TRADE IS FREAKISH.

A Condition of Business That Experts Find Hard to Explain.

FEARS OF A STRIKE ON MAY 1

Already the Cause of Some Uneasiness in the Industrial World.

MONEY EASY AND STOCKS ACTIVE.

PAPERCIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH. NEW YORK, February 7 .- Special telegrams to Bradstreet's indicate a moderate improvement in the movement of general merchandise east of the Rocky Mountains, with more seasonable weather, and consequently a more active demand for staple goods. Prices of cattle and bogs generally tend lower on a free movement. Wheat is depressed on the Pacific coast by free offerings and large interior stocks. Groceries, drygoods and drugs are fairly active. Iron prices are fairly steady, on the belief that the demand will increase at an early date, but anthracite coal is barely steady, with no improvement in demand for domestic

The industrial situation is attracting attention, with an increasing number of employes on strike and an outlook for a strike of considerable proportions May 1, in case a general concession is not made that eight hours shall constitute a day's work. The price movement continues quite as irregular as for several months past.

ACTIVITY IN RAILROAD STOCKS. Wall street has been abandoned to pro-fessional operators during the week. The bears have been most active with Rock Island and Chicago and Eastern Illinois. Rending and Chicago, Burlington and Quincy were supported and recorded substantial advances. Money has been quite easy, notwithstanding the decrease in the New York bank surplus reserves and high rates of discount at London. The bright spot in the street has been the active demand for railway bonds, one or two new loans having been subscribed for twice over. The bank clearings at 35 cities for January aggregated \$5,139,044,941, or 7% per cent more than in January, 1889, 10 per cent more than in December last, and are ex-ceeded only by monthly totals in October, 1889, and December, 1886,

The movement of flour has been dull, and prices have been shaded. Stocks at New York are officially reported at about 282,900 barrels, though it is notorious that the total on dock and in store here exceeds that aggregate. Reports to Bradstreet's show 1,781,707 barrels in stock, first and second hands, at 53 cities February 1, an increase of 17,931 barrels since January 1.

A DIMINISHING WHEAT SUPPLY.

Wheat reacted some after advancing 1 cent on heavy sales, depressing cables and indifference of exporters, closing 1/2 cent upon the week. Bradstreet's reports of available stocks of wheat east of Rocky Mountains, United States and Canada, show 49,691,349 bushels on February 1, or 4,535,827 bushels less than on January 1 The month's decrease for both coasts is 5,986,761 bushels. Compared with a year ago Eastern stocks are 2,276,737 bushels larger, and for both coasts 3,977,169 bushels larger. Bradstreet's totals, with Beer-bohm's report of stocks in Europe and affoat therefor, February 1, show a decrease of 9,558,585 bushels during January, or 8.3 per cent, and a decrease of 13,925,585 bushels compared with February 1, 1889, or 11,6 per

Export purchases of corn have been free at Atlantic ports, but free offerings and large supplies depressed prices. Exports of wheat are larger because of a larger movement from the Pacific coast. Exports of wheat (and flour as wheat) this week from both coasts equal 2,214,917 bushels, against 1,613,854 bushels last week. The total shipped from July 1 to date is 64,032,698 bushels, against 59,455,509 bushels in like portion of 1888-89.

TRADE SOMEWHAT DEPRESSED.

Sugar is depressed and weaker for both raw and refined on moderate dealings and discouraging cables, the latter declining 1-16 and 3-16 cent. Sugar has been firmer speulatively at New York, and later in distributive lines advanced 1/4 and 1/4 cent.

Drygoods are more active at Boston and to a lesser degree at New York, but trade as a whole does not equal expectations. Ging-hams, prints and wool dress goods are most Prices are steady. Cotton goods are strong, some wide brown and bleached sheetings baving advanced. Print cloths are very firm at late advance.

Wool is inactive, prices favoring buyers, particularly on pulled and Territory grades. Larger port receipts and weaker cables have depressed cotton prices at all markets ex-cept New York, where strong speculative buying has advanced prices 3/c.

Business failures reported to Bradstreet's are declining in number, amounting to 259 in the United States this week, against 286 last week, and 265 the corresponding week Canada had 57 this week, against 50 last week. The total number of failures in the United Statessinee January 1 is 1,887 ngainst 1,871 in 1889.

A PERPLEXING SITUATION.

B. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says: It rarely happens that the situation in business is as perplexing as it now appears. The general tenor of reports is less encouraging. Yet, in every quarter there is seen strong confidence in the future of business, and such reaction as appears is generally believed to be temporary. The monetary prospect has clearly improved. While the bank rate in England has not been reduced, the gains of \$1,810,000 by the Bank of England, and \$400,000 by the Bank of France, in gold reserve, lessen the chance of a disturbing drain from that side.

Domestic money matters are generally growing easier, with moderate or fair demand. Collections also are average or fair at nearly al! points, and definitely improved at several; good at Chicago in drygoods and hoots and shoes; more satisfactory at St. Louis: mentioned as slow in few lines at Philadelphia, but still below expectations at Milwaukee. Money accumulates here, notwithstanding the Treasury has taken in \$1,000,000 during the week more than it has

BAD WEATHER AFFECTS TRADE.

At almost all interior cities the unseason-able weather still retards many kinds of trade, though Philadelphia reports more activity in drygoods, in lumber and in other building materials; Chicago a large increase over last year in grain and provisions, but a decrease of 80 per cent in wool receipts, owing to the snow blockade, smaller sales of drygoods and about equal sales of boots and shoes. Cleveland reports a larger trade on the whole than a year ago, but at St. Louis trade is slightly restricted, at Kansas City only average, at St. Paul and Minneapolis mewhat improved, but most other points only fair for the season.

The larger branches of industry do not, for the moment, show entirely energetic results. Iron is unmistakably weaker at Pitts-burg and here, and while the steadiness at Philadelphia is considered hopeful, the busi-ness in bar iron is pronounced "extremely dull;" in plates, very dull; in structural iron, new business comes very steadily; in mails there is not much doing at present, and in steel rails only two or three moderate sales are reported. The decline in England is from 65 shillings 7 pence to 54 shillings 9

OIL AND STOCK MARKETS.

Wheat has declined 1/4, corn 1/4 and oats % of a cent, with moderate trading. Oil has risen 2 ceuts, and hog products are a shade stronger, but sales of sugar by Spreckles' agent price here has dropped 1/2 for raw and refined. Coffee is steady and

a quarter of 1 per cent lower than a week ago. The reported earnings of companies IRON TRADE REVIEW ago. The reported earnings of companies are heavy, averaging for January a gain of 12 per cent over last year, when rates were more demoralized. The foreign trade of the country seems to shrink a little, as is the country seems to shrink a little, as is natural, after the enormous business of last year, and exports and imports at New York both show some decline in comparison with a year ago, the returns, as usual, including no specie, but merchandise only.

Business failures number 221.

A SPURT IN READING.

The Big Conler Overshadows in Interes Everything Eise in Wall Street-Theories Accounting for the Rise-

Other Strong Points. NEW YORK, February 7.—The stock market was duli to-day outside of Reading, which furnished nearly one-half of the transactions in isted stocks for the day, and fully that proportion during the morning hours. The inter-est in Reading overshadowed completely the remainder of the list, and while there was a firm tone prevalent during most of the day, it was not until the last hour that any animation was shown, and all the advances were made at that time. The trading in Reading, especially during the forenoon, was enormous, and the price was rapidly advanced from 41% to 43% without a break. The movement culminated at that figure, and a reaction occurred.

There were several opinions as to the cause of the rise, and one theory was that both the supporters and the opponents of the company were buying, which squeezed the shorts, but the general impression was that the bull clique in the stock was forcing the shorts to cover. The traders of course, belved along the rise, and rumors of the existence of large stop orders at 42 helped the first advance. When the movement culminated the traders quickly realized, and the price went back to 42% At 43% the and the price went back to 42%. At 43% the stock was for some time above the third in-comes, but the latter soon rose to 44% while the stock afterward went back. The theory that some large operators had been caught short obtained many believers, and the names of Mr. Cammack, Mr. White and Mr. Gould were mentioned as the unfortunate ones, but it was conjecture only.

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In the last hour Lackawanna, belped by the colder weather and rumors of the prosperity among its Western lines, with Missouri Facilic and Lake Shore, moved up sharply, the movement being accompanied by a marked increase in the activity. The upward increase in the activity. The upward increase it the scivity.

close was strong.

Among the specialties which showed marked strength was Wheeling and Lake Erie preferred, which upon advices of the successful placing of extension bonds of the company in London soon recovered the dividend. These bonds, like those of the Norfolk and Western, were subscibed twice over Couries of the

bonds, like those of the Norfolk and Western, were subscribed twice over. Outside of the extraordinary strength in Colorado Coal the general hist presented absolutely no feature of interest, and the trusts were quiet and starmant. The final changes are almost entirely in the upward direction. Colorado is up 2, Lackawanna 1½, and others fractions.

Railroad bonds again showed a moderate volume of business, but there were not so many traded in to-day, and several issues figured for large amounts. The Kansas and Texas 8s contributed \$152,000; the Reading 4s \$148,000, and the Reading firsts \$101,000 to the day's total of \$1,780,000. The feature of the day were the activity and strength in the Kansas and Texas issues, but in the general list, while a firm tone prevailed, it was less pronounced than usual of late.

The following table shows the prices or active stocks on the New York Stock Exchange yesterday. Corrected daily for THE DISPATCH by WHITNEY & STEPHENSON, oldest Pittsburg members of New York Stock Exchange, & Fourth avenue:

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LIVE STOCK MARKETS. The Condition of Business at the East Liberty Stock Yards.

OFFICE OF PITTSBURG DISPATCH, | FRIDAY, February 7, 1890. CATTLE-Receipts, 756 head; shipments, 784 head; nothing doing; all through consignments; no cattle shipped to New York to-day. Hogs-Receipts, 1,500 head; shipments, 2,500 head; market active; medium and tops, \$4 20@ 4 25; pigs and extreme light, \$3 80@4 00; 5 cars of hogs shipped to New York to-day.

SHEEP—Receipts, 1,000 bead; shipments, 2,460 liead; market slow and unchanged prices.

By Telegraph.

NEW YORK-Beeves-Receipts, 2400 head. mainly for slaughterers and exporters direct; trading was dull and limited; ordinary to good steers sold at \$3.5004.70; bulls at \$2.5003.25; exports, to-day and to-morrow, \$50 beeves and \$2.00 quarters of beef. Calves—Receipts, 100 head; dull at \$5.0007.50 for yeals, and at \$2.000 \$2.55 for grassers, and western calves. Sheepnead; dui at 50 blog/ of for vents, and at 52 blog 575 for grassers and western calves. Sheep—Receipts, 2,500 head; slow at former prices and not all sold; sheep ranged from \$4 50 to \$6 37 per 100 lbs, lambs from \$6 00 to \$7 25. Hogs—Receipts, 4,700 head; all for slaughterers direct; none offered alive; nominal value, \$4 00004 40.

CHICAGO—Cattle—Receipts, 7,000 head: shipments, 3,000 head; market stronger; beeves, \$4,60%5.00; steers, \$3,00%3.70; stockers and feeders, \$2,30%3.50; Texas steers, \$3,00% 3.50. Hogs—Receipts, 27,000 head; shipments, 10,000 head; market 5c lower, closing steady; mixed, \$3,75%4.00; light, \$3,75%4.0

Sr. Louis-Cattle-Receipts, 900 head; ship ST. LOUIS—Cattle—Receipts, 900 head; ship-ments, 800 head; market steady; good to fancy native steers, \$4 20@4 90; fair to good do, \$3 20@ 4 30; stockers and feeders, \$1 80@3 20; range steers, \$2 00@3 50. Hogs — Receipts, 4,100 head; shipments, 1,100 head; market slow; fair to choice heavy, \$3 90@4 00; pack-ing grades, \$3 75@3 90; light, fair to best, \$3 70@3 85. Sheep—Receipts, 1,300 head; ship-ments, 500 head; market strong; fair to choice, \$4 0@5 45; lambs, \$5 00@6 30.

KANSAR CITY—Cattle—Receipts 3,800 head shipments, 2,400 head: market steady; steers, \$3 25@4 75; cows, \$1 75@2 70; stockers and feeders \$2 30@8 20. Hogs — Receipts, 700 head; shipments, 100 head; market weak but active; all grades, \$3 70@8 90; bulk, \$3 75. Sheep—Receipts 1,400 head; shipments, 1,100 head; market steady; good to choice muttons and lambs, \$3 50@5 40; stockers and feeders, \$5@5 25.

BUFFALO—Cattle steady and unchanged: receipts, 127 loads through, 6 sale. Sheep and lambs—Good grades steady: common inactive; prices irregular: receipts, 25 loads through, 22 sale. Hogs steady: receipts, 25 loads through, 22 sale. Hogs steady: receipts, 25 loads through, 25 sale; mediums and heavy, \$4 20@4 25; mixed and Yorkers, \$4 20@4 25; pigs, \$4; roughs, \$5 25 @8 50.

ENTIRE satisfaction can come only when the minor metals all lower abroad and weaker here.

Little depression has appeared in the best is used. In making beer the Iron City Brewing Compony employ the choicest ingredients and their patrons are always stock market, which is held very stubbornly, the average of prices being scarcely Iron City, Pittsburg and Pilsner brands.

Some Lines Softening, but Standard Brands Are Strong in Tone.

No Real Change in the Situation at St. Louis and Cincinnsti.

STORIES OF CUTTING MAGNIFIED.

THE FEATURES OF THE OTHER MARKETS

The transactions of the past week have been light, and if there has been any change in prices it has been toward a lower level. Gray forge and Bessemer irons show softening tendencies and there is some shading on quotations by bolders anxious to realize. Holders of standard brands are, however, firm in their views, and while trade is light, as it always is at this season of the year, there are no signs in sight of a reaction to the recent boom. Consumers stocked up well in the latter part of last year and there is no necessity as yet to buy heavily. The

is no necessity as yet to buy heavily. The present policy of consumers is the hand-to-mouth policy, and until the large stocks laid up in December are used up there is no probability of any change for the better.

There has been a slight decline of neutral mill iron and Bessemer since the beginning of the year. On the other hand, foundry irons are a shade higher.

Nails are duil but unchanged. There is a strong undertone of confidence in the markots on the part of dealers, but so far results fail to furnish anything comforting in the situation.

The demand for steel ralls is still strong, and at the Edgar Thomson Works, notwithstanding increased capacity, orders are in sufficient to absort all the output for the first half of the year. Following are the latest prices as furnished by leading dealers.

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More Strong Than Wenk Features (SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.)

CINCINNATI, February 7 .- Rogers, Brown & say: While the iron market continues dull and lethargic, there are more strong than weak features apparent. It is asserted positively by those in the best position to judge that current sumption is keeping full pace with produc on. This seems to be proved by the fact that ndry and forge irons are nowhere accunoundry and forge from are nowhere accu-mulating, and that furnaces are pressed to get forward deliveries on contracts. Although buyers have persistently held aloof for six weeks, and active bear influences have been at work, prices have been firmly held. The avoid-ance of a strike in the Connelisville coke dis-trict, with the probable advance in price of coke, will remove another element of uncer-tainty and further enhance the cost of pig. It is thought that another buying movement must is thought that another buying movement must set in soon; and if the demand is what many expect, there will be another upward turn in values. Southern makers hold firm to their schedule and decline to make concessions. There is not much speculative iron offering.

IRON FIRM AND QUIET. That is the Situation Generally Observed in the Philadelphia Market.

SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH. PHILADELPHIA, February 7 .- The pir fron market remains firm and quiet. There is a disposition on the part of producers in the West, South and East to hold up the market, and the furnace men in each district are sustaining prices in their respective localities without seriously encroaching on each other's territory, transactions are generally confined to small lots. Pretty much the same condition prevails throughout the iron market and the undertone appears to be firm. The furnaces in blast and mills in operation continue to produce a large output, but there is no beavy accumulation of stock. Furnacemen say that the small furnaces which are about to be put into blast will not affect the

market.

No. 1 foundry is quoted at \$20 per ton, No. 2 foundry at \$19, and gray forge at \$18, delivered foundry at \$19, and gray force at \$18, delivered at tidewater, with 50c to \$1 extra for exceptional lots. Bassemer from is worth \$21 50@22 at the furnace, billets \$37@38 delivered; steel rails \$36, old rails \$28 50, with some exceptional lots held at \$30. Bridge plares are firm at 2.35@2.4c; angles, 2.3@.25c;ties, 2.8@.20c;beams and channels, 3.1c; muck bars, \$33 f. o. b. at the mill; skelp, 1.95@2c for grooved and 2.10@2.15c for sheared. The sale to a Cleveland syndicate of valuable Lake Superior ora, property awakers. sheared. The sale to a Cleveland syndicate of valuable Lake Superior ore property awakens much interest in the trade. Iron manufactur-ers have no fear that the ore market will be cornered or exorbitant prices exacted, as mill-ions of tons of good iron ore are yet unmined in Viscolus

THE CUTTING MAGNIFIED.

There is Really No Change in the Situation at St. Louis.

ISPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH. Sr. Louis, February 7 .- Rogers, Brown & Meacham say: Inquiries during the past week have been somewhat larger than in January, but there continues to be a gap between the demands of Southern furnaces and the figures that consumers seem willing to pay. A few so-called outside lots, on which cut prices have been made, are magnified and reported over been made, are magnined and reported over and over again, causing consumers to think the market weaker than the facts justify. Most of the Southern furnaces are holding up prices firmly and decline to make concessions. Makers of Ohio softeners are fairly well sold, and their quotations in this market show no signs of weakening. Pending the settlement of wages at Connelisville, no quotations are made on foundry coke. We quote for cash, f. o. b., St.

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Some Bayers Disappointed.

"SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATOR.1 CHICAGO, February 7.—Rogers, Brown & Co, say: Some of the buyers who have been looking for a break in prices as the result of looking for a break in prices as the result of the quiet market since Christmas, are disap-pointed. Values in the main have held up well. Foundries are taking iron rapidly on old contracts, and will shortly have need to re-plenish stocks. Here and there a speculator or weak-kneed furnaceman has been running around with small lots at cut prices, but the effect, while disquieting, has not been marked. Lake Superior charcoal furnaces were perhaps never sold so extensively ahead as at this time. Good Ohio softeners are in steady demand. Good Ohio softeners are in steady demand. Current business continues in small lots and at practically unchanged prices.

New York Quotations. NEW YORK, February 7.—Pig fron steady: Copper quiet; lake, February, \$14 20. Lead dull; domestic, \$3 82½. Tin closed steady at a decline: Straits, \$20 65.

BUSINESS NOTES.

A LOCAL capitalist is negotiating for 14 acres of land near Braddock. Ir is hinted, but not believed, that the Penn-

sylvacia Railroad is buying control of the Reading. SPROUL & LAWRENCE expect to have their private wire in operation by Monday, connecting them directly with New York, ALEXANDER DEMPSTER has been elected a

director of the Monongahela National Bank, in place of Mr. James McCandless, of Philadel-J. W. ARROTT proposes to insure rents against loss by fire. He is the first to introduce

GEORGE B. HILL returned yesterday from New York, where he attended the meeting of the National Lead Trust. He is well pleased with the report, and also with the action taken. The organization controls 31 of the lead concerns of the country and is reaching out for the rest of them.

A GOOD BUSINESS

In a Speculative Way in the Chicago Wheat Market-The Buying and Selling Pretty Evenly Divided-

The Fentures. CHICAGO, February 7.—A good business was transacted in a speculative way in the wheat market to-day, but the volume was not as large as yesterday. The buying and selling seemed pretty evenly divided. A considerable portion of the business was on outside account. The opening was *@**c lower than yesterday. off ***/cc off ***/**/cc off ***/cc off *** more, recovered again, selling to outside points and closed about 1/2 lower than yesterday. The decline here vesterday had a tendency to change the feeling abroad and foreign advices

change the feeling abroad and foreign advices generally noted a quiet and easier tone. The principal weakening feature was the snow-storm, which it is claimed was quite general over the winter wheat belt.

A moderate business was transacted in corn, the volume of business being very fair considering the narrow range. The feeling was rather easier on the general features, while the distant deliveries ruled rather firm. The market opened a little weaker, a shade under yesterday's closing prices, receivers selling quite freely, which was quickly taken by local operators. The market closed a trifle lower than yesterday. The cut in rates from Nebraska points was hardly as much as was generally points was hardly as much as was generally anticipated. The cut is equivalent to about 13:623 c, and to 5c, the outside figure being for Western points.

Outs were weaker and a shade lower. Tradouts were weaker and a shade lower. Outs were weaker and a shade lower. Trading was considerably lighter, but a fair business transpired. Parties who bought May yesterday were again moderate purchasers. One of the leading sellers of yesterday also bought fairly. A moderately active trade was reported in mess pork, and the feeling was unsettled. Prices ruled 72/2010c lower, and the market closed quiet at medium figures. Trading in lard was light and the feeling dull. Prices inclined in favor of buyers. Only a moderate trade was reported in short ribs, and the feeling was weak. Prices ruled 22/2050 lower and closed tame.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

WHEAT—No. 2. May 79/2078/2078/2078/cc. June, 78/2078/308/2078/cc. June, 78/2078/308/2078/cc.

LARD, per 100 Bs. — March, \$5.509 50; May, \$6.974@5 974@5 974%; June, \$6.05 @6 0224.

Short Ribs, per 100 Bs. — March, \$4.725@4 75:04 725@4 75: May, \$4.874@4 874@4 85@4 85; June, \$4.95@4 925.

Cash quotations were as follows: Flour unchanged. No. 2 spring wheat, 75c; No. 3 spring wheat, 67@68c; No. 2 red. 75c. No. 2 corn, 25%c. No. 2 cats, 20%@21c. No. 2 rye, 42c. No. 2 barley, 55@57c. No. 1 flaxsecd, \$1.38. Prime timothy seed, \$1.20. Mess pork, per bbl, \$9.65@4.70. Lard, per 100 lbs, \$5.80. Short ribs sides (loose), \$4.70@4.80. Dry salted shoulders (boxed), unchanged; short clear sides (boxed), \$5.00@5.05. Sugars unchanged. Receipts — Flour, 9,000 barrels; wheat, 14,000 bushels; corn, 115,000 bushels; oats, 118,000 bushels; rye, 5,000 bushels; barley, 49,000 bushels; corn, 281,000 bushels; oats, 201,000 bushels; corn, 281,000 bushels; oats, 201,000 bushels; rye, 5,000 bushels; barley, 49,000 bushels; rye, 5,000 bushels; barley, 49,000 bushels.

Dushels,
On the Produce Exchange to-day the butter market was unchanged. Eggs, 13c. on the Produce Exchange to-day the butter market was unchanged. Eggs, 13c.

PHILADELPHIA — Flour dull and weak. Wheat dull; options a shade lower in sympathy with the West, but no change in values of desirable milling grades: ungraded, in grain depot, 83c; rejected, 60@70c; fair to good milling wheat, 78@84c; prime to fancy western, 87@92c; No. 2 red, February, 894_@89/c; March, 814/@814/c; March, 814/@814/c; March, 814/@814/c; March, 814/@814/c; March, 814/@814/c; March, 814/@814/c; No. 3 red, February, 80/4/@81/c; Steamer quoted at 359/c, in export elevator, 30/27c. For local trade: No. 2 mixed, 1962/36/c; May, 374/@874/c; No. 2 in export elevator quoted 38/4/@369/c; No. 2 mixed, February, 36/4/@369/c; March, 38/6/369/c; April, 36/36/36/c; April, 36/36/36/c; April, 36/36/36/c; April, 36/36/36/c; April, 28/4/@39/c; April, 28/4/@39/c; May, 37/2/87/dc. Oats—Car lots from ungraded white 29/c; do fancy clipped, 33c; No. 3 white, 29c; No. 2 white, 30c; futures quiet: No. 2 white, February, 29/29/c; March, 28/4/@29/c; May, 31/29/fc. Butter firm; good demand for fine goods: Pennsylvania creamery, extra, 32/@36/c. Eggs firmer; Pennsylvania firsts, 13/4/@14c. Receipts—Flour, 500 barrels; wheat, 4,500 bushels; cots, 16/s costs, 12/000 bushels. 6,500 bushels. Shipments—Wheat, 2,000 bushels; corn, 110,100 bushels; cats, 12,000 bushels. St. Louis-Flour very quiet but values steady. Wheat lower: the May option touched ST. LOUIS—Flour very quiet but values steady. Wheat lower: the May option touched the lowest point to-day yet reached; the close was weak with May ½c. June about the same and July 1-16c below yeaterday; No. 2 red, cash, 75%c: March closed at 76%c bid; May. 77%c asked; June. 77%@77%c asked; July. 74%@74%c asked; June. 77%@77%c asked; July. 74%@74%c asked; August. 74%c. Corn lower; No. 2 mixed, cash, 24%c; February closed at 26%c bid; March, 26%c bid; April. 26%c bid; May. 27%c bid; July. 28%c asked; August. 28%c bid. Oats closed firm; No. 2, cash, 21c bid; May, 21%c. Rye—No. 2, 42%c asked, with no bids. Barley dull; Minnesota, 53c; Wisconsin, 51c; Iowa, 35c. Flaxseed quiet at \$1 25@1 30. Provisions dull and generally easier.

MINNEAPOLIS-Wheat-Receipts for the past MINNEAPOLIS—Wheat—Receipts for the past 24 hours, 290 cars. The demand for spot wheat was slow, and to sell anything short of the finest selections considerable concessions had to be made. Some local millers wanting wheat declined to buy it even at the small concessions made. Clossing quotations: No. I hard, February, 78%c; March, 78%c; May, 78%c; on track, 77%c; No. I Northern, February, 75%c; March, 76c; May, 77%c; on track, 78%c; March, 78%c; May, 77%c; on track, 78%c; May, 78%c; on track, 78%c; on tr

POULTRY VERY SCARCE.

One of the Commodities of the Market Basket Comes Higher. The principal change in market basket mate

rials the past week has been in poultry, which is scarce and bigher. Tropical fruits are drifting downward. Florida strawberries are in countiful supply at lower rates than last Satur-

At the Diamond market fruit and vegetable stalls a quiet week's trade was reported. Butter and eggs are both weak, and, while jobbers report a shade lower prices, the difference makes little impression on the retail trade. Ocean products are in good demand at old prices. One of our leading dealers reports in-provement on last week's trade and more life

More Like Fancy Goods. In floral lines prices are unchanged, and a good volume of trade is reported for the week. Butchers change not in their rates for staple neats, whatever the fluctuations in live stock. At present prices of cattle, hogs and sheep the butcher who has a good trade should realize handsome profits. Following are retail prices of market basket materials as furnished by

Staple Ments. The best cuts of tenderloin steak range from 20 to 25c, with last figure for very fancy; sirloin, best cuts, from 15 to 18c; fancy; sirioin, best cuts, from 15 to 18c; standing rib roast, from 15 to 20c; chuck roast, 10 to 12c; best round steaks, 15c; boiling bed, 5 to 8c; sweet breads, 20 to 50c per pair; beef kidneys, 10c apiece; beef liver, 5c a pound; calf livers, 25c apiece; corned beef from 5 to 10c per pound. Veal for stewing commanus 10c; roast, 125c to 15c; cualots, 20c per pound; spring lambs, fore quarter, 10 to 12c; hind quarters, 15c. A leg of mutton, hind quarter, of prime quality, brings 125c; fore quarter, 8c; loin of mutton, 15c; giblets, 5c per pound.

Garden Staff.

Garden Stoff. Potatoes, 15c per half peck; Jersey sweet potatoes, 25c per half peck; cabbage, 5 to 10c; cauliflower, 75c to \$1 each; tomatoes, 85c a quart; celery, 5c a bunch; bananas, 15 to 20c a dozen; carrots, 5c a bunch; lemons, 25 to 35c per dozen; oranges, 25 to 49c; lettuce, 5c per bunch, 6 for 25c; beets, 3 for 10c; string beans, 35c a quarter peck; onions, 20 to 35c a half peck; Spanish onions, 5 to 18c each; pie pumpkins, 10 to 25c, according to size; Malaga grapes, 20 to 35c per pound; turnips, 20c per half peck; cranberries, 15c a quart; cucumbers, 15 to 35c apiece; mushrooms, 31 a pound; Bermuda onions, 35½c per peck; Key West tomatoes, 50c a quart; radishes, 7c a bunch; beets, 15c a bunch; strawberries, 50c a quart. Choice creamery butter, 35c. Good country butter, 30c. Fancy pound rolls, 35c.

The retail price for fresh country eggs is 20c. The range for dressed chickens is 75c to \$1.25 per pair. Turkeys, 20 to 25c per pound. Ducks, \$1.25 to \$1.50 per pair. quart; celery, 5c a bunch; bananas,

Following are the articles in this line on

the stalls, with prices: Lake salmon, 1234c; California salmon, 40c per pound; white fish, 1234c; herring, 4 pounds for 25c; red snap-123/c; herring, 4 pounds for 25c; red snap-pers, 15 to 20c per pound; Spanish mackerel, 30c to 35c a pound; sea salmon, 40c a pound; blue fish, 25 to 30c; perch. 10c; halibut, 25c; rock bass, 30c; black bass, 20c; lake trout, 123/c; lobsters, 25c; graefa sea turtle, 25c; mackerel, 20c small, 40c large. Oysters: N. Y. counts, \$1 75 per gallon; clams, \$1 25 per gallon; scol-lops, 50c a quart; frogs, \$2 00 per dozen; soft shell crabs, 75 per dozen; devil crabs, 85c per dozen.

La France roses, 83 per dozen; Mermets, \$2 50 per dozen; Brides, \$2 50 per dozen; yellow and white, \$1 50 per dozen; American Beauties, \$1 to \$1 50 apiece; Magna Charta, \$1 to \$1 50 apiece; Illies, \$3 a bunch; tulips, 75c per dozen; violets, \$2 50 a hundred.

LOVES of Statesmen is the subject of Miss Grandy, Jr.'s Washington letter for to-morrow's mammoth issue of the people's paper.

DOWN-TOWN DICKER.

A Choice Bit of Business Property on Third Avenue Picked Up.

ANOTHER EIGHT-STORY BUILDING.

A Manufacturer Points Out the Danger Lurking in Cigars and Pipes.

DIRECTORS OF THE CHARTIERS GAS CO.

Another downtown business property changed owners yesterday. C. H. Love, 93 Fourth avenue, sold for Charles Reno to Kaskel Solomon, of the J. M. Gusky clothing house, Nos. 72 and 74 Third avenue, two brick houses, one five and the other four stories high, built by the late Benjamin Singerly, with lot 40x80 feet, for \$22,500. It was offered something over a year ago for \$20,000.

It is the purpose of the purchaser, at the expiration of the present lease, to tear down the old buildings and erect a fine eight-story ousiness block on the lot.

To the Financial Editor of The Dispatch: Will you please publish, for the information of many stockholders, the enclosed list of names of directors of the Chartiers Natural Gas Company: James A. Chambers, James Laughlin, Jr., H. Sellers McKee, Adam Clark Dravo, William H. Singer, William E. Schmertz, Duncan C. Phillips, Calvin Wells, John H. Daizell, Mark W. Watson, James M. Bailey, Daniel C. Ripley and Edward E. Den-

A well known manufacturer remarked yesterday: "The sign, 'No Smoking Allowed,' should be posted in every mill, factory and store, and not only posted, but its meaning should be strictly enforced. A man with a pipe or cigar in such an establishment is as danger-ous as an infuriated bull or a drunken man with a pistol, Many mills, factories and public places have such a sign, but in many cases it is a dead letter. A distinguished visitor is some-times allowed to go through with a cigar in his fingers. Proprietors often forget their own in-structions and smoke. Many fires which seem mysteries to most people are caused by hot ashes from a cigar or pipe, Insurance companies should insist on abstinence from smoking in buildings full of inflammable material."

Homer City, Indiana county, blds fair to be come the center of an important coke region. Some time ago Mr. J. M. Guthrie purchased 600 acres of land underlaid with coal. His plant now consists of 26 ovens, built as an experi-ment, and the output from these ovens has from the first found ready sale. He has now in course of construction a large number, which are being finished and utilized as fast as possible. Mr. Guthrie is now negotiating for what is known as the Mikesel plant, and, should he succeed in getting it, will commence at once the erection of 200 ovens. Quite a number of other capitalists are looking over the field, trom Philadelphia, Pittsburg and other places. The coal is said to make better coke than is made at either the Milwood, St. Clair or Latrobe mines, and as good as that produced in the great Connellsville district.

An electrician has just patented something as new as it is unique in the wav of a clock. Aside from being a regular time piece and calendar, it is also provided with a system of keys, making a double circuit around the out side of the clock, the first one to denote the hour and the minute, and the other the day of the month. The object is to furnish thereby a regulator for business appointments. For instance, if a man had an appointment at 9:10 o'clock one morning, he would turn the indicator to that time. At the minute exactly that morning an afarm would be turned in, and would continue to ring until stopped.

Joseph Van Ormer, of Cambria county, Pa., reports the finding of a new coal vein at Van Ormer station, half a mile above Fallen Timber, on the Cresson and Clearfield Railroad. This new find is a matter of great interest to people inhabiting that vast area of coal territory in Cambria county, and also to parties in Edensburg, who have money invested in that section. Mr. Van Ormer has already leased his coal property to parties in Hollidaysburg, who propose to commence mining operations in the near future. Many years ago search was commenced for this vein of coal, which was known to exist, according to the geological structure of the formations, in that section of

two, three and four-story dwellings were started. The bricklayers have decided to ask for a 20 per cent, advance in wages. The other branches of the building trades have as yet taken no definite action, but agitations are in progress. The builders and the promoters of concerned at the possibility of an interruption to their operations through strikes. In sever places in Eastern Pennsylvania large sums of oney are to be invested in house, mill and shop building, and the managers of these enterprises are extremely anxious to make their contracts now."

The statistics of coal mining in Pennsylvania during the year 1888, as presented in the report | the city. issued by the Bureau of Industrial Statistics, shows that there were mined in Pennsylvania in 1888, 75,410,711 tons of coal, of which 41,638,426 tons were anthracite, and 33,772,285 tons were bituminous. This includes the coal shipped to market and used in and about the collieries. There are 1,002 collieries, 389 anthracite and 613 bituminous. There are 18,628 coke ovens, and the production of coke was 6,217,729 tons. The number of persons employed in mining coal was 178,855, of which 123,894 were employed inside and 54,871 outside. The number of tons mined in the anthracite mines for each employe was 243 tons, and in the bituminous mines 538 tons. The average in all the mines of the State for each employe was 439 tons.

A few days ago T. N. Barnsdall, of Bradford, soid to C. P. Weston, G. H. Preston, of Kane; C. H. Noyes, L. G. Noyes, O. F. Hoffman, Francis Henry, Myron Waters, George Sill and A. D. Wood, of Warren, his entire interests in Eik county, consisting of 900 acres, on which there are a number of producing oil wells, yielding about 275 barrels per day. The sum paid was \$325,000.

A former for \$1,300 cash and property for \$8,000, three years, at \$4\frac{1}{2}\$ per cent, free of State tax; also a \$2,000 mortgage on Cash They also sold a mortgage on Oakland property for \$8,000, three years, at \$6\frac{1}{2}\$ per cent.

Alles & Balley, 163 Fourth avenue, sold for M. Whelan a frame dwelling of seven rooms and attic, vestibule, ball, etc., lot 24x88 feet, on Pier street, hear Oakland avenue, Oakland; also lot adjoining. 24x98 feet, to J. M. Flick for \$3,700. Baltensperger & Williams, 154 Fourth avenue, sold for Angustus Barton to Mrs. Julia Eberle two lots, each 20x124, on Gallagher street, Second ward, Alleghens, for \$1,120 cash. The purchaser will erect two frame dwellings on the same at once. shows that there were mined in Pennsylvania in

LOCAL SECURITIES.

Slow Movement, but Some of the Specialties Show a Firmer Front. There was very little vitality in the stock market yesterday, sales being only 110 shares, the specialties scored handsome advances. Conspicuous among the properties showing an

improvement were Chartiers Railway, which was bid up to 50 without sellers, and Switch and Signal, which closed strong at 17% bid. Natural Gas stocks were firmer, but the Tractions were quoted at concessions, and had a weary look. It was said that Central would start cars Monday or yesterday. Pleasant Valley was held at 23, with 2234 bid.

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n & Glass Doll. Sav.	90	****	****	****
stone B'k of Pitts	****	71	****	****
sonic Bank	6134	****	****	****
rd Nat. Bank	170	****	****	
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ple's N. G. & P.Co.	34	14%	14	1436
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Allegheny Heating Company at 100, \$2,000 Pittsburg Traction bonds at 107% flat, 10 New York and Cleveland Gas Cool at 35, and 40 Wheeling Gas at 183%. In the afternoon 10 shares of Airbrake brought '05%.

Sproul & Frence sold 100 shares of Pittsburg Plate Glass at 200, and bought 500 shares Pittsburg Traction at 42, buyer March L. W. H. Watt sold 50 shares Pleasant Valley at 23%. Andrew Caster sold 10 shares Commercial National Bank at 96, and 10 shares New York and Cleveland Gas Cool at 38. M. L. Jenkins & Co. sold 50 shares of Central Traction at 31% and 40 Wheeling Gas at 183%.

The total sales of stocks at New York yesterday were 270,713 shares, including Atchison, 3,270; Delaware, Lackawanna and Western 30,485; Lake Shore, 6,460; Louisville and Nashville 5,600; Missouri Pacific, 10,200; Reading, 112,800; St. Paul, 6,300.

FUNDS ACCUMULATING.

Banks Piling Up Cash Against the Anticipated Big Spring Trade. While there was no particular change in any irection in local monetary matters yesterday, direction in local monetary matters yesterday, the situation was represented to be entirely satisfactory and the outlook encouraging. With only a fair demand for discounts and heavy depositing funds accumulate, and the regular rate is 6 per cent, although in some cases 7 is exacted. The latter, however, is exceptional lank clearings keep above the two-million mark. Exchanges yesterday were \$2,061,786.28 and balances \$387,185.44.

Money on call at New York yesterday was easy, ranging from \$24 per cent; last loan, 2: closed offered at 2. Prime mercantile paper, \$56,000%. Sterling exchange quiet and weaker at \$4.83% for 80-day bills and \$4.87% for demand.

Closing Bond Quotations. Closing Bond Quotations.

U. S. 48, reg. | 1251/5 | M. K. & T. Gen. 5s | 65 |
U. S. 46, a reg. | 1231/4 | Mutual Union 6s | 102 |
U. S. 49/4, corp. | 1231/4 | Mutual Union 6s | 102 |
U. S. 49/4, corp. | 104/4 |
Pacific 6s of '95 | 116 |
Louisiana stamped & 57/5 |
Wilsouri 6s | 100 |
Tenn. new set. 5s | 100 |
Tenn. new set. 5s | 100 |
Tenn. new set. 5s | 107/5 |
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New York-Clearings, \$106,631,581; balance \$4.900,888.
BOSTON—Clearings, \$15,411,607; balances, \$1,-971,053. Money, 6@7 per cent.
BALTIMORE—Clearings, \$3,183,275; balances,

PHILADELPHIA - Clearings, \$11,717,702; balances, \$1,627,739.
LONDON—The amount of bullion gone into the Bank of England on balance to-day is \$290,000. Bar silver, 445,40 per ounce.
PARIS—Three per cent rentes, \$71 67%c for the account.
Sr. Louis-Clearings, \$3,760,428; balances, \$937,692.

AN OFT TOLD TALE.

Very Little Doing in Petroleum, but the Market Stendy.

The oil market was dull, but fairly steady, resterday. Opening, \$1 06%; highest, \$1 07%; owest, \$1 06%; closing, \$1 07. There was very little trading at any point. All the strength came from New York, but even there the buying was light and fitful. Here there was no decided expression either way, but the feeling was bearish until near the close, when there was a change to the other side. The close was

was a change to the other side. The close was steady and within 1/20 of the highest point of the day. Thursday's clearances were 116,000 barrels.

McCalmont Oil Company's No. 3 Ferguson farm, Shanopin, was reported flowing at the rate of 600 barrels per day. This is the fourth big strike on that farm. The Westview Oil Company's well on the Perrysville road, four miles from Allegheny, reported as a 250 barreler, was spraying at the rate of about ten barrels a day, and was shut down for tankage. It is thought to be good for 25 barrels when drilled in. The reported coming in of a 100-barrel well for T. B. Simpson & Co., on lot 169 at Sheffield, lacks confirmation.

Corrected daily by John M. Oakiey & Co., 45 Sixth street, members of the Pittsburg Petroleum Exchange. Average charters. Average shipments Average runs..... Befined, New York, 7.50c, Refined, London, 5 13-16d, Refined, Antwerp, 17. Befined, Liverpool, 64, Hefined, Bremen, 6.50m. A. B. McGrew quotes: Puts, \$1 00%@1 06%;

Other Oll Markets. OIL CITY. February 7.—Petroleum opened at \$1 06%; highest, \$1 07%; lowest, \$1 06%; closed at \$1 07. Sales, 100,000 barrels; no clear-snees; charters, 23,809 barrels; shipments, 111,-909 barrels; runs, 61,600 barrels.

BRADFORD, February 7.—Petroleum opened at\$1.06%; closed, \$1.07; highest, \$1.07%; lowest, 1.06%; Clearances, 346,000 barrels. the country, and thousands of dollars have been expended in making developments.

The following is taken from a Philadelphia letter in the American Manufacturer: "The activity in building operations is the most encouraging feature at present. Last month 402 two, three and four-story dwellings were started. The bricklavers have decided to ask

LANDS AND HOUSES.

Latest Reported Transactions in Real Esinte in City and Soburbs. James W. Drape & Co. closed a transaction on a piece of East End property, residence and grounds, for \$30,000; also two residences and lots, one in the city and one in the suburbs, at \$6,000. They also placed a mortgage on a property at Turtle Creek of \$2,000 at 8 per cent; also a mortgage of \$5,000 at 5 per cent on an East End residence; also six mortgages of \$11,000 at

6 per cent on properties in McKeesport and in W. A. Herron & Sons sold No. 217 Coltar square, Oakland, consisting of a complete nine 1888, 75,410,711 tons of coal, of which 41,638,426 roomed brick residence, finished in every detail,

chaser will erect two frame dwellings on the chaser will erect two frame dwellings on the same at once.

Samuel W. Black & Co., 99 Fourth avenue, sold lots Nos. 77 and 78 in S. L. Boggs plan of lots, West Liberty borough, Allentown station, Pittsburg and Castle Shannon Railroad, for \$450. They also placed a mortgage for \$500 on Brushton station property for three years at 6 per cent.

Closing quotations of Philadelphia stocks, Furnished by Whitney & Stephenson, brokers, No. 57 Fourth avenue, Members New York Stock Ex-

Reading Buffalo, Pittsburg & Western Lehigh Valley Lehigh Navigation Allegheny Valley bonds Northern Pacific proterred New York, February 7.—There was a fair business in drygoods at first hand, sets morning, improving trade with jobbers. The market was unchang any we demand and tone being steady, with prices senseting upward on sheetings and heavy yarn fabrics.

change. Pennsylvanis Haliroad.

Mining Stocks. NEW YORK February 7.—Mining quotations: Alica, 100; Amador, 100; Aspen, 760; Caledonia, R. H., 146; Comstock Ter., bd., 8,000; Comstock Ter., Sop., 8,000; Deadwood Ter., 146; El Cristo, 160; Homestake, 700; Horn Silver, 236; Ontario, 8,750; Savage, 195; Sutter Creek, 150.

DOMESTIC MARKETS.

The Situation in General Produce Lines is Unchanged.

HIGH GRADE STUFF SCARCE, FIRM. Receipt of Cereals Still Too Liberal for Wants of Trade.

SUGARS WEAKER --- COFFEE STEADY

OFFICE OF PITTSBURG DISPATCH, FRIDAY, February 7, 1890. Country Produce-Jobbing Prices. The situation varies very little since our last reports. Poultry of all descriptions is scarce and firm. Onlons and cabbage are also very firm. There is a scarcity of choice stock in both lines. The chief trouble in all produce lines all this season of soft weather has been to secure good goods. Anything of high quality that shows up has little trouble finding customers. But this grade of stuff is in small propor-tion to the aggregate of stuff coming to our markets of late. The weather has all this winter been not only adverse to human health, but also to the quality of produce showing up for

BUTTER-Creamery, Elgin, 30@31c; Ohio do, 20627c: fresh dairy packed, 22623c; country rolls, 19620c. BEANS—Navy haud-picked beans, \$2 0062 25; medium, \$1 7562 00. BEESWAX—256226 \$ 5 for choice; low grade,

18@20c. CIDER—Sand refined, \$7.50; common, \$4.50 @5.00; crab cider, \$8.00@8.50 \$7 barrel; cider vinegar, 10@12c \$7 gallon, CHESTNUTS—\$5.00@5.50 \$7 bushel; walnuts, 60370c \$\forall \text{ bushel.} \\
\text{CHEESE-Ohio. ll@ill\(\frac{1}{2}\)c; New York, ll\(\frac{1}{2}\)c; Limburger, \(\text{0\frac{1}{2}}\)cilic; domestic Sweitzer, ll\(\frac{1}{2}\)l\(\frac{1}{2}\)c; limborteil Sweitzer, \(\frac{1}{2}\)d\(\frac{1}{2}\)c.
\(\text{Egos-14@l5c straight \$\psi\$ dozen for strictly}\)

fine, or X and XX. 20g31c; medium 30835/5c; coarse. 34/6/35c; medium 30835/5c; coarse. 34/6/35c; medium 30835/5c; coarse. 34/6/35c; medium washed combing and delaine. 336/40c a box.

FEATHERS—Extra live geese, 506/60c; No. 1, do, 40/6/35c; mixed lots, 20/6/35c medium unwashed combing and delaine, 30/6/35c medium unwashed combing a

G5c.
TROPICAL FRUITS—Lemons, common, \$3 00 @350; fancy, \$4 00@5 00; Florida oranges, \$3 00 @4 00; bananas, \$1 75@2 00 firsts, \$1 00@1 25 good seconds, \$9 bunch; cocoanus, \$4 00@4 50 % hundred; figs, \$4,90% 6 % higher than \$12,00% 10 \$25 00 \$1 hundred; figs, \$250 % dozen, Vegetables—Potatoes, from store, 55@00c; on track, 45@50c; cabbages, \$2 00@2 50 a barrel; Dutch cabbage, \$15 00 % hundred; celery, 40 % dozen; Jersey sweet botatoes, \$4 50@4 75 a barrel; turnips, \$1 00@1 25 a barrel; outons, \$4 50@5 25 a barrel, \$1 50@1 75 per bushel.
BUCKWHEAT FLOUR—2@8% 6 % pound.

BUCKWHEAT FLOUR-2013/40 P pound.

Sugars are still weak, and a further drop is among the probabilities at an early day. Coffees are steady, notwithstanding the fluctua-tions of options. General groceries move along in the same old ruts, with scarcely a perceptible change in the past month or two. GREEN COFFEE—Fancy Rio, 23@24c; choice Rio, 21@22c; prime Rio, 20%c; low grade Rio,

1854@1954c; old Government Java, 27@28c; Maracaibo, 2354@2454c; Mocha, 2854@2954c; Santos, 2054@24c; Caracas, 22@24c; peaberry, Rio, 2354@ 24c: La Guayra, 2316@24c. a load or two of corn cobs, to be applied on ROASTED (in papers)-Standard brands, 24c; high grades, 25@234c; old Government Java.

bulk, 314@33c; Maracaibo, 77@23c; Santos, 244 we will send the Champion and Topeks @2814c; peaberry, 2814c; choice Río, 25c; prime Río, 2314c; good Río, 2214c; ordinary, 21c. Rio, 2334c; good Rio, 224c; ordinary, 21c.

SPICES (whole)—Cloves, 19@20c; allspice, 10c;
cassia, 8c; pepper, 17c; nutmeg, 79@80c.

PETROLEUM (jobbers' prices)—110° test, 734c;
Ohio, 129°, 834c; headlight, 170°, 834c; water
white, 1034c; globe, 14@143c; claine, 1434c; carnadine, 1134c; royaline, 14c; globe red oil, 11@
1134c; purity 14c.

MINERS' OII.—No. 1 winter strained, 46@47c

ggallon; summer, 40@43c. Lard oil, 70c.

SYRUPS—Corn syrup, 28@30c; choice sugar
syrup, 33@38c; prime sugar syrup, 30@38c;

syrup, 33@33c: prime sugar syrup, 30@33c; strictly prime, 33@35c; new maple syrup, 90c, N. O. Molasses—Fancy, new crop, 48@50c; SICK HEADACHE_Carter's Little Liver Pills choice, 47c; medium, 38@45c; mixed, 40@45c.

SODA—Bi-carb in kegs, 3@194c; bi-carb in 1/4s,
594c; bi-carb, assorted packages, 54@6c; salsoda in kegs, 194c; do granulated, 2c.

CANDLES—Star, full weight, 9c; stearine, \$\mathfrak{9}\$
set, 8%c; paraffine, 11@12c.

RICE—Head, Carolina, 50/@7c; choice, 65/@
694c; prime, 51/@8c; Louisiana, 5@64c.

STARCH—Pearl, 3%c; cornstarch, 5@6c; gloss
starch, 45/@7c. choice, 47c; medium, 38@43c; mixed, 40@42c

STARCH—Fearl, 574c; Consister, 5000c; gloss starch, 4047c.
FOREIGN FRUITS—Layer raisins, 52 65; London layers, 52 90; Cabifornia London layers, 52 75; Muscatels, 52 40; California Muscatels, 52 25; Valencia, 774c; Ondara Valencia, 874@ \$2.25; Valencia. 7/4c; Ondara Valencia. 8/4@
8/4c; sultana. 9/4c; currants, 5/4@7/5c; Turkey
prunes, 4/4@6c; French prunes, 6@9/5c; Salonica prunes, in 2-B packages, 8/4c; coccunuts, \$2
100, \$6 00; almonds, Lan., \$3 5, 20c; do, Ivica. 19c;
do, shelled, 40c; walnuts, nap., 14@15c; Scily
filberts, 12c; Smyrna figs, 12@13c; new dates, 6@
6/4c; Brazil nuts, 10c; pecans, 11@15c; citron, \$3
5, 19@20c; lemon peel, 18c \$3 5, orange peel, 17c.
DBIED FRUITS—Apples, sheed, per \$3, 6c; apples, evaporated, 9c; apricots, California, evaporated, 14/4@16c; peaches, evaporated, pared,
25/6/22/6c; peaches, California, evaporated,
25/4/22/6c; cherries, pitted, 13/4/24/5c; cherries, unpitted, 5@6c; raspberries, evaporated,
25/4/22/6c; black berries, 7/4@8c; huckleberries,
10@12c.

10012c. SUGARS—Cubes, 71/6c; powdered, 71/6c; granu-

254@234/c; blackberries, 74/c; powdered, 74/c; granulated, 65/c; confectioners' A, 65/c; standard A, 65/c; soft white, 65/c6/c; yellow, choice, 54/c6/c; yellow, good, 57/c6/c; yellow, fair, 51/c6/c; yellow, good, 57/c6/c; yellow, fair, 51/c6/c; yellow, dark, 65/c.

Pickles—Medium, bbis (1,200), \$5 50; medium, half bbis (600), \$3 25.

SALT—No. 1, \$2 bbi, 35c; No. 1 ex, \$2 bbi, \$1 0; dairy, \$2 bbi, \$1 20; coarse crystal. \$2 bbi, \$120; Higgins' Eureka, 4 bu sacks, \$2 80; Higgins' Eureka, 4 bu sacks, \$2 80; Higgins' Eureka, 16-14 bockets, \$3 00.

CANNED GOODS—Standard peaches, \$2 00@2 25: 26s, \$1 65@1 80; extra peaches, \$2 40@2 60; pie peaches, \$5c; finest corn, \$1 00@1 50; Hid Co. corn, 75@60c; red cherries, 90c@81; Lima beans, \$1 20; soaked do, 80c; string do, 60@55c; marrowfat peas, \$1 10@1 15; soaked peas, 70@80c; pineapples, \$1 300; 140; Bahama do, \$2 75; damson plums, \$5c; Greengages, \$1 25; egg plums, \$2 00; California pears, \$2 50; do greengages, \$1 35; do egg plums, \$2 00; California pears, \$2 50; do greengages, \$1 35; do egg plums, \$2 00; California pears, \$2 50; do greengages, \$1 25; est white cherries, \$2 40; raspberries, \$1 300; 140; tomatoes, \$50@90c; salmon, 1-h, \$1 55@1 10; strawberries, \$1 10; gooseberries, \$1 300; 40; tomatoes, \$50@90c; salmon, 1-h, \$1 55@1 90; blackberries, \$5. 10; sardines, domestic, \$2, \$2 cans, \$2 05; 14-h cans, \$14 00; baked beans, \$1 50@1 50; lobster, 1-h, \$1 75@1 50; corn beef, 2-h cans, \$2 05; 14-h cans, \$15 00; sardines, imported, \$3, \$11 50@1 20; sardines, imported, \$4, \$11 50@1 20; sardines, imported, \$3, \$10 corn beef, 2-h cans, \$2 05; 14-h cans, broiled, \$4, \$5 18 60; sardines, mastard, \$3 30; asrdines, spiced, \$3 50.

FISH.—Extra No. 1 bloater mackerel, \$2 6; do George's cod, in blocks, 65/c75/c. Herring—Round shore, \$4 50 \$p bbl.; split, \$5 60; lake, \$2 75 \$p 100-h half bbl. White fish, \$6 00 \$p 100-h half bbl. Lake trout, \$5 50 \$p half bbl. Finnan haddock, 10c \$p bbl., \$2 00; 1, 5 bbl., \$1 00; Potomachering, \$5 00 \$p bbl., \$2 50 per \$2 bbl.

OATMEAL—\$0 000555 \$p bb

There was a single sale on call at the Gram Exchange, namely, a car of bran at \$12, 10 days, P. R. R. Total receipts as bulletined, 54 cars, of which 38 were by the Pittsburg, Cincinnati and St. Louis, as follows: 5 cars of hay, 20 of corn, 5 of bran, 2 of wheat, 5 of oats, 1 of oats and rye. By Pittsburg, Fort Wayne and Chi-cago, 9 cars in all, as follows: 2 cars of hay, 1 of feed, 1 of flour, 1 of barley, 2 of corn, 2 of oats.

feed, 1 of flour, 1 of barley, 2 of corn, 2 of oata. By Baltimore and Ohio, 1 car of wheat, 2 of hay. By Pittsburg and Western, 1 car of flour, 2 of hay. By Pittsburg and Lake Erie, 1 car of wheat. Receipts are far beyond the wants of trade, particularly of new corn and hay. The demand for flour is light. Consumers are evidently following the hand to mouth policy of late. Choice grades of bakers flour are steady. On patents there is a disposition on the part of holders to concede a little. Northwestern millers are, however, firm in their ideas of values Prices below are for carload lots on track. Wheat—New No. 2 red, 84@85c; No. 3, 81@82c. Sic.
Corn—No. 2 yellow, ear, new, 38@385/c; high mixed, new, 34@35c; No. 2 yellow, shelled, old, 36@36c; new, 33@34c; old, high mixed, shelled, 35@36c. Bejected shelled corn, 28@30c.
OATS—No. 2 white, 28@23/c; extra, No. 3

200275c; mixed, 215625c.
RYE—No, 1 Pennsylvania, and Ohlo, 53656c;
No, 1 Western, 51632c.
FLOUR—Jobbing prices—Fanov winter and spring patents, \$5 0065 50; winter straight, \$4 25694 50; clear winter, \$4 0064 25; straight XXXX bakers', \$8 5063 75. Bye flour, \$5 506 4 75. A 75.
MILLYRED-Middlings, fine white, \$15 000 16 00 % ton; brown middlings, \$12 00014 00; winter wheat bran, \$11 75@12 25; chop feed, \$15 50@16 00.

HAY-Baled timothy, No. 1, \$11 25@11 75;

No. 2 do, \$8 50@10 50; loose from wagon, \$11 00 @13 00, according to quality: No. 2 prairie hay, \$7 00@2 00 macking do, \$5 75@7 00, STR. 2 Oats \$6 75@7 00; wheat and rye straw, \$6 00@6 25.

Sugar-cured hams, large, 5/4c; sugar-cured Sugar-cured hams, large, 5%c; sugar-cured hams, medium, 10c; sugar-cured hams, small, 10%c; sugar-cured breakfast bacon, 8c; sugar-cured development of the sugar-cured development of the

Boston-Wool-There has been a moderate demand for wool; the sales of the week were only 1,709,000 pounds of all kinds. Michigan X fleeces were inquired for, but were sold only at only 1,700,000 pounds of all almos. Michigan & some concession; considerable going to manufacturers at 29,225%, while 20c was the extreme price for best woods. In Ohio fleeces there have been sales at 33,234c; market was quiety the sales were in favor of buyers. Combing and delaine selections have been quiet, but in small stock and firm at previous prices. In washed combing there has been nothing of consequence doing. Territory wools have been in fair domand; but prices have been weak, with the principal sales on a secured basis of 55,656c for fine, and 53,656 for fine medium. In California and Texas wools there have been only small sales. Georgia sold at 17,6c, Ohio and Michigan unwashed at 19,223c, and unmerchantable at 22,225c. Pulled wools have been dull and weak, with supers selving slowly at 18,635c and extra at 22,625c. Mexican wools have been quiet, with sales of New Australian, to arrive, on private terms.

PHILADELPHIA. - Wool - Market fine staple fleeces most in demand; Territorial rather neglected; Ohio, Pennsylvania and West Virginia XX and above, 331,2035c; X, West Virginia XX and above, 334,035c; X, 18636c; medium, 374,038c; coarse, 344,036c; New York, Michigan, Indiana and western fine, or X and XX. 29,031c; medium 386374c; coarse, 344,036c; fine washed defiane X and XX, 34,037c; medium washed combing and delaine, 39,041c; coarse, 36,0374c; Canada washed combing, 35,035c; tub washed, 32,041c; medium unwashed combing and delaine, 28,031c; coarse do, 76,254c; Montana, 18,05c; Territorial, 15,025c.

and is far inferior to the wood that is brought from the island of San Domingo. Cherry. is also scarce, and is a valuable cabinet wood. The discovery has been made, however, that sweet gum wood, when properly cured, dressed and "filled," is about equal to mahogany for panel work in passenger

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