COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL NEWS

SUMMARY OF THE MARKIETS.

Silver lower. Sterling Exchange firmer.
Wheat and Barley continue dull.
Oats and Corn firmly held, but quiet.
Bran higher. Hay dull and easy.
Beans stiffly held at full figures.
Potatoes and Vegetables about the same.
Butter weaker, Cheese unchanged and Eggs steady.
Poultry and Game as previously quoted.
Seven cars of Oranges auctioned.
Lower prices for Mexican Limes expected.
Nothing new in Dried Fruits.
Provisions stiff, with a further advance in Bacon.
Wool dull; Hops neglected; Hides easy.
Expected advance in Hogs next week.
No change in Rice.

Charters.

The Prosper loads lumber at Port Blakeley for Kobe, 62s 6d; Solveig, redwood at Eureka for Melbourne.

Weather Report.

(120th Meridian—Pacific Time.)

SAN FRANCISCO, March 30, 1900—5 p. m.

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

Stations—	Last 24 hours.	This season.	Last season.
Eureka	0.00	44.07	31.33
Red Bluff	0.00	18.81	19.31
Sacramento	0.00	15.61	13.91
San Francisco	0.00	17.02	15.38
Fresno	0.00	7.08	6.76
Independence	0.00	2.78	1.16
San Luis Obispo	0.00	14.78	14.77
Los Angeles	0.00	5.55	4.79
San Diego	0.00	3.16	4.58
Yuma	0.00	0.77	1.34

San Francisco data—Maximum temperature, 70; minimum, 50; mean, 60.

WEATHER CONDITIONS AND GENERAL FORECAST.

The weather is generally partly cloudy west of the Rocky Mountains and light scattering showers have fallen over Washington and Northwestern Oregon.

The pressure has fallen slightly over the western portion of the country.

The temperature has risen generally west of the Rocky Mountains; the rise has been marked over Oregon and Eastern Washington.

Conditions are favorable for fair weather in California Saturday, with nearly stationary temperature.

Forecast made at San Francisco for thirty hours ending midnight, March 31, 1900.

Northern California—Partly cloudy Saturday; light variable winds.

Southern California—Fair Saturday; light west wind.

Nevada—Partly cloudy Saturday.

Utah—Cloudy Saturday.

Arizona—Fair Saturday.

San Francisco and vicinity—Fair Saturday; light westerly wind.

G. H. WILLSON, Local Forecast Official.

Discharge of California Rivers.

The following record of the estimated daily discharge of certain California rivers is furnished by J. B. Lippincott, hydrographer of the United States Geological Survey. One second foot equals 50 miners' inches:

TUOLUMNE RIVER AT LA GRANGE.

DATE.	Second Feet. 1899.	Second Feet. 1900.	M'ng Co. Ditch & Turlock Canal.
March 18	5.7	6.4	12
March 19	5.6	6.3	12
March 20	6.2	6.5	12
March 21	5.9	6.4	12
March 22	5.8	6.4	12
March 23	9.1	6.4	12
March 24	11.4	6.3	12

KINGS RIVER AT RED MOUNTAIN.

DATE.	Second Feet. 1899.	Second Feet. 1900.
March 18	5.0	6.7
March 19	5.0	6.6
March 20	5.4	6.5
March 21	5.5	6.4
March 22	6.4	6.6
March 23	7.8	6.6
March 24	9.7	6.5

SAN JOAQUIN RIVER AT HERNDON.

DATE.	Second Feet. 1899.	Second Feet. 1900.
March 18	3.5	4.6
March 19	3.3	4.6
March 20	3.4	4.6
March 21	3.6	4.6
March 22	3.7	4.6
March 23	4.6	4.6
March 24	9.2	4.4

SACRAMENTO RIVER AT RED BLUFF.

DATE.	Second Feet. 1899.	Second Feet. 1900.
March 18	10.0	9.6
March 19	8.8	9.6
March 20	8.6	9.2
March 21	8.7	9.1
March 22	9.7	9.0
March 23	14.8	8.8
March 24	20.4	8.7

STANISLAUS RIVER AT OAKDALE.

DATE.	Second Feet. 1899.	Second Feet. 1900.
March 18	5.6	7.3
March 19	5.4	6.8
March 20	7.8	7.0
March 21	6.1	7.3
March 22	5.9	7.4
March 23	11.1	7.5
March 24	13.3	7.2

EASTERN MARKETS

New York Stock Market.

NEW YORK, March 30.—The railroads retired into the background of the stock market to-day and gave way to industrials and specialties. Sugar almost outdid its traditional reputation for uncertainty by suddenly retracing its course yesterday and mounting well above yesterday's high point. There was a momentary decline of less than a point at the opening and then a quick rally and the stock never got back to last night's closing level. Twice during the late dealings it was 13 points above the low level in the morning and its net gain is 11¼. The transactions in the stock were enormous. Its course clearly demonstrated a cynical skepticism on the part of the speculative public, regarding the sincerity of the pessimistic official outgiving which caused yesterday's slump in the price of the stock. All sorts of sensational rumors were afloat regarding measures for compromise of the sugar trade war and there were intimations that the opposition refiners had been emulating the example of the Metropolitan Street Railway interests in the Third Avenue coup by acquiring Sugar stock at the decline. At all events shorts in the stock were acutely perturbed and scrambled to obtain stock. The local traction stocks furnished the other surprise in the market, and like Sugar developed aggressive strength in the face of bad news. The demand in this group undoubtedly came from the shorts. The figures given out from Albany last night of the valuation placed upon the franchises of the New York traction companies were as high as the most extravagant estimates in Wall street. With the exception of a preliminary drive which carried the stocks down from 1½ to 4 points, the whole group was eagerly bought all day, rising well above last night's figures and not falling far below that level again. People's Gas and a number of the iron and steel stocks by rising sharply completed the demoralization of strength in the industrial group. The demand for the railroads seemed to have quieted down for the time being with the exception of a stock here and there in the list which showed a good advance. Profit-taking was the motive for the selling. But the pressure upon the money market incident to the quarterly settlement next week which was manifest in foreign markets even more than here had its influence in checking the buying movements. As the buying of the specialties was largely to cover short contracts it was not influenced by money market considerations. There was no stiffness in the rates for money, but preliminary figures of to-morrow's bank statement failed to indicate so strong a return as has been counted upon. Owing to the falling off in the amount of Government bonds offered for conversion the disbursement of premiums decreased and the week's gain by the banks from the sub-treasury will be less than a million dollars. On the interior movement by express the net receipts are estimated at less than half a million. As against this small gain in cash the expansion in loans has unquestionably been large. There is ground for doubt, therefore, whether considerable inroad has not been made on the surplus.

Business in the bond market showed a falling off, but prices were about maintained. Total sales, par value, $3,390,000.

United States 3s, old 4s and new 4s declined ¼ in the bid price.

NEW YORK STOCK LIST.

Shares sold.	Stock—	Closing bid.
41,560	Atchison	28⅞
21,472	Atchison prefd	72⅝
15,934	Baltimore & Ohio	81⅞
100	Canadian Pacific	97
1,450	Canada Southern	54
23,530	Chesapeake & Ohio	32½
2,640	Chicago Great Western	14⅜
3,313	Chicago Burlington & Quincy	131
660	Chicago Ind & Louisville	25½
310	Chicago Ind & Louisville prefd	58
....	Chicago & East Illinois	102
....	Chicago & Northwestern	164
3,700	Chicago R I & Pacific, ex div	112¾
10,605	C C C & St Louis	66½
710	Colorado Southern	6⅞
220	Colorado Southern 1st prefd	45
....	Colorado Southern 2d prefd	19
....	Delaware & Hudson	116¾
....	Delaware Lack & Western	182
500	Denver & R G	22¼
100	Denver & R G prefd	74¾
160	Erie	14
1,010	Erie 1st prefd	41¾
2,120	Great Northern prefd	165¼
2,645	Hocking Coal	20
210	Hocking Valley	36¾
725	Illinois Central	115½
835	Iowa Central	19½
3,343	Iowa Central prefd	58
100	Kansas City Pitts & Gulf	19
300	Lake Erie & Western	23
....	Lake Erie & Western prefd	87
....	Lake Shore	200
2,150	Louisville & Nashville	86⅞
19,080	Manhattan L	95⅞
21,375	Metropolitan Street Railway	164
620	Mexican Central	13⅞
1,400	Minn & St Louis	67
....	Minn & St Louis prefd	96
8,554	Missouri Pacific	49⅝
100	Mobile & Ohio	46½
300	Missouri Kansas & Texas	12
550	Missouri Kansas & Texas prefd	36
....	New Jersey Central	118
2,100	New York Central	137⅜
7,655	Norfolk & Western	36½
340	Norfolk & Western prefd	76⅞
15,940	Northern Pacific	60
1,450	Northern Pacific prefd	77¼
5,964	Ontario & Western	25¼
....	Oregon Railway & Nav	42
....	Oregon Ry & Nav prefd	76
10,768	Pennsylvania	138⅜
1,200	Reading	19⅛
8,810	Reading 1st prefd	62⅝
1,700	Reading 2d prefd	33¼
....	Rio Grande Western	53½
....	Rio Grande Western prefd	90½
400	St Louis & San Francisco	11⅝
663	St Louis & S F 1st prefd	72
3,495	St Louis & S F 2d prefd	38⅜
....	St Louis Southwestern	12¼
1,370	St Louis Southwestern prefd	32¾
4,125	St Paul	123⅝
....	St Paul prefd	171½
....	St Paul & Omaha	107½
21,420	Southern Pacific	41½
9,050	Southern Railway	15⅝
3,150	Southern Railway prefd	60⅞
340	Texas & Pacific	17¾
22,560	Union Pacific	58
2,600	Union Pacific prefd	76¾
100	Wabash	7¾
2,500	Wabash prefd	22¼
175	Wheeling & Lake Erie	11
1,225	Wheeling & L E 2d prefd	30¾
10,250	Wisconsin Central	20
	Express Companies—	
....	Adams	116½
....	American	149
....	United States	47½
....	Wels Fargo	125
	Miscellaneous—	
1,650	American Cotton Oil	36¼
....	American Cotton Oil prefd	94½
....	American Malting	4⅝
600	American Malting prefd	22½
1,000	Am Smelting & Refining	42¼
100	Am Smelting & Refining prefd	90
....	American Spirits	2¼
....	American Spirits prefd	17
1,173	American Steel Hoop	35¾
....	American Steel Hoop prefd	81
15,450	American Steel & Wire	56⅜
750	American Steel & Wire prefd	90⅛
498	American Tin Plate	33
....	American Tin Plate prefd	82½
11,050	American Tobacco	106
....	American Tobacco prefd	128
13,693	Anaconda Mining Co	50¾
4,246	Brooklyn Rapid Transit	71⅛
8,075	Colorado Fuel & Iron	50¼
2,430	Continental Tobacco	31¾
100	Continental Tobacco prefd	84½
14,835	Federal Steel	54⅝
500	Federal Steel prefd	74½
1,000	General Electric	128
235	Glucose Sugar	53
....	Glucose Sugar prefd	98½
140	International Paper	21½
260	International Paper prefd	66
....	Laclede Gas	75
....	National Biscuit	36
150	National Biscuit prefd	89
....	National Lead	24
100	National Lead prefd	105¼
1,070	National Steel	44½
305	National Steel prefd	94
....	New York Air Brake	130
850	North American	15¼
140	Pacific Coast	52
....	Pacific Coast 1st prefd	82
....	Pacific Coast 2d prefd	61
....	Pacific Mail	37
23,970	People's Gas	105⅜
100	Pressed Steel Car	51
110	Pressed Steel Car prefd	83
110	Pullman Palace Car	174
....	Standard Rope & Twine	7
191,665	Sugar	109⅜
....	Sugar prefd	108
10,265	Tennessee Coal & Iron	97
3,100	United States Leather	12⅞
4,075	United States Leather prefd	73½
450	United States Rubber	31
....	United States Rubber prefd	96
....	Western Union	83½
1,410	Republic Iron & Steel Co	22¾
300	Republic Iron & Steel Co prefd	66
....	P C C & St Louis	66
929	Third Avenue	102¼
800,000	Shares sold.	

CLOSING BONDS.

U S 2s refunding when issued	104½	M K & T 2ds	69
U S 2s reg	100¾	M K & T 4s	93½
U S 3s reg	110½	N Y Cent 1sts	110⅛
U S 3s coup	110½	N J Cent gen 5s	124¾
U S new 4s reg	134¼	N Carolina 6s	127½
U S new 4s coup	134¼	N Carolina 4s	106
U S old 4s reg	115¼	N Pacific 3s	68¾
U S old 4s coup	116¼	N Pacific 4s	105⅜
U S 5s reg	114¾	N Y C & S L 4s	108½
U S 5s coup	114¾	N & W con 4s	99
Dis of Col 3.65s	119	N & W gen 6s	132
Atchison gen 4s	102⅜	Or Nav 1sts	110
Atchison adj 4s	84⅝	Or Nav 4s	104¼
Canada So 2ds	106	Or Short Line 6s	128
Ches & Ohio 4½s	98¼	Or S Line con 5s	114
Ches & Ohio 5s	119½	Reading Gen 4s	88¼
C & NW con 7s	142	R G W 1sts	99⅛
C & NWSF deb 5s	121¼	S L & I M con 5s	113½
Chgo Terminal 4s	97	S L & S F gen 6s	122⅞
D & R G 1sts	103½	St Paul cons	170
D & R G 4s	99⅛	St P C & P 1sts	119½
E T Va & Ga 1sts	102¼	S P C & P 5s	121¼
Erie General 4s	74	So Railway 5s	112¼
F W & D C 1sts	71	Stand R & T 6s	73
General Elec 5s	115½	Tenn new set 3s	95
G H & S A 6s	110	Tex & Pac 1sts	114
G H & S A 2ds	108½	Tex & Pac 2ds	56
H & T C 5s	110	Union Pacific 4s	107⅝
H & T C con 6s	110	Wabash 1sts	117
Iowa Central 1sts	114	Wabash 2ds	100½
K C P & G 1sts	74⅞	West Shore 4s	114¼
La new cons 4s	107	Wis Cent 1sts	92⅞
L & N Uni 4s	99⅞	Va Centuries	89½
So Pacific 4s	84⅝	Va deferred	9½
		Colo & So 4s	84¾

MINING STOCKS.

Chollar	14	Ontario	8 75
Crown Point	16	Ophir	74
Con Cal & Va	1 50	Plymouth	10
Deadwood	55	Quicksilver	1 75
Gould & Curry	18	Quicksilver prefd	8 00
Hale & Norcross	20	Sierra Nevada	51
Homestake	50 00	Standard	3 10
Iron Silver	66	Union Con	15
Mexican	23	Yellow Jacket	15

BOSTON STOCKS AND BONDS.

Money—		Union Pacific	58
Call loans	4@4½	West End	92½
Time loans	4@5	Wis Central	19
Stocks—		Bonds—	
A T & S F	28⅞	Atchison 4s	100
A T & S F prefd	72½	N E Gas&Coke 5s	70½
American Sugar	109¾	Mining Shares—	
Am Sugar prefd	110	Adventure	4⅞
Bell Telephone	310	Allouez Min Co	2¼
Bos & Alb, ex div	245	Amalg Copper	96½
Boston & Maine	194	Atlantic	24
Chgo, Bur & Q	130¾	Boston & Mont	320
Dominion Coal	47	Butte & Boston	76
Dom Coal prefd	115	Calumet & Hecla	748
Federal Steel	54½	Centennial	23
Fed Steel prefd	74¼	Franklin	16
Fitchburg prefd	132	Osceola	70
Gen El, ex div	128½	Parrot	51⅜
Gen Elec prefd	135	Quincy	139
Ed Elec Ill	205	Santa Fe Copper	6⅝
Mexican Central	13½	Tamarack	194
N E Gas & Coke	19½	Utah Mining	35
Old Colony	206	Winona	2¾
Old Dominion	19	Wolverines	40
Rubber	30½		

Bank Clearings.

NEW YORK, March 30.—The following table, compiled by Bradstreet, shows the bank clearings at the principal cities for the week ended March 30, with the precentage of increase and decrease, as compared with the corresponging week last year:

Cities—	Amount.	Percentage. Inc.	Percentage. Dec.
New York	$1,153,118,473	....	13.1
Boston	105,458,795	....	13.8
Chicago	118,160,951	1.1	....
Philadelphia	87,302,587	3.2	....
St. Louis	27,681,747	....	....
Pittsburg	33,654,081	1.2	....
Baltimore	21,270,335	1.2	....
San Francisco	17,037,768	1.6	....
Cincinnati	14,156,860	8.2	....
Kansas City	12,549,914	32.8	....
New Orleans	8,548,636	13.1	....
Minneapolis	9,196,974	23.7	....
Detroit	6,915,395	....	....
Cleveland	8,721,550	....	7.0
Louisville	8,030,992	24.5	....
Providence	5,275,300	9.4	....
Milwaukee	4,892,300	10.8	....
St. Paul	3,770,683	10.1	....
Buffalo	4,419,163	....	....
Omaha	5,366,757	41.0	....
Indianapolis	5,467,381	....	....
Columbus, O.	4,305,000	....	6.6
Savannah	5,508,690	29.9	....
Denver	4,721,811	53.6	....
Hartford	2,102,508	....	5.9
Richmond	3,087,429	....	2.3
Memphis	2,686,145	13.8	....
Washington	2,437,602	1.6	....
Peoria	2,105,897	20.4	....
Rochester	1,605,264	....	15.8
New Haven	1,223,249	....	11.6
Worcester	1,198,969	....	21.7
Atlanta	1,485,229	26.0	....
Salt Lake City	1,543,633	....	14.2
Springfield, Mass.	1,188,971	....	28.3
Fort Worth	1,370,278	....	29.0
Portland, Me.	828,256	41.7	....
Portland, Or.	1,707,468	22.2	....
St. Joseph	3,882,293	66.1	....
Los Angeles	2,331,438	70.6	....
Norfolk	1,445,508	39.0	....
Syracuse	820,968	3.8	....
Des Moines	1,323,210	6.0	....
Nashville	1,190,300	10.7	....
Wilmington, Del.	915,595	30.7	....
Fall River	618,147	13.0	....
Scranton	1,197,504	17.9	....
Grand Rapids	1,097,752	3.1	....
Augusta, Ga.	1,055,394	22.8	....
Lowell	473,000	....	45.1
Dayton, O.	1,083,839	13.0	....
Seattle	1,869,426	41.2	....
Tacoma	886,036	36.7	....
Spokane	1,102,584	19.1	....
Sioux City	1,043,080	2.3	....
New Bedford	367,510	....	6.8
Knoxville, Tenn.	534,468	8.3	....
Topeka	597,524	22.0	....
Birmingham	813,926	53.9	....
Wichita	544,297	7.9	....
Binghamton	357,100	10.8	....
Lexington, Ky.	431,187	33.0	....
Jacksonville, Fla.	262,931	14.4	....
Kalamazoo	380,453	53.2	....
Akron	415,700	34.3	....
Chattanooga	339,232	23.7	....
Rockford, Ill.	323,113	29.7	....
Canton, O.	231,000	7.9	....
Springfield, O.	355,774	81.1	....
Fargo, N. D.	290,848	42.8	....
Sioux Falls, S. D.	111,970	9.0	....
Hastings, Neb.	188,394	63.4	....
Fremont, Neb.	143,711	17.2	....
Davenport	636,320	10.8	....
Toledo	1,657,825	28.4	....
Galveston	5,619,000	....	1.1
Houston	5,516,535	....	5.6
Springfield, Ill.	490,047	37.2	....
Macon, Ga.	574,600	26.9	....
Saginaw	379,129	39.3	....
Helena	502,307	11.5	....
Little Rock	396,687	28.9	....
Evansville	928,136	34.8	....
Youngstown	323,935	7.6	....
Totals, U. S.	$1,729,850,870	....	3.8
Totals outside of New York	576,842,206	1.0	....
DOMINION OF CANADA.			
Montreal	11,690,063	....	14.5
Toronto	8,587,256	....	....
Winnipeg	1,509,937	4.4	....
Halifax	1,220,305	17.2	....
Hamilton	655,741	6.1	....
St. John, N. B.	544,773	13.0	....
Victoria	375,204	....	39.8
Vancouver	815,059	46.5	....
Totals	$25,378,338	....	5.3

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, March 30.—Money on call steady at 3½@4 per cent; last loan, 4½ per cent. Prime mercantile paper, 4¾@5½ per cent. Sterling exchange steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4 86¼ for demand and at $4 82½@4 82⅝ for sixty days; posted rates, $4 83½ and $4 87. Commercial bills, $4 82¼@4 83. Silver certificates, 60¼@61¼c. Bar silver, 59⅝c. Mexican dollars, 47⅜c. Government bonds, weak; State bonds, firmer; railroad bonds, irregular.

Condition of Treasury.

WASHINGTON, March 30.—To-day's statement of the treasury balance, exclusive of the $150,000,000 gold reserve, shows: Available cash balance, $164,730,216; gold, $98,059,865.

London Market.

NEW YORK, March 30.—The Commercial Advertiser's London financial cablegram says: The market here was idle, the effect of the Delagoa Bay award. The market had been expecting £2,500,000 to £3,000,000, and gets only £975,000. No special provision is made for the American claim. Shares fell £7 10s to 1s and closed at £1 nominal. First debentures fell 130 to par, second 114 to 40. Portuguese declined ½, but recovered.

Americans showed meager dealings for the same reason as yesterday. There was fair profit-taking early. A strong rally at the opening of the afternoon was regarded as preliminary to manipulation from New York, which came as buyers of Atchison issues and Baltimore and Ohio, neglecting the others. The close was slightly under the best. Idleness reigned in the street.

Coppers were firm. Tintos closed at 58. New York bought Anacondas in the street up to 10⅛.

The bank bought £20,000 gold bars and lost £11,000 to South Africa.

Money was more plentiful. The amount due the bank was repaid this morning and two-thirds were borrow in the afternoon. Bills were a shade easier.

CLOSING.

LONDON, March 30.—Canadian Pacific, 99⅝; Union Pacific preferred, 79; Northern Pacific preferred, 79¼; Atchison, 29¾; Louisville, 88¾; Grand Trunk, 8⅜; Anaconda, 10¼; bar silver, steady, 27¼d.

Bradstreet's Financial Review.

NEW YORK, March 30.—Bradstreet's Financial Review to-morrow will say: Railroad share values continued their advance this week while industrials and other specialties were irregular and in some cases developed considerable unsteadiness. A feature of the week's market was the further activity of Americans in London and large purchase by foreigners of international shares. The buying has been on a larger scale than any similar demonstration on the part of European interests in some years. It is indeed hinted that the movement has been worked up from this side, but the amount of stocks that are being shipped abroad and the large volume of the trading in Americans at London seems to negative this idea. The theory which finds acceptance in conservative circles is that the foreign financial and speculative world appreciates the importance of the currency bill which has put the United States firmly on a gold basis and is also expressed by the present enormous earnings of railroads in this country and the promise they afford of increased dividends or of payments on the stocks of reorganized roads which have not yet yielded a return to their holders. There is a good deal of manipulation in certain parts of the market. Poor support and activity were seen in the Pacific and coal stocks and in other portions of the list as well. A good deal of profit-taking was also observed and some of the stocks which headed the advance and its beginning failed to retain all their advances. Yet the railroad list was strong in tone and by its readiness to rally from any reactions demonstrated the presence of a growing public interest in speculation. Money has grown easier for stock market purposes and the release of the funds that have been used to carry Government bonds is proceeding a pace as the bonds are turned into the treasury for conversion into new 2s. The increase in the national bank notes is also having an effect on sentiment in advance of the appearance of such new circulation in any great amounts. Nor has the market been impressed to any extent by the fact that imports are increasing and that this with the paying off of foreign loans contracted some months ago has caused a sharp rise in exchange on the face of large foreign buying of securities. The principal unsettling influences have been in connection with the industrial stocks. The steel group and others of their class were early in the week the objects of tentative bullish manipulations, but decided improvement was checked by the large supply of such securities by the year of labor disturbances and by the idea that the trust agitation may lead to some adverse action as regards combinations at the present session of Congress.

Bradstreet's on Trade.

NEW YORK, March 30.—Bradstreet's to-morrow will say: It has been a quiet week in distributive trade, except at some few Western centers, this being especially true of the dry goods business. Wholesale trade in this line has been generally completed and pending the effect of spring demand upon the retail trade the markets are in a waiting stage. As regards prices the feature of the week has been the strength manifested by agricultural products and provisions. The advances in the latter, in fact, are regarded as foreshadowing an upward movement in hog products, long predicted, but only partially realized. Numerous advances in wages have still further advanced the purchasing power of the community. Disquieting advices as to the international complications and less favorable French crop reports have furnished the basis for a slight upward movement in wheat. Winter wheat crop advices have been on the whole good, and have acted as a balance to the stories of French damage. Corn has been strong in sympathy with wheat and some renewal of foreign buying, aided by unsatisfactory advices as to the quality of new arrivals.

Alone of the agricultural staples cotton has weakened during the week, not because of any impairment of the statistical position, which, indeed, remains very strong, but really because some speculative holders have got tired and have given ear to reports of dullness in the cotton goods demand. New business in this latter line is undoubtedly quiet, but most of the mills are heavily sold ahead and finished products have not advanced proportionately as much as the cruder forms. Wool has been more active, but considerable business has been done at concessions. The demoralization in the sugar market is clearly confined to the refining branch, because while quotations of the finished products have been lowered the heavy refiners have been large buyers and raw sugar has actually advanced, the result being a stull further shrinkage in the margin of profit in refining.

The recent advance in leather has tended to restrict new business, but advices from the boot and shoe industry are on the whole favorable. There has been some accumulation of stocks of lumber and talk of overproduction in some States of the South, but price weakness is not notable. Manufacturers and jobbers in carpets and upholstery report a heavy season's business booked.

Wheat, including flour, shipments for the week aggregate 2,963,349 bushels, against 2,293,435 last week, 3,988,235 in the corresponding week of 1899, 3,550,664 in 1898, 2,464,645 in 1897 and 1,693,927 in 1895. Since July 1, this season, the exports of wheat aggregate 147,172,650 bushels, against 184,960,740 last year and 180,067,552 in 1897-98.

Business failures in the United States for the week number 178, as compared with 192 last week, 190 in this week a year ago, 226 in 1898, 212 in 1897 and 236 in 1896.

Business failures in the Dominion of Canada for the week number 25, as against 23 last week, 33 in this week a year ago, 39 in 1898, 38 in 1897 and 43 in 1896.

Dun's Review of Trade.

NEW YORK, March 30.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade to-morrow will say: Progress toward better things has been unmistakable. It was a year ago that the frenzied speculation in industrial stocks reached its culmination with prices averaging higher than at any time since, while railroad stocks after some decline rose $1 13 per share higher in September and after the fall in both, which ended in December, have now risen $8 35 per share, to the highest point of this year. The advance during the past week has been remarkably vigorous and with more public support than before.

Wheat exports fall far below last year's, amounting in the week to 9,766,891 bushels, against 14,105,886 bushels last year. The price has advanced 2¼c, with statements that the crop of France is greatly reduced, though it is rather early to make any such estimate.

The exports of corn again prove the magnitude of foreign demand for cereals, as the extraordinary movement of last year is closely approached, 11,794,875 bushels having gone abroad in four weeks, against 13,102,811 bushels last year. The Western receipts are nearly three times as large as in the same week last year, indicating an abundant supply on hand, but the price has risen 1½c.

Wool has declined fully 1c on the average of revised quotations and more for fleece and fine or fine medium territory, which sells at 55c clean, with medium closing at 50c. The goods market is quiet and orders are limited and outside the favorites prices are irregular, with 5 per cent decline in some medium woolens and fine worsteds.

Iron is growing weaker except in Bessemer pig, which is held at $24 90 at Pittsburg in spite of small sales of Eastern at lower figures. Anthracite No. 1 has sold little above $23 and basic at $22 50, with Eastern forge offered at $20 50 at Pittsburg. In finished products no further change appears except in refined bars, which sell in large orders close to 2c at Philadelphia and in plates, which are selling at 2c or less at both markets. Better prices are excepted from the consolidation in sheets. But it will not be easy nor in the end profitable to hold prices after supplies so far exceed demand that material can be bought at lower cost.

The advance of 1c in sole leather has led to some heavy transactions, though in fact but a restoration of prices paid in January. It restricts orders for boots and shoes, which are small, although shipments continue about 7 per cent larger than last year for March, exceeding those of other years still more. Hides at Chicago continue to decline, though slowly. Transactions through clearing-houses show a much smaller volume of business than a year ago, the daily average for March being 14.3 per cent smaller than last year, but 34.4 per cent larger than in 1898.

Failures for the week have been 203 in the United States, against 194 last year, and 33 in Canada, against 26 last year.

New York Grain and Produce.

NEW YORK, March 30.—FLOUR—Receipts, 60,258 barrels; exports, 6887 barrels; firm. Winter patents, $3 65@3 90; winter straits, $3 45@3 55; Minnesota patents, $3 70@3 95; Minnesota bakers, $2 85@3; winter extras, $2 60@2 90; low grades winter, $2 25@2 40.

WHEAT—Receipts, 65,600 bushels. Spot—Firm; No. 2 red, 80½c f. o. b. afloat; No. 2 red, 77½c elevator; No. 1 Northern Duluth, 77¼c; No. 1 hard Duluth, 79¾c f. o. b. afloat prompt. Options—Opened easy, but soon rallied and for the balance of the day were very firm, closing ¼c net higher. Bulls were aided by renewed buying for St. Louis account, crop damage reports and general covering by early sellers. May, 73 5-16@74⅛c, closed 74c; July, 73⅝@74⅝c, closed 74⅛c; September, 73⅝@74¼c, closed 74⅛c.

HOPS—Steady.

HIDES—Firm.

WOOL—Dull.

COFFEE—Options closed barely steady, with price net unchanged to 5 points lower. Total sales, 10,250 bags, including: April, $6 40; May, $6 45; September, $6 65@6 70; December, $6 95; February, $7 05. Spot—Rio, dull; No. 7 invoice, 7¾c; No. 7 jobbing, 8¼c. Mild—Quiet; Cordova, 9½@14c.

SUGAR—Raw, firm; refined, irregular.

BUTTER—Receipts, 13,240 packages; weak and unsettled. Western creamery, 21@25c; factory, 18@21c.

EGGS—Receipts, 13,708 packages; firm. Western at mark, 12c; Southern at mark, 11@12c.

DRIED FRUITS.

Business in evaporated apples was slack and the market continues slow, except for desirable grades, which hold about steady at old figures. California dried fruits were dull and nominal.

STATE EVAPORATED APPLES—Common, 4½@5c; prime, 5¾@6c; choice, 7@7½c; fancy, 7¾@8½c.

CALIFORNIA DRIED PRUNES—3½@7c.

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

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

The leading futures ranged as follows:

New York Metal Market.

NEW YORK, March 30.—Tin continues active and considerably higher to-day, influenced by a good export demand and the strength abroad, our market advancing sixty points, closing firm at $32 60. The net gain for the week aggregated 185 points.

Lake copper, though firm in tone, was unchanged from last night's closing at $16 75. Pig iron warrants continue quiet. Lead ruled dull, closing unchanged at $4 67½ bid and $4 72½ asked. Spelter was quiet and unchanged, closing at $4 50 bid and $4 60 asked. The brokers' price for lead was $4 45 and for copper $17 25.

Chicago Grain Market.

CHICAGO, March 30.—Wheat opened easier because of lower cables from Liverpool, ⅛@⅜c under yesterday, at 66½@66⅝c. In a short time the price sank from that to 66⅜c, where the report of damage to the French crop made its habitual appearance and joined with reports of a blizzard in Austria and higher prices in Budapest, caused a reaction which sent May to 67⅝@67½c. Profit-taking caused a reaction to 66¾c, but on the break shorts covered, taking the cue from the strength of corn and nearly all the slump was recovered, the market closing strong, May ⅜@½c over yesterday at 67¼@67⅜c. St. Louis covered in enormous lots and traders who had sold early also made haste to take back their early sales, materially aiding in the strength and activity. There was a fair cash demand, but the car scarcity interfered with the closing of many deals. Domestic crop reports were favorable, as was the weather. Argentine shipments while large were no larger than usual of late.

The corn market was broad and strong, helped principally by a heavy export demand. The demand for shipment in April was also heavy, but the ever-present difficulty in getting cars intruded itself and was an efficient check on much business of this sort. Country offerings were light and cables lower. May closed ⅜@½c over yesterday.

The strength of corn held oats firm. The trade gradually showed a balance in favor of July options. July closed ¼c improved and May ¼c up.

Provisions were nervous with fluctuations wide and the market altogether rather jerky. The opening was under yesterday, the consideration being lower prices at the yards. A small dip followed and then the market reacted, May pork shooting up 30c to $12 97½. There was a good cash demand, but there was also considerable profit-taking, which told in the end, the close being rather heavy. May pork closed 5c under yesterday, May lard 5@7½c down and May ribs 5c depressed.

Articles—	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat No. 2—				
March	....	....	....	66⅞
May	66⅝	67½	66⅝	67⅜
July	67⅝	68½	67½	68½
September	67⅞	68⅞	67¾	68⅞
Corn No. 2—				
March	....	....	....	37⅝
May	38¼	38⅞	38	38⅞
July	38¾	39⅝	38½	39⅝
September	39⅛	40	39	40
Oats No. 2—				
May	24⅜	24⅝	24¼	24⅝
July	23¾	24⅛	23⅝	24⅛
Mess pork, per bbl—				
May	12 62½	12 97½	12 60	12 70
July	12 27½	12 45	12 17½	12 25
Lard, per 100 lbs—				
May	6 45	6 50	6 40	6 42½
July	6 55	6 55	6 50	6 52½
Short ribs, per 100 lbs—				
May	6 62½	6 70	6 62½	6 65
July	6 52½	6 57½	6 50	6 55

Cash quotations were as follows: Flour, steady; No. 3 spring wheat, 63@66c; No. 2 red, 69@70c; No. 2 corn, 38@38⅛c; No. 2 oats, 24½c; No. 2 white, 27c; No. 3 white, 26¾@27c; No. 2 rye, 55¾c; No. 2 barley, 40@43c; No. 1 flaxseed, $1 65; prime timothy seed, $2 30@2 40; mess pork, per barrel, $12 05@12 50; lard, per 100 pounds, $6 30@6 42½; short ribs sides (loose), $6 60@6 85; dry salted shoulders (boxed), 6¼@6½c; short clear sides (boxed), $6 85@7; whisky, distillers' finished goods, per gallon, $1 25; sugars, cut loaf, unchanged; granulated, unchanged.

Articles—	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, barrels	47,000	66,000
Wheat, bushels	51,000	136,000
Corn, bushels	338,000	369,000
Oats, bushels	237,000	284,000
Rye, bushels	2,000	1,000
Barley, bushels	67,000	51,000

On the Produce Exchange to-day the butter market was weak; creamery, 19@23c; dairy, 16@21c. Cheese, firm, 12@13c. Eggs, steady, 10½c.

Foreign Futures.

LIVERPOOL.

Wheat—	Mar.	May.	July.
Opening	.....	5 9¾	5 9⅛
Closing	.....	5 9¾	5 9¼

PARIS.

Wheat—	Mar.	May-Aug.
Opening	20 40	21 00
Closing	20 45	20 95
Flour—		
Opening	26 65	27 40
Closing	26 80	27 35

Chicago Livestock Market.

CHICAGO, March 30.—CATTLE—Receipts, 4500; steers average fully 10c lower than yesterday, but choice stock is steady; best on sale to-day, $5 55. Natives—Good to prime steers, $4 90@5 75; poor to medium, $4@4 65; selected feeders, steady, $4@4 75; mixed stockers about steady, $3 40@3 90; cows, steady, $3@4 30; heifers, steady, $3 [illegible]@4 80; canners, slow, $2@2 75; bulls, steady, $2 50@4 15; calves, unchanged, $4 50@5 75. Texans—Best on sale to-day, two cars, $4 15; Texas fed steers, 5c to 10c lower, $3 80@4 95; Texas bulls, steady, $3 20@3 60.

HOGS—Receipts to-day, 20,000; left over, estimated, 2500; generally 5c lower; top, $5 52½. Mixed and butchers', $5 15@5 47½; good to choice heavy, $5 30@5 52½; rough, heavy, $5 15@5 25; light, $5 10@5 37½; bulk of sales, $5 30@5 40.

SHEEP—Receipts, 7000; sheep and lambs, steady. Good to choice wethers, $5 85@6 25; fair to choice mixed, $4 85@5 90; Westerns, sheep, $5 75@6 25; yearlings, $6@6 75; native lambs, $5 60@7 35; Western lambs, $6@7 35.

Portland's Business.

PORTLAND, March 30.—Exchanges, $323,926; balances, $99,835.

Northern Wheat Market.

OREGON.

PORTLAND, March 30.—The Portland wheat market showed but slight change to-day. Walla Walla was steady at 53@54c, with the usual reports of fancy bidding in the interior, some reports giving the figures up to 55c. Valley is steady at 53@54c.

Cleared—Ship Isle of Arran, for Queenstown, with 112,655 bushels wheat.

WASHINGTON.

TACOMA, March 30.—The wheat market was steady to-day, but there was nothing doing. Bluestem, 52½c; club, 50½c.

Foreign Markets.

LONDON, March 30.—Consols, 101 5-16; silver, 27½d; French rentes, 101f 30c; cargoes on passage, near positions in demand; cargoes Walla Walla, 28s 3d; English country markets, firm.

LIVERPOOL, March 30.—Wheat, firm; wheat in Paris, steady; flour in Paris, quiet; French country markets, firm.

COTTON—Uplands, 5⅝d.

CLOSING.

WHEAT—Spot, nominal. Futures—Steady; May, 5s 9¾d; July, 5s 9¼d.

CORN—Spot—American mixed new, steady, 4s; American mixed old, firm, 4s ⅜d. Futures—Quiet; May, 4s ¼d; July, 3s 11⅛d.

LOCAL MARKETS

Exchange and Bullion.

Sterling Exchange, sixty days	—	$4 83½
Sterling Exchange, sight	—	4 87¼
Sterling Cables	—	4 88¼
New York Exchange, sight	—	17½
New York Exchange, telegraphic	—	20
Fine Silver, per ounce	—	59⅝
Mexican Dollars	48½	49

Wheat and Other Grains.

WHEAT—Large Argentine shipments of 3,375,000 bushels depressed the Chicago market, though this was somewhat offset by the strength in Corn and Provisions and free buying on St. Louis account.

10,000 ctls, $1 05¾; 2000, $1 05⅝.

Spot Wheat—Shipping, 96¼@97½c; milling, 98¾c@$1 01¼.

CALL BOARD SALES.

Informal Session—9:15 o'clock—December—10,000 ctls, $1 05¾; 2000, $1 05⅞.

Second Session—December—4000 ctls, $1 05¼; 4000, $1 05⅜. May—2000, 98⅜c; 2000, 98¼c; 6000, 98⅛c.

Regular Morning Session—December—2000 ctls, $1 05¾; 4000, $1 05⅞. May—2000, 98½c; 2000, 98⅝c.

Afternoon Session—May—2000 ctls, 98⅝c; 2000, 98½c; 8000, 98⅝c. December—2000, $1 05¾; 4000, $1 05⅝.

BARLEY—The market drags along as usual, without feature. Seldom if ever has Barley been so featureless for so many months.

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—No sales.
Afternoon Session—No sales.

OATS—The market is firm enough, but dull. White, $1 10@1 30; Red, 95c@$1 17½; Gray, $1 07½@1 15; Black, 97½c@$1 05.

CORN—White and Mixed are held higher. Eastern White is quoted at $1 05@1 07½ per ctl and Eastern Yellow at $1@1 10; mixed, $1 05@1 07½ per ctl.

RYE—97½c@$1 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 25@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.

Bran has at last responded to the light receipts and small stocks, and is higher. Hay drags along the same.

BRAN—$12 50@13 50 per ton.

MIDDLINGS—$16@19 per ton.

FEEDSTUFFS—Rolled Barley, $15@17 per ton; Oilcake Meal at the mill, $26@27; jobbing, $27 50@28; Cocoanut Cake, $20@21; Corn Meal, $23 50@24; Cracked Corn, $24@24 50; Mixed Feed, $15 50; Cottonseed Meal, nominal.

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.

Beans are hard to buy, as holders are very bullish and disinclined to part with their holdings unless at an advance, hence the market, though stiff, is quiet. Seeds are without change.

BEANS—Bayos, $3@3 25; small White, $3 25@3 50; large White, $3 20@3 25; Pinks, $2@2 85; Reds, $3 50 3 75; Blackeye, $4 50; Butters, nominal; Lima, $5 25; Pea, $3 40@3 50; 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 90@2 25; Green, $1 90@2 25 per ctl.

Potatoes, Onions and Vegetables.

Dulless still rules in the Potato and Onion markets.

Asparagus advanced again, but Peas and Rhubarb were weak under large receipts. Receipts of Mexican Tomatoes were 1136 boxes, with more expected to-day.

Receipts were 1052 boxes Asparagus, 632 boxes Rhubarb, 604 sacks Peas and 255 sacks New Potatoes.

POTATOES—Early Rose, 65@75c; River Reds, nominal; Burbanks, 40@65c per sack; Oregon Burbanks, 65c@$1; Sweet Potatoes, $2 35@2 50 for Merced and $1 25 for Rivers; New Potatoes, 1@1¾c.

ONIONS—$2 50@2 75 per ctl; Cut Onions, 50c@$1 50.

VEGETABLES—Rhubarb, 65c@$1 per box for fair to good and $1 25@1 50 for fancy; Asparagus, $1@1 25 per box for No. 2 and $1 50@1 75 for No. 1 and $2@2 50 for fancy large; Green Peas, 60c@$1 50 per sack; String Beans, 6@10c; Cabbage, 40@50c; Tomatoes, $1 50@2; Egg Plant from Los Angeles, 8@10c; Dried Okra, 32½c per lb; Garlic, 2¼@3½c; Green Peppers from Los Angeles, 25c; Dried Peppers, 8@10c; Carrots, 25@35c per sack; Los Angeles Summer Squash, $1@1 50 per box.

Poultry and Game.

There is not much change in the market. There is still some Eastern offering, but not enough to weaken values, though live Turkeys are quoted off somewhat.

POULTRY—Live Turkeys, 8@10c for Gobblers and 12@13c for Hens; Geese, per pair, $2@2 25; Goslings, $2 50@3; Ducks, $4 50@5 50 for old and $4 50@5 50 for young; Hens, $3 50@5; Young Roosters, $6@7; Old Roosters, $3 50@4; Fryers, $5 50; Broilers, $4@5 for large and $3@3 50 for small; Pigeons, $1 75@2 per dozen for old and $2@2 25 for Squabs.

GAME—Hare, $1; Rabbits, $1@1 25; Gray Geese, $2@2 50; White, 75c; Brant, $1 25@1 50; Honkers, $3 per dozen; English Snipe, $2 50@3; Jack Snipe, $1 50.

Butter, Eggs and Cheese.

The downward tendency in Butter continues, and supplies are free. Cheese remains unchanged.

Fine ranch Eggs bring 15c with the majority of dealers, though some are storing their surplus stocks in order to avoid a glut. The feeling, however, is rather steady than otherwise.

BUTTER—

Creamery—Fancy creamery, 18@18½c; seconds, 17@17½c.

Dairy—Fancy, 16½@17c; good to choice, 15@16c; common, 14c.

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

EGGS—Quoted at 12½@13c for store and 13@15c per dozen for ranch.

Deciduous and Citrus Fruits.

Seven cars of Oranges were auctioned, as follows: Fancy Navels, $1 45@2 65; choice do, $1 30@2 05; Standard, 90c@$1 50; Malta Bloods, $1 70.

Large Strawberries continue to arrive in poor condition, as a rule. Fresh Mexican Limes are expected to-day, and dealers think that prices will be lower.

DECIDUOUS FRUITS—

APPLES—75@90c per box for common, $1@1 50 for good to choice and $1 75@2 for fancy.

STRAWBERRIES—$5@7 per chest for large and $15@20 for small berries.

CITRUS FRUITS—Navel Oranges, $1 50@2 75 per box; Seedlings, 75c@$1 50; Lemons, $1@1 50 for common and $2@2 50 for good to choice; Mexican Limes, $5 50@6; California Limes, 50@75c; Bananas, $1@2 50 per bunch; Pineapples, $4@5 per dozen.

Dried Fruits, Nuts and Raisins.

DRIED FRUITS—Prunes, in sacks, 4@4½c for 40-50's, 3¾@4c for 50-60's, 3½c for 60-70's, 3¼c for 70-80's, 3@3¼c for 80-90's and 2¾ for 90-100's; Apricots, 11@12½c for Royals, 12½@15c for Moorparks and 12@13½c for Blenheims; Peaches, 5½@6c for Standards, 6½@6¾c for choice and 7@8c for fancy; Peeled Peaches, 10@12½c; Evaporated Apples, 6@7c; Sun-dried, 5@5½c per lb; Nectarines, 8@9c; Pears, 3½@4½c for dark and 7@8c for bright halves; Black Figs, 2@2½c; White Figs, 2@3c; Bleached Plums, 8@9c; unbleached Plums, 7@7½c for pitted and 1½c for unpitted.

RAISINS—Bleached Thompson's—Fancy, per lb, 10c; choice, 9c; standard, 8c; prime, 6c; unbleached Thompson's, per lb, 6c. Sultanas—Fancy, per lb, 8½c; choice, 7½c; standard, 6¼c; prime, 5c; unbleached Sultanas, 5c; Seedless, 50-lb boxes, 5c; 2-crown, loose Muscatels, 5½c; 3-crown, 6¼c; 4-crown, 7c; London Layers, 2-crown, $1 50 per box; 3-crown, $1 60. Fancy Clusters, $2; Dehesa, $2 50; Imperial, $3. All prices are f. o. b. at common shipping points in California.

NUTS—Walnuts, 8@9c for standards and 9@10c for softshells; Almonds, 11½@12c for paper shell, 9@10c for soft and 4@5c for hard shell; Peanuts, 5¾@6¾c for Eastern and 5c for California; Brazil Nuts, 7¼@8c; Filberts, 12@12½c; Pecans, 11@13c; Cocoanuts, $4 50@5.

HONEY—Comb, 11¼@12c for bright and 10½@11c for light amber; water white extracted, 7¾c; light amber extracted, 7¼@7½c; dark, 5½@6c per lb.

BEESWAX—24@26c per lb.

Provisions.

The expected advance in Lard and Bacon has occurred. Hams show no change. The market is not active, and the advance is purely sympathetic with the Western markets.

CURED MEATS—Bacon, 10½c per lb for heavy, 10½c for light medium, 11½c for light, 12½c for extra light and 13½c for sugar-cured; Eastern sugar-cured Hams, 13c; California Hams, nominal; Mess Beef, $12 per bbl; extra Mess, $13; Family, $14; extra Prime Pork, $14 50; extra clear, $17 50; Mess, $16 50; Smoked Beef, 12½@13c per lb.

LARD—Tierces quoted at 7@8c per lb for compound and 8¾c for pure; half barrels, pure, 8¾c; 10-lb tins, 9¼c; 5-lb tins, 10c.

COTTOLENE—Tierces, 8@8¼c per lb; 10-lb tins, 9½c.

Hides, Tallow, Wool and Hops.

Prices for all descriptions under this head remain unchanged.

HIDES AND SKINS—Culls and brands sell about 1c under quotations. Heavy Salted Steers, 10c; medium, 9½c; light, 9c; Cowhides, 9c; Stags, 7c; Salted Kip, 9@9½c; Calf, 9½@10c; Dry Hides, sound, 18c; culls and brands, 15c; Dry Kip and Veal, 16c; Dry Calf, 19c; Sheepskins, shearlings, 15@30c each; short Wool, 35@60c each; medium, 70@90c; long Wool, $1@1 25 each; Horse Hides, $2 25@2 75 for large and 75c@$1 75 for small; Colts, 25@50c. Deer Skins—Summer or red skins, 40c; fall or medium skins, 35c; winter or thin skins, 20c. Goat Skins—Prime Angoras, 75c; large and smooth, 50c; medium, 35c.

TALLOW—No. 1 rendered, 5@5¼c per lb; No. 2, 4@4½c; refined, 6½c; grease, 2½@3c.

WOOL—Spring clip is quotable as follows: Northern free, 16@18c; Northern defective, 13@16c; Middle County free, 15@17c; Middle County defective, 13@15c; Southern Mountain, 12 months', 12@14c; do free, 7 months', 12@15c; do defective, 7 months', 10@12c; Humboldt and Mendocino, 20@23c; Nevada, 16@18c per lb.

Jacob Wollner's circular says:

"The arrivals of Wool during the month of March last year amounted to 5300 bales. This year they amount to about 1400.

"Shearing is pretty well over in Kern, Tulare and Kings counties, but so far only about one thousand bales have been sold in those places at prices ranging from 12@15c. Some of the wools were contracted for last November and December. Most of the growers are holding their Wools waiting for buyers to come, but the Eastern and local markets are in such a condition, being quiet and dull, that buyers do not know what to do or what prices to pay.

"Statistically Wool ought to be stronger, as the woolen mills are more actively employed than for years, but they bought such tremendous lots of Wool during October and November last year that they seem to have enough raw material on hand without coming into the market. Wools are held firm everywhere, so if the manufacturers have to come into the market they will have to pay the prices.

"Prices are nominal, as no sales can be reported in this market."

HOPS—6½@10c per lb.

General Merchandise.

BAGS—San Quentin Bags, $5 65; Calcutta Grain Bags, 6¼@6½c; Wool Bags, 28½@32½c; Fleece Twine, 7½c.

COAL—Some changes appear. Receipts are in-

AUCTION SALES

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AT 1625 MARKET STREET.
MONDAY.
MONDAY................April 2, at 11 a. m.,
I will sell 100 head of First-class Work and Driving Horses. Sale positive.
THOS. MADIGAN.

creasing and stocks are growing more liberal. Wellington, $8 per ton; New Wellington, $8; Southfield Wellington, $7 50; Seattle, $6 50; Bryant, $6 50; Coos Bay, $5; Wallsend, $8; Co-operative Wallsend, $8; Cumberland, $12 in bulk and $13 25 in sacks; Pennsylvania Anthracite Egg, $14; Cannel, $11 per ton; Coke, $15 per ton in bulk and $17 in sacks.

Harrison's circular says: "During the week there have been five arrivals of Coal from British Columbia, 14,368 tons; four from Washington, 11,300 tons; two from Oregon, 1100 tons; total, 26,768 tons. The quantity of Coal coming to hand for the past few weeks is serving to make the fuel question easy with large consumers, and we can once more breathe freely, as we have tided over the winter requirements. A few months ago it was a most serious question as to whether our receipts would fill our urgent requirements at that time. The bottom planks of yards were visible that had not been uncovered for years, as all the Coal had been taken out. Coast Coal carriers were unprocurable, as the sailers were diverted from the trade, finding more profit by carrying Coal and Lumber off the coast, steamers had been drafted into the transport service, and no foreign cargoes were arriving. The outlook was most discouraging for our principal consumers, as short stocks usually lead to high prices, especially when the producers number so few, but singular to say no advantage was taken of the situation, and values have not been disturbed. It is evident that for some time to come steamers will be utilized to transport our Northern output, hence new names are being added to the list, and we shall shortly have the yards again accumulating a reserve, which they prudently aim to have on hand."

RICE—China mixed, $4 05@5 10; China No. 1, $4 25@4 70; extra do, $5@5 50; Hawaiian, $5@5 25; Japan, $4 75@5; Louisiana, $4 50@7.

SUGAR—The Western Sugar Refining Company quotes, per lb in 100-lb bags: Cubes, A Crushed and Fine Crushed, 5.60; Powdered, 5.60c; Candy Granulated, 5.20c; Dry Granulated, 5.10c; Confectioners' A, 5.10c; Magnolia A, 4.70c; Extra C, 4.60c; Golden C, 4.50c; barrels, 10c more; half-barrels, 25c more; boxes, 50c more; 50-lb bags, 10c more. No orders taken for less than 75 barrels or its equivalent. Dominos, half-barrels, 5.85c; boxes, 6.10c per lb.

San Francisco Meat Market.

An advance in Hogs is looked for next week, receipts being slender.

BEEF—6¼@7c per lb for fair to choice.

VEAL—6@9c per lb.

MUTTON—Wethers, 7½@8c; ewes, 7@7½c per lb.

LAMB—Spring, 9@10c per lb.

PORK—Live Hogs, 5¾c for small and medium and 5¼@5½c for large; stock Hogs and feeders, 5@5¼c; dressed Hogs, 7@8¼c.

Receipts of Produce.

FOR FRIDAY, MARCH 30.

Flour, qr sks	29,123	Sugar, sks	500
Wheat, ctls	2,950	Lime, bbls	91
Barley, ctls	1,930	Leather, rolls	127
Oats, ctls	595	Quicksilver, flsks	36
Corn, East, ctls	600	Eggs, doz	28,740
Corn, ctls	530	Wine, gals	21,000
Cheese, ctls	110	Pelts, bndls	180
Butter, ctls	470	Hides, No	277
Beans, sks	1,843	Wool, bags	316
Potatoes, sks	2,049	Straw, tons	5
Bran, sks	83	Hay, tons	355
Middlings, sks	50		
OREGON.			
Potatoes, sks	276		

Family Retail Market.

Butter is still cheaper. There is little change in Cheese and Eggs, both being in very large supply.

Fruits and Vegetables remain about as before, with the exception of Strawberries, which are in better supply and somewhat cheaper. Summer Vegetables are plentiful.

There is no particular change in Meats and Poultry. The former are still high, but are slowly cheapening, Mutton and Lamb in particular, while supplies of the latter are sufficient.

Coal, per ton—			
Cannel	$—@13 00	Seattle	$8 50@—
Wellington	—@10 00	Southfield Wellington	—9 50
New Wellington	—@10 00	Coos Bay	—@7 50
Dairy Produce, etc.—			
Butter, per sqr	40@45	Ranch Eggs, per dozen	15@20
Do, per roll	35@—	Honey Comb, per pound	12@15
Cheese, Cal	10@12	Do, extracted	—@10
Cheese, Eastern	17@20		
Cheese, Swiss	20@35		
Common Eggs	15@—		
Meats, per lb—			
Bacon	12@17	Pork, fresh	15@20
Beef, choice	13@20	Pork, salt	12@15
Do, good	10@15	Pork Chops	15@18
Corned Beef	—@10	Round Steak	10@12
Ham, Cal	15@—	Sirloin Steak	15@—
Do, Eastern	17½@—	Porterhouse do	20@25
Lard	12@15	Smoked Beef	12@15
Mutton	12@15	Pork Sausages	12½@20
Spring Lamb	15@—	Veal	15@—
Poultry and Game—			
Hens, each	60@85	Geese, each	$1 25@2 50
Young Roosters, each	75@90	Pigeons, pair	40@50
Old Roosters, ea	65@75	Rabbits, pair	40@50
Fryers, each	65@75	Hare, each	—@20
Broilers, each	50@60	Wild Geese, pair	40@60
Turkeys, per lb	15@20	English Snipe, per dozen	$3 00@3 25
Ducks, each	60@75	Jack Snipe	1 75@2 00
Fruits and Nuts—			
Almonds, per lb	15@20	Limes, per dozen	12@15
Apples	5@ 8	Raisins, per lb	5@10
Bananas, dozen	10@15	Strawberries, per drawer	50c@$1 25
Oranges, dozen	10@35	Walnuts, per lb	—@15
Lemons, dozen	10@20		
Vegetables—			
Artichokes, doz	25@50	Onions, per lb	3@ 5
Asparagus, per lb	4@10	Okra, dry, per lb	—@50
Beets, dozen	12@15	Peppers, green, lb	25@30
Beans, white, lb	5@—	Potatoes, per lb	3@ 5
Colored, per lb	4@ 5	Sweet Potatoes	4@ 5
Lima, per lb	—@ 8	Parsnips, per doz	15@—
Cabbage, each	5@10	Rhubarb, per lb	4@ 6
Cauliflowers, each	5@10	Radishes, dz bchs	10@12
Celery, bunch	5@—	Sage, doz bnchs	25@35
Cress, doz bnchs	20@35	String Beans, lb	10@15
Cucumbers, per dz	$1@2	Summer Squash, per pound	8@10
Egg Plant, lb	15@20	Thyme, per lb	20@30
Green Peas, lb	3@ 5	Turnips, per doz	10@15
Lentils, per lb	6@ 8	Tomatoes, per lb	10@15
Lettuce, per doz	15@—		
Fish—			
Barracuda	20@—	Shrimps	—@—
Carp	12@—	Shad	12@15
Codfish	—@15	Sea Bass	—@—
Flounders	12@—	Smelts	15@—
Halibut	15@—	Soles	15@—
Herring	12@—	Skates, each	10@12
Kingfish	—@15	Tomcod	15@—
Mackerel	—@—	Clams, gallon	50@—
Do, Horse	—@—	Do hardshell, 100	40@50
Perch	15@20	Crabs, each	10@15
Pompano	—@—	Do softshell, dz	25@35
Rockfish	15@—	Mussels, quart	10@12
Salmon, fresh	15@20	Oysters, Cal, 100	40@50
Do, smoked	—@20	Do Eastern, doz	25@40

THE STOCK MARKET

Local securities continued quiet on the morning session, with very little change in quotations.

In the afternoon the same conditions prevailed. There is not much activity in these securities at present.

The oil stocks stood about the same.

The Market-Street Railway Company has declared a quarterly dividend of 60 cents per share, payable April 10.

The regular quarterly dividend of 25 cents per share was paid yesterday by the Paraffine Paint Company.

The California quicksilver mining companies have declared quarterly dividends of 10 cents per share, and extra ones of the same amount, all payable on April 1, as follows: Aetna, $20,000; Napa Consolidated, $20,000; New Idria, $20,000.

The Boston Quicksilver Mining Company, which paid 10 cents on the 2d of January, has passed the dividend for the first quarter.

Coupons on the following bonds will be paid on Monday:

	Coupon.	Amount.
Geary-St. Railway	$2 50	$16,775
Hawaiian Commercial	2 75	17,015
Hawaiian Commercial	2 50	15,000
Los Angeles Railway	2 50	99,925
Northern Railway of Cal	2 50	118,775
Omnibus Cable	3 00	60,000
S. F. and S. J. V. Ry	2 50	150,000
Sierra Railway	3 00	18,260
S. P. Ry. of Cal., 1905-6-12	2 50	754,437
S. P. Branch Railway	3 00	105,990
Total		$1,356,177

In addition there will be the quarterly interest on the original United States 4 per cents, amounting to $5,455,452.

STOCK AND BOND EXCHANGE.

FRIDAY, March 30—2 p. m.

	Bid.	Ask.		Bid.	Ask.
U S Bonds—			Equit G L Co	3¾	3⅞
4s quar coup	116¾	117¼	Mutual El Co	11½	12
4s do reg	115¾	116¾	O G L & H	46½	47
4s do cp new	134¾	135	Pac Gas Imp	—	53
3s do coup	110½	111½	Pac L Co	—	45
Miscellaneous—			S F G & E	51¼	51¾
Cal-st Cab 5s	117¼	—	San Francisco	4½	4⅝
C C Wat 5s	106	107	Stkn G & E Co	6	—
Ed L & P 6s	124	—	Insurance—		
F & Cl Ry 6s	114	—	Firem's Fund	229	—
Geary-st R 5s	—	95	Bank Stocks—		
H C & S 5½s	105	110	Anglo-Cal Ltd	—	66¼
Do 5s	106	107½	Bank of Cal	410	—
L A Ry 5s	105½	—	Cal S D & T	101¼	—
L A L Co 5s	—	—	First National	—	290
Do gntd 6s	—	—	Lon P & A	132	—
Do gntd 5s	100	—	Merchants' Ex	15½	—

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