THE MARKET BROKE SHARPLY

Speculative Position of Reading Stock Responsible for Weak Close.

TRY TO CHECK WILD ADVANCE

Colorado Fuel and Rapid Transit Give Evidence of Forced Liquidation.

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, January 27.—Anxiety over the speculative position in Reading broke the market to-day and led up to the weak and active closing, with sharp losses in a number of important stocks. The reckless speculation in Reading has been viewed with apprehension for some time. Gossip has been busy wit hthe growing involvement of this speculation, owing to rumored unloading by the pool itself into the venturesome hands of the new party to the movement. It was alleged that the holdings for control of the great railroad system even were being offered in the market t ocheck the wild advance in the stock. It was current belief that similar conditions existed in Colorado Fuel. Those two stocks and also Brooklyn Transit gave abundant evidence of forced liquidation to-day.

Reading's slump reached 6 3-4; Colorado Fuel, 5 1-2, and Brooklyn Transit, 25-8. Fears of the consequences induced free selling in other uqarters and carried the whole list down sharply, the Pacific being notably affected. The earlier shows of strength in Amalgamated Copper, United States Steel, preferred, and some other uqarters of the list disappeared in the late break.

Total sales of bonds, par value, $2,565,000.

Total sales stocks, 756,700 shares.

NEW YORK January 27.—Money on call, nominal; no loans; time loans, steady; 60 days and 90 days, 4 1-2 per cent.; six months, 4 1-2 @ 4 3-4. Prime mercantile paper, 4 3-4 @ 5 1-2 per cent. Sterling exchange, firm, with actual business in bankers' bills at 487.40@487.50 for demand, and at 484.10@484.20for sixty day bills. Posted rates, 48 41-2 and 488. Commercial bills, 483 1-2@3-4. Bar silver, 65 5-8. Mexican dollars, 50 1-2.

RICHMOND STOCK MARKET.

Richmond, Va., Jan. 27, 1906.

SALES BEFORE BOARD.

Bank of Richmond—20 at 1?5½.

SALES AT BOARD.

Virginia Centuries—200 at 96¾; 600 at 96¾.

Virginia-Carolina Chemical Co. preferred—100 at 115.

STATE SECURITIES.	Bid	Asked
North Carolina 4s, C., 1910	102	103
Va. 3s, Old, C. and R., 1932	96	96¾
Va. Centuries, 2-3, C. and R., 1991	96¼	96¾
RAIROAD BONDS.		
Atlanta and Char. 1st 7s, R., 1907	102	...
A. C. L. R. R. Con. Tr. 4 p. c.	101	...
A. C. L. eCrtificates of Ind. 4 p. c.	92	...
Georgia and Pac. 1st 6s, C., 1915	123	...
Georgia, Sou. and Fla. 1st 6s, 1945	113	...
Georgia and Ala. Con. 5s, 1945	110	...
Norfolk and Western Ry 4s, 1996	102	...
N. and W. Ry. Pocahontas 4s	95	...
Western N. C. 1st 6s, C., 1914	112	...
Seaboard Air Line Con. 1st 4s, 1950	91	...
STREET RAILWAY STOCKS.	Par.	
Norfolk Ry. and Light Co.	25	14¾ ...
RAILROAD STOCKS.		
Atlanta and Charlotte	100	170 ...
Atlantic Coast Line "A"	100	165 ...
Atlantic Coast Line pfd	100	125 ...
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Chesapeake and Ohio	100	61 ...
Norfolk and Western com	100	91 ...
R., F. and P. Div. Oblig	100	284 285
BANK AND TRUST CO. STOCKS.		
American National	100	128 128
Broad Street Bank	25	29 ...
City	25	33 ...
First National	100	245 ...
Merchants National	100	460 ...
National Bank of Virginia	100	123 ...
Petersburg Savings and Ins	20	58 ...
State Bank of Virginia	100	153 ...
Union Bank of Richmond	50	200 ...
Virginia Trust Co.	100	85 ...
Bank of Richmond	100	156¼ ...
INSURANCE COMPANIES.		
Virginia Fire and Marine	25	45 ...
Virginia State	25	30 ...
MISCELLANEOUS.		
Va.-Car. Chem. pfd., 5 p. c.	100	116 116½
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SALES:	Open.	High.	Low.	Closing. Bid.	Asked.
700 A. C. L. com	166	166	164¾	164	165
10,000 American Smelters, com	170	170¼	169½	169½	169¾
100,900 Amalgamated Copper	111½	112¾	110¼	111	111⅛
6,000 Amer. Car and Found	47	47	45½	45½	46
400 Am. Car and Found., pfd.	104	104½	104	103¾	104½
700 American Cotton Oil	41¾	41¾	41½	41	41½
1,300 American Tobacco, pfd	106¾	106¾	106	106½	106
American Can	...	...	...	10⅞	11¼
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16,700 Amer. Loco., com	75¾	76¾	74½	74½	74¾
Amer. Loco., pfd	...	...	...	117½	118½
4,000 American Sugar	151½	151½	149¾	149⅞	150
9,400 A., T. and S. Fe, com	94⅞	95	93⅝	91⅝	91½
700 A., T. and S. Fe, fpd	104	104	103¾	103½	104
22,100 Baltimore and Ohio	116¾	117	116⅛	116⅝	116¾
36,500 Brooklyn Rapid Transit	93⅞	94	91	91⅜	91½
6,900 Canadian Pacific	174¼	174¼	173	173½	173⅞
4,100 Chesapeake and Ohio	62⅛	62⅛	61¼	61¼	61½
1,300 Chicago Great Western	22¾	22⅞	22½	22½	22⅝
6,300 Chic., Mil. and St. Paul	189½	189⅝	187½	187⅝	187⅝
30,300 Colo. Fuel and Iron	82½	82¾	77	78	78½
1,800 Colo. Southern, com	36⅞	36⅞	36	36⅞	36⅞
400 Colo. Southern, 1st pfd	71½	71¾	71½	71¼	71¾
600 Colo. Southern, 2d pfd	64¾	64⅞	64¾	64¾	65
100 C., C., C. and St. L.	107½	107½	107½	107¼	107⅝
1,100 Consolidated Gas	181¼	181¼	179	179	180
300 Delaware and Hudson	221½	221½	221½	220½	222
Del., Lack. and Western	...	...	...	465	475
9,400 Erie, com	49⅞	50	49	49⅛	49¼
500 Erie, 1st pfd	82¾	82¾	82½	82¼	82½
300 Erie, 2d pfd	75	75¼	75	74½	74¾
200 General Electric	177½	177½	177¼	176	177
300 Illinois Central	177¾	177¾	177½	177	178¼
3,300 Louisville and Nashville	154¼	154¼	152	152¼	152½
Manhattan	...	...	...	161½	162½
8,500 Metro. St. Railway	125¼	126	124⅝	124⅝	124¾
900 Mexican Central	25¼	25⅞	24¼	25¼	25½
2,500 Mo., K. and Texas, com	39⅝	39⅝	38⅝	38½	38⅝
700 Mo., K. and Texas, pfd	71⅛	72⅛	71⅛	71	71½

SALES:	Open.	High.	Low.	Closing. Bid.	Asked.
5,700 Missouri Pacific	104½	104¾	103¼	103⅛	103¼
400 National Lead	89½	89¾	89	89	89½
Nash., Chat. and St. L.	...	...	...	145	150
600 New York Central	152½	152½	151½	151¼	151¾
10,900 Norfolk and Western	93⅛	93¼	91¾	91¾	92½
19,200 N. Y., Ont. and Western	56⅝	57¼	55¾	56¼	56½
2,600 Northern Pacific	207½	207½	206¾	206¼	206⅞
16,100 Pennsylvania R. R.	146	146	145¼	145¼	145½
2,000 People's Gas (Chicago)	100	100½	99⅞	99⅞	100
1,000 Pressed Steel Car	62¾	62¾	62	61¾	62
100 Pressed Steel Car, pfd	104	104	104	103¾	104¼
100 Rep. Iron and Steel, com	35½	35½	35½	35¼	36¾
100 Rep. Iron and Steel, pfd	106⅝	106⅝	106⅝	106¼	107
69,800 Reading, com	152¾	152¾	145⅝	146¼	146½
Reading, 1st pfd	...	...	...	94	94½
100 Reading, 2d pfd	101½	101½	101½	101½	101¾
8,900 Rock Island, com	24⅞	25¼	24⅞	24½	24⅝
5,500 Rock Island, pfd	62¾	64⅜	63¼	63	63¼
200 Sloss	92	92	91½	90	90½
Sloss, pfd	...	...	...	106	125
14,700 Southern Pacific	70⅝	70¾	69¼	69⅝	69½
37,200 Southern Railway, com	42⅞	42⅞	41½	41⅝	41⅞
100 Southern Railway, pfd	102½	102½	102½	102	102½
S. A. L., com.	...	...	...	30	32
S. A. L., 1st pfd	...	...	...	91	93
S. A. L., 2d pfd	...	...	...	60	62
100 Tennessee Coal and Iron	159	159	159	157	159
3,800 Texas Pacific	38½	38½	37⅞	37½	37¾
45,000 Union Pacific	157½	157⅝	155⅞	156⅛	156
36,200 United States Steel	45	45¼	44¼	44¼	44⅝
13,000 United States Steel, pfd	113	113	112	111⅞	112
1,400 U. S. Rubber, com	55⅝	55⅝	55	55	55½
1,000 U. S. Rubber, 1st pfd	113	113½	112½	112½	113¼
200 U. S. Rubber, 2d pfd	85	85	84½	84	84¾
200 Va.-Car. Chem., com	52½	52½	52	52	52
100 Va.-Car. Chem., pfd	116	116	116	115½	117
6,700 Wabash, com	26	26¼	25	25¼	25⅝
2,000 Wabash, pfd	47	47⅜	46	46¾	47
100 Western Union	93¼	93¼	93¼	93¼	93½

Total sales, 725,900 shares.

CLOSING BOND QUOTATION

U. S. refunding 2s, registered	103¼
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U. S. 3s, registered	102¾
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U. S. Old 4s, registered	103
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American Tobacco 4s	83¾
American Tobacco 6s	116½
Atchison general 4s	104
Atchison adjustment 4s	96¼
Atlantic Coast Line 4s	102¾
Baltimore and Ohio 4s	100
Baltimore and Ohio 3½s	94¾
Brooklyn Rapid Transit conv. 4s	99¼
Central of Georgia 5s	114½
Central of Georgia 1st Inc	86¾
Central of Georgia 2d Inc	85½
Central of Georgia 3d Inc	81
Chesapeake and Ohio 4½s	104¾
Chicago and Alton 3½s	81½
Chicago, B. and Quincy new 4s	101⅝
Chicago, R. I. and Pacific R. R. 4s	89⅝
Chicago, R. I. and Pac R. R. col. 5s	91⅝
C., C., C. and St. Louis gen. 4s	106
Colorado Industrial 5s, series A	86½
Colorado Industrial 5s, series B	83
Colorado and Midland 4s	78
Colorado and Southern 4s	96¼
Cuba 5s	107
Denver and Rio Grande 4s	100¾
Distillers' Securities 5s	85
Erie prior lien 4s	101
Erie General 4s	93¼
Hocking Valley 4½s	109½
Japan 6s	100¾
Japan 6s, 3d series	100
Japan 4s, certificates	87½
Japan 4½s, certificates	94½
Japan 4½s certificates, 2d series	91¼
Louisville and Nash. United 4s	103¾
Manhattan consol gold 4s	103
Mexican Central 4s	80½
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Minn. and St. Louis 4s (offered)	97⅝
Missouri, Kansas and Texas 4s	102
Missouri, Kansas and Texas 2ds	92¼
National R. R. of Mexico con. 4s	88¼
New York Central gen. 3½s	96¾
New Jersey Central gen. 5s	131⅝
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Norfolk and Western con. 4s	102⅝
Oregon Short Line refunding 4s	97½
Pennsylvania conv. 3½s	104
Reading General 4s	102
St. Louis and Iron Mountain con. 5s	117¼
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Chickens, medium, per lb	14 @ 15
Chickens, small, per lb	15 @ 16
Hens, per lb	12
Ducks, large, per lb	13
Ducks, small, per lb	12
Roosters, per piece, live	30 @ 35
Guineas, per piece, live	20 @ 25
Geese, per piece, live	60 @ 75
DRESSED POULTRY—UNDRAWN.	
Turkeys, hens, choice	17 @ 18
Turkeys, gobblers, fair to good	15 @ 16
Ducks, choice	16 @ 18
Ducks, fair to good	13 @ 14
Chickens, large	13 @ 14
Chickens, small	15 @ 16
Chickens, mixed sizes	13 @ 14
Hens	12 @ 13
Geese	11 @ 12

Drawn poultry sells from 1½@2c. per lb. more than undrawn. Undrawn preferred.

GAME.

Wild turkeys, per lb	14 @ 15
Partridges, large, each	18 @ 20
Partridges, damaged	8 @ 10
Pheasants, each	60 @ 75
Rabbits, large, fresh, each	15 @ 18
Rabbits, damaged	3 @ 10
Squirrels, each	6

BUTTER.

Choice family packed	18
Choice dairy packed	18
Choice store packed	14 @ 17
Medium	15 @ 16
Common	13 @ 14
Choice yellow rolls, per lb	18 @ 19
Mixed rolls, per lb	15 @ 17

EGGS.

Crates, nearby, fresh laid	18
Crates, other sections	17 @ 18
Barrels and boxes	17

FRUITS AND VEGETABLES.

APPLES—	
Fancy, per bbl	4.00 @ 4.50
Choice, per bbl	3.60 @ 4.00
Common to fair, per bbl	2.00 @ 3.00
LEMONS—Per box	2.75 @ 3.00
ORANGES—	
Florida, brights, fancy	2.00 @ 2.50
Florida, Russets, fancy	2.00 @ 2.50
GRAPE FRUIT—Per box	3.00 @ 4.00
BLACK PEAS	1.10 @ 1.20
BLACKEYE PEAS—	
Prime to fancy	1.45 @ 1.60
Common to good	1.25 @ 1.40
CLAY PEAS—Per bus	nominal
MIXED PEAS	nominal
BEANS—Navy, No. 1 white	1.60
Common to choice	1.25 @ 1.50
Mixed, per bus	1.20 @ 1.25
Colored	1.20 @ 1.25
POTATOES—Virginia	65 @ 65
Northern, fancy, per bus	70
ONIONS—Choice yellow, bus	70 @ 75
Choice red, per bus	65 @ 70
CABBAGE—Domestic, per ton	20.00
Danish, per ton	22.00 @ 23.00
Florida, per bbl	2.50 @ 3.00
CELERY—Fancy, large, bunch	50 @ 60
Choice, per bunch	40 @ 50
Small, per bunch	25 @ 40
TOMATOES—	
Florida, per carrier	2.50 @ 3.00
BEANS	
Fla., round green, per bskt	2.50 @ 3.00
LETTUCE	
Per half bbl. basket	2.50 @ 3.00
BEETS—	
Fancy, per bbl. crate	3.00 @ 3.50

HAY.

No. 1 Timothy	14.00
No. 2 Timothy	13.00
No. 3 Timothy	9.00 @ 10.00
No. 1 clover, mixed	12.00
No. 1 clover, mixed	8.00 @ 11.00
No. 1 clover	11.00
No. 2 clover	nominal
Virginia Timothy, No. 1	13.00
Virginia Timothy, No. 2	11.00 @ 12.00
Virginia mixed	9.00 @ 11.00
Clover, Virginia	nominal
SHUCKS—Baled, compressed	7.50 @ 8.00
Baled, large bales	7.00 @ 7.50
STRAW—Compressed	7.50 @ 8.00
Loose-pressed, large bales	8.00 @ 8.50

Load your cars so that hay at doors represents contents, and thus avoid rejections.

FLOUR

Winter super	2.65 @ 2.75
Winter extra	2.95 @ 3.15
Winter clear	3.75 @ 4.00
Winter straights	4.00 @ 4.25
Winter patent	4.50 @ 4.60
Buckwheat flour, per lb	2½ @ 3
CORNMEAL—City sacked	60 @ 62½
Country, bolted, sacked	55 @ 57½
MILLFEED—	
Shipstuff, per ton, winter	20.50 @ 21.00
Bran, winter	19.00
Shipstuff, spring	19.00 @ 19.50
Bran	18.50

WHEAT.

No. 2 red	89
No. 3 red	85 @ 87
Steamer	85 @ 87
Rejected	70 @ 85
Va. bag lots	80 @ 88

CORN.

No. 2 white	51½
No. 3 white	50½ @ 51
No. 2 mixed	50½ @ 51
No. 3 mixed	49½ @ 50½
Va. corn, bag lots	50 @ 51
Va. corn, on cob	48 @ 50

OATS.

Winter seed	42 @ 47
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No. 2 mixed	36
No. 3 mixed	35½
No. 2 white	37
No. 3 white	36 @ 36½
Rye, No. 2, car lots	72 @ 73

COUNTRY PRODUCE—WHOLESALE.

FEATHERS—Live geese, lb	50 @ 55
Mixed, per lb	40
SEEDS—	
Clover, wholesale, per bu	7.50 @ 8.25
Timothy, wholesale	1.40 @ 1.65
Orchard grass, wholesale	1.20 @ 1.50
Buckwheat, per bush	70 @ 85
German millet, per bus	nominal
BEESWAX—Per lb	27
DRIED APPLES—Sliced, lb	5
Quartered, per lb	4
Dark	4
DRIED PEACHES—Peeled, lb	13
Peeled, dark	8 @ 10
Unpeeled, per lb	4 @ 6
CHERRIES—	
Pitted (new) dry order	12 @ 13
RASPBERRIES—Per lb	17 @ 18
BLACKBERRIES	5
WHORTLEBERRIES	10
WOOL—	
Tub washed, free of burrs	35 @ 37
Unwashed, free of burrs	30 @ 31
Merino, unwashed	20 @ 22
Burry, 2@3c. per lb. less.	
ROOTS—	
Ginseng, per lb	6.50
Senica, per lb	45 @ 50
Va. snake, per lb	20 @ 25
May apple, per lb	3 @ 4
Trune pink, per lb	10 @ 12
Wild ginger, free of fibre	8 @ 11
Wild ginger, natural	5 @ 7
PEANUTS—Per lb. (farmers)	3 @ 3¼
BACON—Ham, small	16 @ 17
Hams, large	14 @ 15
Sides, smoked	11
Shoulders, smoked	10
DRESSED HOGS	5 @ 7½
LARD—Country, prime	9
SAUSAGE—Per lb	9
FLAXSEED—Per bushel	1.20 @ 1.40
TALLOW—Per lb	4½
WALNUT KERNELS—Per lb	8 @ 10
BLACK WALNUTS—Per bus	40
CHICKEN COOPS	85 @ 90
TURKEY COOPS	1.15 @ 1.25
EGG CRATES	45 @ 55
BUTTER BUCKETS—Doz	2.75 @ 3.00

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKET.

NEW YORK, Jan. 27.—FLOUR—Dull and unchanged. Minnesota patent, $4.60@4.85; winter patent, $4.10@4.40. Rie Flour—Quiet at $3.70. Buckwheat Flour—Dull at $2.10@2.15. Buckwheat—Nominal at 62c. Cornmeal—Steady; fine, $1.20. Rye—Nominal; No. 2 western, 75c. Barley—Dull; feeding, 42½c.

Wheat—Irregular; No. 2 red, 90½c. Options show ½c. net decline. May, 90c.; July, 88⅝c.; September, 87c.

Corn—Easy; No. 2, 55c. elevator. Options ¼@½c. net lower. May, 50¾c.; July, 50½c.; September, 50⅝c. Oats—Barely steady; mixed, 36@37c.

Beef—Steady; family, $11.50@13.00; mess, 10@10.00; beef hams, $20@21.50; packet, $10.50@11.00. Cut Meats—Quiet; pickled bellies, 9¾@9c.; pickled shoulders, 6½@7c. per pound; pickled hams, 9¼@9¾c. per pound. Lard—Steady; western steamed, $7.75@7.85; refined, quiet; continent, $8.00; compound, $6.12½@6.36¼. Pork—Firm; family, $16; short clear, $15@17.00; mess, $15@15.25. Tallow—Steady. Rosin—Quiet at $3.80@3.90. Turpentine—Quiet at 68@68½c.

Rice—Firm; domestic, 3½@6c. Molasses—Firm; New Orleans, 30@35c. Butter—Quiet and unchanged. Cheese—Steady and unchanged. Eggs—Weaker; nearby, selected, 24@25c.

Cottonseed Oil—Steady and moderately active. Prime crude, f. o. b, mills, 25@25½c.; prime summer yellow, 33@33½c.; prime white, 36@35½c.; prime winter yello, 35@35½c. Freights—Steady and unchanged. Peanuts and Cabbages—Quiet and unchanged.

Coffee—Spot Rio, steady; No. 7 invoice, 8 7-16c.; mild, firm; cordova, 9¾@13¾c. Futures steady, 5 points lower to 5 points higher. Sugar—Raw, steady; fair refining, 3c.; centrifugal, 3½c.; molasses sugar, 2¾c.; refined, steady. Confectioners' A, $4.65; mould A, $5.05; cut loaf and crushed, $5.40; powdered, $4.80; granulated, $4.70; cubes, $4.95.

CHICAGO, Jan. 27.—A forecast by an English statistician of a liberal increase in the world's shipments of wheat and heavy exports from Australia caused a weak market in wheat hereto-day. At the close wheat for May delivery was off ⅝c. Corn was down ⅜c. Oats showed a loss of ⅝c. Provisions were up 2½c.

Cash quotations were as follows: Flour—Easier. Winter patents, $3.80@4.00; straights, $3.55@3.85; spring patents, $3.80@3.85; straights, $3.60@3.75; bakers' $2.20@3.10. No. 2 spring wheat, 82@85c.; No. 3, 80@84c.; No. 2 red, 86@86c. No. 2 corn, 41c.; No. 2 yellow, 41½c. No. 2 oats, 29¾c.; No. 2 white, 31¾@32½c.; No. 3 white, 30@31¾c. No. 2 rye, 65½c. Fair to choice malting barley, 43@46c. No. 1 flaxseed, $1.06¾; No. 1 northwestern, $1.13; prime timothy seed, $3.30. Mess pork, per barrel, $13.75@13.77½; lard, per 100 pounds, $7.35; short ribs sides (loose), $7.25@7.40; short clear sides (boxed), $7.75@7.87½. Whiskey, basis of high wines, $1.29. Clover, contract grade, $13.25. Butter—Steady; creameries, 18@25½c.; dairies, 18@23c. Cheese—Steady at 11¾@13c. Eggs—Easy at mark, cases included, 16@17c.; firsts, 17c.; prime firsts, 18c.; extras, [illegible]

BALTIMORE, MD., Jan. 27.—FLOUR—Dull and unchanged. Wheat—Dull; spot, contract, 84½@84¾c. Corn—Weak; spot, 49@49¼c.; southern white, 43@45½c. Oats—Dull; No. 2 mixed, 35@35½c. Rye—Quiet. Butter—Steady and unchanged. Eggs—Steady and unchanged at 20c. Cheese—Strong and unchanged. Sugar—Steady and unchanged.

RICHMOND GRAIN MARKET.

Richmond, Va., Jan. 27, 1906.

QUOTATIONS.

WHEAT—	
Longberry (car lots)	$ 88 @ 89
Mixed (car lots)	88 @ 89
Shortberry (car lots)	88 @ 89
No. 2 red (car lots)	88 @ 89
Va. bag lots	80 @ 88
CORN—	
White, Va. bag lots	50 @ 52
No. 2 white (car lots)	@ 51½
No. 3 white (car lots)	@ 51
No. 2 mixed (car lots)	@ 51
No. 3 mixed (car lots)	@ 50½
Corn, on the cob	48 @ 50
OATS—	
No. 2 mixed (car lots)	36
No. 3