

A STRONGER MARKET.

What Considerably Improved Over Yesterday, But Fails to Stay Clear Up.

Bulls Hoping for Better Market, and Showing Their Faith by Their Works.

Moderate Transactions in Grain, But Provisions Range a Little Heavier.

The Stock Exchange Market Weak But Fairly Active—Moderate Demand for Money.

Chicago Grain and Provisions.

Special to the Globe. CHICAGO, March 12.—For a little while today it looked as if May wheat was going to set at 86c before the close. It did get up to 85c. That was the top. It was even too great an altitude for it to sustain. It slipped down the pole, although Lester and his friends did everything they could to keep it going up, and at the regular close stood at 85 1/2c. It was "nip and tuck" as one trader eloquently expressed it, between the sellers of "calls" and the people who had bought them. At one time the call was at 85 1/2c, and the regular close at 85 1/2c, and the call was at 85 1/2c, and the regular close at 85 1/2c.

Receipts were good. Liverpool shipping demand liberal. Liverpool market quiet, however, was quiet and easy. May was the favorite and sold sparingly at 40 1/2c and closed at 40 1/2c, the same price as yesterday. June sold at 40 1/2c and closed at 40 1/2c.

Provisions were without material change in values, closing at 10 1/2c, lower than at 1 o'clock yesterday, while lard and short ribs scarcely changed in price. Mess pork was moderately active and for May opened at 81 1/2c, April closed at 81 1/2c, and June at 81 1/2c. Lard for May sold at 86 1/2c, closing at 86 1/2c, March closed at 85 1/2c, and June at 80 1/2c. Short ribs for May opened at 55 1/2c and closed at 55 1/2c, April closed at 55 1/2c, and June at 55 1/2c.

A prominent Missouri Pacific official says that the passenger trains are not being interfered with, but that the company is entirely confident of a termination of the strike for a month yet. Mr. George Gould says his father is at Key West, and he cannot tell when he will get home.

A member of a leading Chicago firm telegraphed yesterday from New York: "Everything is all right. I never saw business in New York at such a decline. It is a wonder that anything is doing at all."

Mutual Union bonds, guaranteed by the Western Union, are also being very largely bought at 100c. The market for these bonds is very active and has advanced from 80 to about 88 and interest.

F. J. Kinnett has just returned to Chicago from St. Paul, Minn., and during his absence he has established branches of the new firm of Jones, McCornick & Kinnett in both places.

News from New York, in regard to Western Union affairs, state that the officials of the company are considering the advisability of offering convertible bonds to the stockholders. There are rumors at New York of an intention to prevent the payment of the Western Union dividend in scrip.

The Washington bureau predicts a storm of gold on the 15th, either on Sunday.

There is no immediate show of gold shipments to Paris.

PETER BREYER, F. W. ANDERSON, Cashier. C. W. GRIGGS, V. Pres. A. N. JOHNSON, Asst. G.

THE ST. PAUL NATIONAL BANK. CAPITAL, \$500,000. Corner Fifth and Jackson streets.

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Provisions. Lard steady, 86 1/2c; short ribs, 55 1/2c; mess pork, 81 1/2c; beef, 10 1/2c; corn, 35 1/2c; wheat, 85 1/2c; flour, 40 1/2c.

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St. Paul. ST. PAUL, March 12.—Business on the board this morning was quite quiet, and a much better disposition was manifested in take hold. Wheat, in spite of advices from the East, was firm and quotations were steady, though buyers seemed unwilling to buy very sharply. The result was that samples, which were numerous, were mostly carried away. Corn was weaker today on an extra supply in the market. Oats were very strong and 1/2c higher, both for cash and futures. No. 2 barley was unchanged. No. 2 advanced 1/2c. Rye unchanged. Ground feed, in sympathy with corn, was a little lower. Corn meal steady. Bran strong and higher. Hay was weak. Dressed hogs advanced 1/2c. Eggs about stationary as quoted, but they have been accumulating in the hands of commission men, and shippers cannot expect to get a high price for them, owing to the fact that prices are going down faster than the eggs can be sold. Only a very small quantity of No. 1 Northern, No. 2 Northern, No. 3 Northern, No. 4 Northern, No. 5 Northern, No. 6 Northern, No. 7 Northern, No. 8 Northern, No. 9 Northern, No. 10 Northern, No. 11 Northern, No. 12 Northern, No. 13 Northern, No. 14 Northern, No. 15 Northern, No. 16 Northern, No. 17 Northern, No. 18 Northern, No. 19 Northern, No. 20 Northern, No. 21 Northern, No. 22 Northern, No. 23 Northern, No. 24 Northern, No. 25 Northern, No. 26 Northern, No. 27 Northern, No. 28 Northern, No. 29 Northern, No. 30 Northern, No. 31 Northern, No. 32 Northern, No. 33 Northern, No. 34 Northern, No. 35 Northern, No. 36 Northern, No. 37 Northern, No. 38 Northern, No. 39 Northern, No. 40 Northern, No. 41 Northern, No. 42 Northern, No. 43 Northern, No. 44 Northern, No. 45 Northern, No. 46 Northern, No. 47 Northern, No. 48 Northern, No. 49 Northern, No. 50 Northern, No. 51 Northern, No. 52 Northern, No. 53 Northern, No. 54 Northern, No. 55 Northern, No. 56 Northern, No. 57 Northern, No. 58 Northern, No. 59 Northern, No. 60 Northern, No. 61 Northern, No. 62 Northern, No. 63 Northern, No. 64 Northern, No. 65 Northern, No. 66 Northern, No. 67 Northern, No. 68 Northern, No. 69 Northern, No. 70 Northern, No. 71 Northern, No. 72 Northern, No. 73 Northern, No. 74 Northern, No. 75 Northern, No. 76 Northern, No. 77 Northern, No. 78 Northern, No. 79 Northern, No. 80 Northern, No. 81 Northern, No. 82 Northern, No. 83 Northern, No. 84 Northern, No. 85 Northern, No. 86 Northern, No. 87 Northern, No. 88 Northern, No. 89 Northern, No. 90 Northern, No. 91 Northern, No. 92 Northern, No. 93 Northern, No. 94 Northern, No. 95 Northern, No. 96 Northern, No. 97 Northern, No. 98 Northern, No. 99 Northern, No. 100 Northern.

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