New York Stock Market

New York, February 8.—The stock market showed some relief to-day from the stress of urgent liquidation, which was so conspicuous yesterday.

There was a wave of selling orders for execution when the market opened, which seemed to be the aftermath of yesterday's precipitate decline in prices. The news of the market, was of the same nature as yesterday—that is, puzzled conjecture as to the sources and the motives of the selling. The opinion gained ground that the market's weakness was due to belated liquidation of large individual accounts, dating back to the period of price inflation last year, and which had injudiciously overstayed the market, inviting measures of persuasion or insistence from lenders of money employed for carrying the accounts.

Stock market sentiment regarding the Federal incorporation bill introduced into Congress yesterday, was improved to-day. This was partly caused by expressions of approval of the measure on the part of corporations interested, especially by United States Steel officials.

The copper trade reported some concessions in prices for that metal, but the January statistics of the Copper Producers' Association are expected to show another material decrease in stocks. The copper industrials to-day were exceptionally heavy.

The nervousness of the speculation manifested itself in the final break in prices, which put Union Pacific, United States Steel and Amalgamated Copper to the lowest prices of the season.

Bonds were heavy. Total sales, par value, $4,305,000.

United States bond were unchanged on call.

Total sales to-day, 1,062,000 shares.

New York, February 8.—Money on call easy; 2 1-4@2 3-4 per cent.; ruling rate, 2 1-2; closing bid, 2 1-4; offered at 2 1-2. Time loans dull and steady; sixty days, 3 1-2 per cent., and ninety days, 3 3-4; six months, 4. Close: Prime mercantile paper, 4 1-2@5 per cent. Sterling exchange closed strong, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.8275@$4.8385 for sixty-day bills, and at $4.8605 for demand. Commercial bills, $4.83 1-4@$4.83 3-4. Bar silver, 51 3-8. Mexican dollars, 44. Government bonds steady. Railroad bonds, heavy.

RICHMOND STOCK MARKET.

Richmond, Va., February 8, 1910.

SALES AT BOARD.

Virginia Railway and Power Co. pfd—100 at 68¾; 50 at 68½.

STATE SECURITIES.	Bid.	Asked.
North Carolina 4s, C. 1910	99	...
Va. 3s, Old, C. and R., 1932	90	90½
Centuries, 2-3, C. and R., 1991	90	99½
CITY SECURITIES.		
Richmond City 4s, R., 1920-1930	100	100¾
Rich. City 4s, C. and R., 1938-1240	100	100¾
RAILROAD BONDS.		
A. C. L. R. R. Con. Tr. 4 p. ct.	95	...
A. C. L. R. R. Cfts of Ind 4s	100	...
C. and O. R. and A. Gen'l M. 4½s	102	...
Georgia Pac. 1st 6s, C. 1922	112	...
Georgia, Sou. and Fla., 1945	108	...
Ga. and Ala. Con. 5s, 1945	104	...
Norfolk and Western Ry. 4s, 1996	99	...
Nor. and West. Poca. 4s, 1941	89	...
Rich. and Pan. Gold 6s, C. 1915	106	...
Southern Railway 1st 5s, 1994	108	...
So. R. Dev. G. M. 4s, A. 1956	80	...
Western N. C. 1st 6s, C. 1914	106	...
STREET RAILWAY BONDS.		
Norfolk St. Ry. 1st 5s, 1944	108	...
Norfolk Ry. and Light 1st 5s, 1949	88	...
Va. Ry. and Power Co. 5s, 1934	92¼	92
Va. Elec. R. Dev. 1st Mort. 5s	102	100
STREET RY. STOCKS.	Par.	
Norfolk Ry. and Light Co.	25	22 ...
Va. Ry. and Power Co. pfd	100	68½ 69
Va. Ry. and Power Co. com	100	21½ 22½
RAILROAD STOCKS.	Par.	
Atlantic Coast Line pfd	100	125 ...
Atlantic Coast Line com	100	125 ...
Chesapeake and Ohio	Nov.	79 ...
Norfolk and Western com	100	97 ...
Rich., Fred. and Pot. com	100	25 ...
R., F. and P. Div. Oblig	100	250 ...
Southern Railway pfd	100	61½ ...
Southern Railway com	100	27 ...
BANK AND TRUST CO. STOCKS.		
American National	100	170 ...
Broad Street Bank	25	38½ ...
Bank of Richmond	100	128¾ ...
City	25	24 ...
First National	100	200 ...
Merchants National	100	250 ...
National Bank of Virginia	100	130 ...
National State Bank	100	120 ...
Planters National	100	250 ...
Savings Bank of Richmond	25	62 ...
Union Bank of Richmond	50	200 ...
Virginia Trust Company	100	105 ...
INSURANCE COMPANIES.		
Virginia Fire and Marine	25	87 ...
MISCELLANEOUS.		
Amer. Tob. Co. pfd. 6 p. ct.	100	91 ...
American Locomotive pfd	...	110 ...
American Locomotive com	...	46 ...
Va.-Car. Chem., pfd., s. f. M.	100	120 ...
Virginia-Car. Chem. com	100	48 ...
Va.-Car. Chem. 1st Mort. 5s, 1923	...	98¼

Quotations for interest-paying bonds are at a price, to which interest must be added. Income bonds and certificates of indebtedness are flat.

COTTON MARKETS.

New York, February 8.—The cotton market was weak and unsettled to-day with prices losing considerably more than they gained yesterday, the close being at a net decline of 16@31 points. The market opened easy at a decline of 7@21 points, owing to disappointment over the showing of Liverpool and the failure of the official cables to confirm the rumors of large English spot sales after hours yesterday, on which the local market had advanced late on the preceding day. At first the decline was checked around the initial figures by support inspired by the large spot sales reported in Southern markets, the continued absence of rainfall in the Southwest and a renewal of yesterday's buying movement, but when it was found there was no aggressive bull support the market weakened. Local professionals took the short side as soon as they saw long cotton coming on the market, and prices broke rapidly, catching stop-loss orders on a scale down, while it was not until May contracts had sold at 14.79 and July at 14.59, or 34@36 points net lower, that sufficient support developed to steady the market. A rally of 12 or 15 points from the lowest then occurred on covering and trade buying on the ground that the liquidation by the scattering long interest had been completed on the break, but part of this improvement was lost in the late trading, owing to renewed weakness in the stock market and Wall Street selling. May closed at 14.75 and July at 14.64, or only 4@5 points up from the lowest. Southern spot markets officially reported early were generally unchanged, and sales in some markets seemed to be running a little smaller. Private reports from the South indicate large sales of mules and fertilizers, pointing either to increased area or more thorough cultivation this spring, but the monthly report of the Weather Bureau shows precipitation to have been under the normal throughout the South for the month of January.

Receipts at the ports to-day were 14,197 bales against 11,592 last week and 41,115 last year. For the week 75,600 bales against 74,521 last week and 201,892 last year. To-day's receipts at Houston 3,218 bales against 14,496 last year.

Cotton futures opened and closed easy.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
February	...	...	...	14.65
March	14.80	14.82	14.67	14.69
April	14.80	14.85	14.85	14.64
May	14.90	14.92	14.71	14.73
June	14.88	14.88	14.73	14.65
July	14.77	14.79	14.59	14.64
August	14.25	14.29	14.05	14.15
September	13.55	13.55	13.27	13.29
October	12.82	12.87	12.79	12.79
November	...	12.83	12.69	12.68
December	12.63	12.68	12.63	12.62
January	12.55	...	...	...

Spot cotton closed quiet, 30 points lower; middling uplands, 15.00; middling gulf, 15.25. Sales, 300 bales.

Cotton, quiet; middling, 15.00; stock, 167,716 bales.

Total to-day at all ports—Net receipts, 14,197 bales; export to the Continent, 3,117 bales; stock, 694,915 bales.

Consolidated at all ports—Net receipts, 24,029 bales; export to Great Britain, 4,250 bales; to France, 8,211 bales; to the Continent, 5,335 bales.

Total since September 1 at all ports—Net receipts, 2,751,616 bales; export to Great Britain, 1,608,724 bales; to France, 756,703 bales; to the Continent, 1,516,403 bales; to Japan, 45,000 bales; to Mexico, 12,319 bales.

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKET.

New York, February 8.—Flour—Steady with small jobbing trade. Rye Flour and Cornmeal—Steady. Buckwheat Flour—Quiet. Rye—Dull. Barley—Nominal. Wheat—Firm; No. 2 red, $1.29@1.30 elevator, domestic, and $1.30 nominal, f. o. b. afloat. Options closed at ¾@⅞c. net advance. May, $1.18⅝; July, $1.08⅝. Corn—Firm; No. 2, 72½c. elevator, domestic; 72½c. delivered, and 70½c. f. o. b. afloat. Options closed at ¼@½c. net advance. May, 75¼c.; July, 75⅝c.; September, 75c. Oats—Steady; mixed, nominal. Options closed ⅛c. net higher.

Beef and Lard—Firm. Tallow—Quiet. Petroleum—Steady. Rosin—Quiet. Turpentine—Firm. Rice and Molasses—Steady. Sugar—Raw, nominal; refined, steady. Coffee—Spot steady; Rio, No. 7, 8 11-16@8¾c.; Santos, No. 4, 9@9⅛c.; mild, quiet; Cordova, 9@12c. Futures closed steady, net unchanged to 5 points. Butter—Weaker; creamery, specials, 30c.; extras, 29c.; third to first, 26@28½c.; State, dairy, common to finest, 24@28c.; process, first to special, 26½@27½c. Cheese—Firm and unchanged. Eggs—Unsettled and lower; State, Pennsylvania and nearby henery, white, fancy, 28@34c.; do., gathered white, 23c.; brown, mixed, fancy, 28@30c.; do., gathered, brown, fair to prime, 27@29c. Potatoes—Steady; Bermuda, per barrel, $5.50@6.50; Maine, per bag, $1.40@1.65; State and Western, in bulk, per 180 pounds, $1.50@1.62; Jersey sweets, per basket, 40c. Cabbages—Steady and unchanged. Freights and Peanuts—Unchanged.

The cottonseed oil market was steady early with covering by shorts, but eased off later under liquidation on the poor spot demand, and closed unchanged to 4 points decline, with sales of 5,800 barrels. March, 7.04@7.06; May, 7.16@7.17; July, 7.23@7.24; September, 7.20@7.22. Prime crude, 5.87@6.00; prime summer yellow, 7.02@7.08; prime winter yellow, 7.10@7.30; prime summer white, 7.05@7.20.

CHICAGO GRAIN MARKETS.

Chicago, Ill., February 8.—After a weak start all the grains advanced to-day, oats making less progress than corn or wheat. Provisions were firm at the outset and advanced through the session.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
WHEAT—				
May	1.06⅝	1.10⅝	1.06⅝	1.10⅝
July	1.00⅝	1.01⅝	1.00⅝	1.01⅝
Sept.	96½	97¼	96½	97
CORN—				
May	65¼	66⅝	65¼	66¼
July	65¼	66⅝	65¼	66⅝
Sept.	66⅝	66⅝	65⅝	66¼
OATS—				
May	45⅝	46⅝	45⅝	46½
July	43¼	43⅝	43⅛	43½
Sept.	40¼	40⅝	40¼	40⅝
MESS PORK—Per bbl.				
May	22.25	22.45	22.25	22.42½
July	22.05	22.20	22.05	22.20
LARD—Per 100 lbs.				
May	12.12½	12.25	12.12½	12.25
July	12.10	12.22½	12.10	12.20
SHORT RIBS—Per 100 lbs.				
May	11.85	11.90	11.85	11.90
July	11.80	11.87½	11.80	11.87½

Receipts—Wheat, 31,200 bushels; corn, 703,700 bushels; oats, 399,600 bushels. Shipments—Wheat, 47,000 bushels; corn, 245,000 bushels; oats, 211,000 bushels.

Cash Wheat—No. 2 red, $1.23@1.24; No. 3 red, $1.18@1.22; No. 2 hard, $1.12½@1.14½; No. 3 hard, $1.10@1.12¾; No. 1 northern, $1.13½@1.14¾; No. 2 northern, $1.12¾@1.14; No. 3 spring, $1.10@1.13. Corn—No. 2, 62c.; No. 3 white, 64c.; No. 2 yellow, 63½c.; No. 4, 63¼c.; No. 3 white, 63c.; No. 3 yellow, 62@63c.; No. 4, 57½@58¾c.; No. 4 yellow, 58@59½c. Oats—No. 2, 47¼c.; No. 2 white, 47¾@48½c.; No. 3, 47c.; No. 3 white, 46½@47½c.; No. 4 white, 46¼@46½c.; standard, 47¼@47½c.

Baltimore, Md., February 8.—Wheat—Dull. Spot, contract, $1.24½; Southern on grade, $1.17¾@1.24¼. Corn—Firmer; spot, contract, 67½@68c. Oats—Quiet; No. 2 white, 53½@54c.; No. 2 mixed, 52@52½c. Rye—Firm; No. 2 Western, domestic, 85@86c.

RICHMOND GRAIN MARKET.

Richmond, Va., February 8, 1910.

WHOLESALE QUOTATIONS ON 'CHANGE.

WHEAT—Car lots.		
No. 2 red, Western		@ $1.31
No. 2 red, Virginia		@ 1.30
No. 3 red		@ 1.28
Steamer	1.25	@ 1.27
Virginia (bag lots)	1.05	@ 1.28
CORN—Car lots.		
No. 2 white		@ 72
No. 3 white		@ 71
No. 2 mixed		@ 70½
No. 3 mixed		@ 69
Virginia (bag lots)	70	@ 72
Corn on the cob	71	@ 74
OATS—Car lots.		
No. 2 mixed	52½	@ 53
No. 3 mixed		@ 51½
No. 2 white		@ 54
No. 3 white	52½	
Winter seed (bag lots)	58	@ 63
RYE—Car lots.		
No. 2		@ 83
No. 3		@ 80
Virginia (bag lots)	85	@ 85

CATTLE MARKETS.

RICHMOND LIVE STOCK MARKET.
(Sales at Union Stock Yards.)
Richmond, Va., February 8, 1910.

Report of the live stock market for the week ending February 7:

Receipts—Cattle, 191 head; calves, 59 head; sheep, 142 head; hogs, 2,110 head.

Best steers, 6c.; no top steers here, medium to good, 5@5¾c.; common to fair, 4½@4¾c.; best heifers, 5¼@5½c., medium to good, 4½@5¼c.; common to fair, 3½@4¼c.; best cows, 4½@4¾c.; medium to good, 4@4½c.; common to fair, 2¾@3½c.; bulls, 3½@4½c.; extra, higher. Cows and calves, $20@$50.00 per head. Calves, 5@7½c.; extra, 8c.; cattle on the quarantine side selling from 4½@5¼c.; best sheep, 5½@6c.; common to fair, 3½@4½c.; best lambs, 7½@8c.; common to fair, 5@6½c.; best heavy hogs, 8.80@9.00; light and medium, 8.40@8.60; fat shoats, 8@8.30; fat pigs, 8¼c.; roughs, 7½@8c.

Chicago, Ill., February 8.—Cattle—Receipts estimated at 11,000 head. Market 10c. lower. Steers, $4.75@8.00; cows, $3.50@4.25; heifers, $3.40@6.00; bulls, $4@5.25; calves, $3@9.00; stockers and feeders, $3.75@5.40. Hogs—Receipts estimated at 20,000 head. Market strong to 5c. higher. Choice heavy, $8.75@8.80; buchers, $8.75@8.85; light mixed, $8.50@8.60; choice light, $8@8.70; pigs, $7.85@8.25; bulk of sales, $8.60@8.75. Sheep—Receipts estimated at 15,000 head. Market 15@25c. lower. Sheep, $3.15@7.00; lambs, $7.25@9.00; yearlings, $7.00@8.00.

New York, February 8.—Beeves—Receipts 605 head. Market nominally steady. Calves—Receipts 53 head. Veals, $8@11.00; barnyard calves, $10@4.50. Sheep and Lambs—Receipts 1,895 head. Sheep nominal; lambs, $8@9.40. Hogs—Receipts 1,780 head. Nothing doing.

RICHMOND TOBACCO MARKET.

Richmond, Va., February 8, 1910.

Brights—Unchanged. Quiet, but firm with fair receipts. Dark Tobacco—Receipts heavy. Market firm at quotations. Sun-Cured—Receipts continue heavy and market active at prices quoted.

DARK STEMMING—NEW.		
Lugs	$ 5.00	@ $ 7.00
Short leaf	7.00	@ 9.00
Long leaf	10.00	@ 14.00
BROWN SHIPPING—NEW.		
Lugs	5.00	@ 6.50
Short leaf	7.00	@ 8.50
Long leaf	9.00	@ 12.00
Wrappers	10.00	@ 15.00
BRIGHTS.		
SMOKERS—Common	7.00	@ 8.00
Medium	9.00	@ 14.00
Fine	12.00	@ 13.00
CUTTERS—Common	11.00	@ 12.00
Medium	13.00	@ 14.00
Fine	16.00	@ 18.00
Fancy	18.00	@ 20.00
FILLERS—Common	8.00	@ 10.00
Medium	11.00	@ 12.00
Good	12.50	@ 13.50
Fine	14.00	@ 16.00
WRAPPERS—Common	15.00	@ 17.00
Medium	18.00	@ 20.00
Good	25.00	@ 30.00
Fine	32.50	@ 37.50
Fancy	40.00	@ 60.00
SUN-CURED—NEW.		
Lugs, common to good	6.00	@ 7.50
Lugs, good to prime	8.00	@ 9.50
Short leaf	10.00	@ 12.50
Long leaf	11.00	
Wrappers	15.00	@ 35.00
Primings	1.00	

MISCELLANEOUS MARKETS.

PEANUT MARKET.
(Quoted by Rodgers, McCabe & Co.)

Petersburg, Va., February 8.—Peanuts—Spanish—Steady at $1.37½. Virginias—Market steady. Bunch, 4½@5c.; fancy, 4¼@4½c.; machine, 3¾@4¼c.; shelling stock, 3½@4c.

DRY GOODS MARKET.

New York, February 8.—The finest qualities of men's wear worsteds have been opened for fall at advances ranging from 5 to 10 per cent., which will mean on a suit of clothes about $1 more for material than last fall. Fall flannelettes are selling well. Export trade is quiet and cotton yarns are easier. Jobbers are doing a moderate seasonable trade.

NAVAL STORES.

Wilmington, N. C., February 8.—Spirits Turpentine—Receipts 3 casks. Rosin—Market steady at $3.90. Tar—Firm at $2.00; receipts 43 barrels. Crude Turpentine—Firm at $3@4.50 and 6.75.

Savannah, Ga., February 8.—Turpentine—Firm at 66c.; sales 51 casks; receipts 107 casks; shipments 189 casks; stock 22,757 casks. Rosin—Firm; sales 558 barrels; receipts 1,411 barrels; shipments 410 barrels; stock 132,593 barrels. Quote: B, $4.25.

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

PORT OF RICHMOND, FEBRUARY 8, 1910.

ARRIVED.

Steamer Brandon, Harney, Norfolk, merchandise and passengers, Old Dominion Line.

Steamer Mobjack, Grayes, James River landings and Norfolk, merchandise and passengers, Virginia Navigation Company.

Steamer Aurora, Furman, James River landings and Petersburg, merchandise and passengers, Phillips Line.

SAILED.

Steamer Brandon, Harney, Norfolk, merchandise and passengers, Old Dominion Line.

Steamer Aurora, Furman, James River landings and Petersburg, merchandise and passengers, Phillips Line.

Treasury Statement.

Washington, D. C., February 8.—The condition of the Treasury at the beginning of business to-day was as follows:

Trust Funds.

Gold coin	$562,907,869
Silver dollars	484,470,600
Silver dollars of 1890	3,876,000
Silver certificates outstanding	484,470,000

General Fund.

Standard silver dollars in general fund	$ 6,730,828
Current liabilities	100,657,881
Working balance in Treasury offices	22,735,376
In banks to credit of Treasurer of the United States	35,813,230
Subsidiary silver coin	20,410,487
Minor coin	1,151,157
Total balance in general fund	83,065,581

Holiday in New Orleans.

New Orleans, La., February 8.—New Orleans Cotton Exchange closed to-day—holiday.

Coffee Exchange to Close.

New York, February 8.—The Coffee Exchange here will be closed February 21 and 22.

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SALES:	Open.	High.	Low.	Closing. Bid.	Asked.
700 American Agri. Chem.	41¼	41¼	40½	40¼	40½
300 Allis-Chalmers	11½	12	11½	11	12
600 Allis-Chalmers, pfd.	37	37¼	36⅞	35	37½
57,500 Amalgamated Copper	71	73⅛	70¼	70⅞	70⅞
700 American Can	10¼	10¼	10¼	10¼	10½
1,300 American Can, pfd.	72⅝	72¾	72¼	72½	72¾
5,500 Amer. Car and Foundry	56⅞	57¾	56⅛	56⅞	56½
Amer. Car and Foun., pfd	...	...	...	116	120
400 American Cotton Oil	59	59	57	58	58½
3,900 American Locomotive	46	46⅞	45⅝	45¼	45½
100 Amer. Locomotive, pfd.	110	110	110	111	111½
37,800 American Smelting	75½	77⅞	75¼	76⅝	76½
2,000 American Beet Sugar	32	33⅛	31⅞	33	33½
1,000 American Sugar	119¾	119⅞	119	119	119⅛
1,200 Amer. Tel. and Tel. Co.	134½	135¼	134½	134⅞	135
American Tobacco, com.	...	...	...	395	...
American Tobacco, pfd.	...	...	...	91	93¼
5,825 Anaconda Copper	46¼	46½	45	45¾	46
26,000 Atchison	111	112¾	110½	111⅝	111¾
1,000 Atlantic Coast Line	124½	124⅞	123½	123	124½
2,950 Baltimore and Ohio	108⅝	110	108⅝	109¾	109¼
5,100 Brooklyn Rapid Transit	69⅛	69¾	68⅞	68⅞	69⅛
1,500 Canadian Pacific	177	178¾	176¾	177¾	178¼
500 Central Leather	35½	36½	35¼	36⅝	36¾
19,500 Chesapeake and Ohio	77¾	79½	77⅛	78½	78¾
3,300 Chicago Great Western	27½	29⅛	27½	28⅞	29¼
2,300 Chi. Great West., pfd.	52	53	52	52	52¼
10,900 Chi. Mil. and St. Paul	144⅝	146¾	144	141⅝	144¾
900 Chicago and Northwest	152⅞	154½	152⅞	153½	153¾
500 Colorado Fuel and Iron	33	34	33	33½	34
7,500 Colorado and Southern	54½	55½	54¼	55	56
400 Col. and South., 1st pfd.	80½	81	80½	80	81½
500 Col. and South., 2d pfd.	80	80	80	79	80½
12,350 Consolidated Gas	139¾	141¾	139¼	140	141½
8,100 Delaware and Hudson	169¼	170¾	169¼	170½	172¾
3,100 Den. and Rio Gran., com.	37½	37½	36	36	36½
850 Den. and Rio Gran., pfd.	77	77½	76½	76½	of'd
1,700 Distillers' Sec. Cor.	29	29¼	28⅛	28¼	29¼
4,800 Erie	25½	26½	25¼	25¾	26⅛
1,200 Erie, 1st pfd.	42⅛	43	42	42	42½
600 Erie, 2d pfd.	32⅞	32⅞	32	32	32¼
600 General Electric	147½	149	147½	147½	148½
9,500 Great Northern, pfd.	133	135	133	134⅛	134½
3,850 Great Northern Ore ctfs.	65	66	63½	64½	65½
1,900 Illinois Central	138⅞	140	138¼	139½	140
3,400 Int. Metropolitan	18	18¾	18	18	18½
7,000 Int. Metropolitan, pfd.	45⅝	47	45¼	46	46¼
200 Int. Mer. Marine, com.	6	6	6	6	6½
10,100 Int. Mer. Marine, pfd.	19¾	19¾	19	19	19¼
200 International Paper	13	13	12½	12½	12¾
Int. Paper, pfd.	...	...	...	...	53½
2,300 Kan. City South., com.	33½	34½	33½	34¼	34½
Kansas City South., pfd	...	...	...	67½	68
1,200 Louisville and Nashville	142	143	142	142½	143½
Manhattan	...	...	...	152	155½
100 Metro. Street Railway	18	18	18	17	18
800 Mo., Kan. and Texas	28¼	29¼	28	28½	28¾
100 Mo., Kan. and Tex., pfd	70	70	70	70	70½
3,500 Missouri Pacific	66	68	66	65½	66¾
2,300 National Lead	74¾	76	74	75⅛	75½
9,300 New York Central	115	117	115	116½	115¾
1,340 N. Y., Ont. and Western	44	44¼	43½	43⅝	43¾
4,600 Norfolk and Western	96⅞	97½	96⅞	97¼	97
1,370 Northern Pacific	133⅞	135¼	133½	134¼	134½
1,700 Pacific Mail	28⅞	29⅝	28¾	28½	28¾
3,600 Pennsylvania	129¾	130⅝	129¼	129¾	129⅞
2,235 People's Gas	106¼	107½	106	106½	106¾
2,210 Pressed Steel Car	35¼	36½	35¼	35½	35¾
Pressed Steel Car, pfd.	...	...	...	100½	101
1,400 Ry. Steel Spring, com.	35¾	36¼	35¾	35¾	36½
116,700 Reading	153½	158¼	153½	156¼	156⅝
1,600 Republic Iron and Steel	33½	35½	33¼	33⅞	33¾
500 Republic I. and S., pfd.	99	99	99	98¾	99¼
25,800 Rock Island	41⅞	44¾	41⅞	42¼	43
1,900 Rock Island, pfd.	82	82¾	81½	81½	81¾
700 Sloss-Sheffield	72½	73	72½	72½	73
38,300 Southern Pacific	120	120	119⅞	120⅛	120⅞
2,950 Southern Railway	26	27	26	26½	26⅝
1,700 Southern Railway, pfd.	60	62½	60	60	62
900 Tennessee Copper	30½	30¾	30¼	30¼	30½
1,400 Texas Pacific	26½	27¼	26½	27	27½
99,200 Union Pacific	179	180¼	178½	178⅝	179⅞
4,600 United States Rubber	35¼	36	35	35¼	36
316,400 United States Steel	75⅛	76⅞	75	75⅛	75¾
6,000 United States Steel, pfd	118	118	117½	117⅝	117⅞
3,180 Va.-Car. Chemical	47¼	48	47⅛	47¾	48
Va.-Car. Chemical, pfd.	...	...	...	120	122
2,100 Wabash	18¾	19⅛	18¾	19¼	19⅜
9,500 Wabash, pfd.	40	42¼	39¾	41¼	41½
400 Western Union	69½	70	69½	69½	70½

Total sales for day, 1,062,000 shares.

CLOSING BOND QUOTATIONS

American Tobacco 4s	76½	Delaware and Hudson conv. 4s	100¼	Southern Pacific conv. 4s	101
American Tobacco 6s	106⅝	Denver and Rio Grande 4s	95¾	Southern Railway 5s	108
Atchison conv. 4s	115	Denver and Rio Grande ref. 5s	93⅞	Southern Railway gen. 4s	80
Atchison conv. 5s	116¼	Erie conv. 4s, series "A"	75	United States refunding 2s, registered	100½
Brooklyn Transit conv. 4s	82½	Erie conv. 4s, series "B"	69	United States refunding 2s, coupon	100½
Central of Georgia 5s	108⅞	Interborough Metro. 4½s	79	United States 2s, registered	102
Chesapeake and Ohio ref. 5s	103¼	Inter. Merc. Marine 4½s	66⅞	United States 2s, coupon	102
Chicago, B. and Quincy gen. 4s (bid)	93⅞	Kansas City Southern 1st 3s	73	United States 4s, registered	114¼
Chicago, R. I. and Pac. R. R. col. 4s	80	Missouri Pacific 4s	69¼	United States 4s, coupon	114¼
Chicago, R. I. and Pac. Ry. rfg. 4s	90¾	Norfolk and West. 1st gen. 4s (bid)	98¾	Union Pacific conv. 4s	107¾
Colorado and Sou. ref. and ext. 4½s	98	Norfolk and Western conv. 4s	101¾	United States Steel 2nd 5s	104
		Pennsylvania consol 4s	104½	Virginia-Car. Chem. 5s	97⅞
		Seaboard Air Line 4s (offered)	82¾	Wabash 1st and ext. 4s	70¼

TILLER OF SOIL IN HIGH CLOVER

Farmers Not Enthusing Over Efforts to Reduce Prices.

FIGURES SHOW INCREASES

Statements From Departments of Commerce and Labor and Agriculture.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

Washington, February 8.—There may be a flareback in the agitation over the "increase in the cost of food and other products." The farmers of the country are not enthusing very much over the effort to reduce things to eat and wear. With cotton bringing 15 cents, turkeys from 10 to 25, and beef, 4 to 9 cents per pound, and hens from 40 to 60 cents apiece, and other farm, garden and barnyard truck up in proportion, the tiller of the soil is in high clover, and he has not time to worry about the other fellow. His song is to this effect: "Every dog has his day!"

Some Interesting Figures.

In response to a Senate resolution calling for information relating to the increase in prices, the Secretary of Commerce and Labor made answer. Under the head of "relative wholesale prices of food products in the United States from 1899 to 1908," he gives some interesting figures. Beans, which brought $100 in 1899, sold for $159.70 last year; home-made bread, New York market, $100 and $125.10; butter, creamery (Elgin market), $100 and $129.80; eggs, new-laid, fancy, nearby, $100 and $139.80; wheat flour, spring patents, $100 and $143.60; lard, prime contract, $100 and $163.30; meal, corn, fine white, $100 and $169, and fine yellow, $100 and $174.10; meat, beef, fresh, native sides, $100 and $111.80; bacon, short clear sides, $100 and $154.50; milk, fresh, $100 and $130; sugar, granulated, $100 and $100.30; cotton, upland, middling, $100 and $159.10; men's cotton half hose, $100 and $115.60, and women's cotton hose, $100 and $106.70.

Corn Meal Makes a Showing.

The most significant showing in the entire list exhibited is that of corn meal. It is a well known fact that one can grow his own corn and grind his own meal if he has a bit of land and small stream. White corn meal jumped 69 per cent. in value in ten years, and yellow meal went a little better, making a leap of more than 74 per cent. Granulated sugar gained, but three-tenths of a per cent.

The increase in retail prices are given. The following per cents are shown: Beef, fresh roasts, 14.9 per cent. from 1899 to 1908; butter, 30.6; chickens, 29.1; wheat flour, 24.4; lard, 38.2; fresh milk, 18.1; fresh pork, 40.1; Irish potatoes, 25.5; corn meal, 38.4; sugar, decreased 2.1 per cent.

In other words, a chicken that retailed for $1 in 1899, sold for $1.29 and a fraction last year, and so on and on.

Some Imports of Farm Products.

The Department of Agriculture, the Bureau of Statistics, Victor M. Olmsted, chief, has issued a bulletin on the "Imports of Farm Products Into the United States, 1851-1908."

In the review of the period covered, he states: "The imports of farm products into the United States during the fifty-eight years increased nearly nine-fold, the value in 151 being $61,000,000 and in 1908, $540,000,000."

"The average annual imports of coffee in 1851-1855 were more than seven pounds per capita, and in 1901-1905 a fraction over twelve pounds. The smallest per capita imports for any five-year period were 3.75 pounds in 1861-1865."

These figures tell an interesting story.

"The sugar imports averaged seventeen pounds per capita in 1851-1855, and forty-six pounds in 1901-1905. The average would be twelve pounds higher the last period if the receipts from Hawaii and Porto Rico were included with imports, as they were prior to the annexation of these islands to the United States."

Two decades ago many people in the South used "long sweetening" molasses, and never bought sugar, but sugar is no longer considered a luxury. Everybody uses sugar in his coffee.

Other Luxuries Imported.

"The quantity of tea," the report declares, "imported per capita, showed but little increase in fifty years, the average in 1851-1855 being 0.9 pound, and in 1901-1905, 1.2 pounds. The quantity of cocoa and chocolate imported in 1851-1855 averaged less than 0.1 pound, and in 1901-1905, 0.8 pound, or more than three-fifths of the corresponding average for tea. The quantity of coffee imported per capita in 1901-1905 was ten times that of tea, and sugar was nearly four times the quantity of coffee.

"The unmanufactured tobacco imported in 1901-1905 averaged 6.16 ounces per capita, or twice the corresponding average of 1851-1855. Imports of silk and wool increased greatly per capita during the period under discussion. For 1883-1885, when the quantity first