ATTACKED AN EDITOR

Mrs. Thurber of Richfield Goes On the Warpath.

JOHN METEER THE VICTIM

PUBLISHED A PETITION FOR SUPPRESSION OF POLYGAMY.

Mrs. Thurber Took Exceptions and Made a Disgraceful Exhibition—Pushing Work On the Jordan Narrows Plant—Asylum Board Meeting—Coal Miners In Demand.

(From The Herald's Correspondents.)

Richfield, Utah, March 10.—Soon after the arrival of the mail this afternoon the customary crowd congregated at the postoffice. Editor John Meteer of the Advocate, with an armful of papers, was about to leave the office, when a lady of athletic build administered to him a terrific swinging slap in the face. He was taken completely by surprise, and busied himself warding off the other blows that she directed at him. Finally the Amazon desisted, with the statement that there were others of her sex ready to finish the job.

Last Wednesday's issue of the Advocate published a burlesque petition to the Richfield city council, praying for the suppression of the alleged common practice of polygamy in the community, and also added some vigorous editorial comments. This aroused the ire of Annie Thurber, a plural wife of Joseph Thurber, and it was she who made the assault, she emphasizing her blows with a number of choice epithets too strong for print. A number of those who saw the onslaught are indignant. Mrs. Thurber will be arrested tomorrow.

JORDAN NARROWS PLANT.

Electricity Will Be Generated Within Sixty Days.

Lehi, March 10.—Your correspondent visited today the works of the Salt Lake City Water & Electrical Power company, and found that it is taking the old canal and making a new one of it. The company expects to put in a half mile of flume to shorten the route. About 250 men and teams are at work, and it looks like a bee hive.

At Jordan Narrows very extensive preparations are being made. They will put in four six-foot pipes to carry water from the canal to the power house, making about 2,500-horse power of electricity, furnishing Mercur and Bingham with power and lights.

Mr. W. F. Shelton, engineer and superintendent, said that they would be furnishing electricity in 60 days, but it would be some time before the plant would be complete, and that if the company meets any kind of encouragement, it would spend a great deal of money here.

They are at work now stringing poles to Mercur, and work in all departments is being pushed. The canal work will be completed in two weeks.

MINERS IN DEMAND.

Scofield Makes a Draft On Coalville —Foremen Examined.

Coalville, March 10.—Mine Inspector Gomar Thomas this morning received a telegram from Superintendent Parmley, at Scofield, asking for as many coal miners as could be sent from here, stating that all who desired work could get it at once at good wages. Quite a number will accept the offer.

Three of the coal mine foremen, H. L. Thomas, J. E. Pettit and J. M. Faddies were being examined today as to their qualifications to fill such positions, by the local board of examiners, Mark Hopkins, J. R. Robinson and Inspector Thomas. No report has yet been made.

It is showing heavily here tonight.

While the health of the people generally is good, Dr. Hosmer says there are enough on the sick list to keep him busy all the time.

Mrs. M. E. Rhoades is moving her store building from Main street, where it has stood on leased ground ever since its erection some ten or 11 years ago, to her own lot on the corner of Center and First East streets.

NEW SUPERINTENDENT.

Mr. Valazes Takes Charge of the Lehi Sugar Factory.

Lehi, Utah, March 10.—The new superintendent of the Utah Sugar factory, Mr. Valazes, has arrived and taken charge of the work.

The mother beets will be looked after right away and be placed in the earth for raising seed this season, but seed planting will not commence for some time yet, as early planting is not considered profitable.

Last evening Manager Cutler and several of the employees of the Utah Sugar company, gave a farewell testimonial to ex-Superintendent C. A. Granger, who leaves shortly to take charge of the new factory at La Grande, Ore. A social and supper were given at the Union hotel. Mr. Cutler presented to Mr. Granger a gold locket with a diamond setting and a sugar beet engraved on the opposite side. About 40 persons attended.

At the home of Mr. M. Evans a little son has appeared, and at Mr. Joseph Briggs' a daughter. All parties are happy.

BEAT HIS BOARD BILL.

Man From Colorado Must Serve 25 Days In Jail.

Provo, March 10.—D. B. June, who for the last two months has been loitering around the sheriff's office, was last evening arrested upon a charge of obtaining board and lodging under false pretenses. June came to Provo from Clear Creek, leaving his board bill unpaid at that place. He told Sheriff Storrs that he had been robbed on the train by a confidence man, and again that he had been held up and robbed by tramps while walking from Pleasant Valley Junction up to Soldier Summit. He also said that he had large property interests in California. These are only a few of the conflicting stories he has told. While at Grand Junction the sheriff learned that June had made similar representations there and had also omitted to pay his board bill. June was this morning sentenced to serve a term of 25 days in the county jail. The sheriff believes that June is either insane or a first-class rogue.

DEFENDED THE PROPHET.

Good Saint at Clarkston Cleaned Out a Dramatic Company.

Logan, March 10.—An amusing tale comes from Clarkston. A traveling dramatic company played a drama entitled, "The Prophet Joseph" over there a few nights since. The play deals with the life of the Prophet Joseph Smith, and in one act all sorts of indignities were heaped upon the man playing that part. One of the prominent citizens of Clarkston who attended became so worked up in his sympathies, that when an individual appeared on the stage with a whip and started in to lash the prophet, he forgot himself entirely and charged through the audience toward the stage like a mad bull. The actors skedaddled, and it took three or four strong men to convince the riled Clarkstonite that he was attending a show, instead of fighting an old-time mob.

A GENERAL STORM.

Snow Fall Extended Over the State—Weather Reports.

The Deseret Telegraph company's reports from points along its line at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon were as follows:

Provo—Cold and stormy.

Nephi—Cold, windy; threatening snow.

Scipio—Very cold; storming little this afternoon.

Kanosh—Still snowing; melting fast.

Fillmore—Been snowing a little all day; very wet.

Parowan—Cloudy; very cold this evening; snow six inches.

Cedar City—Very cold this afternoon; looks like more snow; four inches on ground.

Toquerville—Storming this morning; no rain or snow this afternoon; cold north wind.

Kanab—Storming lightly; had a little rain this afternoon.

St. George—Very cold; quite cloudy; no storm.

Springville—Cloudy this afternoon; calm.

Payson—Cloudy; been snowing; colder tonight.

Fountain Green—Cloudy this afternoon.

Moroni—Colder tonight; still cloudy.

Mt. Pleasant—Cloudy; muddy; snowing this afternoon.

Spring City—Very cold; looks like snow.

Richfield—Very cold; clear.

Ephraim—Four inches of snow on ground; snowing this afternoon.

Salina—Been snowing all day; cloudy this afternoon.

Ogden—Windy and cold this afternoon; no snow.

Logan—Clear and cold.

Franklin, Ida.—Clear and cold; north wind.

Paris, Ida.—Cloudy; quite cold.

LOGAN LOCALS.

Campaign For School Superintendent —Foreclosure Suit.

Logan, March 10.—The campaign for the Democratic nomination for county school superintendent is just beginning. Several candidates are laying their lines, it is said. The most prominent of these are Samuel Oldham of Paradise, the present incumbent, William Raymond of Smithfield, George M. Thomson of Richfield, and H. B. Campbell of Providence.

A large number of people will leave Cache valley this spring for Teton Basin, and Alberta, Canada, where they will make their future homes.

Judge Boreman of Ogden is in town today, soliciting for his paper, the Commonwealth.

Attorney George Halvorsen came up from Ogden today on legal business.

The town is filled with drummers who came here to attend the wedding reception of William H. White, held last evening. They had a royal good time at the reception, which was attended by a large number of relatives and friends of the contracting parties.

A suit for foreclosure of mortgages was filed in the district court this morning by J. M. Schreiber against George J. Bywater and wife of Salt Lake City. The mortgage was for $125, and judgment is asked for this amount and $50 attorney's fee.

The people of Cache Junction have decided to erect a new school building there this summer.

Joseph Tarbet of Logan and Niels Andersen of Weston were arrested last night for drunkenness. Andersen put up $5, which was declared forfeited when he failed to appear this morning as he agreed to. Tarbet pleaded guilty and was sent to jail for five days.

STATE INSANE ASYLUM.

Number of Patients Is 265—Meeting of the Board.

Provo City, March 10.—The asylum board held its regular monthly meeting at the state insane asylum today, all members of the board being present. The following report of the condition of patients was made by the medical superintendent:

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Number of patients in the asylum Jan. 31.....	136	129	265
Number admitted during the month of February	11	4	15
Number under treatment during month.....	147	124	271
Number died during month	3	0	3
Number discharged during month	0	3	3
Number in asylum Feb. 28, 1898.....	144	121	265

The following appropriations were made by the board: On the current expense account $1,169.93; for salaries, $1,246.65; for sundry accounts, $43.20.

The treasurer made the following report: Amount of money on hand Feb. 1, 1898, $17,269.80; disbursements on contingent account, $53.95; on the care and treatment account, $2,448.07; total disbursements, $2,502.02; balance on hand March 1, 1898, $15,497.78. The steward was directed to purchase a set of tubes for a small boiler in use at the asylum.

Governor Wells and the other members of the board will remain at Provo tonight to attend an entertainment in the nature of a social and dancing party to be given in the asylum chapel this evening. Dr. Hardy reports that these social communions of the inmates have a very beneficial effect, and at the same time throw a gleam of sunlight into the lives of the poor unfortunates.

PROVO SOCIETY.

Hot Time Club Entertained at Springville—Sorosis Anniversary.

Provo, March 10.—About 60 couples, members of the "Hot Time club" of this city, went over to Springville last evening to attend a party given in honor of the club by prominent society people of that city. A very enjoyable time was had and all who attended are praising Springville's hospitality.

The Utah Sorosis gave a reception to the members of the Nineteenth Century club, the Women's club of Springville, and to its numerous friends in this city at the beautiful home of Mrs. S. H. Allen this afternoon. The reception rooms were artistically decorated with flowers, pot plants and the colors of the club.

This evening the members of the club entertained their husbands and sweethearts at a social to be given at Dr. Allen's. The occasion is the first anniversary of the Sorosis, and the members are very much elated over the progress made during the past year. The club now has a membership of about 25, and everything bespeaks for it a brilliant future.

The reception was very largely attended and all were delighted by the cordiality with which they were received and entertained. Refreshments were served in the spacious dining room, and the club has not only made itself a reputation by its literary work, but has also made itself famous for affability and the art of entertainment.

WHITE RIVER COLONISTS.

Advance Guard Starts From Ephraim —Academy Work Suspended.

Ephraim, March 10.—Several parties left here today for the White River country, in Nevada, where they will join the Mormon colony that will settle that section. Last fall Apostle A. H. Lund and Henry Beal, one of the counselors to the stake president, in company with other church authorities, went out and located several townsites, and the parties who left today are the vanguard of the many who will leave the country for that place during the summer.

Little Royal Peterson fell off a shed and was severely injured a couple of days ago. He struck squarely on the top of his head, and was unconscious for some time after he was picked up. The fall seemed to hurt his back worse than his head. He is recovering.

Work on the mining claims in the West mountains is being prosecuted with renewed vigor. Men are at work on the Good Luck, Alexander and Jupiter claims. The indications are very encouraging to the owners of these properties.

C. J. Christensen has purchased the store building known as the South Co-op, and will open up a branch for the Co-op Wagon & Machine company. Mr. Christensen will also carry a complete line of hardware.

Work on the Sanpete stake academy has been suspended by order of President Woodruff. The reason given is that President Woodruff wishes the church to be out of debt before he dies, and consequently it cannot aid in the construction of the academy. Authorities here will endeavor to have the order modified, so as to allow the people here to go ahead with the work as fast as possible. The need for more room to accommodate the pupils who desire to attend this growing institution is urgent. Many were turned away this term for want of proper accommodations.

Ground was broken this morning for the new buildings to be erected by George Quinn and the Golden Rule Cash store. They will build a joint front, which will be the handsomest in this section of the state. Mr. Quinn's building will occupy the corner and will provide quarters for a bank, a store, and the upper part will be fitted up for a modern hotel. The building will be a three-story brick.

The Stuttz Theatre company opens a five nights' engagement at the new opera house Saturday night.

Miss Eva Devereaux, who has been spending the past year with M. F. Murray's family, left today for her home in Oklahoma.

MARYSVALE'S AMBITION.

Wants to Become a Part of the County Seat.

Marysvale, Utah, March 10.—A committee from Marysvale attended the last session of the county commissioners at Junction, and presented a petition to have this precinct made a part of Junction, in order that the district court might hold its sessions and the commissioners meet here. The commissioners deferred action until the matter had been further investigated.

By order of the state land board a further hearing has been had before Referee H. Van Martin in the land contest between Chris Kotkil, M. Pitts House and Chesselle. The testimony has been forwarded to the board.

The farmers are somewhat alarmed by the scarcity of snow in the mountains. Horse Heaven can be traversed anywhere with a horse and prospectors can go anywhere they choose over the hills, and many of them are doing so.

A SPRINGVILLE RAID.

Six Alleged Gamblers Caught In the Police Dragnet.

Springville, Utah, March 10.—This afternoon the police dragnet made another visit to the haunts of the gambling fraternity and as a result six more men are in the clutches of the law. Marshal Gemmel placed under arrest Lute Chase, Sam Dallin, Ezra Oakley, Ernest Meneray, Riley Roylance and Vic Dallin. The two latter, a few days ago, paid fines as a result of last week's arrests. Others will be arrested tomorrow. The authorities now have the ringleaders of the fraternity in hand, and some interesting developments are promised in the next few days.

Spring City Notes.

Spring City, Utah, March 9.—Attorney W. K. Reid is in town on business relating to the revising of the city ordinances.

The case of Orson Allred vs. E. A. Billington, both of Spring City, was tried yesterday before Justice Williams of Mount Pleasant, who gave judgment for Allred in the sum of $20.

Mayor Justesen and Councilman Allred visited Mount Pleasant yesterday.

The funeral services of the wife of Hogan Neilson were held yesterday. Deceased was an aged and much respected citizen and left many friends to mourn her death.

SUTRO'S CONTRACT WIFE.

Handsome Woman of Thirty Turns Up to Assert Her Rights.

San Francisco, March 10.—The Chronicle this morning says that for some weeks it has been known to members of the family of ex-Mayor Adolph Sutro, the multi-millionaire, who was recently declared incompetent, and to a few professional gentlemen connected with the conduct of the estate, that a woman calling herself Mrs. Clarise Kluge has been declaring that she is Sutro's contract wife, and claiming to possess the strongest of evidence to back up her claim.

Recently she visited one of the ex-mayor's attorneys and told him the story of her alleged relations with Sutro, which, she said, had existed for some years. She announced her intention of standing up for her interests if any move was made by the family to keep her out of what was due her, but said that she did not want to harass Mr. Sutro or to make trouble for the heirs if it could be avoided.

She also confided in Joseph H. Moore, an attorney, who was formerly connected with the Sutro estate, and in G. Spencer, a well-known money-lender, who is now suing the Barron estate in San Jose for over $20,000.

Mrs. Kluge is a handsome woman of 30, who lives in elegant style. She has two children. When interviewed, she stated she was Sutro's niece, but would not admit that she also claimed to be his contract wife.

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MARKET IS SENSITIVE

Yesterday's Stock Dealings Showed a Further Depression.

SPECULATION IS TIMID

DISPOSITION TO WAIT UNTIL CONDITIONS SETTLE.

Bears Held the Field During Most of the Day—Continued Influx of Gold Fails to Have Any Effect In Sustaining the Market—Bonds Weak, Speculative Issues Leading.

New York, March 10.—Today's stock market showed a further contraction in the volume of dealings and an apathetic tone to the trading which indicated the prevailing disposition to refrain from speculative activity until conditions become more settled.

There is continued uneasiness regarding the Cuban situation which finds its reflection in the large offerings of securities on any substantial advance. It is the evident belief also that the present conditions, so far as they are known, do not warrant a further violent decline in prices. There was a strenuous attempt in the early dealings today to mark up prices with the purpose of pinching small bear traders and also for the purpose of realizing at the higher level. This maneuver, which proved so successful yesterday and Tuesday, brought such abundant offerings that it was soon abandoned.

BEARS IN CONTROL.

The bears retained control of the field the rest of the day. A small amount of arbitrage buying for London account aided in the early resistence to the decline and the strength of special stocks tended to the same end. The unsettled and uneasy tone on foreign exchanges, especially the weakness of Spanish is in London and Paris helped materially to the efforts to advance prices. The continued influx of gold failed to have any effect in sustaining the market. Neither did it save the foreign exchange market from falling an additional fraction.

CALL MONEY AND LOANS.

There was a perceptibly easier tone in the rates for call money and loans at the close were made at ½ per cent. Lenders are still loath to make time loans. A large part of today's selling was attributed to Washington. There is no doubt that the bears employed the usual channels for Washington selling for the sake of effect and they accompanied it today by the circulation of sensational rumors regarding developments in the Cuban situation.

SENSITIVE MARKET.

Because of last week's Washington selling previous to the publication of the news of Consul General Lee's requested recall, the market is extremely sensitive to any demonstration from that quarter. Today's net declines are about a point or over all through the list and effectually wipe out the disturbance of yesterday and the day before.

Bonds were weak throughout the day in sympathy with stocks, the speculative issues leading the decline. Total sales, $1,065,000. United States new 4s and 4s coupon advanced ½ and the 5s ¼.

MONEY MARKET.

Close: Money on call easy, 1@1½ per cent; last loan, 1 per cent. Prime mercantile paper, 4@4½ per cent. Sterling exchange weak with actual business in bankers' bills at 4.85¾ for demand and at 4.80¾@4.81 for 60 days. Posted rates, 4.82@4.83 and 4.85@4.85½. Commercial bills, 4.80¾@4.80½.

Silver certificates, 54½@55. Bar silver, 54¾. Mexican dollars, 44¾.

SALES OF STOCKS.

The total sales of stocks today were 283,900 shares, including Burlington, 28,275; L. & N., 5,966; Manhattan, 12,255; Metropolitan, 4,790; Missouri Pacific, 4,937; New York Central, 8,257; Northern Pacific, 8,156; Northern Pacific preferred, 15,982; Rock Island, 6,635; St. Paul, 25,775; Union Pacific, 4,700; Tobacco, 25,885; People's Gas, 8,975; General Electric, 3,195; Sugar, 32,585.

BOND QUOTATIONS.

U S new 4s reg..123½		N J Cent 5s.....112	
Do coup.. ..123¾		Nor Pac 1sts 115¼	
U S 4s.....115½		Do 2s.. 69	
Do coup.....112		Do 4s.. .. .... 94½	
Do 2nds.. .. .. 98½		Nor & W 6s 125	
U S 5s reg. 111½		N W consols 144	
Do 5s coup.....111½		Do deb 5s 117¾	
Can So 2nds....107½		O Nav 1sts.. 113	
D & R G 1sts ..110		O Nav 4s.. .... 94½	
D & R G 4s..... 90		O S L 6s t r....121	
H & T C 5s.....109		O S L 5s t r....100	
Do con 6s.....106		O Imp 1sts t r..96	
Iowa C 1sts.... 98		Do 5s t r..... 55½	
K P Con t r....101½		Reading 4s.. 82	
K P 1 D D t r..111¾		R G W 1sts.. .. 81½	
La new con 4s.. 86¾		U P D & G 1sts 54½	
M K & T 2nds.. 59¾		U P pfd.. 89	
Do 4s.. .. .... 91½		U P 4s.. 92	
N Y Cent 1sts....116			

STOCK QUOTATIONS.

Atchison.. .. .. 11¾		Rock Island 83⅞	
Preferred 25⅞		St Paul.. .. .... 90¾	
Balt & Ohio.. .. 16½		Preferred 145¾	
Can Pac..... 86½		So Pac.. 18	
Ches & Ohio.. .. 19		Tex Pac.. .. .... 9¾	
Chi & Alton.. ..155		Union Pac.. 56	
C B & Q..... 91		U P D & G..... 7⅞	
Del & Hudson ..109		Wabash..... 6¾	
Del L & W 150¾		Preferred 15¾	
D & R G.. 11		Adams Ex.. 102	
Preferred 44½		Am Ex.. 122	
Ft Wayne 161		United States .. 41	
Gt Nor pfd.. 151		Wells Fargo.. ..115	
Ill Cent.. .. ....99½		Col F & Iron.. ..78	
Lake Shore 188		Preferred 78	
Mich Cent.. .....103⅞		Gen Electric.. ..213⅞	
Mo Pac 25¾		Lead.. 39	
Mo K & T.. .... 10¾		Preferred 103¾	
Preferred 35		Ore Imp Co 24¼	
N J Cent.. .... 91⅝		Pullman Pal 174	
N Y Cent.. 111		Silver Cert 54¾	
Nor West.. .... 12⅝		St R & Twine.. .. 5⅜	
Nor Pac.. .. .. 21⅜		Sugar 125⅝	
Preferred 69		Preferred 111¾	
O R & N..... 45		West Union 82½	
O S L..... 29		R G W 23	
Pitsburg 169		Preferred 57	
Reading.. .. .... 17⅝			

NEW YORK MINING STOCKS.

Cheltar	20	Ontario	2.50
Crown Point.. ..	12	Ophir	40
Con Cal & Va..	70	Plymouth	8
Deadwood	75	Quicksilver	1.00
Gould & Curry..	12	Preferred	2.00
Hale & Nore....	1.20	Sierra Nevada..	90
Homestake	37.00	Standard	1.70
Iron Silver	40	Union Con	20
Mexican	23	Yellow Jacket ..	22

SAN FRANCISCO MINING STOCKS.

San Francisco, March 10.—The official closing quotations for mining stocks today were as follows:

Alta	15	Hale & Norcross	1.40
Alpha Con..	8	Julia	2
Andes	19	Kentuck Con ..	2
Belcher	24	Mexican	25
Best & Belcher	31	Occidental Con..	1.55
Bullion..	9	Ophir	45
Caledonia	28	Overman	11
Challenge Con....	20	Potosi	25
Chollar	26	Savage	23
Confidence	65	Scorpion	6
Con Cal & Va...	77	Sierra Nevada...	1.95
Con New York..	2	Union Con	35
Crown Point	14	Utah Con	12
Exchequer	5	Yellow Jacket ..	23
Gould & Curry..	18	Standard	1.75

FOREIG NFINANCES.

Gold In Strong Demand For New York—Americans Lifeless.

New York, March 10.—The Evening Post's London financial cablegram: The stock markets here remained quiet today during the progress of the settlement. There were no fresh political scares, but the markets were weakened by fears of the settlement tomorrow. Large losses have been made in Grand Trunk, Americans, mines and Brazils. The latter concerns Paris as well.

Several firms are in difficulties, but I learn that the largest will be helped over and probably one or two small failures will be announced. Americans were lifelessly dull for the reasons stated.

Gold is in strong demand for New York at 77s 10½d. Eagles will probably leave the Bank of England tomorrow. Details of the gold movement for the week show the shipment of £215,000 to South America, the sale of £50,000 in American gold coins, the receipt of £114,000 from Australia and the purchase of £10,000 in French coins and of £62,000 in Japanese coins.

Spanish and Brazilian stocks were sold heavily from Paris at the close here.

Silver In London.

London, March 10.—Bar silver quiet at 25 3-16d per ounce.

Coffee and Sugar.

New York, March 10.—Coffee—Options opened steady with prices unchanged, ruled moderately active with weak undertone, lack of speculation and unsatisfactory European cables. Closed barely steady, 5@10 points lower. Sales, 17,500 bags, including May, 5.35. Spot coffee, Rio, quiet; No. 7 invoice, 6; No. 7 jobbing, 6¼. Mild, quiet. Cordova, 7¼@8.

Sugar—Raw, steady; fair refining, 3⅞; refined, quiet. Mould A, 5⅝; standard A, 5; confectioners' A, 5; cut loaf, 5¾; crushed, 5¾; granulated, 5¾.

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS.

Wheat Dull and Lower, Corn Higher, Provisions Steady.

Chicago, March 10.—Dullness as marked as at any time during the holiday season marked the opening in wheat. There was a good deal of uncertainty regarding the figures on farm reserves in the forthcoming government crop report, and traders as a consequence were unwilling to go deeper either way than they were already. This feeling in fact was marked throughout the session, and the market at no time exhibited any real degree of activity. The start was easier. Liverpool cables were disappointing, showing about ¾d decline. News from Washington regarding the Spanish complications was also of a more disturbing character and another big addition to the stocks of contract wheat at Chicago was reported.

July opened at 90@90⅛, and May ¼ lower, at 1.04¾. For nearly half an hour prices kept within a ⅛ radius. Then, helped by an firm, even firmer in corn, which took place about that time, and also by the predictions of freezing weather over the west and southwest, prices improved a trifle. It was but temporary, however. Though no selling pressure of consequence developed, there was for the rest of the session almost an entire absence of buying orders for July and that delivery slowly but surely gravitated toward a lower level. May for some time held fairly firm, traders being apparently afraid to sell that delivery, but the weakness in July finally encouraged them and offerings became free enough to cause a drop to 1.04. July declined to 89¾ and closed at 90¼@90¾. May wound up at 1.04.

Corn was under the influence of the government crop report. Wet weather probably affected early buying a little. May closed ⅛ higher.

There was only a small scalping trade in oats, with prices keeping within ¼ range. The dullness was due to the government report. May closed ⅜ lower.

Provisions were rather inactive, but fairly steady. At the close May pork was 2½ lower, May lard a shade higher, and May ribs a shade lower.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

WHEAT—No 2:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
May ..	1.04¾	1.04¾	1.04	1.04
July ..	90¼@90⅝	90⅝	89¾	90¼@90¾

CORN—No. 2:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
May ..	30½	30½	30¼	30⅝
July ..	31¼	31⅝	31½	31½@31⅝

OATS—No. 2:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
May ..	26⅝@27	27¼	26⅝	26⅞
July ..	24⅜	24⅝	24¼	24⅜

MESS PORK—Per Bbl:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close
May ..	10.20	10.37½	10.25	10.27½
July ..	10.32½	10.42½	10.32½	10.22½

LARD—Per 100 Lbs:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
May ..	5.22½	5.25	5.22½	5.22½
July ..	5.27½	5.32½	5.27½	5.30

SHORT RIBS—Per 100 Lbs:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
May ..	5.15	5.17½	5.12½	5.15
July ..	5.22½	5.25	5.20	5.20

Cash quotations were as follows:

Flour—Steady.

Wheat—Spring No. 2, 92@94; No. 3 spring, 94@1.00; No. 2 red, 1.02@1.02¾.

Corn—No. 2, 25¾.

Oats—No. 2, 26¾; No. 2 white, f. o. b., 31; No. 3 white, f. o. b., 28½@29.

Rye—No. 2, 49¾.

Barley—No. 2, f. o. b., 34@40.

Flax Seed—No. 1, 1.17.

Timothy—Prime seed, 2.90.

Mess Pork—Per barrel, 10.25@10.30.

Lard—Per 100 pounds, 5.17½@5.20.

Short Ribs—Sides (loose), 5.00@5.20.

Shoulders—Dry salted (boxed), 4.75@5.00.

Short Clear Sides—(Boxed), 5.25@5.45.

Whisky—Distillers' finished goods, per gallon, 1.18½.

Sugar—Cut loaf, unchanged.

San Francisco Grain.

San Francisco, March 10.—Wheat was steady; December, 1.04½; May, 1.11½.

Barley strong; December, 98½; May, 1.01½.

Omaha Live Stock.

Omaha, Neb., March 10.—Cattle—Receipts 2,300. Market steady for best, others slow and lower; native beef steers, 3.85@4.80; western steers, 3.60@4.60; Texas steers, 3.00@3.80; cows and heifers, 3.10@4.10; canners, 2.00@3.00; stockers and feeders, 3.75@4.85; bulls, stags, etc., 2.70@3.80.

Hogs—Receipts 4,800. Market 5 cents higher; heavy, 3.75@3.85; mixed, 3.80; light, 3.80@3.87½; bulk of sales, 3.80@3.82½.

Sheep—Receipts 1,200. Market steady; fair to choice natives, 3.70@4.70; fair to choice westerns, 3.50@4.50; common and stock sheep, 3.00@3.90; lambs, 4.25@5.25.

Kansas City Live Stock.

Kansas City, Mo., March 10.—Cattle—Receipts 4,500. Market active and strong; ordinary dressed beef steers, 3.80@4.40; choice shippers, 5.25@5.50; bulk, 4.45@5.10; native cows and heifers, 2.50@4.50; western fed steers, 4.00@4.65; cows, 3.00@3.80; bulls, 3.00@4.00; stockers and feeders, 4.00@5.30.

Hogs—Receipts 11,200. Market steady; bulk of sales, 3.70@3.85; heavies and packers, 3.80@3.92½; medium and mixed, 3.75@3.85; lights, 3.60@3.80; pigs, 2.25@3.65.

Sheep—Receipts 4,000. Sheep strong and lambs barely steady; fed western muttons, largely at 4.10@4.40; western yearlings, 4.50@4.55; fair western lambs, 5.15@5.20.

Chicago Live Stock.

Chicago, March 10.—The greater part of the cattle crossed the scales at 4.25@5.10; prime, 5.25@5.65; cannings cows, 2.50@3.00; fat cows and heifers, 3.50@4.40; bulls, 2.60@3.85; calves were unchanged.

Hogs—Were 5@10 higher; poorest to best, 3.55@4.07½; bulk, 3.80@3.95; pigs, 3.60@3.90.

Sheep—Were in demand at 3.00@3.50 for common flocks, up to 4.70 for prime, fed westerns selling chiefly at 4.00@4.50; yearlings, 4.50@5.00; inferior to prime lambs, 4.25@5.50, not many going below 5.00.

Receipts—Cattle, 8,000; hogs, 22,000; sheep, 11,000.

Denver Live Stock.

Denver, March 10.—Cattle—Receipts, 700; market firm with strong demand. Best steers, 3.60@4.40; cows, 2.00@4.00; stockers and feeders, 4.00@4.60, freight paid to river. Calves, 5.50@6.50; bulls and stags, 2.25@3.70.

Hogs—Receipts, 300. Market firm and 5 cents higher. Bulk of sales, 3.82½@3.85; light packers, 3.80@3.85; mixed, 3.75@3.80; heavy, 3.60@3.75.

Sheep—Wethers, 3.85@4.30; ewes, 3.25@4.00; lambs, 4.50@5.40.

LIFE INSURANCE CONSPIRACY.

Compact Entered Into By All the Leading Companies.

Topeka, Kan., March 10.—Webb McNall, state insurance commissioner, has made public a copy of a compact alleged to have been entered into by all the leading life insurance companies of the country, which, he says, goes to show that they have formed a combine which they term an "Anti-rebate board." The object of the board is to prevent by severe penalties any agent or company from allowing rebates or cutting regular rates decided upon by the companies.

Mr. McNall holds that the operation of the anti-rebate board destroys competition, keeps up insurance rates and is in violation of the Kansas trust law. He has addressed a letter to all companies which entered the compact, officially notifying them they must immediately abandon the combination or he would revoke their licenses to do business in Kansas.

Wire and Wire Rod Combine.

Cleveland, O., March 10.—This week's Iron Trade Review will say:

Everything is off in the proposed consolidation of the wire and wire rod interests of the country. This statement might be qualified by saying that while the scheme, on the original lines, is dead, something may be accomplished in the next three weeks towards a merging of some of the important concerns. But of this there is no certainty at present.

NEWS OF THE WEST.

Idaho.

The Helfrich Mercantile company will erect a warehouse at Mountainhome, with a capacity of 500,000 pounds of wool.

Elmore Bulletin: A deed from the United States marshal to Andrew W. Mellen of Pittsburg, Pa., conveying the Mountainhome townsite property, was filed in the recorder's office on Monday. It is the general opinion that this property again goes into the hands of Mr. A. Caldwell, the original owner.

Caldwell Record: John T. Morrison left on No. 2 Saturday evening. It is reported that Chairman Morrison has gone to the southern part of the state to feel the Mormon pulse on the political situation.

Fred W. Hallett, connected with the defunct Juliaetta bank, has been bound over for grand larceny. He is charged with defrauding Indian depositors out of $11,000.

The Soldiers' Home board has decided to provide better clothing for the inmates. The board has been securing a suit that costs $7.50. This has not given satisfaction, and the board decided to purchase a better article. The suit selected will cost $8.75.

Montana.

J. R. Campbell, an Anaconda pioneer, died last Tuesday.

A Bozeman man asked the commissioners of Silver Bow county to send him a ticket to Butte, as he wanted to kill a man and desired to perform the job where it was impossible to convict a murderer.

Nevada.

The Reno council advertises for bids on a bond issue of $150,000, the proceeds to be used in building waterworks and an electric light plant.

Last Sunday night Sheriff McDeid of Humboldt county was shot at near Winnemucca by an Indian, who he attempted to arrest. The sheriff had been notified that the Indian was drunk, and had threatened to clean out the whole Indian camp with a Winchester rifle. The sheriff had just arrived at the camp, when five shots were fired, none of them taking effect. Several of the citizens of Winnemucca are out searching for the Indian, but he has not yet been captured.

Wyoming.

Casper Tribune: There were 450 barrels of crude oil hauled from the Salt creek oil wells to the refinery in Casper from Feb. 7 to March 1. This being one week less than the average month, Dr. Salathe says that in a month's time there could be over 500 barrels of oil delivered to the refinery with the present number of teams and wagons which are on the road. Before the tank system went into effect there was never in a month's time half the amount of oil delivered to the refinery.

Cheyenne, Wyo., March 8.—Black & Clark, contractors of this city, left today to enter upon a $3,500 contract for enlarging the hotel at Fort Steele. The rush into the Grand Encampment is responsible for the improvement of the hotel.

Colorado.

The contract for the erection of the mint at Denver will be awarded to a Milwaukee firm.

F. A. Parr, a carpenter and a married man, was arrested at Denver charged with the abduction of a 15-year-old girl named Addie M. Keywood. The girl has disappeared and the police are searching for her. Parr refuses to tell where she is hidden. Parr has been engaged in such tricks before.

Two more girls escaped from the state house for incorrigible girls Tuesday and have not yet been captured. Several of those who escaped on Sunday are still in hiding.

A. Becker of Denver, has purchased 4,000 head of yearling cattle in Texas for $50,000.