations in Sugar were disturbing to the dealings in the general market. The stock covered an unusually wide range of price and the dealings in it were enormous, without anything definite in the way of information becoming public to account for its course. Aside from Sugar Refining, however, the market's tone was a steady one and the trading was marked by all the characteristics that have been present during the week. All the standard issues were notably strong, a number of the specialties rising sharply.

People's Gas was a conspicuous feature of the market on the published report that the control of the Organized Gas Company at Chicago had been acquired in the interests of the former. While the report was lacking in substantiation it was generally credited. The local traction issues were not particularly active, but in the main were firm. Pennsylvania Railroad was unusually active and was strong as was Chesapeake and Ohio and Norfolk and Western. The London prices for American stocks were shown in the early cables materially above the local closing figures and foreign houses were buyers on balance of a amount of stocks in this market.

The bank statement made even a stronger showing than had been commonly expected, surplus reserves rising $4,018,600, which brings the banks' excess holdings to $9,825,000 above the lawful requirements. The gain in cash was unexpectedly large, amounting to $5,943,000. The loan account increased also, the amount being $3,280,000, a reflection probably of the active speculation in the week's Stock Market. In consequence of the increase in loans and in actual cash, deposits rose $7,770,000. The item of circulation showed another significant increase, today's gain being $870,000.

New York Stock Market.

Corrected daily by W. B. Hibbs & Co., members of the New York Exchange, 1419 F Street.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Clos.
Amer. Cot. Oil	36⅛	36¼	35⅞	36⅛
American S. & W.	59⅛	59⅞	58⅞	59⅞
A. S. Wire pfd	90⅞	91	90⅞	90⅞
American Sugar	107	111⅞	106	107⅞
American Tobacco	106	107	105¾	107
Atchison	29¾	29⅞	29⅛	29¾
Atchison pfd	73	73⅞	72⅞	73⅞
B. & O. ptd	82⅞	82⅞	81⅞	82
B. & O.	82¾	83⅞	81⅞	83⅛
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	72¾	73¼	72¼	72⅞
Chesapeake & Ohio	32⅞	32⅞	32¼	32⅞
C., C., C. & St. L.	66⅞	66⅞	65⅞	66¼
Chicago, B. & Q.	131¾	132	131¼	131⅞
Chicago Gas	109⅛	109	108⅞	108⅞
C., M. & St. Paul	124⅞	124⅞	124⅞	124⅞
Chi., R. I. & Pacific	113⅞	113⅞	113⅞	113⅞
Chi. & Great Western	4⅞	4⅞	4⅞	14⅞
Consolidated Gas	191	191	191	191
Continental Tobacco	32⅞	33	32⅞	33
Federal Steel	56⅞	57	54⅞	56⅞
Federal Steel pfd	74⅞	75¼	74⅞	75¼
General Electric	128⅞	128¼	128¼	128⅞
Illinois Central	116	116⅞	116	116⅞
Louisville & Nashville	66⅞	66⅞	66⅞	66⅞
Metropolitan Traction	165	165⅞	164⅞	165⅞
Manhattan Elevated	166⅞	167⅞	166⅞	166⅞
Missouri Pacific	49⅞	50¼	49⅞	50⅞
M. K. & T. pfd	66⅞	67⅞	66⅞	66⅞
National Lead Co	24⅞	24⅞	24⅞	24⅞
New Jersey Central	118⅞	118⅞	118⅞	118⅞
New York Central	157⅞	157⅞	157⅞	157⅞
Northern Pacific	60⅞	61⅞	61⅞	61
Northern Pacific pfd	77⅞	77⅞	77⅞	77⅞
Pacific Mail	37	37⅞	37	37⅞
Penn. Railroad	139	139⅞	138⅞	139⅞
Reading firsts	63	63⅞	62⅞	63⅞
Southern Pacific	41⅞	42⅞	41⅞	41
Southern Railway	15⅞	15⅞	15⅞	15⅞
Southern Railway pfd	60⅞	61	60⅞	60⅞
Texas Pacific	8⅞	8⅞	8	18
Tenn. Coal & Iron	97⅞	97⅞	97	97⅞
Union Pacific	58⅞	58⅞	58⅞	58⅞
Union Pacific pfd	76⅞	77⅞	76⅞	77⅞
U. S. Leather pfd	73⅞	73⅞	73⅞	73⅞
U. S. Rubber	32	32	32	31
Wabash pfd	22⅞	22⅞	22⅞	22⅞
Western Union Tel	84⅞	84⅞	84⅞	84⅞
C. F. I.	50⅞	50⅞	50⅞	50⅞
U. S. Leather	13	15⅞	13	15⅞

Today's Stock Market was a fitting ending of a fine two weeks' advance in prices. Business was large, broader than at any time heretofore, and prices advanced well in most stocks, including the steel and iron group as well as the railway list. The bank statement was a fine one with a large increase in reserve, despite the increase in loans predicted in this column this morning. The closing prices were the very best of the week in many securities. Sugar, although it tumbled at the opening precipitately, made a very good record and closed only a point or so below the high closing of last night. The outlook for next week is excellent. It is believed that the steel securities especially will be features.

The movement in Sugar stock yesterday and today climaxed a remarkable career during the past two or three weeks. The stock shot below par several points, advanced again to 110, tumbled to 97, and yesterday, after opening at 98 spurted to 112 and closed at 110. This morning it opened at 106, advanced to 111 1-2 and then declined to 107 and a fraction. The best informed people, outside the charmed inner Havemeyer circle, are at sea regarding the meaning of these spasms, but it may be said very positively that some of the best houses in the street are now looking for a settlement of the Sugar war at last. It is known that Havemeyer brokers were heavy buyers of the stock on Thursday and yesterday, and there is excellent reason for asking the question why this should be if Mr. Havemeyer is so utterly hopeless as his recent voluminous interviews would indicate. It was whispered among usually well-informed people yesterday afternoon that this versatile gentleman, after saying that there was no chance of a settlement of the war, had sent out an invitation to two at least of his opponents to take dinner with him last night. If this is a fact, the move made by the stock yesterday will probably be considered small before many days are passed. The bearishness regarding Sugar has been aggressive and vociferous. No matter what may happen to the stock in the near future, it has advanced enough already to wipe out a great many of the shorts. Perhaps after all this is all that has occurred. The street always must have stories to explain quick moves in stocks, but, of course, the larger part of them are simply manipulation without any reason.

It was believed by many that the traction securities would tumble badly yesterday and today as a result of the announcement of the franchise tax assessments, which were heavier than the estimates. What actually occurred in the stock yesterday was a weak opening, two or three points off, followed by a sharp rally which more than regained the early losses. The close was near the best prices for the day and all the group except Third Avenue showed good net gains. Today the stocks were quiet but strong. It would seem that the suggestion made in this column heretofore that the assessments have been discounted amply is borne out by the developments. Covering by the shorts in the stock undoubtedly took place yesterday, but also there was clique buying of importance, which is not so easily explained. These stocks quite as much as Sugar are in a most dangerous position for outside speculators.

The steel and iron securities were among the chief features of the market. They were all strong and buoyant. Tennessee Coal and Iron, about which much of an encouraging nature has been said lately without apparent effect, advanced quickly yesterday, and today held its own. Federal Steel closed above 56, after selling nearly as high as 57, and American Steel and Wire, common, sold above 38 and closed above that lead. A movement of importance has been looked for in these stocks for several days and no surprise was occasioned by the advance. The statement of net earnings for February given out by the Colorado Fuel and Iron Company and showing a continuance of the immense increase in business and profits was calculated to cause buying in the group, both by the shorts and for investment.

The Atchison securities were among the most active of the railway list. An immense amount of both securities was traded in, the buyers being, for the most part, the same that have been such persistent purchasers during the past two weeks. The other grangers were inactive, but strong, closing with small advances in price. Rock Island and Burlington were better supported than St. Paul. The decrease in the net earnings of the latter company has retarded its progress, and probably, in fact, it has hurt the entire group. Business is reported to be excellent, however, on all the lines, and it may be pointed out that despite the heavy expenditures for betterments made by St. Paul, its current net earnings are equal to more than 10 per cent on the common stock. There is more talk of an early issue of $6,000,000 new stock at par to St. Paul stockholders. If this step is to be taken, and whether it is or not, in fact, the gossip regarding it is likely to cause a boom in the stock in the near future.

There is talk of a 2 per cent dividend in Wisconsin Central preferred in June.

Washington Stock Exchange.

Sales—Capital Traction Rights, $90@5 cash, 486@6 1-8; Capital Traction, 20@103 1-8, 163@103 1-4, 120@103 1-2, 40@103 3-8, 200@103 5-8, 120@103 3-4; Mergenthaler Linotype, 40@194 1-2, 100@194 3-8; Lanston Monotype, 180@13 1-4, 100@13 3-8; Pneumatic Gun Carriage, 300@21 cents. After call—Trader's National Bank, 11@130; Potomac Fire Ins., 10@76.

GOVERNMENT BONDS.

	Bid.	Asked.
U. S. 4's, 1906, Q. J.	115	116
U. S. 4's, 1907, Q. J.	116	117¼
U. S. 4's, R., 1925	134	135
U. S. 4's, C., 1925	134	135
U. S. 5's, C., 1904, Q. F.	114¼	....
U. S. 3's, R., 1908, Q. F.	110⅞	111⅛
U. S. 3's, R., 1908, R. C. F.	110⅞	111⅛
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA BONDS.		
6's, 1902, "30-year funding" gold	105	....
7's, 1901, "Water stock" currency	....	....
7's, 1903, "Water stock" currency	....	....
Funding currency, 3.65's	118½	120
4½'s, Reg., 2-10's, 1893-1901	....	....
MISCELLANEOUS BONDS.		
Met. R. R. 5's, 1925	122	....
Met. R. R., Cert Indebtedness A	110	....
Met. R. R., Cert. Indebtedness B	110	....
Columbia R. R. 6's, 1914	130	....
Columbia R. R. 2d mort. 5's	112	....
City & Suburban R. R.	104	....
Wash. Gas Co., ser. A, 6's, 1902-'27	115	....
Wash. Gas Co., ser. B, 6's, 1901-'29	115	....
U. S. Elec. Light, Deb. Imp., 1907	108	....
U. S. Elec. Light, Cert. Indebt	105	....
Ches. & Pot. Tel., 1896-1911	103	....
Ches. & Pot. Tel., Con. 5's	104½	104⅞
Am. Sec'y & Trust 5's, 1905	100	....
Wash. Market Co. 1st 6's, 1892-1911, $7,000 retired annually	....	....
Wash. Mkt. Co. Imp. 6's, 1912-'27	....	....
Wash. Mkt. Co. ext. 6's, 1914-'27	....	....
Masonic Hall Ass'n 5's, C, 1908	....	....
Amer. Graphophone Deb. 5's	110	....
Anacostia & Potomac 5's	....	....
NATIONAL BANK STOCKS.		
Bank of Washington	383	400
Metropolitan	195	....
Central	198	....
Farmers & Mechanics'	205	....
Second	158	....
Citizens'	160	....
Columbia	140	....
Capital	147	....
West End	118	....
Traders	125	135
Lincoln	120	....
SAFE DEPOSIT AND TRUST COMPANIES.		
National Safe Deposit & Trust	155	....
Wash. Loan & Trust	159	165
American Security & Trust	190	....
Wash. Safe Deposit	75	....
INSURANCE STOCKS.		
Firemen	30	....
Franklin	40	....
Metropolitan	80	....
Corcoran	60	....
Potomac	74	....
Arlington	145	....
German American	200	....
National Union	11	....
Columbia	12⅞	12¾
Riggs	8½	9
People's	6⅞	6¾
Commercial	4	4¾
Colonial	111	115
TITLE INSURANCE STOCKS.		
Real Estate Title	83	85
Columbia Title	4¾	5
Washington Title	3½	....
District Title	3¾	....
RAILROAD STOCKS.		
Capital Traction	103⅞	103⅞
Capital Traction Co. Rights	6¾	7⅞
City & Suburban	31	19½
Georgetown & Tennallytown	....	....
GAS AND ELECTRIC LIGHT STOCKS.		
Washington Gas	14⅞	15⅞
Georgetown Gas	55	....
U. S. Electric Light	....	....
TELEPHONE STOCKS.		
Chesapeake & Potomac	....	65
Pennsylvania	36	....
MISCELLANEOUS STOCKS.		
Mergenthaler Linotype	194½	194¾
Lanston Monotype	13	13⅞
American Graphophone	11⅞	11⅞
American Graphophone, pfd	12	....
Pneumatic Gun Carriage	20	....
Washington Market	13	....
Norfolk & Washington	140	....
Lincoln Hall	65	....

*Ex-Dividend

THE LOCAL SECURITY MARKET.

Nearly Two Thousand Shares of Stock Transferred Yesterday.

There was another active session on the local Stock Exchange yesterday, the total number of shares transferred being 1,892, and the total value of business, including Traction "rights," being somewhat more than $100,000. The most active stock was Lanston monotype, of which nearly a thousand shares were traded in, but the most buoyant security was Mergenthaler, with another advance of a point to 195, the best price in recent weeks. Capital Traction continued its downward course.

The price of Mergenthaler was 190 only a few days ago. On Thursday it advanced a point from 193 to 194, and yesterday the larger part of the business of the day was at 195 and the lowest price 194 1-2. The advance in the stock is watched with much interest by brokers and investors, and the opinion seems to be general that a considerably higher price may be recorded.

Yesterday was the last day for trading in Traction rights, and nearly $20,000 were traded in at 6 5-8 to 6 7-8. It is thought by some that the bonds may sell at a somewhat lower price.

Nothing new as to the Traction deal was heard. The traction in the stock was expected and has caused no surprise among market people. Of itself it should not cause any skepticism as to the final closing of the purchase deal.

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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

STATEMENT of the condition of the SECURITY INSURANCE COMPANY, of New Haven, Conn., on the first day of January, 1900, as required by act of Congress approved July 20, 1892.

Capital stock	$300,000 00
Capital stock paid up	300,000 00
ASSETS.	
Cash in banks	$82,936 65
Cash in company's offices and hands of trustees	211 78
Real estate	89,300 00
Stocks and bonds (market value)	502,173 98
Other assets (mortgages, collateral loans, etc.)	255,277 77
Premiums uncollected and in hands of agents	101,246 66
Interest due and accrued on December 31, 1899	3,045 97
Total	$1,014,091 91
LIABILITIES.	
Reserve premium fund	$407,703 01
Reserve for unpaid losses and claims	61,987 81
All other claims against company	40,108 23
Capital	300,000 00
Net surplus	204,292 87
Total	$1,014,091 91

Statement of dividends and expenses for six months, ending December 31, 1899.

Dividends	$8,000 00
Current expenses	101,552 48

CHAS. Y. LEETE, President.
H. MASON, Secretary.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 28th day of March, 1900.
(Seal.) FRANK H. MASON, Notary Public.

it WOLF & COHEN, Agents, 926 F st. nw.

STATEMENT of the condition of the HARTFORD STEAM BOILER INSPECTION AND INSURANCE COMPANY, of Hartford, Conn., on the 31st day of December, 1899, as required by act of Congress approved July 29, 1892.

Capital stock		$500,000 00
Income, 1899		1,126,321 40
Expenditures, 1899		1,012,539 44
Assets December 31, 1899:		
Real estate unincumbered	$49,789 40	
Loans on bonds and mortgages	365,250 00	
Stocks and bonds	1,825,244 00	
Cash on hand and in bank	86,317 82	
Premiums in course of collection	289,109 17	
Interest accrued	7,353 34	
		$2,563,033 73
Liabilities December 31, 1899:		
Losses in process of adjustment	$34,5[illegible] 19	
Reserve for unearned premiums	1,481,857 50	
		$1,516,580 69
Capital stock		500,000 00
Net surplus December 31, 1899		546,474 04
Total		$2,563,033 73

LAWFORD & McKIM, General Agents, 511 11th st. nw.

State of Connecticut, County of Hartford, ss.:

J. B. Pierce, Secretary of the Hartford Steam Boiler Inspection and Insurance Company, being duly sworn, deposes and says that the foregoing statement is correct and true, according to the best of his information, knowledge, and belief.

J. B. PIERCE, Secretary.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 29th day of March, A. D. 1899.

it WILLIAM J. PIERCE, Notary Public.

STATEMENT of the condition of the POTOMAC BUILDING AND LOAN ASSOCIATION, December 31, 1899:

RECEIPTS.	
Prepaid stock	$8,050 00
Dues on shares	11,783 05
Special deposits	2,330 94
Rents	901 75
First trusts negotiated	26,404 40
All other receipts	5,710 74
Total	$55,380 88
DISBURSEMENTS.	
Loans on real estate	$42,791 78
Salaries, insurance, and rent	5,597 75
Interest on first trusts	3,391 13
Interest on prepaid stock	395 64
Commissions	290 50
Withdrawals	2,869 72
Special deposits repaid	2,369 19
Books and office fixtures	269 87
All other disbursements	5,372 59
Cash on hand	132 70
Total	65,380 88
ASSETS.	
Loans and real estate	$46,793 73
Arrearages in course of collection	344 80
Books and office fixtures	269 87
All other assets	540 23
Cash on hand	132 70
Total	48,081 43
LIABILITIES.	
First trusts assumed	$24,227 99
Dues on shares	11,380 50
Advance payments	4 75
All other liabilities	374 91
Undivided profits	2,093 28
Total	48,081 43

We hereby certify that the above statement is correct, according to the best of our knowledge, information and belief.

EUGENE CARUSI, President.
M. T. DAVIS, Secretary and General Manager.

Subscribed and sworn before me this 31st day of March, 1900.
(Seal.) S. A. TERRY, Notary Public.

Chicago Grain and Provision Market.

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	Open.	High.	Low.	Clos.
WHEAT.				
May	67¼	67⅞	66¾@¾	66⅞
July	67¼	68⅞	67¼@⅜	67¾@¾
CORN.				
May	38⅞	[illegible]	38⅝@¾	38⅝@¾
July	40	40	39¼	39⅝@½
OATS.				
May	24⅞	24⅞	24⅞	24⅞
July	24⅞	24⅞	23⅞	23⅞@24
PORK.				
May	12.65	12.70	12.65	12.60
July	12.25	12.30	12.20	12.22
LARD.				
May	6.45	6.45	6.47	6.37
July	6.67	6.67	6.55	6.57
RIBS.				
May	6.67	6.67	6.75	6.57
July	6.50	6.57	6.47	6.47

New York Cotton Market.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Clos.
May	9.20	9.22	9.18	9.20
July	9.12	9.15	9.12	9.13
August	9.03	9.18	9.01	9.16
October	8.12	8.8	8.10	8.11

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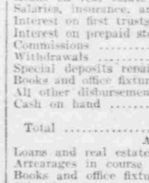

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PROPOSALS for the collection and disposal of garbage, dead animals, night soil, miscellaneous refuse, and ashes, in the District of Columbia. Office of the Commissioners of the District of Columbia, Washington, D. C., March 20, 1900.—Sealed proposals will be received at this office until 12 O'CLOCK NOON ON THE 20TH DAY OF APRIL, 1900, for the collection and disposal of garbage, dead animals, night soil, miscellaneous refuse, and ashes, in the District of Columbia, during a period of five years, commencing on the 1st day of July, 1900, or as soon thereafter as practicable. Specifications and blank forms for proposals, and other information on the subject, can be obtained on application therefor to the Health Officer of the District of Columbia. Only bids on such forms will be considered. The Commissioners of the District of Columbia will examine all bids which may be submitted, and will ask authority from Congress to enter into a contract or contracts for a period of five years for the performance of such work, if any, specified in such bids as may be, in their judgment, advantageous to the District of Columbia. The Commissioners reserve, however, the right to reject any and all bids. Bids must be enclosed in a sealed envelope, on the outside of which must be endorsed "Proposals for the collection and disposal of garbage, dead animals," etc. JOHN B. WIGHT, JOHN W. ROSS, LANSING H. BEACH, Commissioners, D. C. mh31-4t-exS

DEPOT QUARTERMASTER'S OFFICE, WASHINGTON, D. C., March 26, 1900.—Sealed proposals, in triplicate, will be received here until 2 P. M., MONDAY, APRIL 16, 1900, for furnishing and delivering at Washington Barracks, D. C., 41 artillery horses, bay. Information furnished on application. Envelopes containing proposals to be marked "Proposals for Artillery Horses," and addressed to MAJOR C. E. TRUE, Quartermaster. mh29,30,31,ap2,13,14

WALL PAPER.

IT DOES look pretty bad for the Boers with Joubert dead and Cronje captured. Still, it's not "all over but the shouting" by any means. Things never looked brighter for us. Always busy now, papering rooms for only $2 up. F. G. NOLTE, 810 9th st. NO BRANCH. mh31-tf

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CHURCH NOTICES.

REFORM CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCH—Services at 3:15 o'clock Sunday afternoon and 7:30 o'clock Sunday evening in Maccabee's Temple, 513 9th st. nw. All are cordially invited. 1t,em

52D ANNIVERSARY modern spiritualism. The Educational and Religious Society of Spiritualists, incorporated October 2, 1899, holds services every Sunday at 7:30 p. m., at Schmidt's Hall, 516 9th st. nw. Mrs. Julia Warnekè will give tests. Good speaking and music. Seats free. Gov. Isaac Sharp, of Kansas, will speak. 1t

SECULAR LEAGUE, Masonic Temple, Sundays, 3 p. m., April 1, lecture on "Higher Biblical Criticism," by Prof. Charles Newburgh. Debate. Seats free. 1t

"WHY the Old Churches are Losing in Number and the Christian Science Church Gaining," will be the subject of the discourse by Evangelist A. F. Ballenger, Sunday, at 7:30 p. m., in the Church of the Blessed Hope on 8th st. ne., between F and G. 1t

Major Sheafer Dead.

HARRISBURG, Pa., March 31.—Major H. J. Sheafer, one of the city's oldest insurance men and father of Alpheus H. Sheafer, of Baltimore, died at his home in this city Thursday night in his seventy-fourth year. He was stricken with paralysis last August and never entirely recovered from the stroke. Major Sheafer was a member of the Minnesota Legislature before the civil war, in which he took a prominent part, participating in the battles of Antietam and Gettysburg, being wounded at the latter place. He was a former sheriff of this county. Four children survive.

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