STOCKS ❀ BONDS ❀ GRAIN ❀ COTTON

BEARS AND BULLS ARE CAUTIOUS

Market Still Showing Signs of Feverishness, But Its Temperature Has Gone Down.

MONEY RATES ARE BETTER

Prices Went Down, But There Were No Evidences of Panic Like Last Week.

NEW YORK, March 18.—There was a marked abatement of excitement in the dealings in stocks to-day from the enormous transactions and wild price fluctuations of last week. The price movement still showed a degree of feverishness that was the after-effect of last week's turbulent market, but the reduction in the volume of the day's sales is conclusive evidence of the settling back of the market into more normal conditions. So also was the check to the headlong advancing tendency of Saturday, which was wholly due to the distress of bear operators who had continued to sell stocks short, recklessly, down to the lowest depths of Thursday's plunge and who were compelled to buy to cover on Saturday by the volatile recovery. The very violence of the recovery gave warning of its unreliable nature, and speculative sentiment was quite prepared for a check and a reaction today. In fact, the London market had already anticipated this course before trading began here, and sent over a materially lower range of prices than the closing here. The drop in the opening dealings here was wider than anticipated and had the effect of reviving some of the excitement which prevailed last week. But it appeared that the wilder fluctuations were largely due to the plunging operations of a professional element which had become habituated to free action by last week's experience. Effective support appeared in the market, and the proceedings then were much quieter and more orderly, although the renewed weakness of the later market made the lowest prices of the day. The market continued to show the normal effects following such price contortions as those of last week. That is, it showed the lack of the large demand from shorts, which were squeezed into covering in Saturday's market and felt the effects of reselling to take profits by those who secured stocks in Thursday's slump or who had bought on Friday merely for the purpose of supporting prices and averting what threatened to become a disaster to the market.

Pause, Look, Listen.

The diminishing activity of the market indicated the disposition to pause after the severe experience of last week, and take stock of conditions and of premise before entering again upon large operations in stocks.

General information as to the causes and the sources of the unloading which produced the convulsion in the market is still largely lacking. Certain conclusions, however, find warranted acceptance.

It is taken for granted that the investment demand uncovered by the extent of the decline must have largely reduced the floating supply of stocks in the market. Not only was the absorption by private investors very large, but investment institutions are believed to have taken advantage of the opportunity to extend their holdings of securities at an attractive rate of return. Confidence is felt also that the reduction of credits effected will afford available resources for the better digestion of some of the new capital issue, which had become a glut in the market, obstructing its channels against the movement of other desired issues. The money market showed the effect of the passing of the March 15th settlements, and its greater ease conduced to recovery in foreign exchange. The Bank of England, however, had to advance its bid again to secure the supply of gold in the London market. Railroad traffic reports offered no trace of the reactionary tendency in business, which the stock market has increased the watchfulness for. The last prices show substantial losses from Saturday's closing level.

Bonds were irregular. Total sales, par value, $2,610,000. United States bonds were unchanged on call.

Total sales of stocks to-day were 1,142,500 shares.

MONEY AND EXCHANGE: CLOSE—Money on call easier, 3@6 per cent.; ruling rate, 4 1-2; closing bid, 2 1-2; offered at 3. Time loans strong; sixty and ninety days, 6 1-2 per cent.; six months, 6 per cent. Prime mercantile paper, 6@6 1-4 per cent. Sterling exhange strong with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.8335@4.8340 for demand and at $4.7840@4.7845 for sixty-days bills. Posted rates, $4.80@4.80 1-2 and $4.84 1-2@4.85. Commercial bills, $4.78 1-2@4.78 3-8; bar silver, 66 7-8 cents; Mexican dollars, 51 3-4 cents.

RICHMOND STOCK MARKET.

Richmond, Va., March 18, 1907.

SALES AT BOARD.

Virginia Centuries—4,000 at 92⅝; 1,000 at 92¾; 4,000 at 92⅝; 1,500 at 92¾.

Virginia-Carolina Chemical pfd., 8 p. ct.—1 at 106; 4 at 106; 9 at 106; 6 at 106.

SALES SINCE BOARD.

Virginia-Carolina Chemical pfd., 8 p. ct.—5 at 106; 10 at 106.

STATE SECURITIES.	Bid.	Asked
North Carolina 4s, C., 1910	100	...
North Carolina 6s, C, 1919	128	...
Va. 3s, Old, C. and R., 1932	92	92¾
Va. Centuries, 2-3, C. and R.	92¼	92½
RAILROAD BONDS		
A. C. L. R. R. Con. Tr. 4 p. c.	96	...
A. C. L. R. R. Cfs. of Ind. 4 p. c.	84	88
A. C. L. R. R. Cfs. of Ind. 4s	84	86
Char. and West. Car. 1st 5s	108	...
Ga. Car. and North. 1st 5s	108	...
Georgia Pac. 1st 6s, C., 1922	118	120
Georgia, So. and Fla., 1945	110	...
Georgia and Ala. Con. 5s, 1945	107	...

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SALES:	Open.	High.	Low.	Bid. Closing.	Asked.
2,500 Atlantic Coast Line, com.	105	106	104¼	104	104½
36,100 American Smelters, com.	128	128⅝	123	123⅞	124
121,300 Amalgamated Copper	95	96	93½	93⅝	93¾
2,300 Amer. Car and Foundry	37¾	38¼	37	36¾	37
100 Amer. Car and Foun., pfd.	98	98	97⅞	97½	99
800 American Cotton Oil	30½	30½	30	30	30½
1,600 American Tobacco, pfd.	92½	92½	92	92	93
400 American Can	5¾	5¾	5¾	5¾	6
600 American Can, ex. div.	50¾	50¾	50¾	51¾	52
2,600 Amer. Locomotive, com.	65	67	65	65¾	66
200 Amer. Locomotive, pfd.	106½	106½	105½	105	107
7,200 American Sugar	122⅞	123¼	122	122¼	122½
39,400 A., T. and S. Fe, com.	91¾	93	91¼	91¾	92
1,100 A., T. and S. Fe, pfd.	96	96⅝	95⅞	96	96½
12,300 Baltimore and Ohio	101	101¾	99¾	99¾	100
13,300 Brooklyn Rapid Transit	54½	56¼	54	54½	54¾
1,900 Canadian Pacific	171¾	173¼	171	171	171½
6,900 Chesapeake and Ohio	42¼	43	41	41¼	41½
21,600 Chicago, Mil. and St. Paul	136½	137¼	135	135	135½
10,600 Colorado Fuel and Iron	34½	37¼	34½	35¾	36
1,600 Colorado South., com.	29¼	29½	28	28¼	29¾
Colorado South., 1st pfd.	...	...	...	60	62
1,500 Colorado South., 2d pfd.	49¾	51	49	50	51
300 Clev., Cin., Chi. and St. L	75¾	75¾	74¾	74½	75½
1,500 Consolidated Gas	124¾	124¾	118	118	119
2,500 Delaware and Hudson	186	186	182¾	182½	183½
Del., Lack. and Western	...	...	...	470	500
15,100 Erie, com.	29¾	30	29	29	29¼
700 Erie, 1st pfd.	65	65¾	65	65	65½
1,300 Erie, 2d pfd.	47¾	48¼	46¾	46¾	47
1,900 General Electric	145	146½	145	145	145½
7,400 Great Northern, pfd.	144	146¼	144	143½	144
8,400 Great Northern Ore Ctfs.	64½	65	62¼	62	62½
400 Illinois Central	146⅞	146⅞	145	144	146⅝
3,700 Louisville and Nashville	119½	119¾	119	119	119½
300 Manhattan	135	135	135	132	138
Metro. Street Railway	...	...	...	95	98
2,100 Mexican Central	20⅞	21¼	20¾	21	21¼
14,100 Mo., Kan. and Tex., com.	38	38⅛	36½	36¼	36½
400 Mo., Kan. and Tex., pfd.	64¾	65	64½	64½	66

SALES:	Open.	High.	Low.	Bid. Closing.	Asked.
6,000 Missouri Pacific	71½	72½	71¼	71¾	72
7,900 National Lead	59½	61¾	59⅛	59	59¾
100 Nash., Chat. and St. Louis	119½	119½	119½	119	125
4,800 New York Central	119	119¾	118	118	118¼
1,700 Norfolk and Western	78½	79	78	78½	79
1,400 N. Y., Ont. and Western	38¾	39¼	38¾	38¾	39
15,700 Northern Pacific	126½	130	126¼	127¼	127¾
68,200 Pennsylvania Railroad	123½	123¾	122	122¼	122⅞
1,500 People's Gas (Chicago)	90	90	88⅞	89	89¼
26,500 Pressed Steel Car	37⅞	37⅞	36½	36¼	36¾
Pressed Steel Car, pfd.	93	93	93	92¼	94
2,900 Republic I. and S., com.	28	28	27	27	27¼
1,100 Republic I. and S., pfd.	89	89½	88¾	88½	88¾
174,000 Reading, com.	108½	109¾	104½	105	105¼
Reading, 1st pfd.	...	...	...	85	85½
Reading, 2d pfd.	...	...	...	82	84
2,800 Rock Island, com.	21½	22	21½	21½	21¾
700 Rock Island, pfd.	48	48½	48	47½	48
3,000 Sloss	55½	56¼	54	54	55
Sloss, pfd.	...	...	...	Off'd	100
38,800 Southern Pacific	81½	82½	80¼	80¼	80¾
7,100 Southern Railway, com.	23	23¼	22½	22¾	23
300 Southern Railway, pfd.	74¼	74¼	74	74	75
Seaboard Air Line, 1st pfd	...	...	...	65	75
Seaboard Air Line, 2d pfd.	...	...	...	35	45
Seaboard Air Line, com.	...	...	...	13	21
Tennessee Coal and Iron	...	...	...	138	140
2,000 Texas Pacific	29½	29½	28½	28	29
156,600 Union Pacific	139¼	141¾	135¾	137⅝	137⅞
134,100 United States Steel	38¼	38¾	37⅛	37½	37⅝
26,300 United States Steel, pfd.	100½	101⅛	100⅛	100¼	100¾
900 United States Rubber	47	47½	46¾	46¾	47¼
700 U. S. Rubber, 1st pfd.	104⅞	105	103¾	103	104
100 U. S. Rubber, 2d pfd.	76	76	76	73	78
400 Va.-Car. Chemical, com.	30	30	29⅞	29¾	30
200 Va.-Car. Chemical, pfd.	105	105	105	104¼	105
700 Wabash, com.	14½	14½	14¼	14⅛	14¼
1,100 Wabash, pfd.	27	27	27	26½	27
100 Western Union	81⅝	81⅝	81⅝	81¼	81½

Total sales, 1,120,400 shares.

CLOSING BOND QUOTATIONS.

U. S. refunding 2s, registered	105
U. S. refunding 2s, coupon	105½
U. S. 3s, registered	109½
U. S. 3s, coupon	109½
U. S. Old 4s, registered	109¾
U. S. Old 4s, coupon	101¾
U. S. New 4s, registered	130
U. S. New 4s, coupon	130
American Tobacco 4s	72¼
American Tobacco 6s	107½
Atchison general 4s	100
Atchison adjustment 4s	92
Atlantic Coast Line 4s	90
Baltimore and Ohio 4s	100½
Baltimore and Ohio 3½s	92
Brooklyn Rapid Transit conv. 4s	83
Central of Georgia 5s	107¼
Central of Georgia 1st inc. (offered)	86½
Central of Georgia 2nd inc. (offered)	75
Central of Georgia 3d inc. (offered)	66
Chesapeake and Ohio 4½s	101
Chicago and Alton 3½s	69¾
Chicago, B. and Quincy new 4s	72
Chicago, R. I. and Pac. R. 4s	71
Chicago, R. I. and Pac. R. R. col. 5s	86¼
C., C., C. and St. L. gen. 4s (offered)	109
Colorado Industrial 5s, series A	63¾
Colorado Midland 4s	65
Colorado and Southern 4s	90
Cuba 5s	100½
Denver and Rio Grande 4s (bid)	94
Distillers' Securities 5s	85½
Erie prior lien 4s (bid)	96½
Erie general 4s	82
Hocking Valley 4½s	103¾
Japan 6s	100⅝
Japan 6s, 2nd series	99⅞
Japan 4½s, certificates	83½
Japan 4s	80¼
Japan 4½s certificates, 2nd series	88¾
Louis. and Nash. Unified 4s (bid)	99¼
Manhattan consol gold 4s	99¾
Mexican Central 4s	83
Mexican Central 1st inc.	22
Minn. and St. Louis 4s (offered)	89
Missouri, Kansas and Texas 4s	96½
Missouri, Kansas and Texas 2nds	82¼
Nat'l R. R. of Mex. con. 5s (offered)	83¾
New York Central gen. 3½s	81¾
New Jersey Central gen. 5s	123¾
Northern Pacific 4s	100½
Northern Pacific 3s	70
Norfolk and Western con. 4s	98
Oregon Short Line refunding 4s	90
Pennsylvania conv. 3½s	84¾
Reading General 4s	95
St. Louis and Iron Moun. con. 5s	110¼
St. Louis and San Francisco fg. 4s	79
St. Louis Southwestern con. 4s	74
Seaboard Air Line 4s	76
Southern Pacific 4s	86½
Southern Pacific 1st 4s, certificates	92¼
Southern Railway 5s	109
Texas and Pac. 1st (offered)	117½
Toledo, St. L. and Western 4s	81⅞
Union Pacific 4s	100
United States Steel 2nd 5s	97¼
Wabash 1sts	111¼
Wabash Deb. B	69
Western Md. 4s	77
Wheeling and Lake Erie 4s (offered)	86
Wisconsin Central 4s	87
Nor. and West. Ry. 4s, 1996	98 ...
Nor. and West. Ry. Poca. 4s	90 ...
Western N. C. 1st 6s, C., 1914	110 111
Seaboard Air Line 4s, 1950	74½ 76
RAILROAD STOCKS	Par
Atlantic Coast Line "A"	100 105 ...
Atlantic Coast Line com.	100 105 ...
Chesapeake and Ohio, Nov.	100 43 ...
Norfolk and West. com.	100 78 ...
BANK AND TRUST CO. STOCKS.	
American National	100 132 ...
Broad Street	25 30 ...
City	25 33 ...
First National	100 215 223
Merchants National	100 500 ...
National Bank of Virginia	100 141 ...
Planters National	100 400 ...
Bank of Richmond	100 130 132
MISCELLANEOUS.	
Va.-Car. Chem. pfd., 8 p. ct.	100 106 107
Va.-Carolina Chem. com.	100 30 ...
Va.-Car. C. Col. Tr. 5 p. ct.	99 99½

BALTIMORE STOCK MARKET.

BALTIMORE, MD., March 18.—Seaboard Air Line, common and preferred—Nothing doing.

COTTON MARKET.

NEW YORK, March 18.—The cotton market was rather nervous and irregular during to-day's session, but ruled well under the closing figures of last night, and while steady at the close, was at a net loss of 6@10 points. Sales were estimated at 150,000 bales. The opening was steady at a decline of 2@6 points in response to lower cables than due, good weather over the week-end and continued large receipts. There was considerable selling all along the line, but there was also a big demand for May, and the relative steadiness of that position was the feature of the session. A local spot house with New England connections was a heavy buyer of the active spring month, taking one lot of 10,000 and another of 5,000 bales, and this continued the declining tendency after a net loss of about 9@10 points, with May selling a point or two over the July option. Later the support was a little less aggressive, and May sold off even with July in the afternoon, when the market ruled about 9@12 points net lower. The close was only a little up from the lowest on the old crop months. Liverpool cables were quite disappointing, and private cables said that longs were liquidating, presumably, to avoid tenders. The heavy buying of May here was thought by some to be for a concentrated long interest, which is understood to be looking for a bullish census report on Wednesday, while others think that a good portion of the demand is for covering of straddles between here and Liverpool, a theory which might account for the weakness of the English market. Southern spot markets were unchanged to ⅛c. lower.

Receipts at the ports to-day were 27,480 bales against 33,978 last week and 14,313 last year. For the week 100,000 bales against 187,596 last week and 176,452 last year. To-day's receipts at New Orleans 7,088 bales against 4,862 last year, and at Houston 8,194 bales against 2,436 last year.

Cotton futures closed steady:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
March	9.46	9.48	9.44	9.44
April	9.51	9.51	9.51	9.51
May	9.62	9.66	9.58	9.62
June	...	...	...	9.60
July	9.66	9.67	9.59	9.61
August	9.70	9.70	9.63	9.65
September	9.75	9.75	9.69	9.70
October	9.98	9.98	9.90	9.91
November	...	...	...	9.95
December	10.05	10.05	9.99	10.00
January	10.25	10.25	10.19	10.20

Spot cotton closed steady, 5 points lower; middling uplands, 11.20; middling gulf, 11.45; sales, 2,800 bales.

Cotton, steady; middling, 11.20; net receipts, 570 bales, gross, 6,680 bales; sales, 2,800 bales; stock, 163,504 bales; export to Great Britain, 643 bales; to the Continent, 2,228 bales.

Total to-day at all ports—Net receipts, 27,448 bales; export to Great Britain, 6,221 bales; to the Continent, 4,731 bales; stock, 1,012,842 bales.

Consolidated at all ports—Net receipts, 53,009 bales; export to Great Britain, 15,712 bales; to the Continent, 39,740 bales.

Total since September 1st at all ports—Net receipts, 8,692,851 bales; export to Great Britain, 3,054,037 bales; to France, 763,463 bales; to the Continent, 2,705,490 bales; to Japan, 169,325 bales.

NEW ORLEANS, March 18.—COTTON—Spots closed quiet, one-eighth of a point below Saturday's prices; middling, 10 13-16c. Sales were 400 bales on the spot and 25 to arrive. Futures opened quiet and at a decline of from 2@6 points, and closed steady from 7@11 points below Saturday's close. The decline was attributed largely to the announcement that the Census Bureau's final report on Wednesday on cotton ginned and an estimate of that yet to be ginned is to be made in 500-pound bales instead of running bales as formerly. The change, it is said, will have a sentimental effect on the market.

Cotton futures closed steady: January, 10.33; March, 10.21; April, 10.21; May, 10.31; June, 10.37 bid; July, 10.42; August, 10.31. October, 10.24; November, 10.25; December, 10.25.

RICHMOND PRODUCE MARKET.

(Corrected Daily.)

POULTRY—LIVE.			
Chickens, per lb.	15	@	18
Chickens, spring, per lb.	30	@	35
Turkeys, choice, per lb.	16	@	18
Hens, per lb.	14	@	15
Ducks, per lb.	12	@	13
Geese, per piece	75	@	80
Guineas, per piece	20	@	25
POULTRY—DRESSED UNDRAWN.			
Turkeys, choice, per lb.	20	@	22
Chickens, large, per lb.	14	@	16
Chickens, small, per lb.	16	@	18
Hens, per lb.	14	@	15
Geese, per lb.	10	@	12

Drawn poultry sells from 1½@2c. per pound more than undrawn.

BUTTER.			
Choice family packed, lb.	22	@	23
Choice dairy packed, lb.	22	@	23
Choice store packed	18	@	19
Packing stock, per lb.	15	@	16
EGGS.			
Crates, nearby, fresh laid	14	@	15
Crates, from other sections	14	@	15
Guinea	11	@	12

FRUITS AND VEGETABLES.

ON THE LOCAL MARKETS

TOBACCO BREAKS TO BE SMALLER TO-DAY

The leaf tobacco market will open up this morning for the week with auction sales running as follows: First, Crenshaw's; second, at Shockoe; third, at Stonewall, and fourth, at Shelburne's.

The warehousemen do not loook for large breaks this morning, although some of the houses had good receipts by rail yesterday, and a few wagons came in last night.

Information from the bright markets is to the effect that the breaks are growing smaller as the weeks go by and prices are well up. It is said there is less bright leaf stored in Danville now than has been known at this time of the season for several years past. The storage warehouses are almost empty, something like 12,000 hogsheads having been shipped out in the last two months. This indicates that the manufacturers throughout the country are short of stock.

FRUIT AND PRODUCE RULING VERY HIGH

The wholesale produce and fruit market was fairly active yesterday for the opening of a week in the "between seasons" time. Receipts were light, and the demand for some articles was in excess of the deliveries. Fowls are very scarce. One of the oldest commission merchants on the block says he never before saw the receipts of chickens as small at this season. Hens, old and tough, are selling at fourteen cents per pound wholesale, fall chickens at twenty-two, winter chickens at twenty-four, and spring broilers go readily at thirty-five cents per pound in the feathers. Eggs are firm at fifteen cents in crate lots. Florida vegetables, are not as plentiful as the buyers would like to see them, and are consequently high. The market is well supplied with cabbage of all kinds, and this vegetable is somewhat cheaper—about the only thing on the market that is cheap.

APPLES—Extra, fancy, bbl.	4.00	@	5.00
Fancy, per bbl.	3.25	@	3.50
Choice, per bbl.	2.75	@	3.00
Poor to fair	2.00	@	2.50
LEMONS—Per box	3.50	@	4.50
ORANGES—Fla., per box	2.50	@	3.00
BANANAS—Per bunch	60	@	75
GRAPEFRUIT—Per case	2.00	@	2.50
BLACKEYE PEAS—Bush.	2.00	@	2.25
Black peas, per bus.	2.00	@	2.35
Common to good	1.75	@	2.00
Clay peas, per bus.	2.00	@	2.30
Mixed peas, per bus.	2.00	@	2.20
BEANS—			
Navy, No. 1 white	1.45	@	1.50
Common to choice, bus.	1.20	@	1.25
Mixed, per bus.	1.20	@	1.25
Colored, per bus.	1.20	@	1.25
POTATOES—			
White, No. 1, per bus.	48	@	50
White, No. 2, per bus.	35	@	40
CABBAGE—Fla., per bbl.	3.00	@	3.50
CABBAGE—Danish, con.	20.00	@	21.00
CELERY—Fancy, bunch	75	@	1.00
Choice, per bunch	50	@	60
ONIONS—Choice, per bus.	1.00	@	1.25
TOMATOES—Per crate	2.00	@	4.00

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKET.

NEW YORK, March 18.—FLOUR—Quiet and barely steady. Rye Flour—Quiet. Buckwheat Flour—Dull. Cornmeal—Barely steady.

Wheat—Spot barely steady; No. 2 red, 81⅛c. elevator. Options ¼@¾c. net lower. May, 82½c.; July, 84c.; September, 84¼c.

Corn—Spot firm; No. 2, 56½c. elevator. Options ¼c. net higher. May, 53½c.; July, 53¼c. Oats—Spot steady; mixed, 47½c.

Beef—Steady. Cut Meats—Easy; pickled bellies, 10½@12½c.; pickled hams, 12c. Lard—Steady; western prime, $9.10@9.25; refined, quiet; Continent, $9.80; compound, $8.50@8.75. Pork—Easy; family, $19.50@20.00; short clear, $17.75@19.50; mess, $17.75@18.50. Tallow—Quiet. Rosin—Firm. Turpentine—Steady.

Rice—Steady. Molasses—Steady. Sugar—Raw, steady; fair refining, 3c.; centrifugal, 3⅛c.; molasses sugar, 2¾c.; refined, steady. Coffee—Quiet. No. 7 Rio, 7¼c.; mild, dull; Cordova, 9@12½c. Futures unchanged to 5 points lower.

Butter—Steady; extra creamery, 29½@30c.; creamery, common to extra, 21@29c.; held, common to extra, 20@29c.; State dairy, common to finest, 20@28c.; renovated, common to extra, 18@25c.; western, factory, common to firsts, 18½@21½c.; western imitation, creamery, firsts, 23@24c. Cheese—Firm; full cream, colored, small and large, 11½@15c. Eggs—Firmer; nearby, selected, white, 21@22c.; good to choice, 19@20c.; brown and mixed, extra, 18½@19c.; firsts to extra firsts, 17½@18c.; western, firsts, 17½c.; seconds, 17¼c.

Freights to Liverpool—Steady; grain by steam, 1¼d.; cotton by steam, 17c. Peanuts—Firm; fancy handpicked, 6¾c.; other domestic, 3¼@7c. Potatoes—Steady; Bermuda, per barrel, $5@7.00. Southern, late crop, $2@3.25; Maine, per bag, $1.65@1.75; Long Island, $1.75@2.00 per barrel; State, Jersey and Western, $1.50@6.50; sweet potatoes, steady; Vineland, per barrel, $2.75@3.75; other Jersey, $2@3.00. Cabbages—Steady; white, Danish seed, per ton, $15@20.00; Florida, per crate, $2.50@3.00; New Orleans, per crate, $2@2.75. Cottonseed Oil—Firm on light offerings. Prime crude, f. o. b. mills, 39@40c.; prime summer yellow, 47c.; off summer yellow, 44@46c.; good, off summer yellow, 45@46c.; prime white, 55c.; prime winter yellow, 52c.

CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET.

CHICAGO, March 18.—A new low record-price for the season was established to-day for May wheat when that option declined to 75c. At the close the price was ¼@⅜c. below the final quotations of Saturday. Corn was up ⅜c. Oats gained ½c. Provisions were 5@21½c. higher.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
WHEAT—				
May	75¾	75¾	75	75½
July	77¼	77¼	76¾	77
Sept.	77⅞	77⅞	77½	77⅞
CORN—				
May	45¼	45½	44¾	45½
July	45⅞	45⅞	45¼	45⅜
Sept.	46	46¼	45¾	46¼
OATS—				
May	39¾	40⅜	39¾	40⅜
July	36¼	37	36¼	36⅞
Sept.	32½	32¾	32⅜	32¾
MESS PORK—Per bbl.				
May	15.67½	15.97½	15.67½	16.85
July	15.87½	16.10	15.87½	16.00
LARD—Per 100 lbs.				
May	8.92½	.10	8.92½	9.05
July	9.02½	9.17½	9.02½	9.15
Sept.	9.12½	9.25	9.12½	9.25
SHORT RIBS—Per 100 lbs.				
May	8.70	.90	8.67½	8.87½
July	8.75	8.97½	8.75	8.97½
Sept.	8.95	9.02½	8.95	9.02½

Cash quotations were as follows: Flour—Weak. No. 2 spring wheat, 73@83c.; No. 3, 73@82½c.; No. 2 red, 72½@73¾c. No. 2 corn, 43½c.; No. 2 yellow, 44¼@44½c. No. 2 oats, 32¾c; No. 2 white, 41½@42½c.; No. 3 white, 32¾@41c. No. 2 rye, 65c. Fair to choice malting, 65@70c. No. 1 flaxseed, $1.16. No. 1 northwestern, $1.23; prime timothy seed, $4.50. Clover, contract grades, $14.75. Short ribs, sides (loose), $8.65@8.80; mess pork, per barrel, $15.97½@16.10; lard, per 100 pounds, $8.97½; short clear sides (boxed), $8.87½@9.25. Whiskey, basis of high wines, $1.29. Butter—Market steady; creameries, 22@29c.; dairies, 20@27c. Eggs—Firm; at mark, cases included, 15¼@16c.; firsts, 16c.; prime firsts, 16½c. Cheese—Steady at 14½@15¼c.

BALTIMORE, MD., March 18.—FLOUR—Dull and unchanged. Wheat—Easier; spot, contract, 75¾@75⅞c.; Southern on grade, 72½@75¾c. Corn—Firmer; spot, mixed, 49½@49¾c.; No. 2 white, 52@52¼c.; Southern white corn, 51@52¼c. Oats—Easier; No. 2 mixed, 47@47½c. Rye—Firm; No. 2 western, domestic, 73@74c.; choice, 78c. bid. Butter—Firm under uncharged prices; fancy imitation, 20@27c.; do., creamery, 28@32c.; do., ladle, 22@23c.; store packed, 17@19c. Eggs—Firm at 17c. Cheese—Active and unchanged; large, 15c.; medium, 15¼@15½c.; small, 15@15½c. Sugar—Steady and unchanged; coarse granulated and fine, $5.00.

RICHMOND GRAIN MARKET.

Richmond, Va., March 18, 1907.

QUOTATIONS

WHEAT—			
No. 2 red (car lots)	82	@	83
No. 3 red (car lots)	79	@	80
Steamer (car lots)	79	@	80
Rejected (car lots)	55	@	75
Virginia (bag lots)	55	@	82
CORN—			
No. 2 white (car lots)		@	56
No. 3 white (car lots)		@	55
No. 2 mixed (car lots)	54		
No. 3 mixed (car lots)	53		
Virginia (bag lots)	53	@	56
OATS—			
No. 2 mixed (car lots)		@	48
No. 3 mixed (car lots)		@	47½
No. 2 white (car lots)		@	49
No. 3 white (car lots)		@	48
Winter seed	60	@	75
RYE—			
No. 2 (car lots)	71	@	73
Virginia (bag lots)	63	@	68

CATTLE MARKET.

RICHMOND LIVE STOCK MARKET.

(Sales at Union Stock Yards.)

Richmond, Va., March 18, 1907.

Report of the live stock market for the week ending March 18th:

Best steers, 5¼@5¾c.; medium to good, 4¾@5¼c.; common to fair, 3¾@4¼c.; best heifers, 4¾@5¼c.; medium to good, 4@4½c.; common to fair, 3¼@4c.; cows, 3@4c.; extra, 4½c.; bulls, 3¼@4c.; fresh cows, $20@45.00. Calves, 6@8c.; hogs, 6½@7¼c.; fat sheep, 5@6½c.; common to fair, 4@5½c.; best lambs, 7½c.; common to good, 5@7c.

Prospects good for next market.

CHICAGO, March 18.—CATTLE—Receipts about 27,000 head. Market steady. Plain to best steers, $4.25@4.85; heifers, $2.65@5.25; cows, $3.25@5.00; bulls, $3.25@4.60; calves, $3.50@7.25; stockers and heifers, $2.50@5.25. Hogs—Receipts about 40,000 head. Market 5c. lower. Choice, heavy, shipping, $6.70@6.72½; light, butchers, $6.70@6.75; light, mixed, $6.75@6.72½; choice, light, $6.75@6.80; pigs, $4.50@6.80; bulk of sales, $6.67½@6.70. Sheep—Receipts about 25,000 head. Market strong. Sheep, $4@6.50; yearlings, $5@7.00; lambs, $5.50@8.00.

NEW YORK, March 18.—BEEVES—Receipts, 4,750 head. Steers, $4.75@5.85; bulls, $3.00@4.35; fancy do., $4.85; cows, $1.70@4.30. Calves—Receipts, 2,677 head. Veals from $5@9.00 per 100 pounds; culls, $4@5; few fed calves, $4.00. Sheep, $4@5.50; culls, $3.50; lambs, $4.25@8.50; yearlings, $6.50. Hogs—Receipts, 10,857 head. Market lower at $7.25@7.40.

CINCINNATI, O., March 18.—HOGS—Lower. Butchers' and shippers, $7.00; common, $5.40@6.60. Cattle—Slow. Fair to good shippers, $4.50@5.50; common, $2.25@3.25. Sheep—Strong at $2.50@5.50. Lambs—Strong at $4.75@8.20.

RICHMOND TOBACCO MARKET.

Richmond, Va., March 18, 1907.

Tobacco—Dark Fired: Receipts continue light and market firm and active at prices quoted. Brights: Market strong for all good stock; receipts continue light. Sun-Cured: Receipts continue light and market active at unchanged prices. Wrappers: Very scarce and wanted.

The quotations are as follows:

DARK FIRED TOBACCO—NEW.			
Lugs	$ 4.00	@	$ 6.00
Short leaf	6.00	@	8.00
Medium leaf	8.00	@	9.00
Long leaf	9.00	@	10.00
Selections	12.00	@	14.00
STEMMING TOBACCO—NEW.			
Lugs	$ 4.00	@	$ 6.00
Short leaf	6.00	@	8.50
Medium leaf	8.50	@	9.00
Long leaf	9.00	@	10.00
Selections	12.00	@	14.00
BRIGHT TOBACCO.			
SMOKERS—Common	8.00	@	9.50
Medium	10.00	@	11.50
Fine	12.00	@	13.00
CUTTERS—Common	11.00	@	12.50
Medium	13.00	@	14.50
Fine	16.00	@	18.00
Fancy