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BIG BREAK IN PORK.

Plungers Make a Raid and Find the Market Poorly Supported.

A Break of Nearly a Dollar a Barrel Was the Result.

Wheat Declines a Fraction on Trading of a Restricted Character.

New York & New England Hammered Down Nearly 8 Points.

CHICAGO, Feb. 24.—A break of nearly a dollar a barrel took place today in the price of pork. From $19.10, last night's closing figures, the market fell to $18.22½, closing at $18.25. The speculative branch of the trade has been in the hands of scalpers for several days, no outside orders having been received. The big plungers took advantage of this condition of things and organized a vicious raid. They found the market poorly supported and pressed their advantage with vigor, bringing out a lot of property on stop-loss orders and precipitating a violent flurry. The closing price marks a decline of $2 a barrel in pork from the outside prices made on the recent advance. The slump was a board of trade affair entirely, the hog market at the stockyards feeling the effects of the raid only slightly. It was looked upon by many as the long-looked-for beginning of the end of the bull campaign in provisions. Compared with yesterday's closing prices, the May deliveries are 20c off for lard and ribs tonight, and wheat ¼@⅜c. Corn was supported by some covering by the shorts and left off ¼c higher.

Wheat trading was of restricted character. Prices early in the day declined ½c below the closing figures of yesterday, then became stronger and the decline was recovered, but eased off ¼c again, closing steady. The attitude of the clique is still the principal consideration with operators, and so long as it is believed to hold on its line there will probably not be much disposition to short the market, however bearish traders may feel, unless there should be something unusually bearish in the way of news. One of the firm features was the fact that the local receipts were 100 cars less than expected, and cables reported a little better tone abroad. The clique had a few brokers in the market who picked up some wheat, but it was apparently more to let the crowd know that the clique was still here than to any desire to add much to its holdings. The dispatch showing that Farmer Hatch had suffered another defeat in his efforts to bring the anti-option bill to a direct vote was another strengthening factor.

A large business was done in corn, and an early period of weakness gave way to a subsequent recovery under good buying. The initial decline, carrying May down about ⅜c, was due to the bright weather, which suggested further liberal receipts; to the better inspection, and through sympathy with other markets. The majority of "shorts" evidently aimed to make May touch 43c, believing this would bring out some stop orders on the selling side. But a good decline has been scored during the last ten days, and some operators on the "short" side of the market, having a profit in sight, came in as buyers. Boyden was credited with buying in 750,000 bu, partly for outside account, and others who have been sellers for a few days changed to the buying side.

There was a good trade in oats, with the range of ½c. The market closed steady at about the same figures as yesterday. There has been a good deal of liquidation by "longs" of late, but it has not been as thorough as in corn. The "shorts" have covered freely, and were the best buyers today.

The market for hog products was demoralized, and, as prices declined under free offerings, considerable "long" property was thrown on the market, especially on behalf of outside parties, which had been carried on small margins, and this added to the depression generally. Prices fluctuated wildly, and on the whole range declined materially all around. Trading on behalf of outside parties was very unsatisfactory, and it was almost impossible to comply with orders.

Estimated receipts for tomorrow: Wheat, 165 cars; corn, 295 cars; oats, 215 cars; hogs, 8,000.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

ARTICLES.	Opening.	Closing.	Lowest.	Highest.
Wheat, No. 2—				
February	74	74	73½	73¾
May	77¼	77¼	76¾@78	77
July	75½	75¾	75	75⅜-½
Corn, No. 2—				
February	40⅝	40¾	40-40⅛	40½-⅝
May	43⅜	43⅜	43-43⅛	43½-⅝
July	43¾	44¼	43⅝	44⅛
Oats, No. 2—				
February	30	30¼	30	30¼
May	32⅝-¾	32⅝-¾	32½	32⅝
Mess Pork—				
May	19 00	19 00	18 25	18 27½
Lard—				
May	12 50	12 65	12 50	12 65
July	12 20	12 20	11 70	11 70
Sept	11 82½	11 82½	11 40	11 40
Short Ribs—				
May	10 10	10 10	9 92½	9 95

Cash quotations were as follows: Flour dull, unchanged. Wheat—No. 2 spring, 73½@74c; No. 3 spring, 62@64c; No. 2 red, 73½@73¾c. Corn—No. 2, 40½c. Oats—No. 2, 30½@30¼c; No. 2 white, 35c; No. 3 white, 32@34½c. Rye—No. 2, 52¼c. Barley—No. 2, 64c; No. 3, f. o. b., 43@60c; No. 4, f. o. b., 36@50c. Flaxseed—No. 1, $1.20. Timothy Seed—Prime, $2. Mess Pork—Per bbl, $18.25. Lard—Per 100 lbs, $12.65. Short Ribs—Sides (loose), $9.95@10.05; dry salted shoulders (boxed), $9.87½@10; short clear sides (boxed), $10.90@10.95. Whisky—Distillers' finished goods, per gallon, $1.17. Sugars unchanged. Corn—No. 3, 36⅝c. Receipts—Flour, 25,000 bbls; wheat, 131,000 bu; corn, 128,000 bu; oats, 248,000 bu; rye, 6,000 bu; barley, 61,000 bu. Shipments—Flour, 20,000 bbls; wheat, 42,000 bu; corn, 144,000 bu; oats, 96,000 bu; rye, 6,000 bu; barley, 28,000 bu. On the produce exchange today the butter market was quiet and weaker; creamery, 19@27c; dairy, 20@25c. Eggs unsettled; fine stock, 22@23c.

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Duluth Wheat.

Special to the Globe.

DULUTH, Feb. 24.—The opening in wheat here this morning was quite weak at ⅜c off from yesterday's closing figures, but the market recovered soon and prices ruled regular, while the trading, which was confined entirely to May wheat, was very dull. The afternoon was dull and quiet on a steady market. The close was at yesterday's figures, except for May, which lost ⅛c, and track, which went down ⅛c. The closes:

Cash, No. 1 hard, 84½c; No. 1 northern, 66c; No. 2 northern, 59¼c; No. 3, 55c; rejected, 49½c; February, No. 1 hard, 84½c; No. 1 northern, 65c; May, No. 1 hard, 75c; No. 1 northern, 74⅜c asked; July, No. 1 hard, 75½c; No. 1 northern, 73c; track, No. 1 northern, 67½c; No. 2 northern, 64c bid.

Milwaukee Grain.

MILWAUKEE, Feb. 24.—Flour quiet. Wheat steady; May, 68½c; No. 2 spring, 68c; No. 1 northern, 72c. Corn quiet; No. 3, 38@38½c. Oats quiet; No. 2 white, 35c; No. 3 white, 32½@33½c. Barley quiet; No. 2, 62½@63c; sample, 40@62c. Rye quiet; 57c. Provisions lower. Pork—May, $18.37½. Receipts—Flour, 5,000 bbls; wheat, 23,400 bu; barley, 10,400 bu. Shipments—Flour, 8,000 bbls; wheat, 23,400 bu; barley, 10,400 bu.

New York Produce.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—Flour—Receipts, 21,233 pkgs; exports, 8,712 bbls, 22,322 sacks; sales, 10,910 pkgs; market dull, steady. Cornmeal quiet, steady.

Barley dull, firm. Barley malt quiet, steady.

Wheat—Receipts, 2,235 bu; exports, 31,314 bu; sales, 2,125,000 bu futures, 96,000 bu spot; spot market dull, steady; No. 2 red, store and elevator, 79¼c; afloat, 79@79¼c; f. o. b., 78½@80c; No. 1 northern, 81¼@84½c; No. 1 hard, 88½@88¾c; No. 2 northern, 84½c; options were fairly active, and chiefly local switching, declining early ⅜c with the West and on realizing, advancing ⅜c on foreign buying and shorts covering, falling ½c, and closing steady at ¼c under; No. 2 red, March, 77⅝@77⅞c; May, 80@80⅜c, closing at 80⅛c; July, 80¼@81⅜c, closing at 81⅜c.

Corn—Receipts, 45,000 bu; exports, 91,000 bu; sales, 600,000 bu futures, 78,000 bu spot; spots firm, quiet; No. 2, 52@52¼c elevator, 53@53¼c afloat; ungraded mixed, 51@53c; steamer mixed, 51@51½c; No. 3, 49½@50c; options declined ⅛@¼c with wheat and the West, rallied ¼@½c on local covering, closed firm and dull at ⅛@⅜c over yesterday; February, 52@52¼c, closing at 52¼c; March, 51¾@52¼c, closing at 52¼c; May, 50¼@50⅝c, closing at 50⅝c; July, 50½@51c, closing at 51c.

Oats—Receipts, 48,300 bu; exports, 1,497 bu; sales, 145,000 bu futures, 232,000 bu spot; spots fairly active, firmer; options quiet, ⅛c up, steady; February, 37¾@37⅞c, closing at 37¾c; March, 37¾@37⅞c, closing at 37¾c; May, 37½@37⅝c, closing at 37⅝c; spot No. 2 white, 41c; No. 2 Chicago, 38½@39c; No. 3, 37½c; No. 3 white, 40@40¼c; mixed Western, 38@39½c; white Western, 40@45½c.

Hay—Moderate demand, firm.

Hops—Dull, weak; state, common to choice, 20½@23c; Pacific coast, 19@23c.

Hides—Fair demand, steady.

Wool—Dull; domestic fleece, 27@32c; pulled, 20@37c; Texas, 17@21c.

Cut Meats—Quiet, easy; pickled shoulders, 10c; pickled hams, 14c; middles quiet, easy; short clear, 10⅝c.

Lard—Dull, lower; Western steam closed at $12.95; sales, none; option sales, none; March, $12.95; May, $12.95; July, $12.10.

Pork—Quiet, lower; old mess, $19.50@19.95; new mess, $20@20.25.

Butter—Quiet, weak; Elgins, 27½@28c. Cheese quiet, about steady. Eggs—Large supply, lower; receipts, 4,636 pkgs; Western fresh, 22½@23c.

Tallow—Quiet, weak; city ($2 per pkg) 7½c; no bids. Cottonseed oil dull, weak; crude, 50c; yellow, 58c asked. Petroleum steady, quiet; United closed at 61c bid. Rosin quiet, firm. Turpentine dull, easy, at 34½@34¾c.

Rice—Firm, active. Molasses—New Orleans, open steady, good to choice, firm, good demand. Coffee—Options quiet and unchanged to 5 points up, closing steady, 5 to 10 points up; sales, 27,500 bags, including: February, 17.50c; March, 17.25@17.45c; April, 16.95@17.05c; May, 16.80@16.90c; June, 16.75c; July, 16.70c; September, 16.55@16.65c; October, 16.50c; December, 16.35c; spot Rio quiet, steady; No. 7, 17⅞@18c.

Sugar—Raw firm, active; sales 50 hhds and 100 tierces Muscovado, 89-test, at 3c; 248 hhds and 4,000 bags centrifugals, 96-test, at 3⅜c; and 100 bags molasses sugar, 89-test, at 2¾c; refined firm, fairly active.

Pig Iron—Steady quiet; American, $12.75@13.50. Copper steady, lake, $11.95. Lead dull; domestic, $3.95. Tin firmer; straits, $20.30.

Toledo Grain.

TOLEDO, Feb. 24.—Wheat very dull, steady; No. 2 cash, 72½c; May, 75¾c; July, 76⅝c. Corn dull; No. 2 cash, 42c bid; No. 3, 41½c; No. 2 yellow, 42½c; No. 3 yellow, 42c. Oats quiet; cash, 35½c bid. Rye dull; cash, 58c. Cloverseed active, weak; prime, cash, $8.45. Receipts—Flour, 221 bbls; wheat, 14,491 bu; corn, 41,823 bu; oats, 2,501 bu; cloverseed, 160 bu. Shipments—Flour, 3,004 bbls; wheat, 8,425 bu; corn, 21,391 bu; cloverseed, 669 bu.

St. Louis Quotations.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 24.—Wheat closed ¼c down; No. 2 red, cash, higher, 67⅝c; February, 67⅝c bid; March, 68⅛c bid; May, 71⅜c; July, 72⅜c asked. Corn unsettled, following wheat, recovering and closing ¼c up; No. 2 cash, 37½c; February and March, 37⅝c; May, 39⅝c; July, 40⅜c asked. Oats dull; No. 2, cash, 32½c; May, 33c bid. Bran, rye and barley dull, unchanged. Flaxseed lower, $1.19. Clover seed, $11.50@12.

Kansas City Grain.

KANSAS CITY, Feb. 24.—Wheat firm; No. 2 hard, 65@66c; No. 2 red, 70½@71c. Corn ¼c lower; No. 2 mixed, 33½c. Oats weak; No. 2 mixed, 29½@30c; No. 2 white, 30½@31c. Eggs weak at 16c.

Liverpool Grain.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 24.—Wheat quiet, demand fair; holders offer moderately; No. 2 red spring, 6s 4d@6s 5d per cental; No. 2 red winter, 5s 9d@5s 10d; receipts wheat past three days, 213,000 centals, including 189,000 American. Corn quiet, demand fair; mixed Western, old, 4s 6½d per cental; do, new, 4s 2½d; receipts American corn past three days, 66,100 centals. Beef—Extra India mess, 80s per tierce. Pork—Prime mess western fine, 93s 9d per barrel. Bacon—Long and short clear, 55 lbs, 52s 6d per cwt; do, long clear, 45 lbs, 53s 6d. Lard—Prime western, 62s per cwt. Linseed oil, 92s 6d per cwt.

FINANCIAL.

New York.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—A decidedly bearish sentiment existed in Wall street this morning, but the day developed a material change in this respect, and, while resistance was given to the declines in the leading weak stocks, the market as a whole again showed a disposition to break away from the influence of these stocks, as their movements were the result of special causes and not justified by the general situation. The outgo of gold for tomorrow was reduced to a mere nominal sum and money was decidedly easier than for some time before the holidays. While little attention was paid to these influences they evidently had their full effect, and a weak feverish and unsettled speculation was changed into a strong one. Reading and its affairs occupied still the most prominent position in view of the street, but there was a decidedly better feeling, and, although the transactions in Reading were still large, the price was depressed only a fraction, and a full and substantial rally was in progress during the entire day. The stock moved steadily upward, finally closing at 30, with a net gain of 1¾ per cent. It was somewhat handicapped, however, by the course of its ally, New England. The bears found this stock an easy prey, and undoubtedly heavy liquidation was performed, while the bears uncovered stop orders continuously, and from 37 last evening it declined to 28¾ with hardly a rally worthy of the name, and finally closed at 29 with a net loss of 8 per cent.

Rumors of the worst kind were persistently circulated, and the chief of these was that the road would certainly go into the hands of a receiver, while at one time it was said in the board that Mr. Parsons had actually been appointed. An emphatic denial was received from Boston, and one of the directors who had recently resigned said that no receiver could be appointed when the road was not in debt, and that he knew of his own knowledge that no obligation which could not be immediately provided for was pressing. Notwithstanding this, however, the decline was not checked, and the stock closed weak. Only one other prominent feature marked the dealings, which was Sugar. The belief was general that the liquidation in progress was for the account of the pool, and a decline of 5 per cent to 111½ was established in the forenoon. The appearance of Mr. White in the crowd turned the course of prices, and almost a full recovery was established before the close, stimulated primarily by his purchases. Among the other industrials, Cordage was specially weak in the forenoon, retiring to 37, against 62⅝ last night. And in this also a full recovery was brought about.

Among railway stocks the more encouraging advices from the West stiffened the grangers, and all showed material advances at the close of the day, but the most prominent movement was in the coalers, which have been unduly depressed of late by vague rumors of something to transpire of an unfavorable nature. Lackawanna today rose 4 per cent to 147, and the others proportionate amounts, thus revealing the principal source of the late selling. Lackawanna closed with a net gain of 3⅛ per cent. Among other substantial gains were Manhattan 3 per cent at 160 and Lead 1 per cent. The general list showed a firm temper and fractional advances are the rule.

The Total Sales of Stocks

today were 797,500 shares, including:

Atchison	11 800	Nat. Cordage	20,800
Ches. & Ohio	6,100	North. P. pfd	31,400
Chicago Gas	18,700	Reading	180,900
Lackawanna	17,900	Richmond Ter.	5,800
Distilling	14,200	Rock Island	6,500
Erie	5,600	St. Paul	38,200
Louisville & N.	5,500	St. P & Omaha	5,100
Manhattan	5,500	Sugar	155,000
Mo. Pacific	4,500	Union Pacific	6,700
National Lead	9,700	Western Union	15,700

Stocks—Closing.

Atchison	32⅜	Northern Pacific	15⅜
Adams Express	158	Northwest	108¾
Alton & Terra H.	32½	U. P. D. & Gulf	14½
do pfd	150	Northwestern	112
American Ex	117	do pfd	144½
Baltimore & O	93	N. Y. Central	108¾
Canada Pacific	83¾	N. Y. & N. Eng.	29
Can. Southern	55	Ont. & Western	17⅝
Cen. Pacific	36	Oregon Imp.	19
Ches. & Ohio	23¼	Oregon Nav.	70
Chicag & Alton	141	Or. S. L. & U. N.	19
C., B. & Q.	95¾	Pacific Mail	23⅞
Chicago Gas	88⅜	P., D. & E.	16⅜
Consol. Gas	125¼	Pittsburg	155
C., C., C. & St. L.	51½	Pullman P. Car	193
Cotton Oil Cert's.	47¾	Reading	29⅞
Del. & Hudson	127	Richmond Ter.	9⅝
Del., L. & W.	146¼	do pfd	37
D. & G. R. pfd	53½	Rio G. Western	22
Distillers & C. F.	36¼	do pfd	69
East Tennessee	4½	Rock Island	83¼
Erie	29¾	St. L. & S. F. 1st pfd	75
do pfd	5½	St. Paul	76⅜
Fort Wayne	155	do pfd	122¼
Great Nor. pfd	143	St. Paul & Omaha	52⅜
Chi. & E. Ill. pfd	102¾	do pfd	118
Hocking Valley	28¼	Southern Pacific	32
Illinois Central	99½	Sugar Refinery	116⅞
St. Paul & Duluth	43	Tenn. C. & I.	31
Kan. & Tex. pfd.	24½	Texas Pacific	9
Lake Erie & W.	22¼	Tol. & O. Cen. pfd	78
do pfd	76¾	Union Pacific	37¾
Lake Shore	128¼	U. S. Express	65
Lead Trust	40⅞	W., St. L. & P.	12
Louisville & N.	74⅜	do pfd	25⅜
Louisville & N.A.	22½	Wells-Fargo Ex.	145
Manhattan Con.	160	Western Union	95¾
Memphis & Chas.	40	Wheeling & L. E.	18⅜
Mich. Central	104½	do pfd	61
Missouri Pacific	55⅜	Mpls & St. L.	16
Mobile & Ohio	34½	D. & R. G.	17¾
Nash. Chatt.	87	Gen. Electric	107½
Nat. Cordage, new	62⅜	Nat'l Linseed	36
do pfd	111	Col. Fuel & Iron	68¾
N. J. Central	119	do pfd	111
Norfolk & W. pfd	34½	Houston & T. C.	6
North Amer. Co.	9		

Government and State Bonds.

Government bonds unchanged. State bonds neglected.

U. S. 4s reg	112¼	N. Pacific 2ds	113⅜
do 4s coup	112¼	N. W. consols	135
do 4½s reg	99¼	do deb. 5s	112
Pacific 6s of '95	103	St. L. & I. M. G. 5s	87
La. stamped 4s	98	St. L. & S. F. G. M. 10½s	
Tenn. new set. 6s	101⅛	St. Paul consols	125½
do 5s	101	St. P., C. & P. 1sts	117
do 3s	105¼	T. P. L. G. Tr. R.	78
Canada So. 2ds	102½	T. P. R. G. Tr. R.	26⅜
Cen. Pacific 1sts	106	Union Pac. 1sts	106
D. & R. G. 1st	118	West Shore	101½
do 4s	87	R. & G. W. 1sts	79½
Erie 2ds	103¾	Atchison 4s	82¾
M. K. & T. Gen 6s	82	do 2½ class a	54¼
do 5s	93½	G. H. & S. A. 6s	103½
Mut. Union 6s	113	do 2d 5s	97
N. J. C. Int. cert.	111	H. & T. C. 5s	107½
N. Pacific 1sts	116	do con 6s	107

Money Markets.

CHICAGO, Feb. 24.—Bank clearings today, $19,931,495. New York exchange sold at 80c discount. Sterling exchange dull; $4.86¼ for sixty-day bills; $4.88¼ for sight drafts. Money steady, 6 per cent.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—Money on call easy at 4@5 per cent; last loan, 5; closed offered at 5. Prime mercantile paper, 5@6½ per cent. Sterling exchange quiet but firm, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.86 for sixty-day bills and $4.88½ for demand.

THESE QUOTATIONS
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MINNEAPOLIS.

Chamber of Commerce.

A light business in grain futures was done, with an early feeling that the manipulation that has, for months, disturbed the range of comparative prices, is not over. There is a clique in control of the May deal in Chicago, that bought at higher prices, as alleged, and that would be glad to let go now if it could, without still greater loss. But it cannot let go. If it were to try to sell its large holding, prices there would fall, it's said, to ruinously low prices. So it holds on, and tries to so work upon the trade as to get the shorts to buy to prevent the sales, if pushed by the longs, from breaking down the markets. Cable advices were steady, but not strong. There was bad crop news, whether with or without foundation. This is the time for bad crop news, which is the cause, perhaps, that they spring up in the absence of any reliable information on the subject. It is plain that the condition is not improved, and that apprehension of bad results is well taken. The movement of wheat in the interior is steady and increasing as the team roads improve. May wheat is in line with New York, and may be shipped at a cost of the difference in price, here and there. Wheat ranged as follows:

February, opening, 65c; highest, 65c; lowest, 65c; closing, 65c; May, opening, 67⅜c; highest, 68⅜c; lowest, 67⅝c; closing, 68¼c; July, opening, 70c; highest, 70½c; lowest, 69⅝c; closing, 70½c.

On Track — No. 1 hard, 67½c; No. 1 northern, 66c; No. 2 northern, 63c.

FLOUR AND COARSE GRAINS.

Flour—Receipts, 1,930 bbls; shipments, 31,494 bbls. Quoted at $3.75@4.10 for first patents; $3.50@3.75 for second patents; $2.25@2.50 for fancy and export bakers'; $1.10@1.45 for low grades in bags, including red dog. Local millers advise that demand is good, and contemplate raising the price.

Bran and Shorts—Quoted at $10.50@10.75 for bran; $11.50@12 for shorts.

Corn—Receipts, 3,900 bu; shipments, 7,500 bu. Quoted at 36c for No. 3, and No. 2 yellow at 39½@40c. Corn very dull; receipts light and demand also light. See sales.

Oats—Receipts, 23,750 bu; shipments, 10,080 bu; quoted at 31½@32c for No. 2 white, 31¼@31¾c for No. 3 oats. Demand is slow. See sales for other grades.

Barley—Receipts, 1,440 bu; shipments, 740 bu; quoted at 30@50c for No. 3; really choice see sales.

Rye—No. 2 rye nominally at 47@48c yesterday.

Flax—The market is based on Chicago market, less the freight. Flax closed at $1.22, cash; Timothy, $2.03, nominal; not quoted in Chicago.

Feed—Millers held at $15@15.50 per ton; less than car lots, $15@16; white cornmeal, $13.50@14; granulated meal, $20.

Hay—Receipts, 191 tons; shipments, none; the market is steady for choice upland at about $7@7.50 for Iowa upland.

Some Sample Sales—No. 1 northern, 191 cars, 66c; No. 1 northern, 23 cars, 65½c; No. 1 northern, 6 cars, 64½c; No. 1 northern, f. o. b., 1 car, 67½c; No. 1 northern, 2 cars, 65¾c; No. 1 northern, 1 car, 67c; No. 1 northern, 1 car, 65½c; No. 2 northern, 14 cars, 64c; No. 2 northern, 22 cars, 63½c; No. 2 northern, 26 cars, 63c; No. 2 northern, 2 cars, white fife, 60½c; No. 2 northern, 2 cars, choice, 64½c; No. 2 northern, 1 car, 62c; No. 3 wheat, 1 car, 62c; No. 3 wheat, 3 cars, 61c; No. 3 wheat, 5 cars, 60c; No. 3 wheat, 3 cars, 60½c; No. 3 wheat, 1 car, 61½c; No. 3 wheat, 2 cars, 58c.

Union Stockyards.

Receipts—240 hogs, 179 cattle, 25 calves, 2 sheep.

Hogs—Dull and lower. Eastern markets opened steady with yesterday's decline, soon declining 5@10c, and the packers here were backward about making purchases. After dinner the packers about cleared the yards at $7.55@7.60, and were slow to take them at these prices, on account of the weak state of the provision market.

Cattle—Receipts were mostly common and medium butcher stuff, for which the demand was light, and trading was not very brisk. A few bunches of fair to good butcher cattle sold readily enough, and stockers and feeders were active as usual. Yards well cleared, except of late arrivals.

Quotations: Prime steers, $3.75@4.25; good steers, $3.2[illegible]@3.75; prime cows, $3.25@3.75; good cows, $2.50@3; common to fair cows, $1.25@2.25; light veal calves, $3@4.25; heavy calves, $3@4.50; stockers, $2@2.75; feeders, $2.50@3.50; bulls, $1.25@2.75.

Sheep — Steady; practically no receipts; good demand for feeders. Quotations: Muttons, $4.75@4.90; lambs, $4@5; stockers and feeders, $3@4.25.

Chicago.

CHICAGO, Feb. 24.—Cattle—Receipts, 7,000; shipments, 2,000; market active, trifle higher; choice steers, $5.40@5.70; no extra on sale; fair to good, $5@5.25; others, $4@4.90; range Texans, $3.75; stockers, $2.45@3.25; cows, $3.75@4.10.

Hogs — Receipts, 12,000; shipments, 7,000; market slow, 5@10c lower; mixed and packers, $7.40@7.80; prime heavy and butchers' weights, $7.58@8.25; light, $7@7.65; pigs, $6@6.50.

Sheep — Receipts, 3,000; shipments, 1,000; market brisk, steady to stronger; ewes, $4.50@4.65; mixed, $4.75@4.90; westerns, $5@5.25; lambs, $4.50@6.25.

Kansas City.

KANSAS CITY, Feb. 24.—Cattle—Receipts, 3,900; shipments, 1,100; good to choice cows and steers active and strong to 10c higher, and common steady; good feeders strong; common stockers weak. Dressed beef and shipping steers, $3.80@5.95; cows and heifers, $1.50@4.05; stockers and feeders, $2@3.20.

Hogs — Receipts, 6,200; shipments, 1,200; choice hogs were strong to 5c higher; common steady, closing 5@10c lower: all grades, $4.75@8; bulk, $7.45@7.50.

Sheep—Receipts, 1,700; shipments, 100; representative sales, muttons, $4.05@5.10.

Petroleum.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—The decreased product in the field has further stimulated bullish sentiment on petroleum certificates, and at the consolidated board today, although they opened ⅜c lower at 59½c, they were steadily advanced to 61c, with considerable increase in the amount of business done. The close was strong at 61c bid. At the stock exchange 8,000 barrels changed hands at 59½@58c.

MUSICAL.

PIANOS 100 NEW SCALE KIMBALL PIANOS, HALLET & DAVIS, WHITNEY UPRIGHTS, PIANOS To exchange for cash and installment notes. And also these BARGAINS: 1 Schaff Piano, $50; 1 Schomacker Piano, $75; 1 Marshall & Wendell, $100; 1 Peck & Son Piano, $125; 1 Hallet & Davis Piano, $140; 1 Hardman Piano, $150; 1 Callender & Vanpel Piano, $175; 100 New Kimball organs $60 to $100. These BARGAINS are to be closed out on payments of from $3 to $10 PER MONTH. Whitney's Music Store, East Third Street, St. Paul.

FOR SALE.

FURNITURE—For sale, furniture of nine-room house; good location; house for rent. Address X 33, Globe.

PIANO—First-class piano; will sell on reasonable terms and exchange part for board. Address K 29, Globe.

SEWING MACHINES—For sale, second hand sewing machines; all kinds; $5 and upwards. Domestic Company, 138 East Seventh.

THIRTY-GALLON MILK ROUTE—All good costumers; owner leaving city. Address Box 368, City.

WRAPPERS—We have a lot of flannel and cashmere wrappers and tea gowns we will sell cheap. Central Cloak Company, 100 East Third st., St. Paul, Minn.

MISCELLANEOUS.

BROWN'S COCKROACH EXTERMINATOR—I can exterminate all cockroaches from any building in the United States; they go to stay; give satisfaction before asking any pay. Inquire or write to 460 St. Peter st.; territory for sale.

MASQUERADE AND THEATRICAL costumes, wigs and grease paint. Mrs. L. Neifmann, 56 East Seventh st.

LOST AND FOUND.

DOG LOST—White fox terrier. Feb. 21. Liberal reward if returned to 392 South Exchange st.

TRUSS LOST—A double truss. Return 71 East Seventh and receive reward.

MONEY LOST—Friday morning, Feb. 24, a bag containing a sum of money, on corner of Market and Sixth sts. Finder will please return to W. J. Derrick, Pioneer Press office, and receive reward.

INSTRUCTIONS.

EUGENIE KENNICOTT, teacher of piano, 224 West Seventh st.

ST. AGATHA'S ACADEMY OF MUSIC and Art, 26 East Exchange St., St. Paul—Piano violin, guitar and mandolin taught. Lessons given in drawing and painting. Call or send for prospectus.

BOARD WANTED.

BOARD—Wanted—Gentleman and six-year-old son desire board in private family; references exchanged. Address D 29, Globe.

BOARD—Young married couple wants comfortable room and board with strictly private family; state price and locality. Address E 33, Globe.

STORES AND FIXTURES.

BILLIARD AND POOL TABLES AND BILLIARD SUPPLIES: Wareroom 405 and 407; Office and Factory, 411 and 413 Fifth avenue south, Minneapolis, Minn.

SITUATIONS OFFERED

Males.

AGENTS WANTED to solicit accident insurance; experience not required; easily written and big commission; experienced men making from $5 to $25 per week. Inquire for G. M. Knight, 209 Rochester Block, Minneapolis.

AGENTS—General—The Denver Investment Bond Company have a few choice states left, and would like to correspond with first-class solicitors and men who can control a number of solicitors; new plan for maturing bonds and a five-year guarantee; easier to work than life insurance and building and loan; reference required. Address E. P. Brown, 542, 543, 544 Equitable Building, Denver, Col.

A. OSBORN & JOHNSON'S, 287 Sibley St.—25 R. R. laborers Dakota, free fare; 50 R. R. laborers Wyoming.

BARBER—Wanted, a first-class barber at Hillsboro, N. D.; will pay $12 per week. Address D. J. Porter, Hillsboro, N. D.

BOY wanted, about fifteen years old, to deliver groceries. Dayton and Western avenues.

BUTLER—Wanted, a butler; must have good recommendations. Apply 2505 Park av., Minneapolis.

CANVASSERS—Wanted, three first-class canvassers. Apply to Installment Shoe Company, 390 Wabasha st., Room 3, up stairs, at 6 p. m.

DIE SINKER—Wanted, a competent die sinker; one acquainted with agricultural machine work preferred. Apply No. 24 Merchants' Bank Building, between 8 and 9 a. m.

GOOD, STRONG BOY wanted. St. Paul Picture Frame Manufacturing Company, 319 Wabasha st.

HORSESHOER—Wanted, good horseshoer; steady work. Call at the Albion stables, 406 Selby av.

LIFE INSURANCE MEN—How do you know your contract is the best? Address S 29, Globe, and learn something to your advantage.

MAN AND TEAM—Wanted, man with good team and dray to team for wholesale house by the year. Address C 35, Globe.

SALARY OR COMMISSION to agents to handle the Patent Chemical Ink-Erasing Pencil; the most useful and novel invention of the age; erases ink thoroughly in two seconds; works like magic; 200 to 500 per cent profit; agents making $50 per week; we also want a general agent to take charge of territory, and appoint sub agents; a rare chance to make money; write for terms and specimen of erasing. Monroe Eraser Mfg. Co., X4, La Crosse, Wis.

SALESMAN—Wanted, salesman for Northern Wisconsin and Eastern Minnesota. Address with full particulars concerning yourself, Sumatra Cigar Company, Chicago, Ill.

SALESMAN who understands the general merchandise business to go into the country; must have best of references. Call at St. James hotel, Minneapolis, Room 42, at 4 o'clock p. m., the 24th.

SOLICITORS—Men of energy and tact to solicit for Bankers' Life Association of St. Paul; salary or guarantee as preferred. Address C. E. Secor, St. Paul, Minn.

STENOGRAPHERS furnished with positions and business houses supplied without charge to either party. Apply to Wyckoff, Seamans & Benedict, 94 East Fourth st.; telephone 496.

TRAVELING MAN—Wanted, man to travel for publishing house; salary $80 and expenses; $100 cash capital required. Address O 27, Globe office.

WANTED—Are you a Catholic? Are you unemployed? Will you work for $18 per week? Write to me at once. J. R. Gay, 194 Madison st., Chicago, Ill.

WANTED—Young men and ladies to learn telegraphy, shorthand, bookkeeping, etc.; students can make board; attend night school. Globe Business College, Endicott Building.

WANTED—Good agents for our new book,
"PHILLIPS BROOKS,
The Man, The Preacher and The Author."
Beautiful memorial volume of America's foremost preacher, so universally loved and mourned; introduction by Joseph Cook; immense demand assured; exclusive territory given. Give references and state experience. J. K. HASTINGS, 47 Cornhill, Boston, Mass.

WANTED—Manager for branch office; salary $1,000 and commission; small capital required. Address X 37, Globe office.

YARDMAN at Hotel Sherman.

500 RAILROAD LABORERS for Wyoming; good wages; cheap fare; ship every day. Moore & Co., 283 Sibley st.

Females.

A MIDDLE-AGED LADY can get work by applying at the Globe Building Restaurant, Globe Building, top floor. Matt L. Chartier, Manager.

A TLARPENTEUR'S—Places free; best help. 51 W. Exchange st. Telephone 697.

COOK — Wanted, at once, a competent cook, coachman and washwoman, at 234 Dayton av.

COOK wanted; also kitchen girl; no washing; good pay. 368 Nelson av.

HOUSEKEEPER by widower; good place for young widow or girl of experience. Address N 27, Globe.

HOUSEWORK—Young German girl for general housework; small family. 803 Goodrich av.

HOUSEWORK—Wanted, a strong, neat girl who can cook and do general housework. Apply 399 Holly av.

HOUSEWORK—Girl to assist at general housework; German preferred. 581 Selby av.

HOUSEWORK—Nice, respectable woman for general housework; small family; good home for a good woman. 803 Goodrich avenue.

HOUSEWORK—Good girl for general housework. 69 Summit av.

HOUSEWORK—Wanted, a girl to do general housework in small family at 460 Virginia.

HOUSEWORK—Wanted, girl for light housework in family of two; good home; $3 per week. Apply at once to 459 Wheeler av., Merriam Park.

HOUSEWORK—Girl wanted for general housework. Inquire at 460 Virginia.

HOUSEWORK—Good girl wanted for general housework. Apply at 214 West George street.

NURSE—Wanted, a good, reliable nurse for children. 815 Ashland av.

PASTRY COOK at Hotel Sherman; woman cook preferred.

TWO DINING ROOM GIRLS, Big Timber, Mont.; $25. Douglass' Intelligence Agency, 35 East Seventh.

WANTED—Girls for general housework; also cook for Montana, $25; private families. 392 Selby, Albion Dry Goods.

PERSONALS.

ARE YOU IN TROUBLE? If so, consult Madame Ina Walker, "life reader," for a faithful resume of your past, present and future; correspondence promptly answered. Parlors, 640 Wabasha; ladies, 50c; gentlem