

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL

Bull and Bear Factors Leave the Market Much as They Found It.

WHEAT CLOSES AT WEDNESDAY'S PRICE

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The opening in wheat was weak on the declining tendency which so readily succeeded the strong opening at Liverpool. The exhibition a few minutes later of cablegrams from Liverpool reporting the advance of 1/4 there, but which was not referred to a later hour than the subsequent decline that was known to have taken place, deceived a good many of those who saw them and were the means of inducing buyers, which were not to recover 1/4 in about ten minutes. The opening transactions were over a range of from 73 1/2 to 75 1/2 and the uptick went to 74 1/2.

Provisions, after dragging up to noon, improved radically during the last hour and closed very strong. The price was generally at an advance due to the small hog receipts. The market was very active during the morning and prices were practically at a standstill. Then a sudden rush of buying took place, the price rising to the point of the day. At the close, market was 1/2 to 1/4 higher than yesterday.

Table with columns: Article, High, Low, Close, Yesterday. Lists various commodities like wheat, corn, oats, and provisions.

OMAHA GENERAL MARKET.

Condition of Trade and Quotations on Staple and Fancy Produce. EDG—Fresh gathered, 80 1/2 c. BUTTER—Common cream, 74 1/2 c; choice to fancy, 80 c; separator creamery, 85 c; gathering creamery, 14 c.

STOCKS AND BONDS.

New York Continues and Stocks Show a Fractional Gain.

NEW YORK, March 18.—The course of the stocks in today's market was extremely irregular, but an undertone of strength was manifested in the railway list particularly.

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London Stock Quotations.

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