COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL NEWS

SUMMARY OF THE MARKETS.

Silver and Exchange as before.
Wheat futures advanced slightly.
Other cereals quiet and unchanged.
Bran firm and Hay weak. Beans and Seeds dull.
Potatoes and Onions about the same.
Eggs continue excited under the local war.
Butter easing off again. Cheese weak.
Poultry firm at previous prices. Game unchanged.
Two cars of Oranges auctioned. Lemons and Limes unchanged.
Provisions strong at Chicago, but weak here.
Hogs continue weak. Veal firmer and Lamb weaker.

Charters.

The Henry Villard loads sugar at Hilo for Delaware Breakwater for orders, $6—26c less direct.

The S. T. Alexander loads lumber at Tacoma for Kahului.

Specie Shipments.

Exports of specie from this port thus far this year amount to $3,605,222, against $8,965,765 for the same time last year, the leading descriptions being as follows: Silver bullion, $700,458; Mexican dollars, $740,396; silver coin, $83,720; gold coin, $2,036,760; currency and bonds, $31,782. The leading destinations were China, which took $1,468,482, and New York, which took $1,805,535.

The Currency Bill.

ITS PROBABLE EFFECT ON THE CIRCULATION.

The New York circular of Henry Clews says: "In a few days the currency bill will become law, and the banks will complete their preparations for expansion of the currency. We are not among those who expect any huge inflation out of this operation. Some parties profess to see an addition of $200,000,000 or $300,000,000 and over to our currency. Such talk is highly injurious and can only harm those who believe it. Any accurate forecast of the amount of new currency is exceedingly difficult. It is possible that Government bonds may rise to a point where banks would prefer to sell rather than take out circulation. The privilege of issuing notes equal to the par value of bonds will permit an increase of over $25,000,000. The effect of the return of bonds pledged for public deposits in the banks can hardly be estimated, but it would be considerable, as the banks now hold about $100,000,000 of Government funds. There are other operations of a technical character which will add to the circulation, making an increase which a safe estimate would place at about $100,000,000. This is a moderate expansion, not sufficient on which to place any great speculative operations, but quite sufficient to act as a preventive of undue stringency and as a moderate stimulus to business activity and speculation. The passage of the currency bill is not likely to have any pronounced effect. It is simply a formal establishment of the people's will; it insures the gold standard, but does not stop the endless chain nor give us a scientific banking currency, the struggle for which in Congress should be renewed with fresh energy.

"The new 2 per cent Government bonds make a favorable comparison with the English consols, which bear 2¾ per cent interest and are selling at 100⅝, whereas the United States consols are 2 per cents and are now selling at 107 before issued, and are in considerable demand at that price. There can be no better barometer of the high credit of this nation than this showing. No other nation has ever before been able to float a 2 per cent bond at 100. This is certainly a proud achievement for this country."

Weather Report.

(120th Meridian—Pacific Time.)

SAN FRANCISCO, March 14, 5 p. m.

The following are the seasonal rainfalls to date as compared with those of same date last season, and rainfalls in last 24 hours:

Stations—	Last 24 hours.	This season.	Last season.
Eureka	0.00	48.15	26.74
Red Bluff	0.00	18.43	13.73
Sacramento	0.00	15.57	8.41
San Francisco	0.00	17.02	8.24
Fresno	0.00	7.02	3.90
Independence	0.26	2.16	1.15
San Luis Obispo	0.00	14.61	7.15
Los Angeles	Trace	5.55	2.98
San Diego	0.00	3.12	3.73
Yuma	0.00	0.76	1.34

San Francisco data—Maximum temperature, 56; minimum, 49; mean, 52.

WEATHER CONDITIONS AND GENERAL FORECAST.

The pressure has fallen slowly along the Pacific Coast and will probably fall rapidly Thursday morning. An area of high pressure is moving slowly eastward through the northern tier of States. The temperature has risen slightly over the greater portion of the Pacific slope. Cold weather continues in the upper Missouri Valley. Rain has fallen in Arizona and sprinkles are reported in Southern California. A thunderstorm has occurred at Phoenix. A maximum wind velocity of 26 miles per hour from the northeast is reported from Portland.

Forecast made at San Francisco for 30 hours ending midnight March 15, 1900:

Northern California—Cloudy Thursday, becoming unsettled at night; light northerly, changing to southeasterly, winds.

Southern California—Fair Thursday; light northerly winds.

Nevada—Fair Thursday.

Utah—Fair Thursday.

Arizona—Cloudy unsettled weather Thursday, with occasional light showers.

San Francisco and vicinity—Cloudy Thursday, becoming unsettled at night; northerly, changing to southeasterly, winds.

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EASTERN MARKETS.

New York Stock Market.

NEW YORK, March 14.—To-day's stock market was largely in professional hands and trading was congested in the specialties again. The professional contingent who have bought stocks to discount the enactment of the currency law sold to-day to realize. Pressure from this source was not heavy, but the demand for stocks was so light that the dribbling offerings made steady inroads upon prices, carrying a few of the standard railroad stocks off a point during the course of the late trading. The movement of prices in the specialties was wider, due to special causes. Sugar was sold from Boston, where offers were made of the next dividend below the 1½ per cent rate last December on large amounts of stock. Brooklyn Transit suffered from the refusal of the State Railroad Commission to defer the quarterly report. The Rubber stocks felt the unfavorable influence of the pleasant weather accompanied by stories of large stocks to be carried over until next season. People's Gas was sold afresh on Chicago orders. The most conspicuous movement of the day was in Third Avenue, which sold down to 56 in the morning, but shot up to 66 late in the day after the publication of the receiver's report, driving the bears to cover with a scramble. The stock reacted 3½ and fluctuated feverishly, closing with a net gain of 5 points. For the most part the speculative attitude is one of continued waiting for the results of the new financial law to manifest themselves. A feeling of doubt increased that, however prompt may be these results, they will not avail to offset the continued drain during the week on bank reserves in time to affect the Saturday bank statement. This being the case that statement is likely to show surplus reserves practically wiped out. To-morrow is the date set for the disbursement of quite a large amount of dividends, including that of $20 per share on the stock of the Standard Oil Company. The dividend alone will amount in the aggregate to $20,000,000. Several million dollars additional will be disbursed as dividends on various stocks. This may reasonably be expected to have some effect on to-morrow's money market. To-day's rate for money was firmly held, but bankers were eager to place loans for the longer periods, while borrowers were unwilling to bid for any but short-time loans, clearly reflecting the expectation of easier conditions near at hand. February's record of exports of merchandise attracted attention as going far to explain the recent heaviness in sterling exchange, in face of large demands upon the market and as promising to make the current fiscal year a record one in the country's trade.

Buying of bonds continued on a large scale at advancing prices. Total sales, par value, $3,035,000.

United States new 4s declined ¾ and the 5s ¼ in the bid price.

NEW YORK STOCK LIST.

Shares Sold.	Stocks—	Closing Bid.
5,860	Atchison	22¼
21,226	Atchison pref	67½
* 660	Baltimore & Ohio	62⅞
.....	Canadian Pacific	95
.....	Canada Southern	49
1,000	Chesapeake & Ohio	28⅝
100	Chicago Great Western	13⅝
24,515	Chicago Burlington & Quincy	125
400	Chicago Ind & Louisville	21¼
.....	Chicago Ind & Louisville pref	53
.....	Chicago & Eastern Illinois	95
.....	Chicago & Northwestern	162
5,070	Chicago Rock Island & Pacific	108¼
525	C C C & St Louis	59⅝
350	Colorado Southern	6⅛
310	Colorado Southern 1st pref	42¼
600	Colorado Southern 2d pref	17
120	Delaware & Hudson	114¼
.....	Delaware Lackawanna & Western	180
.....	Denver & Rio Grande	19
.....	Denver & Rio Grande pref	71½
110	Erie	12⅝
243	Erie 1st pref	37
.....	Great Northern pref	157
.....	Hocking Coal	15
500	Hocking Valley	31
.....	Illinois Central	113
300	Iowa Central	13¾
.....	Iowa Central pref	49
500	Kansas City Pittsburg & Gulf	12
.....	Lake Erie & Western	20¼
.....	Lake Erie & Western pref	85
.....	Lake Shore	194
15,665	Louisville & Nashville	81⅛
6,640	Manhattan L	93⅞
3,245	Metropolitan Street Railway	163¾
400	Mexican Central	12½
100	Minn & St Louis	61
100	Minn & St Louis pref	92
8,010	Missouri Pacific	45
100	Mobile & Ohio	44
.....	Missouri Kansas & Texas	10
100	Missouri Kansas & Texas pref	32½
200	New Jersey Central	115½
2,622	New York Central	124⅞
4,430	Norfolk & Western	22¼
3,750	Norfolk & Western pref	76¼
4,800	Northern Pacific	52¾
1,168	Northern Pacific pref	73⅞
400	Ontario & Western	28⅝
4,090	Oregon Railway & Nav	42
320	Oregon Railway & Nav pref	76
700	Pennsylvania	134½
.....	Reading	17½
.....	Reading 1st pref	58
.....	Reading 2d pref	29¼
.....	Rio Grande Western	53½
.....	Rio Grande Western pref	90½
.....	St Louis & San Francisco	10½
.....	St Louis & San Fran 1st pref	68
200	St Louis & San Fran 2d pref	34¼
.....	St Louis Southwestern	10½
100	St Louis Southwestern pref	29
10,420	St Paul	123
115	St Paul pref	172¾
.....	St Paul & Omaha	109
4,785	Southern Pacific	38⅛
1,600	Southern Railway	13
2,100	Southern Railway pref	58
780	Texas & Pacific	16½
12,977	Union Pacific	49
2,461	Union Pacific pref	74½
.....	Wabash	6½
100	Wabash pref	20
110	Wheeling & Lake Erie	10
210	Wheeling & Lake Erie 2d pref	26⅞
250	Wisconsin Central	17
	Express Companies—	
180	Adams	115
220	American	145
.....	United States	45
110	Wells Fargo	122
	Miscellaneous—	
.....	American Cotton Oil	38⅛
.....	American Cotton Oil pref	93½
100	American Malting	5
100	American Malting pref	24⅞
100	Am Smelting & Refining	39
240	Am Smelting & Refining pref	91⅛
.....	American Spirits	2
.....	American Spirits pref	17
410	American Steel Hoop	35½
.....	American Steel Hoop pref	80
5,565	American Steel & Wire	55¾
350	American Steel & Wire pref	91⅝
1,400	American Tin Plate	33
.....	American Tin Plate pref	81¾
9,740	American Tobacco	105¾
.....	American Tobacco pref	135
2,310	Anaconda Mining Co	45⅝
22,490	Brooklyn Rapid Transit	67¾
.....	Colorado Fuel & Iron	43¾
1,300	Continental Tobacco	29
1,210	Continental Tobacco pref	84½
3,750	Federal Steel	49⅞
228	Federal Steel pref	72⅞
.....	General Electric	125
200	Glucose Sugar	52¼
100	Glucose Sugar pref	91¼
200	International Paper	18½
770	International Paper pref	64
.....	Laclede Gas	74½
600	National Biscuit	35½
.....	National Biscuit pref	91¾
475	National Lead	24
410	National Lead pref	104
5,300	National Steel	44¾
.....	National Steel pref	95½
.....	New York Air Brake	127
830	North American	14⅞
.....	Pacific Coast	50
.....	Pacific Coast 1st pref	82
.....	Pacific Coast 2d pref	60
580	Pacific Mail	47¼
11,795	People's Gas	97¼
.....	Pressed Steel Car	52½
.....	Pressed Steel Car pref	84½
.....	Pullman Palace Car	183
200	Standard Rope & Twine	6½
59,245	Sugar	101¼
.....	Sugar pref	108
2,750	Tennessee Coal & Iron	92½
3,835	United States Leather	12
1,380	United States Leather pref	72¾
1,160	United States Rubber	27
150	United States Rubber pref	93
565	Western Union	82½
690	Republic Iron & Steel	21¾
425	Republic Iron & Steel pref	67⅞
.....	P C C & St Louis	65

366,000 Shares sold.

CLOSING BONDS.

U S 2s reg	102	M K & T 4s	91¾
U S 3s reg	111½	N Y Central 1sts	110
U S 3s coup	111½	N J Cent gen 5s	122½
U S new 4s reg	135½	N Carolina 6s	119
U S new 4s coup	135½	N Carolina 4s	106½
U S old 4s reg	112	N Pacific 3s	66⅞
U S old 4s coup	112⅞	N Pacific 4s	105
U S 5s reg	116¼	N Y C & S L 4s	108
U S 5s coup	116¼	N & W con 4s	95½
Dis of Col 3.65s	119	N & W gen 6s	136
Atchison general 4s	102	Or Nav 1sts	108
Atchison gen 4s	101¾	Or Nav 4s	102½
Canada So 2ds	107	Or Short Line 6s	127½
Ches & Ohio 4½s	97	Or S Line con 5s	113
Ches & Ohio 5s	118⅛	Reading Gen 4s	85
C & NW con 7s	144	R G W 1sts	98
C & NWSFdeb 5s	121	S L & I M con 5s	111½
Chicago Term 4s	93¾	S L & S F gen 6s	121
D & R G 1sts	103⅝	St Paul cons	169
D & R G 4s	99	S P C & P 1sts	119½
T T Va & Ga 1sts	101¾	S P C & P 5s	120¾
Erie General 4s	71½	Southern Ry 5s	110⅝
F W & D C 1sts	71	Stand R & T 6s	70
General Elec 5s	116	Tenn new set 3s	85
G H & S A 6s	108	Tex & Pac 1sts	114½
G H & S A 2ds	107½	Tex & Pac 2ds	55
H & T C 5s	110½	Union Pacific 4s	105¾
H & T C con 6s	110	Wabash 1sts	116¾
Iowa Central 1sts	114½	Wabash 2ds	99
K C P & G 1sts	71½	West Shore 4s	113⅛
La new cons 4s	107	Wis Cent 1sts	90⅞
L & N Uni 4s	98¾	Va Centuries	90
So Pacific 4s	83¼	Va deferred	9½
M K & T 2ds	66½	Colo & So 4s	83¼

MINING STOCKS.

Chollar	22	Ontario	8 85
Crown Point	11	Ophir	65
Con Cal & Va	1 40	Plymouth	12
Deadwood	55	Quicksilver	1 50
Gould & Curry	12	Quicksilver pref	7 50
Hale & Norcross	27	Sierra Nevada	50
Homestake	50 00	Standard	3 00
Iron Silver	70	Union Con	14
Mexican	29	Yellow Jacket	14

BOSTON STOCKS AND BONDS.

Money—		Union Pac	49⅛
Call loans	3½@4½	Union Land	3
Time loans	4@5	West End	89
Stocks—		Westingh Elec	42½
Atchison	22½	Bonds—	
do pref	67½	Atchison 4s	98½
Am Sugar	101¼	N E G & Coke 5s	69
do pref	109	Mining shares—	
Bell Telephone	314	Adventure	4½
Boston & Albany	238	Allouez Min Co	2
Boston Elevated	117	Amalg Copper	93½
Boston & Maine	192	Atlantic	24½
C B & Q	122½	Boston & Mont	294
Dom Coal	43	Butte & Boston	61
Fed Steel	50	Calumet & Hecla	735
do pref	73½	Centennial	17½
Fitchburg pref	130	Franklin	14½
Gen Elec	126½	Osceola	68
do preferred	137	Parrot	44¾
Ed Elec Ill	205	Quincy	132
Mex Cent	12⅝	Santa Fe Copper	5½
N E G & Coke	31	Tamarack	185
Old Colony	207¼	Trinity Mining	28¾
Old Dominion	14⅞	Winona	2½
Rubber	25	Wolverines	41

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, March 14.—Money on call firm at 4½@6 per cent; last loan, 4½ per cent. Prime mercantile paper, 5@5½ per cent. Sterling exchange irregular, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4 85⅝@4 85¾ for demand and at $4 81⅞@4 82 for sixty days; posted rates, $4 83½@4 87. Commercial bills, $4 81¾@4 82¼. Silver certificates, 60¼@61¼c. Bar silver, 59¾c. Mexican dollars, 47¾c. Bonds—Government, weak; State, strong; railroad, firm.

Condition of Treasury.

WASHINGTON, March 14.—To-day's statement of the condition of the treasury shows:

Available cash balance, $154,985,989; gold reserve, $150,000,000.

London Market.

NEW YORK, March 14.—The Commercial Advertiser's London financial cablegram says: The markets here were very idle and weak in tendency to-day, due to disappointment at the public's apathy, the markets having counted on a strong revival of speculation when the war loan success was established. There were very large dealings in the loan, one dealer giving 1½ premium for allotment letters for a million. The same dealer was said to have applied for twenty-seven millions for a syndicate. American applications reached fifteen million. The premium to-day was easier, 1¾ to 2 on the disappointment over the Chancellor of the Exchequer's statement last night that applications were already ten-fold the amount required. But this is probably a conservative estimate. It is estimated that when the list closes applications will be fifteen-fold. Consols were steady.

Americans were heavy and stagnant, except Atchisons, which New York bought and then sold. London regards the currency bill as having been over-discounted. Coppers were weak in the fall of over a pound in the price of the metal. New York sold Anacondas. Paris sold Tintos. There was some talk that copper was likely to break heavily. The Bank of England received £85,000 gold from Holland and £11,000 from Portugal and bought £6000 in bars. Rio took £40,000. Money was unchanged, but loans were brisker, the Bank of England doing less, however.

CLOSING.

Canadian Pacific, 98, ex-dividend; Union Pacific preferred, 76½; Northern Pacific preferred, 76½; Atchison, 24⅛; Grand Trunk, 8⅝c; Anaconda, 9⅞; Rand mines, 36⅝. Bar silver, 27 9-16d per ounce.

New York Grain and Produce.

NEW YORK, March 14.—FLOUR—Receipts, 18,335 barrels; exports, 9646 barrels. Moderately active and firmly held. Minnesota patents, $3 50@3 90; bakers' patent, $2 85@3; winter patents, $3 65@3 80; winter straights, $3 45@3 55; winter extras, $2 60@2 90; winter low grades, $2 25@2 40.

WHEAT—Receipts, 53,600 bushels; exports, 133,442 bushels. Spot, strong. No. 2 red, 78c elevator; No. 2 red, 80c f. o. b. afloat; No. 1 Northern, 79½c f. o. b. afloat; No. 1 hard, 80¾c f. o. b. Options opened steady on covering. Later they sold off under liberal interior receipts, small export dealings, short selling and light clearances, only to recover in the last hour on a scare from Europe and general covering. Finally they closed 1⅛@⅝c net advanced. March, 76⅛@77⅛c, closed 77⅛c; May, 72 11-16@73½c, closed, 73½c; July, 73⅜c; September, 73⅜c.

WOOL—Dull.

COFFEE—Options closed steady at a partial 10 points advance. Total sales, 6750 bags, including: May, $6 65; June, $6 65; July, $6 70; August, $6 70; September, $6 75; November, $6 85; December, $7; February, $7 15. Spot coffee—Rio, steady; No. 7, invoice, 8¼c; No. 7, jobbing, 8¾c; mild, steady; Cordova, 9½c.

SUGAR—Raw, firm; refined, firm.

BUTTER—Receipts, 5538 packages. Firm; Western creamery, 20@25c; factory, 17@20c.

EGGS—Receipts, 7840 packages. Barely steady. Western at mark, 16½@16⅝c; Southern at mark, 15½@16½c.

DRIED FRUITS.

There was an active demand noted to-day for evaporated apples and the market ruled firm. But most offerings were liberal and receipts of larger volume than had been expected these factors serve to check any advance in prices. California dried fruits were quiet and steady.

STATE EVAPORATED APPLES—Common, 4½@5¼c; prime, 6@6¼c; choice, 7@7½c; fancy, 7¾@8¼c.

CALIFORNIA DRIED PRUNES—3½@7c.

APRICOTS—Royal, 13@15c; Moorpark, 15@18c.

PEACHES—Peeled, 18@22c; unpeeled, 7½@9c.

Chicago Grain Market.

CHICAGO, March 14.—It was rather a quiet day in the wheat pit. May opened ⅛c over yesterday at 66c, helped by the cash business done at Duluth and also here yesterday. The market touched 65⅞c early on profit-taking but steadied. Near the end covering by shorts caused a sharp rally which carried May to 65⅞c. The close was strong, May ⅞c over yesterday at 66⅜c.

The corn market opened firm, but shortly afterward declined on liquidation. The decline was recovered near the end, partly influenced by the bulge in wheat. The cash demand was fair and on the rally shorts covered. Business was rather quiet the greater part of the session. May closed firm, ⅛@¼c over yesterday.

The trade in oats was exceedingly quiet, influenced largely by lessened excitement in corn. May closed a shade improved.

Covering of May pork was the feature of an otherwise colorless provision market. This influence caused a bulge early, but as soon as the demand was satisfied the market receded to opening figures. The close was steady. May pork closed 2½c over yesterday; May lard unchanged and May ribs 2½c up.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles—	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat No. 2—				
March	....	....	....	66
May	66	66⅞	65⅞	66⅜
July	66⅞	67⅝	66⅝	67½
Corn No. 2—				
March	....	....	....	26⅛
May	37⅝	37¾	37¼	37¾
July	37¾	37⅞	37½	37¾
September	38¼	38⅜	38	38⅜
Oats No. 2—				
May	23⅞	23⅞	23¾	23⅞
July	22¾	22⅞	22¾	22⅞
Mess Pork, per bbl—				
May	10 95	11 15	10 95	11 02½
July	10 90	11 10	10 90	10 97½
Lard, per 100 lbs—				
May	6 02½	6 07½	6 02½	6 02½
July	6 10	6 15	6 10	6 10
Short Ribs, per 100 lbs—				
May	6 02½	6 05	6 00	6 02½
July	6 02½	6 07½	6 02½	6 02½

Cash quotations were as follows: Flour, steady; No. 2 spring wheat, 61@66c; No. 2 red, 68½@69c; No. 2 corn, 30½@30¾c; No. 2 oats, 23½@23¾c; No. 2 white, 26¼@28c; No. 3 white, 25¾@26½c; No. 2 rye, 55½@56½c; No. 2 barley, 37½@38c; No. 1 flax seed, $1 60; prime timothy seed, $2 40; mess pork, per bbl, $10@10 97½; lard, per 100 lbs, $5 85@5 97½; short-rib sides (loose), $5 85@6 10; dry salted shoulders (boxed), 6¼@6½c; short clear sides (boxed), $6 20@6 35; whisky, distillers' finished goods, per gal, $1 24½.

Articles—	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, barrels	168,000	66,000
Wheat, bushels	61,000	68,000
Corn, bushels	529,000	69,000
Oats, bushels	536,000	325,000
Rye, bushels	11,000	10,000
Barley, bushels	89,000	54,000

On the Produce Exchange to-day the Butter market was easy; creamery, 19@24c; dairy, 16@22c. Cheese, firm, 12@13c. Eggs, firm; fresh, 14½c.

Foreign Futures.

LIVERPOOL.

Wheat—	Mar.	May.	July.
Opening	5 9¾	5 9	5 8¾
Closing	5 9¾	5 9⅛	5 8⅝

PARIS.

Wheat—	Mar.	May-Aug.
Opening	20 10	20 95
Closing	19 95	20 80
Flour—		
Opening	25 10	27 15
Closing	25 80	26 90

Chicago Livestock Market.

CHICAGO, March 14.—CATTLE—Receipts, 22,000; generally 10@15c lower. Natives—Good to prime steers 10c lower at $4 90@5 80; poor to medium, 10@20c lower at $4@4 60; selected feeders slow at $4 10@4 80; mixed stockers about steady at $3 30@3 90; cows 10c lower at $3@4 20; heifers, $3@4 40; canners, $2 25@2 90; bulls, $3@4 15; calves, $4 50@7, lower. Texans—Receipts, 2500; Texas fed steers active, 5@10c lower at $3 85@4 80; Texas bulls a shade lower at $3 20@3 70.

HOGS—Receipts to-day 29,000; estimated to-morrow, 29,000; left over, 5000; fairly active, averaging a shade lower; top, $5 05; mixed and butchers, $4 80@5 02½; good to choice heavy, $4 85@5 05; rough heavy, $4 80@4 80; light, $4 75@4 85; bulk of sales, $4 90@5.

SHEEP—Receipts, 18,000; sheep and yearlings about steady; lambs weak to 15c lower; good to choice wethers, $5 50@5 90; fair to choice mixed, $4 75@5 35; Western sheep, $5 40@5 80; yearlings, $5 40@6 40; native lambs, $5 50@7 25; Western lambs, $6@7 25.

Boston Wool Market.

BOSTON, March 14.—The American Wool and Cotton Reporter will say to-morrow:

The market has continued very dull, and aside from one good-sized sale reported to have been made by a certain house in the trade there has been little business transacted. The manufacturers, as a class, are not disposed to buy wool, except where they actually need it, and the condition of the money market, which displays a hardening tendency, is not favorable for an extended speculative movement in wool. Prices are practically unchanged, but on most grades are largely nominal.

The sales of the week in Boston amounted to 1,724,000 pounds domestic and 183,000 pounds foreign, making a total of 1,907,000 pounds, against a total of 1,885,000 pounds for the previous week and a total of 1,871,500 pounds for the corresponding week last year.

The sales since January 1 amount to 34,408,000 pounds, against 38,674,000 pounds for the corresponding time last year.

London Wool Sales.

LONDON, March 14.—There was a full attendance at the wool auction sales to-day and 10,676 bales were offered. The Continent secured the bulk of Queensland merinos and the home trade the majority of New Zealand wools. A large quantity of crossbreds which were against buyers went to the Continent and America. A fair quantity of Yorkshire and Cape of Good Hope and Natal wools was well supported by Germany.

Portland's Business.

PORTLAND, March 14.—Clearings, $288,162; balances, $22,589.

Northern Wheat Market.

OREGON.

PORTLAND, March 14.—WHEAT—Steady, at 53c for Walla Walla, 52@53c for Valley and 55@56c for Blue Stem.

WASHINGTON.

TACOMA, March 14.—WHEAT—Quiet and prices unchanged. Blue Stem, 52½c; Club, 50½c.

Foreign Markets.

LONDON, March 14.—Consols, 101⅝; silver, 27 9-16d; French rentes, 102f. Wheat cargoes off coast, nothing doing; cargoes on passage, more inquiry; cargoes No. 1 standard California, 29s 6d; cargoes Walla Walla, 28s 4½d; English country markets, firm.

LIVERPOOL, March 14.—Wheat firm; wheat in Paris, quiet; French country markets, quiet.

COTTON—Uplands, 5 9-16d.

CLOSING.

WHEAT—Spot No. 1 Northern spring, firm, 6s 1¼d. Futures closed quiet; March, 5s 9¾d; May, 5s 9⅛d; July, 5s 8⅝d.

CORN—Spot steady; American mixed, new, 3s 11½d; old, 3s 11¾d. Futures quiet; May, 3s 10¾d; July, 3s 10½d.

LOCAL MARKETS.

Exchange and Bullion.

Sterling Exchange, sixty days	—	$4 83½
Sterling Exchange, sight	—	4 87½
Sterling Cables	—	4 88½
New York Exchange, sight	—	17½
New York Exchange, telegraphic	—	20
Fine Silver, per ounce	—	59¾
Mexican Dollars	48½	49

Wheat and Other Grains.

WHEAT—Dullness continues to characterize the market, but futures are slightly higher.

Liverpool and Paris were both lower. Chicago was somewhat higher, with a good shipping demand, 300,000 bushels being taken for export. The market was largely oversold, but the demand was reported greatly improved. Duluth reported large sales for spring shipment. The leaders sold Corn.

Spot Wheat—Shipping, 95c; milling, 97½@$1.

CALL BOARD SALES.

Informal Session—9:15 a. m.—May—6000 ctls, 96⅞c.

Second Session—No sales.

Regular Morning Session—December—4000 ctls, $1 04. May—12,000, 97¼c.

Afternoon Session—December—10,000 ctls, $1 04⅛. May—10,000, 97⅝c; 4000, 97¼c.

BARLEY—Buyers hold off and offerings are neglected.

Feed, 75c for No. 1 and 65@72½c for off grades; Brewing and Shipping grades, 80@87½c; Chevalier, nominal.

CALL BOARD SALES.

Informal Session—9:15 o'clock—No sales.

Second Session—No sales.

Regular Morning Session—December—2000 ctls, 73⅝c.

Afternoon Session—No sales.

OATS—Medium grades are in demand, but are scarce. Buyers do not want the upper and lower grades, so business is dull.

White, $1 10@1 30; Red, 95c@$1 17½; Gray, $1 07½@1 15; Black, 97½@$1 05.

CORN—Eastern White is quoted at 97½c@$1 02½ per ctl and Eastern Yellow at $1@1 05; mixed, $1@1 05 per ctl.

RYE—97½c@$1 02½ per ctl.

BUCKWHEAT—Nominal.

Flour and Millstuffs.

FLOUR—California family extras, $3 60@3 75, usual terms; bakers' extras, $3 40@3 50; Oregon and Washington, $2 75@3 per barrel.

MILLSTUFFS—Prices in sacks are as follows, usual discount to the trade: Graham Flour, $3 25 per 100 lbs; Rye Flour, $2 75; Rye Meal, $2 50; Rice Flour, $7; Corn Meal, $2 50; Oat Groats, $4 50; Hominy, $3 25@3 50; Buckwheat Flour, $4@4 25; Cracked Wheat, $3 75; Farina, $4 50; Whole Wheat Flour, $3 50; Rolled Oats (barrels), $6@7 25; in sacks, $5 75@7; Pearl Barley, $5; Split Peas, $5; Green Peas, $5 50 per 100 lbs.

Hay and Feedstuffs.

Dealers quote the old prices, with a firm market for Bran and a weak market for Hay.

BRAN—$12@13 per ton.

MIDDLINGS—$17@20 per ton.

FEEDSTUFFS—Rolled Barley, $15@17 per ton; Oilcake Meal at the mill, $26@27; jobbing, $27 50; coconut cake, $20@21; Corn Meal, $23@23 50; Cracked Corn, $23 50@24; Mixed Feed, $15 50; Cottonseed Meal, $23 per ton.

HAY—Wheat, $7@9 for common to good; $9 50 for choice and occasionally $10; Wheat and Oat, $6 50@9; Oat, $6@8; Barley, $5@7; Alfalfa, $6@7 50 per ton.

STRAW—25@35c per bale.

Beans and Seeds.

There is nothing new to report. The demand is poor.

BEANS—Bayos, $3 30@3 40; small White, $3 15@3 25; large White, $2 90@3 10; Pinks, $2 50@2 85; Reds, nominal; Blackeye, $4 35@4 65; Butters, nominal; Lima, $5 15@5 25; Pea, $3 20@3 40; Red Kidneys, $3 50@4.

SEEDS—Brown, Mustard, nominal; Yellow Mustard, 4½@4¾c; Flax, $1 90@2 20; Canary, 3½c per lb for California and 4c for Eastern; Alfalfa, 9@10c; Rape, 2½@3c; Hemp, 4@4½c; Timothy, 4@4½c.

DRIED PEAS—Niles, $1 50@1 90; Green, $1 75@2 50 per ctl.

Potatoes, Onions and Vegetables.

Sweet Potatoes continue to decline. Other Potatoes and Onions are unchanged.

Vegetables stand about the same.

Receipts were 1261 boxes Asparagus, 455 boxes Rhubarb and 349 sacks Peas.

POTATOES—Early Rose, 75@85c; River Reds, 75@80c; Burbanks, 50@90c; per sack; Oregon Burbanks, 75c@$1 10; Sweet Potatoes, $2 50@2 60 for Nonerced and $1 25 for Rivers; New Potatoes, 1¼@3c.

ONIONS—Oregons, $1 75@2 15 per ctl; Nevadas, $2@2 25.

VEGETABLES—Rhubarb, 75c@$1 25 per box; Asparagus, 75c@$1 25 per box for No. 2 and $1 50@2 for No. 1 and $2 25 for fancy large; Green Peas, 1½@3c per lb; String Beans, 4@10c; Cabbage, 40@50c; Los Angeles Tomatoes, $1@1 25; Egg Plant from Los Angeles, 8@10c; Dried Okra, 12½c per lb; Garlic, 2½@3½c; Green Peppers from Los Angeles, ——; Dried Peppers, 8@10c; Carrots, 25@35c per sack; Los Angeles Summer Squash, $1@1 25 per box; Marrowfat Squash, nominal.

Poultry and Game.

Poultry continues firm under light supplies, though there is more Eastern on the market. Game is unchanged.

POULTRY—Live Turkeys, 11@12c for Gobblers and 11@12c for Hens; Geese, per pair, $2@2 25; Goslings, $2 50@3; Ducks, $4@5 for old and $4@5 for young; Hens, $4 50@6; Young Roosters, $6@7; Old Roosters, $4 50@5; Fryers, $6; Broilers, $5@5 50 for large and $3 50@4 50 for small; Pigeons, $1 25@1 50 per dozen for old and $2 25@2 50 for Squabs.

GAME — Hare, $1@1 25; Rabbits, $1 25@1 50; Gray Geese, $3; White, $1@1 25; Brant, $1 50@2 50; Honkers, $4 per dozen; English Snipe, $2 50@3; Jack Snipe, $1 50.

Butter, Eggs and Cheese.

The war in Eggs continues, and though yesterday's receipts were 1200 cases at the lowest calculation and the heaviest this year, the market continued stiff, some dealers quoting sales up to 20c. It must not be forgotten that the present rise is purely artificial, and that the market, if it had been left to itself, would never have risen as it has. When the dealers get through fighting and leave the market alone it will probably settle down again. There are plenty of Eggs here.

Butter is showing signs of weakness. The north is turning down orders at the advance and local dealers are rather expecting a decline.

Cheese continues weak.

BUTTER—

Creamery—Fancy creamery, 21@22c; seconds, 20c.

Dairy—Fancy, 19@20c; good to choice, 17½@18½c; common, nominal.

CHEESE—Choice mild new, 8@8½c; old, 7½c; Young America, 9@10c; Eastern, 15@16c; Western, 13½@15c per lb.

EGGS—Quoted at 14@14½c for store and 15@19c per dozen for ranch.

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