WHEAT STILL FALLS

OVER A CENT CHOPPED FOM THE PRICE OF MAY AT CHICAGO.

SMALL VISIBLE DECREASE.

THE LAST STRAW ON THE BACK OF THE BURDENED MARKET.

NO BUYING ORDERS FROM EUROPE.

In the Late Hours Trading Was Confined to the Dealings of Professional Scalpers.

CHICAGO, Feb. 24.—Wheat broke even worse today than it did yesterday, the May option closing weak at about 1⅜c decline. The small decrease in the world's visible supply was a great disappointment, and caused the extreme weakness which prevailed during the latter part of the session. Corn and oats were affected to a degree, corn closing ¼c and oats 3-16c lower. Provisions ruled strong, and closed 5@10c higher. Wheat was weak again at the opening for similar reasons to those which opened it lower yesterday. English consols showed 1-16d improvement, and the Liverpool wheat market was reported from ½@¾d lower than it closed yesterday. Foreigners had no buying orders on the market, and local scalping operators had some to sell, which they had to offer at 75@75⅛c for May, against yesterday's closing price of 75⅜c. This reduction in price was apparently quite attractive for a while, and so many wanted the early offerings that the price gradually recovered all its initial loss, and a trifle more. From 75c and 75⅛c it rose to 75½c. It was upheld for an hour after that between 75¼c and 75½c, by the efforts of some in the local crowd, who thought to stampede the few shorts in the market, but they found it too great an undertaking, and about 11 o'clock the market had declined to 74⅝@74¾c. The shorts were encouraged in their support by the light Northwest receipts, which today amounted to but 190 cars, compared with 165 last week and 441 last year. After 11 o'clock the market drifted into the hands of the scalpers, and the inevitable selling which accompanies a dull market, gradually pressed prices down. Exports from Atlantic ports were discouragingly light, the total in wheat and flour from the four principal ports amounting to only 213,000 bu. The Bradstreet's figures on the visible supply were the big disappointment of the day, however. The general expectation was that they would show a decrease in the world's stocks of over 3,000,000 bu, whereas the falling off for the week was only 795,000 bu, the decrease in this country, east of the Rockies, being given at 1,491,000 bu, with Europe and the amount afloat showing an increase of 696,000 bu. That was the last straw put on the back of the already overburdened market, and it broke it to 73⅝c. Enough of a reaction occurred to bring the price up to 74@74⅛c at the close.

Corn was quiet and weak, principally through sympathy with wheat. There was a good deal of quiet realizing at the opening. Then prices firmed up to the covering of about a million bushels by two prominent dealers, but reacted as soon as this support was removed. The closing was easy at bottom figures. May opened at ⅛c lower at 24⅜c, sold to 24½c, then declined to 24¼c, where it closed. Oats ruled weak and lower, with only a limited business transacted. Owing to the lack of independent factors, fluctuations were easily influenced by the wheat pit, and through sympathy alone did prices decline. May opened a shade lower at 17¼@17⅜c, sold at 17⅜@17½c, then fell off to 17⅛c, which price was bid at the close. Bradstreet's report showed an increase of 426,000 bu. Provisions were quiet, but not to the degree that prevailed in the other markets. Yard prices were higher, and the opening advance was added to by lively bidding, notably by Armour. The market eased off for a while in sympathy with grain, but later covering by shorts caused another rally, the market closing at the top. At the close May pork was 10c higher at $8.05; May lard about 10c higher at $4.10, and May ribs 7½c higher at $4.12½@4.15. Estimates: Wheat, 12 cars; corn, 125 cars; oats, 180 cars; hogs, 37,000 head.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

	Opening.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.
Wheat—				
February	73⅞	74¼	72⅝	72⅞
May	75⅛	75½	73⅞	74⅛
July	72	72¼	71	71⅛
September	70	70⅜	69¼	69¼
Corn—				
February	22⅞	23	22¾	22¾
May	24⅜	24½	24¼	24½
July	25⅝	25⅝	25⅜	25⅜
September	26⅞	26⅞	26⅝	26¾
Oats—				
February				15⅝
May	17⅜	17½	17⅛	17⅛
July	18¼	18¼	18	18
Mess Pork—				
May	7 47½	8 05	7 92½	8 05
July	8 12½	8 17½	8 02½	8 17½
Lard—				
May	4 00	4 10	4 00	4 10
July	4 12½	4 17½	4 07½	4 17½
Short Ribs—				
May	4 10	4 15	4 07½	4 15
July	4 20	4 22½	4 15	4 22½

Cash quotations were as follows: Flour dull. Wheat—No. 2 spring, 72⅞@73c; No. 3 spring, 73c; No. 2 red, 83@84c. Corn—No. 2, 22¾c. Oats—No. 2, 16⅝@16⅞c; No. 2 white, f. o. b., 19@20c; No. 3 white, f. o. b., 16⅝c. Rye—No. 2, 33c. Barley—No. 2, nominal; No. 3, f. o. b., 23@32c; No. 4, f. o. b., 22½@26c. Flaxseed—No. 1, 75@76½c. Timothy Seed—Prime, $2.65@2.70. Pork—Mess, per bbl, $7.90@7.95. Lard—Per 100 lbs, $4. Ribs—Short sides (loose), $3.95@4.25. Shoulders—Dry salted (boxed), 4½@4¾c. Sides—Short clear (boxed), 4¼@4⅜c. Whisky—Distillers' finished goods, per gal, $1.17. Sugars—Unchanged. Receipts—Flour, 15,000 bbls; wheat, 21,000 bu; corn, 126,000 bu; oats, 365,000 bu; rye, 7,000 bu; barley, 85,000 bu. Shipments—Flour, 9,000 bbls; wheat, 35,000 bu; corn, 105,000 bu; oats, 165,000 bu; barley, 70,000 bu. On the produce exchange today the butter market was easy; creamery, 14@18c; dairy, 9@16c. Cheese, 9½@10¼c. Eggs steady; fresh, 16c.

MINNEAPOLIS GRAIN.

MINNEAPOLIS, Feb. 24.—Our wheat market opened weak and lower this morning, in sympathy with Chicago, which, in turn, was lower in sympathy with Liverpool. First Liverpool cables quoted wheat at ¾d lower per cental on all futures and markets generally quiet. Berlin was reported as "flat" at a decline of 1 mark. Paris was reported as quiet. These items, together with favorable reports of the growing crops, rather dampened speculation on the long side. A peaceful solution of the Cretan question also had a quieting effect on all speculative ventures. Commercial gossip was very meager because of the inactivity prevailing at all wheat centers. One notable feature of the day was the strength shown in New York, which led to the belief that something favorable would develop later, but up to noon no news of any improvement in the export trade was received.

Second cables advised that Liverpool had gained ½d from the opening, but closing cables quoted a net loss of ¼d for the day. These lower cables show the effects of a probable peace and the weakness of our markets of yesterday on this side. The fact that the world's shipments are only one-half of the weekly requirements of England and Europe, and its effect on the Liverpool market, is better understood when we realize that the previous surplus shipments amount to over 25,000,000 bu, while the draughts upon it by this shows only amount yet to be but one-half of that sum. New York advised that exporting houses sold May options in a moderate way. European crop conditions are nearly all favorable, except those of France, which for the present is far from good. Closing cables quoted Berlin 1¾ marks lower and Paris 20 centimes lower. Liverpool spot wheat ½d lower. Clearances from the Atlantic seaboard aggregated 211,000 bu of wheat and flour.

May wheat opened at 72⅝c, against 72⅞@73c yesterday's close, declined 1-16c, advanced to 72⅞c, sold at 72⅝@72¾c, firmed up to 72¾@72⅞c, declined sharply to 72¼c, firmed up to 72⅜@72½c, sold at 72¼c, gained 1-16c, dropped to 72⅛c by 11:50 and by noon held at 71⅞@72c.

July wheat opened at 73⅝c, against 74c yesterday, advanced to 73⅞c, sold at 73⅝@73¾c, firmed up to 73⅞c, dropped to 73⅜c, gained 1-16c, and sold at 73c by noon.

The demand for cash wheat was good. Millers paid ⅜c over May for No. 1 northern and mixers paid a full cent over for choice samples. No. 1 northern sold at 73⅝c and No. 2 at 71½c. Sales were made as per statement below. Receipts here were 144 cars; shipments, 46 cars.

Bradstreet's report of the available wheat supply was very disappointing to the trade, and caused extreme weakness. This morning it was confidently expected that this report would show a decrease of 1,750,000 bu; instead, we have a decrease of only 795,000 bu.

February wheat closed at 71¾c, May at 71¾c, and July at 72¾c.

MINNEAPOLIS—RANGE OF PRICES.

Wheat—	Opening.	High-est.	Low-est.	Closing. Today.	Yes.
February	....	....	....	71¾	73
May	72⅝	72⅞	71⅝	71¾	73
July	73⅝	73⅞	72⅝	72¾	74
September	....	....	....	67⅞	69¼

On Track—No. 1 hard, 74¼c; No. 1 northern, 72¼c; No. 2 northern, 70¾c; February oats, 15½c; flax seed, 73¾c.

Curb on May wheat, bid	71⅝
Puts on May wheat, bid	71⅛
Calls on May wheat, bid	72¼

SOME SAMPLE SALES.

No. 1 northern, 13 cars	73½
No. 1 northern, 5 cars	73⅝
No. 1 northern, 2,000 bu, to arrive	73
No. 1 northern, 3,500 bu, to arrive	73½
No. 1 northern, 1,000 bu, to arrive	73¼
No. 1 northern, 1 car	73¾
No. 2 northern, 1 car	71½
No. 2 northern, 2 cars, poor	70½
No. 3 wheat, 1 car	68
Rejected wheat, 1 car, 2 lbs off	63
No grade wheat, 1 car, 2 lbs off	66½
No. 3 oats, 1 car, mixed	15
No. 5 barley, 1 car, musty	20
No grade barley, 1 car	20
No grade barley, 1 car	21
No grade barley, 1 car, 50 lbs	20⅝

LATE SALES.

No. 1 northern, 1,600 bu, to arrive	73
No. 2 northern, 1 car	71½
No grade wheat, 1 car, 2 lbs off	63
No. 3 yellow corn, 1 car	18½
No. 3 oats, 4 cars	15½
No. 3 white oats, 1 car	15¾
No grade oats, 1 car	14½
Flax seed, 1,000 bu, to arrive	74

FLOUR.

Flour—Some millers report a fair domestic demand. The weakness in wheat, however, checks business.

First patents	$3.95@4.10
Second patents	3.75@3.95
First clears	3.40@3.60
Second clears	2.30@2.50
Rye flour, per bbl, pure	1.90@2.05
Rye flour, XXX, per bbl	1.80@1.90
Rye flour, Standard, per bbl	1.70@1.80
Graham flour, per bbl	2.65@3.15

BRAN, SHORTS AND COARSE GRAIN.

Washburn, Crosby & Co. quote as follows today:

Bran in bulk	$6.25@6.75
Bran in bulk, 200-lb sacks	7.25@7.75
Bran in bulk, 180-lb sacks	7.75@8.25
Shorts in bulk	6.25@6.50
Middlings in bulk	7.00@7.25

The market continues very strong. The demand is good from all quarters.

Corn—Corn is arriving in very bad condition. No grade corn sold at 13c. No. 3 corn, 18@18½c. No sales today.

Oats—No. 3 oats, 15½c; No. 3 white, 15¾c; very choice, 16c.

Rye—No. 2, 33c; No. 3, 32c. No sales.

Barley—No. 4 sold at 20@21c; No. 5, 20c; no grade, 20@21c.

Feed—Reported by the Diamond Elevator and Milling company:

Business is fair, with a good demand at prices quoted. Bran is in better demand.

Coarse corn meal and cracked corn, in sacks, per ton, sacks extra, to jobbers only	$7.00@7.25
No. 1 ground feed, 2-3 corn, 1-3 oats, 80-lb sacks	7.50@7.75
No. 2 ground feed, ½ corn, ½ oats, 80-lb sacks	7.75@8.00
No. 3 ground feed, 2-3 oats, 70-lb sacks	8.00@8.25
Spring wheat bran	6.50@7.00

STATE GRAIN INSPECTION.

Railroads.	No.1.hd.	Northern. No.1.	No.2.	No.3.	Rjd.	N.G.
G. N.—Breck. Div..	..	20	5	..	1	..
C., M. & St. P..	..	34	..	..	..	3
M. & St. L..	..	15	3	1	3	3
Northern Pacific	..	4	..	..	..	3
C., St. P., M. & O..	..	6	4	..	..	2
Total	..	79	12	1	4	11

Other Grains—No. 3 corn, 2 cars; no grade corn, 7 cars; No. 2 oats, 33 cars; No. 2 rye, 3 cars; No. 4 barley, 6 cars; No. 5 barley, 5 cars; no grade barley, 2 cars; No. 1 flax, 11 cars; rejected flax, 3 cars; no grade, 2 cars.

Cars Inspected Out—Wheat—No. 1 northern, 75; No. 2 oats, 4.

RECEIPTS AND SHIPMENTS.

Receipts—Wheat, 102,246 bu; corn, 1,800 bu; oats, $24,380 bu; barley, 6,080 bu; rye, 1,200 bu; flax, 1,740 bu; hay, 20 tons; fruit, 68,384 lbs; merchandise, 677,610 lbs; lumber, 18 cars; barrel stock, 3 cars; machinery, 290,930 lbs; coal, 731 tons; wood, 246 cords; stone, 8 cars; hides, 20,000 lbs; sundries, 8 cars; car lots, 380.

Shipments—Wheat, 35,880 bu; corn, 2,190 bu; oats, 45,500 bu; barley, 11,340 bu; rye, 5,350 bu; flax, 1,070 bu; flour, 43,694 bbls; millstuffs, 1,134 tons; fruit, 26,750 lbs; merchandise, 1,308,380 lbs; lumber, 39 cars; barrel stock, 1 car; machinery, 192,000 lbs; coal, 15 tons; live stock, 1 car; hides, 34,100 lbs; sundries, 6 cars; car lots, 651.

DULUTH GRAIN.

DULUTH, Minn., Feb. 24.—The mills last week ground 30,680 bbls of flour and shipped 27,710 bbls. The receipts from interior mills are practically nothing so far this year. The market was fairly active in future trading, but weak in cash sales, being only about 6,000 bu, half to the mills and the balance to the elevators, at much increased premiums. The market opened at 75⅛c, sold up to 75⅜c, and then fell steadily, closing at 74¼c.

The close: Cash, No. 1 hard, 74¾c; No. 1 northern, 72¾c; No. 2 northern, 70¼c; No. 3 spring, 66½@68½c; rejected, 49½@64½c; to arrive, No. 1 hard, 74¾c; No. 1 northern, 72¾c; May, No. 1 hard, 76¾c; No. 1 northern, 74¼c; July, No. 1 northern, 74¾c; September, No. 1 northern, 70¼c. Receipts wheat, 172,016 bu; shipments, 10,390 bu. Cars inspected, 46; last year, 103.

Receipts—Corn, 3,386 bu; oats, 23,176 bu; rye, 7,875 bu; barley, 20,225 bu; flax, 10 498 bu. Oats, close, 17@16½c; rye, 33½c; flax, 76¾c; May, 78¼c.

Cash sales were as follows: 900 bu No. 1 northern, 74¼c; 1 car No. 1 northern, 74⅛c; 3,000 bu No. 1 northern, 73½c; 1 car No. 2 northern, 70⅛c; 1 car No. 3 spring, 66c.

ST. PAUL GRAIN.

Quotations on hay, grain, feed, etc., furnished by Griggs Bros., commission merchants:

Wheat—The wheat market today was very weak; closing prices about one cent lower. No. 1 northern, 72½@73½c; No. 2 northern, 71@72c.

Oats—Market holding firm; No. 3 white, 15½@16c; No. 3, 14@15c.

Corn—No. 2 yellow, 18@18½c; No. 3, 17@18c.

Barley—20@24c.

Rye—30@31½c.

Seeds—Timothy, 90c@$1.25; red clover, $3.50@4.50; flax, 71½@72½c.

Flour—Patent, per bbl, $3.90@4.30; straight, $3.05@3.80; bakers', $3@3.40; rye flour, $3@3.25; buckwheat flour, $3@3.50.

Ground Feed and Millstuffs—No. 1 feed, $7.75@8.25; No. 2 feed, $8.50@8.75; No. 3 feed, $9@9.25; coarse cornmeal, $6.75@7.25; bran, bulk, $7@7.25; shorts, $7@7.25.

Hay—The hay market is very dull. Best grades wild and upland selling $5@6; inferior qualities, $3@4.75, according to quality and condition; No. 1 timothy, $6@7; oat and rye straw, $3.50@3.75.

OTHER GRAIN MARKETS.

GRAIN GOSSIP.

Gossip by private wire to C. H. F. Smith & Co., St. Paul, members of New York stock exchange and Chicago board of trade:

Bradstreet decrease in the world's available is only about half as much as was expected. Clearances moderate. Don't hear of any export business. The amount of wheat arriving is evidently ample to supply all of our customers' wants for the time being, and as the price has now gotten fairly below 75c you will doubtless hear a great many predictions that it is on the way to 70c now. It certainly is a discouraging market for one to hold wheat up.

Four ports cleared 107,764 wheat, 23,368 flour, equal to 212,920 wheat.

Closing cables: Antwerp unchanged. Paris, flour, Feb., 50 lower; May, 60 lower; wheat, Feb., 20 lower; May, 20 lower. Berlin, 31 lower.

Liverpool cable: Wheat, steady, March, ¾; May, ½; July, ¾ lower from yesterday's close. Corn, quiet, April and July, ¼ lower; Berlin, wheat, flat; May, 1 mark lower.

NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—Flour—Receipts, 16,800 bbls; exports, 21,631 bbls; dull and easier on spring patents, but otherwise quiet and unchanged; Southern flour steady. Rye flour steady. Buckwheat flour dull. Buckwheat steady. Cornmeal dull. Rye quiet. Barley steady. Barley malt nominal. Wheat—Receipts, 61,050 bu; exports, 107,764 bu; spot weak; No. 2 red, 88¾c; No. 1 hard, 86c; options opened easier, owing to bearish foreign news, turned strong on firmer second cables and long account buying, but finally collapsed under disappointing late cable news, a small reduction in world's stocks and active liquidation, closing ¾@1½c net lower. Sales included: No. 2 red, February, closed at 80⅝c; May, 79@81 1-16c, closing at 79c. Corn—Receipts, 170,625 bu; exports, 18,209 bu; spot market weak; No. 2, 29c; options opened easy, but advanced on covering, only to weaken finally with wheat, and closed ¼@⅜c lower; February closed at 28⅞c; May, 29⅝@29⅞c, closing at 29⅝c. Oats—Receipts, 11,600 bu; exports, 2,590 bu; spot weaker; No. 2, 21½c; options dull and easy all day, closing at ⅛c net decline; February closed at 21⅜c; May, 21½@21⅝c, closing at 21½c.

BRADSTREET'S AVAILABLE.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—Special cable and telegraphic dispatches to Bradstreet's, covering the principal points of accumulation, indicate the following changes in available supplies of grain last Saturday, as compared with the preceding Saturday: Wheat, United States and Canada, east of the Rockies, decrease, 1,491,000 bu; afloat for and in Europe, increase, 696,000 bu; total, decrease world's available, 759,000 bu. Corn, United States and Canada, east of the Rockies, increase, 1,421,000 bu. Oats, United States and Canada, east of the Rockies, increase, 426,000 bu.

The more important increases in available stocks of wheat last week, not included in the official visible supply statement, were 170,000 bu at Fort William, Ont., and 37,000 bu at various Manitoba storage points. Corresponding decreases include 101,000 bu in Chicago private elevators; 39,000 bu at Leavenworth; 30,000 bu at Louisville, and 22,000 bu at Milwaukee private elevators.

CROP MOVEMENT.

(Market Record.)

The following table gives the receipts of wheat at the four principal spring wheat markets, from the beginning of the crop year, Aug. 1, 1896, to date, and for the same time a year ago:

	This Crop. Bushels.	Last Crop. Bushels.
Minneapolis	44,009,320	58,327,650
Milwaukee	5,889,114	6,867,639
Duluth	32,932,084	42,195,388
Chicago	13,861,550	18,515,299
Totals	96,692,068	125,905,976

The following table gives the receipts of wheat at the four principal winter wheat markets, from the beginning of the crop movement, July 1, 1896, to date, and for the same time a year ago:

	This Crop. Bushels.	Last Crop. Bushels.
Toledo	6,256,232	5,053,813
St. Louis	9,908,693	10,430,383
Detroit	2,864,636	1,812,408
Kansas City	5,896,800	6,764,800
Totals	24,926,361	24,061,404

LIVERPOOL.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 24.—Wheat—Spot quiet; demand poor; No. 2 red spring, 6s 3d; No. 1 California, 6s 6½d; futures opened steady with near and distant positions ½d lower; closed quiet with May unchanged and other months ¼d lower; business about equally distributed; February, 6s 3¼d; March, 6s 3½d; May, 6s 5d; July, 6s 4½d. Corn—Spot quiet; American mixed new, 2s 6½d. Futures opened quiet, but steady, with near and distant positions unchanged; closed steady with February ¼d lower and other months unchanged to ¼d higher; business about equally distributed; February, 2s 6½d; March, 2s 6¾d; April, 2s 7½d; May, 2s 8¼d; June, 2s 8¾d; July, 2s 9½d. Flour steady; demand poor; St. Louis winter, 8s 6d.

MILWAUKEE.

MILWAUKEE, Feb. 24.—Flour—Dull and lower. Wheat—Unsettled and lower; No. 2 spring, 73½c; No. 1 northern, 78c; May, 74¾c. Corn—Quiet and steady; No. 3, 19c. Oats—Steady and quiet; No. 2 white, 17¾@18¾c. Barley—Quiet; No. 2, 31@32½c; sample, 23½@30c. Rye—Weak and lower; No. 1, 25c. Receipts—Flour, 7,000 bbls; wheat, 9,000 bu; barley, 13,000 bu. Shipments—Flour, 7,000 bbls; wheat, 2,000 bu; barley, none.

ST. LOUIS.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 24.—Wheat—No. 2 red, cash, 87c; May, 83¼@87⅜c. Corn—No. 2, cash, 20¼c; May, 22c. Oats—No. 2, cash, 16½c; May, 18c. Rye—Nominal. Flaxseed—73c. Pork $7.85@8.20. Lard—$3.92½@4.

PRODUCE.

ST. PAUL MARKET.

Butter—Creameries—	
Extras	.18
Firsts	.16 @.17
Seconds	.13 @.14
Hand separator	.16
Dairies—	
Firsts	.12 @.13
Ladles—	
Extras	.15 @.16
Firsts	.07½
Packing stock	.07½@.08
Grease	.03 @.04
Cheese—	
Twins, fancy, full cream, new	.11
Twins, common to fair	.07 @ .08
Full cream, Young America, new	.11
Swiss cheese	.11 @.12
Brick, No. 1, new	.10 @.11
Brick, No. 2, new	.08 @.09
Eggs—	
No. 1 cold storage	.07 @.08
Candled stock, fresh	.15
Seconds	.05 @.06
Beans—Market quiet; supply moderate.	
Fancy navy, per bu	.90 @1.00
Medium, hand-picked, bu	.75 @ .85
Yellow peas, per bu	.40 @ .60
Green peas, per bu	.60 @ .75
Potatoes—	
Home grown, per bu	.20 @ .25
Illinois Sweets	1.75 @2.00
Vegetables—	
Tomatoes, basket	1.00
Radishes, doz	.25
Cauliflower, doz	2.50
Beets, bushel	.25
Celery, doz	.25
Wax beans, bu	4.00
String beans, bu	3.00
Rutabagas, bu	.25
Onions, home grown, bu	.85@1.00
Squash, doz	.75
Turnips, bu	.25
Mint, doz	.30
Carrots, bu	.25
Lettuce	.25 @ .30
Cucumbers, doz	1.00
Spinach, bu	1.00
Miscellaneous—	
Malaga grapes, bbl	6.50@7.50
Cranberries, Cape Cod, bbl	5.50@6.50
Cranberries, Bell and Bugle	6.50
Apples—Market weaker; demand good.	
Common, bbl	1.25@1.50
Fancy eating, bbl	2.50@2.75
Baldwins, choice, bbl	2.00@2.25
Greenings, choice, bbl	1.50@1.75
Spies, choice, bbl	2.00@2.25
Russets, choice, bbl	2.00@2.25
Lemons—	
Fancy Messinas, box	3.00@3.25
California, box	2.75@3.00
Oranges—	
California, navels, box	3.25@3.75
Redlands, navels, box	3.25@4.00
Fancy bright, Florida, box	4.00@4.50
Mexicans, box	2.75@3.00
Valencias, case	5.50
Grape fruit, box	8.00@8.50
Nuts—	
Hickory, bu	1.00
New California walnuts, lb	.09 @ .11
Black walnuts, bu	.75
Chestnuts, lb	.10
Peanuts, raw, lb	.04½@ .05
Peanuts, roasted, lb	.05½@ .06
Brazils, lb	.07 @ .10
Pecans, lb	.18 @ .20
Filberts, lb	.10 @ .12
Hazelnuts, lb	.05
Bananas—Supply large; demand active.	
Choice shipping, bunch	1.75@2.25
Figs and Dates—	
Figs, fancy, five crowns	.12 @.13
Figs, fancy, four crowns	.11 @.12
Hallowee dates	.06
Fard dates, 10-lb boxes	.05@.09
Honey—	
White clover	.12 @.12½
Extracted	.05 @.06
Maple syrup, gal	1.00
Maple sugar, lb	.10 @.11
Apple Cider—	
Sweet, bbl	3.75@4.00
Sweet, half bbl	2.00@2.25
Hard, bbl	5.00@7.00
Hard, half-barrel	3.25@4.00
(No charge for package or carriage.)	
Dressed Meats—Moderate supply; demand good.	
Veal, fancy	.07 @.07½
Veal, medium	.05½@.06½
Hogs, country dressed	.03½@.03¾
Mutton, country dressed	.05 @.06
Spring lambs, pelt off	.06 @.07
Dressed Poultry—	
Turkeys	11
Chickens	.08½@.09
Hens	.07½@.08
Ducks	.09 @.10
Geese	.08½
Tame pigeons, doz	.90 @1.25
Squabs, doz	.75 @1.00
Game—	
Canvasback ducks, doz	6.00@8.00
Mallard ducks, doz	3.00
Teal ducks, doz	1.25@2.00
Common ducks, doz	1.25
Jack rabbits, doz	1.50@2.00
Cotton tail rabbits, doz	.75@1.00
Woodcock, doz	4.00@4.50
Jacksnipe, doz	1.25
Bear, carcass, hide on, lb	.10@ .12
Squirrels, doz	.75
Fish—Good demand—	
Black bass	.09

MINNEAPOLIS MARKET.

MINNEAPOLIS, Feb. 24.—A weaker tone was apparent in the creamery market. Extras declined ½c and were not in much request at the decline. Firsts are in fair call at 1c under extras. There are not many seconds and thirds upon the market at present, and this prevents the price from dropping. Dairies are steady at unchanged figures. Fine makers of extras are selling at a fraction above quotations. Seconds, which are composed mostly of jar stock, are firm at packing stock price. Choice, sweet roll and print is ½c higher and is scarce. Packing stock is strong. Eggs were quiet at 15c. There was little jobbing demand, and retailers are not buying freely. Storage stock is dull. Turkeys and chickens are in fair request, with the market well cleaned up on fancy stock. Ducks and geese are firm and not many offered. Veal is meeting with a good call at 6½@7c. Mutton and lamb are steady, and dressed hogs strong at yesterday's decline.

BUTTER AND EGGS.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—Butter—Receipts, 8,453 pkgs; steady; Western creamery, 12@19c; Elgins, 19c; factory, 7@13c. Cheese—Receipts, 1,192 pkgs; steady; state, large, 9@12¼c; small, 9@12½c; part skims, 5@9½c; full, 3@3½c. Eggs—Receipts, 9,260 pkgs; steady at the decline; state and Pennsylvania, 19c; Westerns, 13@17c.

Chicago, Feb. 24.—Butter easy; creamery, 14@18c; dairy, 9@16c. Eggs steady; fresh, 16c.

LIVE STOCK.

UNION STOCKYARDS.

Receipts—1,400 hogs, 600 cattle, 50 calves, 200 sheep.

Hogs—Market opened steady with yesterday's close, closing strong and active. Yards cleared early.

Representative Sales—

No.	Wgt.	Dkg.	Price	No.	Wgt.	Dkg.	Price
11	286	40	$3 00	45	173	..	$3 20
8	301	..	3 00	47	190	80	3 25
17	154	..	3 00	47	165	..	3 25
12	313	..	3 05	44	179	..	3 25
14	334	..	3 05	16	181	40	3 25
3	306	..	3 05	20	218	..	3 25
11	327	40	3 05	46	217	..	3 25
7	152	..	3 05	21	167	..	3 25
20	386	80	3 10	75	225	..	3 25
32	170	40	3 15	6	226	..	3 25
14	172	..	3 15	8	236	..	3 25
19	291	80	3 15	54	184	..	3 25
28	290	..	3 15	72	198	..	3 25
1	390	..	3 15	39	165	..	3 25
3	356	..	3 15	42	180	..	3 25
16	173	..	3 20	88	187	..	3 25
42	186	80	3 20	31	245	..	3 25
27	210	80	3 20	27	205	..	3 25
32	210	160	3 20	80	183	..	3 25
31	205	..	3 20				

Cattle—Steady and active. Fat cattle, stockers and feeders especially, in good demand. Strong prices paid for good stocker calves. Yards well cleared before noon.

Representative Sales—

No.	Wgt.	Price	No.	Wgt.	Price
3 steers	1020	$3 55	7 stockers	641	$3 60
1 cow	1050	2 00	2 stockers	695	3 50
4 calves	267	3 00	21 feeders	977	3 60
2 steers	1240	3 40	5 steers	1284	3 80
6 feeders	905	3 50	1 bull	840	2 35
8 stockers	302	3 25	1 bull	950	2 70
2 heifers	400	2 50	2 heifers	405	2 50
6 heifers	353	2 50	2 steers	1650	3 75
4 heifers	688	2 50	1 cow	1020	2 75
1 ox	1450	2 40	1 cow	990	2 90
2 oxen	1820	2 75	3 stockers	740	3 55
19 stockers	689	3 30	12 stockers	330	3 60
1 ox	1320	2 40	2 bulls	807	2 50
1 cow	1060	2 65	4 bulls	1015	2 40
1 ox	1400	2 90	4 bulls	662	2 50
1 canner	930	2 00	2 bulls	1030	2 35
1 stag	1010	2 75	14 stockers	546	3 20
11 stockers	694	3 30	4 stockers	667	3 40
1 canner	910	1 50	1 bull	600	2 75
15 steers	1142	3 80	1 heifer	660	2 40
21 steers	1195	3 80	1 steer	950	2 35
3 cows	1120	2 75	5 stockers	662	2 60
33 stockers	727	3 25	1 heifer	600	2 75
1 bull	1630	2 50	1 bull	1110	2 40
7 heifers	578	2 50	1 calf	140	4 00
10 stockers	624	3 45	2 heifers	860	2 50
2 bulls	805	2 50	1 cow	1040	2 20
1 bull	1300	2 30	3 cows	1086	2 60
8 stockers	743	3 55	1 cow	1150	2 40
1 stocker	560	3 00	5 feeders	882	3 60
2 bulls	725	2 60	7 cows	1044	3 35
35 stockers	752	3 60	2 cows	1020	3 00
1 cow	1150	2 90	4 bulls	820	2 50
1 cow	880	2 60	4 stockers	842	3 60
1 cow	970	2 90	4 steers	1050	3 70
5 stockers	638	3 40	1 heifer	860	3 00
1 heifer	720	2 50	3 bulls	973	2 30
4 cows, 1 calf		105 00	2 cows	1100	2 25

Sheep—Good sheep firm, lambs slow and weak.

CHICAGO.

CHICAGO, Feb. 24.—Trade in cattle was slow today, prices ruling weak and 10c per 100 lbs lower; sales were on a basis of $3.50@3.75 for the poorest dressed beef steers up to $4.50@5 for good to choice export cattle, with the bulk of the day's business at $4@4.75; a few superior cattle sold at $5.10@5.35; stocker and feeder sales were largely at $3.50@4.10; bulls sold largely at $2.50@3.50; canning cows, at $2@2.60, and better grades of cows and heifers at $2.75@3.75; calves were fairly active and unchanged, and Texas-fed cattle sold slightly lower. In hogs there was such a good demand that sellers were enabled to dispose of their consignments at an advance of 5c per 100 lbs; transactions were largely at $3.50@3.60; sales being made from $3.25@3.40 for heavy packing hogs, up to $3.70 for light hogs; these were the highest prices of the winter; the offerings were choice in quality and medium weights predominated. There was a good demand for sheep, and prices were stronger for all desirable flocks; Western, which comprised a large share of the sheep, found purchasers at $3.50@4.05; largely at $3.75@3.85; native sheep were wanted at $2.50@3, for a few common, lots up to $4.10@4.25 for choice to prime grades; yearlings sold at $4@4.30, and lambs sold at $3.50@3.75 for inferior up to $5@5.20 for choice. Receipts—Cattle, 16,000 head; hogs, 35,000 head; sheep, 14,000 head.

MIDWAY HORSE MARKET.

Barrett & Zimmerman's report: Market opened up fair, prices ruled low, with a large stock of horses on hand, a number of lookers for farm horses and mares were on the market. Local trading more quiet, a fair demand for drivers and drafters. The following representative sales are for horses, service sound, unless otherwise mentioned:

	Weight.	Price.
1 pair brown horses, 5 to 6 years	2,600	$150 00
1 pair gray mares, 6 years	2,800	175 00
1 pair gray mares, 6 to 6 years	3,000	180 00
1 pair bay horses, 6 years, driver	2,200	140 00
1 bay gelding, 5 years	1,400	80 00
1 brown mare, 6 years, driver	1,150	65 00
1 sorrel horse, 5 years	1,300	70 00
1 gray gelding, 5 years	1,200	60 00
1 brown mare, 6 years, driver	1,000	60 00
20 head farm horses and mares, 5 to 6 years	1,200 to 1,500	1,240 00
16 head farm horses and mares, 5 to 6 years	1,200 to 1,500	1,120 00
12 head of farm horses and mares, 5 to 6 years	1,200 to 1,500	720 00

MIDWAY HORSE MARKET.

Corrected by William Cunningam & Co., H. A. Winslow and Brown & Dickey: The market is active, a good many buyers from the Northwest being on the market. The receipts are about equal to the demand, but shippers all complain that horses are hard to get in the country. Actual sales:

	Wt.	Amount
18 horses and mares to go north		$1,200
1 gray driver, six years old	1,100	70
1 gray plug	1,300	35
2 black drivers, 6 years old	2,200	125
1 bay mare, 5 years old	1,200	80
1 gray horse, 6 years old	1,400	75
2 bay mares, 5 years old	3,000	165
2 bay mares, 7 years old	2,300	85
2 gray mares, 5 years old	2,300	105
1 driving mare, 8 years old	950	50
1 sorrell horse, 7 years old	1,500	55
1 bay mare, 5 years old	1,150	70
1 sorrel plug, 9 years old	1,100	30
1 gray horse, 8 years old	1,100	45
17 horses and mares to go North		1,000
2 gray horses, 6 years old, to go North	2,300	120

MINNEAPOLIS.

NEW BRIGHTON, Feb. 24. Receipts, 66 head of cattle, 150 head of hogs, and 100 head of sheep. Cattle—Market weak; sales, 12 steers, av 1,250 lbs, $3.80; 19 steers, av 1,020 lbs, $3.75; 18 cows, av 1,010 lbs, $2.75; 3 milkers, $85. Hogs—Market strong; sales: 47 hogs, av 200 lbs, $3.10; 23 hogs, av 330 lbs, $3; 41 hogs, av 193 lbs, $3; 44 hogs, av 175 lbs, $3.25. Sheep—Steady; sales: 99 mutton, av 105 lbs, $3.25.

SIOUX CITY.

SIOUX CITY, Io., Feb. 24.—Cattle—Receipts 1,600 head; Tuesday, 1,740 head; shipments, 776 head; market active and steady; cows, bulls and mixed, $1.25@3.45; veals, $3.50@5.25; stockers and feeders, $3.40@4.15; calves and yearlings, $3.30@4.10. Hogs—Receipts, 800 head; Tuesday, 1,549 head; shipments, 344 head; market active; big 5c higher, selling at $3.20@3.40; bulk, $3.35.

KANSAS CITY.

KANSAS CITY, Feb. 24.—Cattle—Receipts, 5,500 head; shipments, 2,600 head; native cows, and heifers, $1.75@3.65; stockers and feeders, $2.50@4.50. Hogs—Receipts, 13,000 head; shipments, 900 head; bulk of sales, $3.40@3.50. Sheep—Receipts, 2,000 head; shipments, 100 head; lambs, $3.25@4.55; muttons, $2.75@4.25.

ST. LOUIS.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 24.—Cattle—Receipts, 2,000 head; market active and strong within range. Hogs—Receipts, 6,000 head; bulk, $3.20@3.60. Sheep—Receipts, 800 head; market steady and unchanged.

OMAHA.

SOUTH OMAHA, Feb. 24.—Cattle—Receipts, 2,600 head; native beef steers, $3.75@4.85; stockers and feeders, $3.50@4.30; cows and heifers, $2.80@3.50. Hogs—Receipts, 5,700 head; bulk of sales, $3.40@3.45. Sheep—Receipts, 3,800 head; common and stock sheep, $2.50@3.35; lambs, $3.50@5.

Real Estate Transfers.

Rice Street Bld'g Soc to George Michel, E ½ of L 12, B 2, Syn'd add	$350 00
Paul Haupt and wife to James Merriam, part Lts 13 and 14, B 2, Robert & Randall's add	2,500 00
K Clark et al to G W Gardner, W ½ Lt 12 and E ½ Lt 13, B 74, Dayton & Irvine's add	12,000 00
Lydia A Bunker and hus to G W Gardner, same	12,000 00
F Knauft and wife to Caroline L Knauft, Lt 4, B 12, Kittson's add	8,500 00
Total	$55,350 00

STOCKS CLOSED OFF

FINAL QUOTATIONS FOR THE GENERAL LIST WEAK AND FRACTIONALLY DOWN.

EARLY TREND WAS UPWARD.

EVERYTHING PROMISED A DAY OF ACTIVITY AND OF RISING PRICES.

BUYING MOVEMENT SOON PASSED.

In the Reaction Only a Few Specialties Escaped the Losses That Were Scored.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—The outlook was very encouraging this morning for a day of activity and rising prices when the dealers in stocks made their appearance on the exchange. The market took an upward trend from the start, the industrials proving to be the leaders. The tone reflected from the London market was not calculated to discourage trading and prices of some of the international stocks went above the London equivalent. The railway list shared in the upward movement, though the range was confined to fractions. The favorable statement of St. Paul earnings for the third week in February, showing an increase of $7,102, gave an impetus to the increase in values of railway stocks and especially of the grangers. It was evident that the Tobacco shares had friends on guard while the company was under investigation by the legislative committee, and the progress of the inquiry was not attended by a decline in the price of shares, but rather by an increase. Leather was a special feature in the market, owing to the expectation of the giving out of the annual report. The preferred stock rose at the opening 1¼, but the price receded on the rumors of the character of the annual report, and the recession was not immediately checked on publication of the balance sheet, which showed changes in the form of a statement that proved somewhat puzzling to some observers. The early advance of 1¼ was followed by reaction of 1⅛, but the stock rallied again 1⅛ near the close against the current of the general market, which was downward, and closed with a net gain of 1¼ on the day. Minnesota Iron opened 1¾ higher, and continued to advance without interruption on the belief that the meeting of iron producers would result in benefit to the company. The net gain for the day was 4¾.

In the general market there was a lapse into apathy by 11 o'clock, the buying movement having apparently expended itself. Subsequently, a reaction set in which extended through the general list. There were various contributory factors to this movement. The report of the senate foreign relations committee in favor of demanding the unconditional release of Julio Sanguily, held in a Cuban prison by the Spanish authorities, awakened some apprehension that values would be affected by a resulting strain in our relations with Spain. There was some selling by arbitrage brokers, attracted by the higher level of prices in this market, which encouraged a reaction. The anthracite coal group held its own against the announcement that the legislative committee would undertake an extensive investigation of the affairs of those companies, but succumbed later to the general decline and to the special influence of a decline of 1½ in New Jersey Central and a renewed fall in the price of Lehigh Valley in Philadelphia. The announced suspension of a member of the exchange, W. S. Alley, also had a dampening effect, though it was subsequently explained that the suspension grew out of an old partnership settlement and had nothing to do with recent operations on the exchange. The decline was general, some of the active specialties, besides those already noted, being the only exceptions. Hocking Valley again receded on renewed rumors of a reciversbip, falling 1¼ to 5, the 6s losing 4 to 50. The 5s, however, on which interest matures on March 1, were steady. Manhattan fluctuated irregularly on doubts of action of the directors on the next dividend and the possible effect on earnings of the proposed change in motive power. The closing was weak, fractional losses being general throughout the list.

The improvement in bond values continues almost interrupted, owing to the heavy demand for investment mortgages by the banks and other leading financial institutions. Individual capitalists are also represented and although considerable amounts of middle grade bonds have been attracted from abroad, owing to the high prices current here, the influence is not apparent in the general speculation. The demand embraces a wide variety of issues and transactions are being registered in liens which have been dormant for several years past. The St. Paul bonds were conspicuous in today's dealings, and recorded gains of one to two per cent. Kansas Pacific consols fluctuated considerably, owing to the importance attached to the bondholders' meeting to consider the revised allotment under the Union Pacific reorganization plan. An acceptance of the changes was announced and the bonds left off with a gain of 1½ per cent. Some weak spots were noted, but the general tone was good with material gains in numerous instances. The sales were $1,464,000.

The total sales of stocks today were 121,724 shares, including: Tobacco, 11,800; Sugar, 28,300; Burlington & Quincy, 12,200; Chicago Gas, 3,900; General Electric, 4,700; Reading, 5,100; St. Paul, 9,100; silver certificates, 4,000.

The following were the fluctuations of the leading railway and industrial shares, furnished by C. H. F. Smith & Co., members New York stock exchange and Chicago board of trade.

	Opening.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.
S. R. & T. Co.	9½	9½	9½	9¼
Am. Tobacco	74	75	74	74½
Am. Spirits	13⅞	14	13¾	13⅞
do pfd				32½
Atchison	14½	14½	14¼	14
do pfd	23½	23¼	23	22⅞
Am. Cotton Oil				11½
Bay State Gas	11⅛	11⅛	11⅛	11
Balt. & Ohio				15½
C., B. & Q.	74⅝	74¾	73¾	73¾
C., C., C. & St. L	27¾	27¾	27⅜	27¾
Ches. & Ohio	17⅛	17⅛	17	16⅞
Chicago Gas	77¾	78⅛	77⅛	77¾
Canada Southern	44⅞	44⅞	44⅞	44¾
Col. Fuel & I	21⅛	21⅛	21⅛	21
*Delaware & Hudson	107	107	107	106¾
Del., Lack. & West	154½	154½	153¾	153
General Electric	34⅞	34⅞	34¼	34⅜
Great Northern pfd				120
Hocking Valley	5¾	5¾	5	5
Illinois Central				91¾
Jersey Central	97¼	97½	95⅞	95¾
Kansas & Texas	13	13	13	12¾
do pfd	30	30½	30	29¾
Lead				23¼
Linseed Oil	13½	13½	13½	13½
Laclede Gas				23
Louis. & Nash	49½	49¾	49⅛	49⅛
Lake E. & W	68	68	67¼	67
Leather pfd	56¼	57¾	56¼	57½
Lake Shore				156½
Manhattan Con	89	89¼	87⅞	87⅞
Minnesota Iron	44¾	47½	44¾	47
Minn. & St. L. 2d pfd				45½
Missouri Pacific	21	21	20⅝	20½
Michigan Central				89½
N. P. Common	14½	14½	14½	14¼
do pfd	38⅛	38½	37⅞	37¾
New York Central	93	93	93	92¾
Northwestern	104¼	104½	104¼	104¼
North American	4⅜	4½	4⅜	4⅜
Omaha	49¼	49½	49¼	49¼
do pfd				130
Ontario & Western	14⅝	14⅝	14½	14½
Pacific Mail	25¼	25⅛	25⅛	24⅞
Reading	24½	24⅝	24⅛	24¼
do first pfd				47
do second pfd				29⅝
Rock Island	66⅞	67¼	66¾	66⅞
Southern Railway	9	9	9	9
do pfd	28¾	28¼	28	27¾
Silver Certificates	64⅞	64⅞	64⅞	64⅞
Sugar Refinery	114¼	115⅜	114¼	114½
St. Paul	76¼	76⅜	75¾	75¾
Tennessee Coal	26⅞	27	25¾	25¾
Texas Pacific				9
Union Pacific	7⅛	7¼	7	6⅞
U. S. Rubber	21¼	21¾	21	20¾
Western Union	83½	83½	83	82⅝
Wabash	6¼	6¼	6¼	6⅛
do pfd	15⅞	15⅞	15⅞	15⅝
Wheeling & Lake E				1⅜

* Ex. div of 10 per cent.

The following were the closing quotations of other stocks as reported by the Associated Press:

Adams Exp	148	Ontario & W	14½
Alton, T. H.	56	Ore. Nav	14
Amer. Exp	111	O. S. L. & U. N.	15¼
Can. Pac	54¼	P. D. & E	2
Can. South	44¾	Pittsburg	165
Cen. Pac	10¾	Rio G. W	12½
Chicago Alton	163	do pfd	38½
Con. Gas	150½	St. P. & O	49¼
Col. C. & I	½	do pfd	130
D. & R. G. pfd	40½	South. Pac	14¾
East Tenn	14	Tenn. C. & I.	25¾
Ft. Wayne	163	T. & O. C. pfd	50

Great Nor. pfd	120	U. S. Exp	35
C. & E. I. pfd	95	Wells Fargo Exp.	99¼
St. P. & D	18	Wheel. & L. E.	1¼
Kan. & Texas pfd.	29¾	do pfd	5
L. & N. A	¼	Minn. & St. L.	18¼
Man. Con	87⅝	D. & R. G.	10¼
Mem. & Charles.	15	Nat'l Linseed	12
M. & O	20	Col. F. & I	21¼
Nash. Chatt	66	do pfd	90
N. J. Cen	95¾	T., S. L. & K. C.	5¼
Norfolk & W. pfd.	16¼	do pfd	18¼
U. P., D. & G	1⅞	Southern	9
Northwestern pfd.	153½	do pfd	27¾
N. Y. & N. E.	37		

BOND LIST.

U. S. new 4s reg.	122⅜	Cen. Pac. 1sts '95.	102¼
do new 4s coup.	122⅜	D. & R. G. 7s.	111¼
do 5s reg	113½	do 4s	88¼
do 5s coup	113½	Erie Seconds	66
do 4s reg	111⅞	G. H. & S. A. 6s.	104
do 4s coup	113	do 7s	96
do 2s reg	95½	H. & T. Cent. 5s.	109¼
Pacific 6s of '95.	103½	do 6s	102
Ala., Class A	105	M. K. T. first 4s.	84¼
do Class B	105	do second 4s	59⅞
do Class C	98	Mutual Union 6s.	110
do Currency	98	N. J. C. Gen. 5s.	117
La. New Con. 4s.	96	N. P. 1sts	116
Missouri 6s	100	do 2ds	55¼
N. Carolina 6s.	122	do 3ds	55¼
do 4s	102	Northwest Con	141
S. C. Non-Fund.	½	do S. F. deb. 5s.	111¼
Tenn. New Set 6s.	80	R. G. W. 1sts	72⅞
do 5s	105	St. Paul Con. 7s.	132¼
do Old 6s	60	do C. & P. W. 5s.	113⅞
Va. Centuries	62	St.L.& I.M.Gen.5s.	75
do deferred	6	St.L.& S.F.Gen.6s.	111¾
Atchison 4s	81¾	Tex. Pac. 1sts	88⅞
do Second A	46⅜	do seconds	21¼
Can. So. 2ds	108	U. P. 1sts of '95.	104¼
O. R. & N. 1sts	113	West Shore fours.	106⅝
do 4s	83⅛		

NEW YORK MINING STOCKS.

Bulwer	$0 50	Ontario	$1 00
Cholor	85	Ophir	80
Crown Point	20	Plymouth	11
Con. Cal. & Va.	1 90	Quicksilver	1 00
Deadwood	1 00	do pfd	10 00
Gould & Curry	40	Sierra Nevada	40
Hale & Norcross	1 00	Standard	1 65
Homestake	29 00	Union Con	30
Iron Silver	33	Yellow Jacket	20
Mexican	32		

BOSTON MINING SHARES.

Allouez Min. Co.	1	Franklin	11
Atlantic	23	Kearsarge	18¼
Boston & Mont.	114	Osceola	33
Butte & Boston	14¼	Quincy	116
Calumet & Hecla	36	Tamarack	119
Centennial	6¼	Wolverine	9⅞

FOREIGN FINANCIAL.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—Evening Post's London financial cablegram: The settlement shows a very small account and the market recovered confidence today. The close was about at the best. Contangoes on Americans were 3½. There was no increase in the account, but money is rather dearer. The tone of the Americans was good, but there was no business. The Paris and Berlin markets were firm.

NEW YORK MONEY.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—Money on call easy at 1½@1¾ per cent; last loan, 1½; closed, 1½@1¾ per cent. Prime mercantile paper, 3@4. Sterling exchange steady, with actual business in bankers' bills, at $4.86¾@4.87 for demand, and $4.85 for sixty days. Posted rates, $4.85½@4.86 and $4.87@4.88. Commercial bills, $4.84. Silver certificates, 64⅞c. Bar silver, 64 13-16c.

BANK CLEARINGS.

St. Paul—$572,885.20.

Minneapolis—$1,250,403.

New York—Clearings, $105,760,125; balances, $6,163,739.

Boston—Clearings, $16,601,452; balances, $1,759,347.

CHICAGO MONEY.

CHICAGO, Feb. 24.—New York exchange, 60c bid, 70c asked, discount. Foreign exchange steady; demand, $4.87; sixty days, $4.85.

TREASURY STATEMENT.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—Today's statement of the condition of the treasury shows: Available cash balance, $215,091,692; gold reserve, $147,128,919.

BANK CLOSED.

ALBANY, N. Y., Feb. 24.—The German-American Bank of Tonawanda was closed today by order of Superintendent of Banks Milburn, on the ground of insolvency.

MISCELLANEOUS.

NEW YORK MARKET.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—Hay quiet. Hops steady. Hides firm. Leather firm. Wool quiet. Beef firm. Cut meats firm. Lard firm. Pork dull, but firm. Petroleum quiet. Rosin quiet. Turpentine quiet. Rice steady. Molasses quiet. Pig iron quiet. Copper quiet. Lead strong. Tin firmer. Spelter steady. Cottonseed oil steady, but without buying interest, except at lower prices. Coffee options opened barely steady, 5 to 10 points lower; closed steady 5 to 10 points net decline. Closed: March, 9@9.05c; May, 9.05@9.15c. Spot coffee, Rio, easy; mild quiet. Sugar, raw firm, refined steady.

MINNEAPOLIS HAY MARKET.

MINNEAPOLIS, Feb. 24.—J. A. Huntt & Co. report that there is no material change to note in the market. The best grades bring the top prices freely, but low grades are slow of sale at a reduction of 50 cents per ton.

Choice Iowa upland	$5.50@6.50
Choice Minnesota upland	5.00@5.50
Medium	3.00@4.00
Mixed hay	4.50@5.00
Coarse as to quality	3.00@4.00
Timothy	6.00@7.00
Rye straw, choice	4.00@4.25

SEED MARKETS.

CHICAGO, Feb. 24.—The flaxseed market was inclined to be weak today. Trading was very light and without feature. Receipts here were 18 cars, 2 cars at Duluth and 3 cars at Minneapolis. The official close, as reported by the Weare Commission company, is as follows: Cash flax at 76½c, May at 76½@76¾c asked, July at 78c and September at 79¾c per bu. Cash timothy seed closed at $6.25 and March at $2.70 per 100 lbs. Clover seed closed at $7.50 per 100 lbs. Minneapolis flax seed quoted at 73¾c per bu.

NEW YORK DRY GOODS.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—There was more general inquiry for everything that goes to make up the stocks of the largest jobbers and retailers, and business was done in everything from the finest to the coarsest dimities. Bleached cottons did well as the result of orders; so did printed cloths. Dress goods were in request for woolen fabrics and many goods went forward on old orders. Wide sheetings had attention and brown cottons were not neglected.

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