IRON TRADE REVIEW.

The Market is Still Uncertain, but the Outlook is Bright.

AN INCREASE OF INQUIRIES.

Business is More Active at the Western Centers, but the

OUTSIDE LOTS ARE TOO NUMEROUS

The situation varies very little from what ft has been for a week or two past. There is more inquiry, and transactions have been larger the past week than they have been constituted the past week than they have been disposed to wait for new developments. Cable advices were rather tame, but did not show for a month past. One broker reports sales much of any change in prices. Nothing special of 800 tens within a day or two, which is an in the way of crop news was reported, though

iron and steel products is the general view of manufacturers and dealers. Consumers of late are pursuing the hand to mouth policy because of the uncertainty of markets. Once the upward movement starts, which cannot long be de-layed, there will be free buying and stronger Following are latest quotations as furnished

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WAITING FOR CONCESSIONS,

When Lake Navigation Opens There May be a Drop in Prices. PEPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.

PHILADELPHIA, March 7 .- Producers of be made in the price of that commodity unless there is first a reduction in the price of ore, coal, labor or freights, and apparently the only chance for reduction is in cheaper freight rates, which will be likely chance for reduction is in cheaper freight rates, which will be likely to follow when navigation on the great lakes opens in about ten days or a fortnight. When the vessels begin to ply there will be an influx of ore which may break that market, and at any rate the competition of the earriers will be such that the charges will be lessened. The old orders placed with the manufacturers are becoming exhausted, and the new ones received thus far are small. There is thus more anxiety among furnacemen. Buyers are placing orders for the year if their conditions are met.

The Cambria Iron Company, whose business has heretofore been confined to Johnstown. has leased from the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company is mills at Cumberland, Md., and about the first of next month the plant will be put in full operation after an idences of two years. Sales are generally made within the range of the following prices: No. 2 pls 00618 50, and grav forge, SI 00217 50: Bessemer pig. \$2 0062 25 50. Steel rails, \$35 at the mill, old rails, \$25 50 \$25. 60; mill slabs, \$33 60254; blooms, \$22635 per pound for refined. Skelp is a shade easier at 10021.50 crossed inquiry for bar iron at 1.95622 per pound for refined. Skelp is a shade easier at 10021.50 crossed of inquiry for bar iron at 1.95622 spec pound for refined. Skelp is a shade easier at 10021.50 crossed of inquiry for bar iron at 1.95622 spec pound for refined. Skelp is a shade easier at 1.0021.50 crossed of inquiry for bar iron at 1.95622 spec pound for refined. Skelp is a shade easier at 1.0021.50 crossed of inquiry for bar iron at 1.95622 spec pound for refined. Skelp is a shade easier at 1.0021.50 crossed of inquiry for bar iron at 1.95622 spec pound for refined. Skelp is a shade easier at 1.0021.50 crossed of inquiry for bar iron at 1.95622 spec pound for refined. Skelp is a shade easier at 1.0021.50 crossed of inquiry for bar iron at 1.95622 spec pound for refined. Skelp is a shade easier at 1.0021.50 crossed of inquiry for bar iron at 1.95622 spec pound for refined. Skelp is New y 2.502.50, and 2.502.250 for this, 2.502 2.60 and 2.502.16 for shell, 2.50 and 3.103.2c for flange, 3.50 and 3.502.4.250 for fire box. Structural mills are working steadily. Bridge iron is worth 2.5502.30 delivered, angles 2.26 2.3c, with 200.50 extra for steel, tees 2.862.9c

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On a Compromise Basis.

Connellsville foundry coke:

ISPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH, I

CINCINNATI, March 7 .- Rogers, Brown & Co eay: Since the last report both sides have given way in the quiet contest that has been soing on for two months past between iron ensumers and producers. The result is a more sctive market on a compromise basis as to prices. Southern furnaces have, instructed their representatives to make reasonable concessions to actual buyers, and buyers on the essions to actual buyers, and buyers on the other hand have come forward with very liberal inquiries. A good deal of business is apparently in sight in the near future. In some cases views of buyers are ridiculously low, and especially where they are entering the market for the first time after low-priced contracts of last summer and fall. On the whole, the situation has more premise in it than at any time since Christmas. Southern prices, even with the last reduction, are too high to meet competition with Northern irons at points along the lakes.

Another Buying Movement Probable.

PEPECIAL TELEGRAN TO THE DISPATCH. CHICAGO, March 7 .- Rogers, Brown & Co. say: There is not much change to report, but the influences at work at the close of the week seem to be better, and indications are not want-ing that we shall soon have another buying movement. Whether it will be strong enough to bring about a decided reaction and start prices upward again, no one can any more than guess. Close watching of foundries, mills, carguess. Close watching of foliadrics, mills, car-shops, agricultural works, etc., fails to reveal any decided falling off in consumption, though complaints of duliness are occasionally heard. If present rate of consumption is kept up through the year, it is quite certain that the iron market will take care of itself. The local furnaces are again taking orders.

New York Quetations. NEW YORK—Pig iron dull. Copper dull and nominally easier; Lake, March, £14; do, April, £13 85. Lead firm and quiet; domestic, \$3 9734. Tin quiet and steady; straits, \$29 60.

Drygoods. NEW York, March 7. — Business in dry-goods presented no new feature. Jobbers were having a good trade, and there was a fair de-mand for replenishments at the hands of agents, with an increasing tendency. There was a wider and more even request for cotton goods, most all descriptions meeting with more attention. The market was unchanged in char-acter and tone, prices continuing firm as a rule, very few articles being in buyers' favor, and those chiefly in colored cottons.

MARKETS BY WIRE.

Wheat Narrow and Weak - Operators Awaiting Developments - Corn and Oats Let Go-Nothing Doing lu Hog Products.

CHICAGO-Wheat-Trading was of a more restricted character to-day, and the market was again a narrow one, more so than yester day. Some outside business was transacted but most of the trading was local. New York bought some wheat early and a few country buying orders were also executed. Some sell-ing orders were received from the continent for a small quantity. The opening was about 14 lower than yesterday, eased off \$40, then advanced \$48\$40, receded \$48\$40, rallied slightly, again weakened and closed about \$40 lower

than yesterday. There was very little outside news received,

of 800 tens within a day or two, which is an improvement on any recent sales. Buyers are reluctant to eatch on at present prices, and sellers show no disposition to concede any further. The general feeling is that we are to have active markets in the near future, and, while at present thère is little disposition on the part of buyers to lay in stock in the present uncertain condition of markets, there is a strong undertone of confidence that a revival is close at hand. The boom last fall sent prices beyond the line of legitimate trade.

Speculative influences came in to interfere with a healthy boom; and we are now experiencing the reaction from this speculative unovement. While there has been a tendency of late to lower prices on iron and steel products this tendency is, in the general view, temporary, being a reaction caused mainly by the have before us a year of activity in all lines of iron and steel products is the general view of late of manufacturers and dealers. Consumers of late market. sing and the market closed quiet at 1/4c de-cline for May, but was steady for other futures. In mess pork an unusually small trade was re-ported and there was no particular changes to note; scarcely enough doing to establish a market

note: scarcely enough doing to establish a market. In lard the market exhibited a little more strength in a general way, but the business transacted was light. Prices ruled about 23cc higher, and the market closed steady.

In short rib sides very little business was transacted. Feeling rather steady, with no material change in prices.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

WHEAT-No. 2. March. 771/67775/67775/67775/67775/67775/67775/67775/67775/67775/67775/67775/67775/67

May, 21%@21%@21%@21%c: June, 21@21@20%@20%c.

MESS PORK, per bbl.—March, \$9 80@8 80@
9 80@8 80; May, \$10 05@10 05@10 0234@10 05;
June, \$10 073@10 10@10 0734@10 0734.

LARD, per 100 Bs.—March, \$5 90@5 90@
5 90@5 90; May, \$5 97%@6 00@5 97%@6 00;
June, \$8 0234@6 05@6 0234@6 0234

SHORT RIBS, per 100 Bs.—March, \$4 85@4 85@4 85@4 85; May, \$4 87%204 90@4 87%2

Cash quotations were as follows: Flour dull and unchanged. No. 2 spring wheat, 77%@78c; No. 2 corn, 28c. No. 2 cats, 20%@20%c, No. 2 cyte, 42%c, No. 2 barley, nominal. No. 1 flax-seed, \$1 47. Prime timothy seed, \$1 17. Mess pork, per bbl, \$9 80@3 85. Lard, per 100 lbs, \$5 92%. Short ribs sides (loose), \$4 85@4 90; dry saited shoulders (boxed), \$1 20@4 25; short clear sides(boxed), \$5 20@5 25. Sugars unchanged. Receipts—Flour, 7,000 bushels; oats, 10,000 bushels; rye, 3,000 bushels; barley, 32 000 bushels; corn, 25,000 bushels; oats, 167,000 bushels; per 1,000 bushels; barley, 16,000 bushels; corn, 25,000 bushels; barley, 16,000 bushels; on the Produce Exchange to-day the butter market was steady and unchanged. Eggs, 13@10%c.

New York—Flour dull and heavy. Cornmel steady. Wheat—Spot dull and easier: on-

active; Westero, 16@184c; receipts, 5.197 packages. Pork firm; mess, old, \$10 00@10 50; do, new, \$10 75@11 25; extra prime, \$9 25@9 75; middles quiet. Lard firmer and quiet: Western steam at \$8 30 bid; sales, 250 tierces; C and F. \$8 30; options, sales 2,250 tierces; March, \$6 29; closing at \$6 225 tierces; March, \$6 29; May, \$6 32@6 33, closing at \$6 32 bid; June, \$6 37; July, \$6 44, closing at \$6 32 bid; June, \$6 57; July, \$6 44, closing at \$6 32 bid; June, \$6 59 asked. Butter steady and in better demand; Western dairy, 5@18c; do creamery, 13@25c; do held at \$@15c; do factory, 6@18c; Elgin, 275/c. Cheese strong and fuirly active; Western 10@10½c.

IN THE WESTERN MARKETS,

Concessions are Made on Both Sides, but the Prospect is Good.

BFECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.1

St. Louis, March 7.—Rogers, Brown and Meacham say: While the schedule quotations of Southern furnaces have not been changed, there are apparently plenty of so-called "outside" lots to meet the increasing demands from small consumers. The advance of 15 cents per ton in freight rates from the South takes effect on the 15th instant, but present prospects indicate that it will have to be borne by the seller. Quotations are reduced to approximate actual transactions, although numerous furnaces will not offer iron excenting at considerably higher prices. We quote for cash f. o. b. St. Louis hot blast, coke and charcoal:

**Size C. Cneese strong and Turity active; west-ern 10510½c;

PHILADELPHIA—Flour quiet, but firm. Wheat quiet, but seady; fair to good milling wheat, 756%c; prime to fancy, 856%plc; hou farze, 556%plc; prime to fancy, 856%plc; prime to fancy, 856%plc; hou farze, 476% per grades on track, 75%c; do in grain depot, 78c; do in grain depo

Pennsylvania firsts, 195@10c. Cheese firm; part skims, 7@5@c.

Minneapolis—Wheat—Hoceipts of wheat for the day were 288 cars, against 167 cars yesterday. Shipments 46 cars. The demand was very slow for cash wheat, with buyers holding back, demanding concessions. Prices ranged lower in sympathy with weakness in futures. Some early sales were made at about yesterday's range, but the later sales were under. The demand was mostly from local millers, though some sales were noted for outside shipment. In a general way business was very dull all around. Closing quotations: No. 1 hard, March, 78%c; April, 79c; May, 73%c; on track, 78%c; April, 79c; May, 73%c; on track, 74%@79c; No. 1 Northern, March, 76%c; April, 76%c; May, 75%c; on track, 74%@79c.

St. Louis—Flour strong but unchanged.

track, 743/676c.

St. Louis-Flour strong but unchanged. Wheat opened \$\frac{1}{2}c\$ lower, fluctuated \$\frac{1}{2}\text{-1}\text{

Milwaukke—Flour quiet. Wheat steady; No. 2 spring, on track, cash, 72@73c. May, 72%c; No. 1 Northern, 81c. Corn steady; none on track; No. 3, 28c. Oatz quiet; No. 2 white, on track, 23c. Rye quiet; No. 1, in store, 43c bid. Barley easier; No. 2, in store, 35%c. Provisions firm. Pork, 39 95. Lard, 85 96. Cheese steady; cheddars, 9@94c.

BALTIMORE — Provisions firm; mess pork, old. \$10 50; new, \$11 00. Lard, refined, 7%c; crude, 6%c. Butter steady; western ladle, 16@ 2lc; best roll, 16@18c; creamery, 25@27c. Eggs strong at 14%c. Coffee firm; Rio cargoes fair at 20%c.

TOLEDO—Cloverseed active and steady; cash, \$3 50; March, \$3 27%.

Wool Market.

Boston—There has been a large business in wool here during the past week, and the sales amounted to 2,585,000 pounds. There has been no material change in prices. The large sales have been of Territory grades, amounting to 700,000 pounds, and including fine at 56@58c secured: and fine medium at 50@52c. Texas California and Oregon wools have not been selling to any extent and are unchanged in prices. Washed fleeces are the dullest things on the market and are weak, but other kinds of domestic are thought to have touched bottom prices. tic are thought to have touched bottom prices. There have been small sales of Ohio X at 31.6 31½c; XX at 33633½c, and No. 1 at 37633c; Michigan X sells slowly at 29629½c; No. 1 combing is offered at 39c for Ohio and 38c for Michigan.

Ohio fine delaine at 33c, and Michigan fine delaine at 34c. Pulled wools have been quiet, but steady in price. Large sales of scoured wool has reported, including Claifornia, Oregon and Territory, principally in the range of 45@57c. Foreign wool has been quiet but firm.

Commission 1-8. McKee & Hagan, 111 Fourth ave., buy and sells stocks, grain and oil on margin or for cash. Will remove April 1 to 108

TTS IRON City Beer always leads, because of its merits. Telephone 1186.

Things Are Moving.

Glimpses of Big Deals Showing That

BELOW THE SURFACE.

A Still Hunt Said to be in Progress for Good Down-Town Property.

EAST END DWELLINGS PICKED UP.

As a notable instance of the demand for houses in the East End, it may be stated that seven fine dwellings in Coltart square, Oakland, have been sold by W. A. Herron & Sons in the last three weeks. Equal activity prevails in several other districts.

A Fourth avenue real estate firm has made 15 important sales since March 1. The largest involved \$90,000 and the smallest \$17,000. This shows that there is something going on.

The recently incorporated borough of Edgewood will hold its first election to-day, when a full complement of officers will be chosen. The first important improvement that will have to be provided for is a schoolhouse to cost about \$20,000. Streets and sidewalks will require prompt attention.

As the population is small, taxes will prob-

ably be levied up to the maximum allowed by A still hunt is said to be going on for downtown business property, and options have been secured on several good pieces on Penn and Liberty streets. It is not definitely known who

the hunters are, but they are supposed to belong to the syndicate which has been operating so mysteriously in other parts of the city.

Their agents are kept pretty busy, and from indications it is safe to say that something will happen one of these days. Plans have been completed for a Welsh Baptist Church building at Johnstown, and work will begin on it April 1. It will cost \$30,000.

Plans bave also been prepared for a Presby-terian Church edifice at Beaver. It will be of stone and cost about \$50,000. A gentleman just from Wheeling, said yes terday that the principal feature in business circles there just now, was agitation for the appointment of a building inspector, and strong pressure was being brought to bear on the Chamber of Commerce to urge Councils to make the appointment.

The city, he added, is growing so rapidly that

official inspection is necessary as a protection against accidents involving life and property. Eighty men are employed in mining sand on the land recently purchased by J. W. Moore, C. H. Elery and A. B. Rutledge, of this city, in Mercer county. The tract comprises several thousand acres, and the gentlemen claim it is the richest find of glass and furnace sand ever

made in Western Pennsylvania. The present output is about 25 tons a day. It will be increased. . . . The general office of the Braddock Wire

Company has been removed to this city. Work on the company's new wire mill, at Braddock, is being vigorously pushed and it will be put in operation about May 1.

It will be one of the largest in the country, having a capacity of from 1,500 to 2,000 kegs of wire nails per day.

The following mechanical patents have expired and thereby become public property: Sawmill, D. C. Prescott; saw set, J. N. Leslie; combined latch and lock, G. Mullar; oil burn-ing steam generator, O. W. Ketchum; lining rotary puddling furnaces, S. Danks: manufacture of fuel from coal waste, J. R. Hayes; stationary fire pipe for buildings, H. Palmieri; sectional steam boiler, Pancoast and Maule; iron bridge, W. Sellers.

LOCAL SECURITIES.

Good Feeling All Round and Higher Prices Scored. What the stock market lacked in activity

yesterday it made up in strength, advances being made very generally throughout the active list. Allegheny Heating recovered most of its loss, there was quite a little boom in Luster and stronger.

On the whole, the market was encouraging, as indicating strength and in due time activity, as investors will soon get tired of waiting for "cheap stuff" and take it at market prices. Sales were 152 shares, MOBNING, AFTERNOON.

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5s at 10s and bought 10 Central Traction at 30.

J. C. Forse & Co. bought 10 shares of Pleasant Valley at 25.

Henry M. Long sold 50 shares Pleasant Valley at 25 and 25 Pipeage at 16.

The total sales of stocks at New York yesterday were 308,158 shares, including Atchison, 5.545; Delaware, Lackawanna and Western, 19,489; Louisville and Nashville, 13,575; Missouri Pacific, 16,488; Northwestern, 5,160; Northern Pacific preferred 3,100; Oregon Transcontinental, 5,585; Reading, 95,225; St. Paul, 17,000; Union Pacific, 12,120; Western Union, 3,565.

MOVEMENTS IN REALTY.

Latest Sales in City and Suburbs Linden Club Sites.

S. J. Fleming & Co., 147 Fourth avenue, sold an eight-room dwelling house, modern improve-ments, with lot 45x140 feet, located on Craig street, Bellefield, near Forbes avenue. The purchaser was A. T. Douthett, Esq., of the Porter Foundry and Machine Company. The price was \$8,000. This is the second property on that street sold to him by S. J. Fleming, the other being the residence adjoining, formerly owned by Wm. J. Fullerton, and at present occupied by Mr. Douthett. They also sold lot No. 40, Baird plan, Filmore street, to Geo. W. Smith, for the People's Savings Bank, for \$575, and lots Nos. 34, 35 and 36, in same plan, each 24x120 feet, at \$550, \$800 and \$750 each, these lots being sold on

34. 35 and 36, in same plan, each 24x120 feet, at 8850, 8800 and \$700 each, these lots being sold on easy payments.

Ewing & Byers, 35 Federal street, sold for Mrs. Mary Feeny, to Magee & Harnack, the property No. 30 Church avenue, Fourth ward, Allegheny City, consisting of two brick houses, one of six rooms and one of three rooms, with a triangular shape lot, 20 feet front on Church avenue and extending back to the West Penn Railroad, for \$6,000 cash.

C. Beringer & Son, 103 Fourth avenue, sold for David H. Miser to Samuel Rosenberc, the brick dwelling, No. 17 Scott street, Pittsburg, for \$3,500 cash. They also placed a mortgage for \$1,700 on a house and lot at Crafton, Pa., for three years at 6 per cent.

Black & Baird, 95 Fourth avenue, delivered the papers yesterday to the Linden Club for the ground, size 60x174 feet, on which the new club building is being erected, at the corner of Linden avenue and Mead street, Boulsvard blace. The delay was caused by walting for the charter. The price paid was \$3,600. They also placed a mortgage for \$500 on Madison street property, Thirteenth ward, for three years at 6 per cent.

W. A. Herron & Sons sold another house in Coltant square, Oakland, being the seventh in the last three weeks. This leaves only three houses of this plan unsold. The price is only \$6,300, and the terms easy, making them an attractive purchase.

Jamison & Dickie sold for J. S. Beymer three

lots on Lincoln avenue, East. End, 45x157 feet, to William M. Ball for \$1,200; and for George McKee a lot corner Conrad and Friendship streets, 104x95 feet, to F. Householder and J. B. Mitchell for \$2,900. They also sold for the Commissioners of Westmoreland county \$40,000 5-20 bonds at 4 per cent and accrued interest.

600 5-20 bonds at 4 per cent and accrued interest,
Samuel W. Black & Co., 99 Fourth avenue,
sold for the Blair estate, Twenty-third ward, lot
No. 18 on the northeast corner Second avenue
and Mayappie alley, being 24x120 to Gate
Lodge alley, for a price approximating \$1,000.
I. M. Pennock & Son sold a mortgage for
\$5,000 on farm property in Moon township; also
four small mortgages on city and suburban
properties, aggregating \$2,500—all three years
at 6 per cent. at 6 per cent.

James W. Drape & Co. closed the sale of the emainder of the Snowden property, corner Peun avenue and Pitt street, East End, for 21,000 cash; also the sale of a house and lot in NEW CHURCHES FOR NEARBY TOWNS \$21,000 cash; also the sale of a house and lot in Sewickley, near the railroad station, for \$5,300; also the sale of a one-third interest in a large piece of property near the Allegheny Valley Railroad and Forty-third street for \$13,500 cash; also placed a mortgage of \$15,000 on a residence property in the East End at 6 per cent; also six mortgages of \$9,500 on properties in McKees-port and in the city at 6 per cent.

FINANCIAL GREASE.

Banks in Good Condition to Keep Business

Moving-Rates Stendy. The local money market ruled steady but easy yesterday. There was a moderate demand for discounts, and rates were steady at 627 per cent on short and long loans. Counter business was brisk. Currency commanded a small premium over exchange. Bank clearings showed a satisfactory condition of general trade. The exchanges were \$2,284,945.56 and balances \$509,680.89.

Money on call at New York yesterday was easy, ranging from 2 to 6 per cent; last loan, 3; clossed offered at 3. Prime mercantile paper, 5@7. Sterling exchange quiet and steady at \$4.82½ for 60-day bills and \$4.86 for demand.

Closing Bond Quotations.

NEW YORK-Clearings, \$99,681,168; balances, \$4,812,074.

BOSTON—Clearings, \$12,640,884; balances, \$1,-763,316. Rate for money, 5 per cent.

PHILADELPHIA — Clearings, \$11,827,504; balances, \$1,576,451.

BALTIMORE—Clearings, \$2,032,334; balances, \$357,374. \$507,574.

LONDON—The amount of bullion gone into the Bank of England on balance to-day is £7,000. Bar silver, 44d per ounce.

ST. LOUIS—Clearings, \$5,430,718; balances, \$598,657.

OIL IMPROVING.

A More Active Market and Figures on a Higher Level. Oil opened up steady yesterday, and during the forencon sold up to 95, the highest point of the day. It then weakened, and about the mid-dle of the afternoon reached the other extreme. Just before the finish there was a rally, and the close was firm at only a small fraction below the best price. The range was: Opening, 93%; highest, 95; lowest, 93%; closing, 94%. Pitts-

burg was the principal buyer, while Bradford did most of the selling. A broker ventured the opinion that the market is in good shape for a permanent advance. Production is not keeping pace with consump-tion. The advance of 5 cents in Lima oil caused very little comment here. The difficulty in the way of refining it is said to be as great as ever. Brokers would be glad to see it on the market as certificate oil, but they are afraid they never will.

Nothing startling from the field turned up

Nothing startling from the field turned up yesterday. Operations are active, but new wells scarce. The three big gushers in the Hundred-foot district have decreased somewhat in their output, but have still a combined daily production of about 4,450 barrels. The Hundred-Foot Oil Company's well is doing 100 barrels an hour. Wood & Young's, 50 barrels and Lockwood & Co.'s, 35 barrels. The three wells are on a line with but 450 feet separating the two extreme ones. The Brown & Fisher well is 20 feet in the sand, with no oil yet, but is expected to start flowing now at any time. Hovis & Co.'s J. W. Brandon farm well is a 100-barrel producer; the Hundred-foot Oil Company's A. Anderson, 35, and Hoffman & McLain's are making 10 barrels a day. rels a day.

The latest gusher in the Sheffield field, the Gibert Oil Company's Clapp No. 6, on lot 169, is up to 400 barrels a day. Horton, Crary &

o,'s No. 4, on lot 197, is about due. Fentures of Yesterday's Oil Market. Corrected daily by John M. Oakiey & Co., sixth street, members of the Pittsburg Petroum Exchange.

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Refined, Antwerp, 17f.
Refined, Liverpool, 6d.
Refined, Bremen, 6,65m.

A. B. McGrew quotes: Puts, 941/2094/4c; calls, 951/2095/4c.

Other Oll Markets.

BRADFORD, March 7.—Petroleum opened at 93%c; closed at 94%c; highest, 94%c; lowest, 98%c. Clearances, 372,00 barrels; runs, 56,322 barrels; shipments, 58,806 barrels; charters not re-OIL CITY. March 7.—Petroleum opened at 93%c: highest, 35c: lowest, 93%c; closed at 94%c. Sales, 208,000 barrels; shipments, 66,515 barrels, runs, 69,286 barrels.

NEW YORK, March 7.-Petr NEW 10RK, March 7.—Petroleum opened strong at 94c, and moved up to 94%c in the early trading. The market then became quiet and remnined so until the close, which was steady at 94%c. Stock Exchange: Opening, 94%c. Consolidated Exchange: Opening, 93%c; highest, 95c: lowest, 93%c; closing, 94%c. Total sales, 307,000 barrels.

A SHARP BULGE.

Wall Street Operators Encouraged-Improvement in the Monetary Situation Stimulates Stock Trading-A General Upward Movement.

NEW YORK, March 7.-The stock market was nore active and stronger in all the departments to-day than it has been for some time, and a uniform and material upward movement was the provement in the monetary situation, both at nome and abroad, made a better feeling both for the shorts and the long account. The liberal purchases of bonds by the Treasury yesterday and the heavy offerings again to-day also had a favorable effect upon the street and the bears found themselves no longer able to take the aggressive, and the covering of shorts was a large portion of the business of the day. The operations in Reading again occupied most of the attention, but they were not either so large numerically nor so important in comparison with the transactions in the rest of the list. A firm which has been loaning large amounts of the stock upon the street suddenly called it in, and not only the shorts but those who are conducting aroutrage operations befor the shorts and the long account. The

amounts of the stock upon the street suddenly called it in, and not only the shorts but those who are conducting arbitrage operations between this city and Philadelphia found themselves in a tight place. The loaning rate went up to 1-16 per diem for use, and after it had been hammered down to 38½ a rise to 37½ followed, the close being within a slight fraction of the best figure.

The Coalers sympathized to a limited extent, but the Grangers became again very prominent in the market, and, as there were no disturbing reports from the West, they all made material advances for the day. The report that a dividend had been declared upon Sugar Refineries was proved to be false, and this morning the stock opened off over 1 per cent, but the buying for a time at least was as good as usual of late, and it was pushed up to fractionally higher figures than yesterday. This was all lost later in the day, however, and it closed with a fractional loss.

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Among the specialties Cleveland, Columbus, Cincinnati and St. Louis and Wheeling and Lake Erie were the most prominent, but their gains, except for the first named, were small. The strong tone which prevailed during the day lasted up to the close, which was active at the best prices of the day. The principal gains are: Cleveland, Columbus, Cincinnati and St. St. Louis, 1½; Rock Island, 1½; Missouri Pacific and Oregon Trans-Continential, 1½; Northwestern, 1½; Louisville and Nashville, 1½, and St. Paul, 1 per cent.

Railroad bonds were decidedly more active to-day, the sales reaching \$2,147,000, but this was principally due to the activity in the Reading issues, the \$5 furnishing \$810,000 to the grand total. The 4's and the first and second incomes were strong, but the thirds went back. Among those which are higher tronight.

Linden avenue and Mead street, Boulevard blace. The delay was caused by walting for the charter. The price paid was \$3,600. They also placed a mortgage for \$500 on Madison street property, Thirteenth ward, for three years at 6 per cent.

W. A. Herron & Sons sold another house in Coluart square, Oakland, being the seventh in the last three weeks. This leaves only three houses of this plan unsold. The price is only \$6,300, and the terms easy, making them an attractive purchase.

Jamison & Dickie sold for J. S. Reymer three

foreign exchange this forenoon), together with the bond purchases of the Treasury, will prevent any pinch for money for the next month. Apprehensions of stringency in the money market have for the last three weeks been the most important aid to the short sellers of stocks but with this removed the large outstanding short interest to be covered can scarcely fail to result in higher prices within a week.

The following table shows the prices of active stocks on the New York Stock Exchange yesterday. Corrected daily for The Disparch by WHITNEY & STEPHENSON, oldest Pittsburg members of New York Stock Exchange, 57 Fourth avenue:

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San Diego. 175
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Philadelphia Stocks. Closing quotations of Philadelphia stocks, furnished by Whitney & Stephenson, brokers, No. 37 Fourth avenue, Members New York Stock Exchange. Asked

Mining Quotations. NEW YORK, March 7.—Caledonia B. H. 190; Alice, 120; Consolidated California and

Virginia, 425; Commonwealth, 300; Comstock T. bid, 30 00; Comstock T. scrip, 30 00; Dead-wood T. 145; El Cristo, 135; Freeland, 110; Homestake, 700; Horn Silver, 230; Ontario, LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

The Condition of Business at the East Liberty Stock Yards. OFFICE OF PITTSBURG DISPATCH, FRIDAY, March 7, 1890. 1,460 head; market-nothing doing; all through onsignments; no cattle shipped to New York

to-day. Hogs-Receipts, 2400 head; shipments 2000 head: market active; medium and selected, \$4 35@4 45; common to best Yorkers, \$4 25@4 35; pigs, \$4 00@4 10; 6 cars of hogs shipped to New York to-day.

SHREP—Receipts, 1,200 head; shipments,1,000 head; market firm at unchanged prices.

By Telegraph.

New York—Heeves—Receipts, 54 carloads for exportation, 39 carloads for city slaughterers direct and 17 carloads for the market; the limited trading was at about former quotations; common to fair steers sold at \$4 00@4 60 per 100 fbs; bulls and cows at \$1 50@3 25; e2 ports to-day and to-morrow, 1,600 beeves and 7,000 quarters of beef. Calves—Receipts, 100 head: market nearly nominal, but rated steady at \$6775c per fb for veals, and at 3@4c for Western calves. Sheep—Receipts, 2,000 head, with 11 carloads to arrive and 10 carloads were carried over yesterday; market very slow at \$5 10@6 30 per 100 fbs for sheep, and at \$6 00@7 25 for yearling lambs. Hogs—Receipts, 5,600 head; none for sale alive; market nominally steady at \$3 90@4 50.

St. Louis—Cattle—Receipts, 700 head; shipmarket nominally steady at \$3 90@4 50.

ST. LOUIS—Cattle—Receipts, 700 head; shipments, 700 head; market strong; good to fancy native steers, \$4 25@4 90; fair to good do, \$3 30@4 35; stockers and feeders, \$2 25@3 70; range steers, \$2 20@3 60. Hogs—Receipts, 4,000 head; shipments, 2,000 head; market steady; fair to choice heavy, \$3 90@4 00; packing grades, \$3 80@3 90; light, fair to best, \$3 75@3 95. Sheep—Receipts, 700 head; shipments, 600 head; market firm; fair to choice, \$4 00@5 00; lambs, \$5 00 @6 30.

CHICAGO- Cattle - Receipts, 10,000 head; CHICAGO— Cattle — Receipts, 10,000 head; shipments, 4,000 head; market weak to 10c lower; beeves, \$4 80@5 00; steers, \$3 00@4 60; stockers and feeders, \$2 40@3 60; Texas cornfed steers, \$3 00 @3 50. Hogs—Receipts, 20,000 head; shipments, 9,000 head; market strong to 5c higher: mixed and heavy, \$3 80@4 05; light, \$3 85@4 07½; skips, \$3 00@3 70. Sheep—Receipts, 5,000 head; shipments, 1,000 head; market slow; natives, \$3 50@5 60; Western cornfed, \$4 80@5 65; Texans, \$3 55@5 80; lambs, \$5 00@6 25.

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KANSAR CITY—Cattle—Receipts, 5,400 head; shipments, 2,400 head; market steady; steers, \$3 45@4 75; cows. \$2 00@3 00; stockers and feeders, \$2 80@3 45. Hogs—Receipts, 4,800 head; shipments, 2,700 head; market steady; all grades. \$3 65@3 80; bulk, \$3 70@3 75. Sheep—Receipts, 1,200 head; shipments, 200 head; market steady; good to choice lambs and muttons, \$3 50@5 40; stockers and feeders, \$5 00@5 525. 5 25.

BUFFALO—Cattle firm and unchanged; receipts, 111 loads through and for sale. Sheep and lambs slow, shade lower on common grades; receipts, 13 loads through, 22 sale: choice to extra, \$5 85@6; good to choice, \$5 50@5 60; lambs, choice to extra, \$8 85@7 10; good to choice, \$6 65 68 69. Hogs steady: receipts, 41 loads through, 20 sale; mediums and heavy, \$4 20@4 35; Yorkers, \$4 25@4 30; pigs, \$4 20@4 25.

INDIANAPOLISE-Cattle-Receipts. 850 head; market firm; shippers. \$2 2564 60; butchers. \$1 00@3 50; bulls. \$1 50@3 00. Hogs-Receipts. 4,528 head; market active and firm; choice, heavy and medium, \$3 8564 074; mixed, \$3 8566 4 06 light, \$3 8564 0734. Sheep—Market steady; lambs, \$3 50@5 50; sheep, \$2 50@5 00.

WANTED HIM SENT HOME.

Street Boy Who Had Evidently Heard His Pa Talk. About 7 o'clock last evening an Italian youth attempted to sell papers in front of the Central station, on Diamond street, when he was set on by a lot of American infants, none of them over 9 years old, and ordered out of the street. The young Italian attempted to argue the case, but a promis-ing infant sang out: "You Italians have no right in this country. You save all the money you make and take it back to Italy

It wasn't a trade contention, for the ardent Americans were not paper sellers.

Report on the Diamond Widening. The Board of Viewers have nearly completed their report on the Diamond street widening, and vesterday sent out notices to the interested property holders to appear at the office on March 17, to hear the report read before it is presented to Councils.

McKee & Hagan, 111 Fourth ave., buy and sells stocks, grain and oil on margin or for cash. Will remove April 1 to 108 Fourth ave.

CHOICE EGGS AND BUTTER FIRM. Cereal Receipts Light, Owing to Blizzard.

SUGAR AND COFFEE LOOKING UPWARD

and Prices Firm.

OFFICE OF PITTSBURG DEPATCH, FRIDAY, March 7, 1890. Country Produce-Jobbing Prices. Trade is very quiet, owing to the unseason ble drop of mercury. In front of the commis-sion houses along Liberty street there was a Sabbatic appearance to-day. Merchants were trying to keep warm, and very little business eggs and choice grades of butter. Nearby eggs are bringing le per dozen above our quotations in single cases. Fancy apples are very firm. Tropical fruits of choice quality are tending

BUTTER—Creamery, Elgin, 30@31c; Ohio do, 27@28c; fresh dairy packed, 22@23c; country rolls, 19@20c. BEANS—Navy hand-picked beans, \$2 00@2 25: medium, \$1 75@2 00. BEESWAX—D@28c # h for choice; low grade,

BEESWAX—25025c \$ \$ \$ for choice; low grade, 18020c.
UIDEB—Sand refined, \$7 50; common, \$4 50 \$6 50; crab cider, \$8 0008 50 \$\$ barrel; cider vinegar, 10031c2 \$gallon.
CHEESE—Ohio, 110114/c; New York, 114/c; Limburger, 94/611c; domestic Sweitzer, 130 14/c; imported Sweitzer, 23/c.
EGGS—10c straight \$\$ dozen for strictly fresh.
FRUITS—Apples, fancy, \$3 7504 25 \$\$ barrel; cranberries, \$4 0024 25 \$ crate; strawberries, 35040c a box.
FEATHERS—Extra live geese, 50000c; No. 1, do, 40045c; mixed lots, 30035c \$\$ \$\$ h.
MAPLE SYRUP—New, \$1 0021 25 a can.
POULTRY—Live chickens, 80285c a pair; dressed, 124/613c a pound; ducks, 75c@51 \$\$ pair; dressed, 124/613c a pound; ducks, 75c@51 \$\$ pair; dressed, 124/613c a pound; ducks, 75c@51 \$\$ pair; live turkeys, 13041 \$\$\$ \$\$ it dressed turkeys, 150

POULTRY—Live chickens, 80@SSs a pair; dressed, 12%@18c a pound; ducks,75c@\$1 mair; live turkeys, 13@14c mair; mair; live turk

SUCKWHEAT FLOUR-\$1 75@2 00.

The failure of package coffee to advance is: surprise to all dealers. The green article is fully le per pound higher than it was a week ago, but packages are unchanged. The trade awaits the actions of one or two leading firms. Sugar is a mighty uncertain quantity at this date. What the combinations will bring forth no mortal can tell, but it is certain that the drift of things is toward a higher level of

GREEN COFFEE-Fancy Rio, 233/@241/c; choice Rio, 211/2021/c; prime Rio, 21c; low grade Rio, 19620c; old Government Java, 27%@28c; Maracaibo, 24@25c; Mocha, 29@30c; Santos, 21@24½c; Caracas, 22½@24½c; peaberry. Rio, 24@24½c; La Guayra, 24@24½c. ROASTED(in papers)—Standard brands, 24½c; high grades, 25½@30c; old Government Java, bulk, 32@33%c; Maracaibo, 27%@28%c: Santos,

hulk, 32@334c; Maracaibo, 274@284c; Santos, 25@29c; peaberry, 29c; choice Rio, 254c; prime Rio, 24c; good Rio, 23c; ordinary, 214c.

SPICES (whole)—Cloves, 19@20c; alispice, 10c; cassia, 8c; pepper, 17c; nutmeg, 70@80c.

PETROLEUM (jobbers' prices)—110° test, 74c; Ohio, 130°, 83c; headinght, 150°, 83c; water white, 10%c; globe, 14@14½c; claine, 14%c; carnadine, 11%c; royaline, 14c; globe red oil, 11@11½c, purity, 14c.

MINERS OLL—No, 1 winter strained, 44@45c g gallon; summer, 40@43c. Lard oil, 60@65c.

STRUPS—Corn syrup, 26@25c; choice sugar syrup, 36@38c; prime sugar syrup, 36@38c; strictly prime, 33@35c; new maple syrup, 90c.

N. O. Molasses—Fancy, new crop, 48@50c; choice, 4fc; medium, 38@48c; mixed, 40@42c.

SODA—Bi-carb in kegs, 3½c@2(c) bi-carb in 14s, 5½c; bi-carb in kegs, 3½c; do granulated, 2c.

CANDLES—Star, full weight, 8½c; stearine, % set, 8½c; parafine, 11@12c.

RICE—Head, Carolina, 62@7c; choice, 8½@6; Starch, 4½@7c.

STARCH—Pearl, 29c; cornstarch, 5@6c; gloss starch, 4½@7c.

set, 8%c; parafilne, 11@12c.
Rice—Head, Carolina, 6%@7c; choice, 6%@
6%c; prime, 5½@6c; Louisiana, 5@6%c.
STARCH—Pearl, 2%c; cornstarch, 5@6c; gloss starch, 4%@7c.
FOREIGN FRUITS—Layer raisins, 22 65; London layers, 22 75; Muscatels, 22 40; California Muscatels, 22 25; Valencia, 7½c; Ondara Valencia, 8½g. 9c; sultana, 11c; currants, 5@5½c; Turkey prunes, 5@5½c; French prunes, 7@10c; Salonica prunes, in 2-B packages, 8½c; cocoanuts, 9100, 36; almonds, Lan., 9 B. 20c; do Ivica, 17c; do, shelled, 40c; walnuts, nap., 14@15c; Sicily, filberts, 12c; Smyrna figs, 12@13c; new dates, 6@6½c; Brazil nuts, 11c; pecans, 11@15c; citron, 9B, 18@19c; lemon peel, 18c 9B B; orange peel, 17c.
DRIED FRUITS—Apples, sliced, per 25, 6c; apples, evaporated, 9c; apricots, California, evaporated, 15@16c; peaches, evaporated, pared, 12@25c; peaches, California, evaporated, 20@27c; blackberries, 7@75/c; buckleberries, 10@12c.
SUGABS—Cubes, 7½c; powdered, 7½c; granulated, 5@6c; confectioners' A, 6%c; standard A, 6%c; soft white, 6%@6%c; yellow, fair, 5½@6c; yellow, dark, 5½@5%c.
FIGKLES—Medium, bbis (1,200), \$7 00; medium, half bbis (600), \$4 00.
SALT—No. 1, \$2 bbi, 95c; No. 1 ex. \$2 bbi, \$1 20; Higgins' Eureka, 4-bu sacks, \$2 80; Higgins' Eureka, 6-14 B packets, \$3 00.
CANNED GOODS—Standard peaches, \$2 00@2 25; 24s, \$1 65@1 80; extra peaches, \$2 40@2 60; pie peaches, 96c; finest corn, \$1 00@1 50; Hid Co. corn, 60@35c; red cherries, 50@55c; Lima beans, \$1 20; soaked do, 80c; string do, 60@65c; marrowfat peas, \$1 10@1 10; soaked peas, 70@80c; pineapples, \$1 30@1 10; soaked peas, 70@80c; pineapples, \$1 30@1 10; soaked peas, \$2 40@2 60; pie peaches, 96c; finest corn, \$1 00@1 50; Hid Co. corn, 60@85c; red cherries, 50@55c; Lima beans, \$1 20; soaked do, 80c; string do, 60@65c; marrowfat peas, \$1 00@1 50; sardines, imported, ½s, \$1 50@1 90; blackberries, 56c; succotash, 2-b cans, soaked, 90c; do green, 2-b, \$1 26@1 50; sardines, imported,

Sales on call at the Grain Exchange: One car No. 2 yellow shell corn, 351/c, 5 days, P. R. R.; 1 car bran, \$13 75, 5 days, P. R. R.; 1 car sample oats, 27%c, 5 days, P. R. R.; 1 car bran, \$13 50, April delivery: 1 car bran, first 10 days of April, \$13 50. Receipts as bulletined, 13 cars. By Pittsburg, Ft. Wayne and Chicago, 4 cars of oats, 2 of flour, 1 of middlings. By Pittsburg, Cincinnati and St. Louis, 1 car of hay, 4 of oats. By Pittsburg and Western, 1 car of bran. Millfeed and ear corn are scarce and very firm. The light receipts are due somewhat to the snow blockade in the Northwest. Flour weeks past. Millers in the Northwest are firmer weeks past. The general tone of markets in cereal lines is stronger the past few days.

Prices below are for carload lots on track.

WHEAT—New No. 2 red, \$2@83c; No. 3, 79@

80c.
CORN—No. 2 yellow, ear, new, 37@38c; high mixed, new, 34@35c; No. 2 yellow, shelled, old, 395@37c; new, 34@35c. Rejected shelled-corn, 25@28c.
OATS—No. 2 white, 2716@28c; extra, No. 3, 27 @Ti4c; mixed, 244@254c. RYE—No. 1 Pennsylvania and Ghio, 58@54c; No. 1 Western, 51@52c. FLOUR—Jobbing prices—Fancy winter and No. 1 Western, 51@52c. FLOUR-Jobbing prices—Fancy winter and spring patents, \$4 75@5 23: winter straight, \$4 50@4 75; clear winter, \$4 00@4 25; straight XXXX bakers, \$3 75@4 00. Rye flour, \$5 25@

according to quality; No. 2 prairie hav, \$7 00@ 8 00; packing do, \$6 50@6 75. STRAW — Oat. \$6 75@7 00; wheat and rye straw, \$6 00@6 25.

Provisions. Sugar-cured hams, large, 9%c, sugar-cured hams, medium, 10c; sugar-cured hams, small, 101/4c; sugar-cured breakfast bacon, Sc: sugar-cured shoulders, 51/4c; sugar-cured, boneless cured shoulders, 5½c; sugar-cured, boneless shoulders, 7½c; sugar-cured California hams, 6½c; sugar-cured dried beef flats, 9c; sugar-cured dried beef sets, 10c; sugar-cured dried beef rounds, 12c; bacon, shoulders, 5½c; bacon, clear sides, 7½c; bacon, clear bellies, 7½c; dry salt shoulders, 5½c; dry salt clear sides, 7c. Mess nork, heavy, 811 00; mess pork, family, \$12 00. Lard-Refined, in tierces, 5½c; balf-barrels, 5½c; 60-fb tinbs, 5½c; 5-fb tin pails, 6½c; 10-fb tin pails, 6½c; 10-fb tin pails, 5½c; 5-fb tin pails, 6½c; 10-fb tin pails, 5½c; 1arge, 5c. Fresh pork links, 9c. Boneless hams, 10½c. Pigs' feet, half-barrels, \$4 00; quarter-barrel, \$2 15.

THE KITCHEN MARKET. Trade Quiet and Prices Practically Unchanged - Some Improvement in

Pontry and Eggs - Fish in Good Demand-New Peas Frem Georgia. Prices of market basket filling have raised very little from those of last week. At the fruit and vegetable stalls trade was reported as very quiet, owing to the unexpected wintry weather. Butter, eggs and poultry are firm, and jobbers report an upward tendency, but there has not been a sufficient upward movement to make any serious impression on retail markets. Hotbed stuff has been knocked by the markets. Hotbed stuff has been knocked by the weather. About all the home-grown stuff now on the stalls is lettuce. The first installment of new peas has put in an appearance from Georgia, and 50 cents a quarter peck is the price. The influence of Lent is felt in the increased demand for fish, and lighter demand for the old reliable meats. But the effect is not so strong as it was a week ago.

Staple Meats. The best cuts of tenderloin steak range from 20 to 25c, with last figure for very fancy; sirloin, best cuts, from 15 to 18c; standing rib roast, from 15 to 20c; chuck roast, standing rib roast, from 15 to 20c; chuck roast, 10 to 12c; best round steaks, 123/4 to 15c; boiling beef, 5 to 8c; sweet breads, 20 to 50c per pair; beef kidneys, 10c apiece; beef liver, 5c a pound; calf livers, 25 to 35c apiece; corned beef from 10 to 12c per pound. Veal for stewing commands 10c; roast, 123/4 to 15c; cuslets, 20c per pound; spring lambs, fore quarter, 10 to 12c; hind quarters, 15c. A leg of mutton, hind quarter, of prime quality, brings 123/4c; fore quarter, 8c; loin of mutton, 15c; giblets, 5c per pound.

Garden Stuff. Potatoes, 15c per half peck; Jersey sweet pota-toes, 25c per half peck; cabbage, 10 to 25c; new Bermuda potatoes, 80c per quarter peck; choice Florida tomatoes, 50c a quart; celery, 10 to 15c a bunch; bananas, 15 to 20c a dozen; carrots, 5c a bunch; lemons, 25 to 35c per dozen; oranges, 25 bunch; lemons, 25 to 35c per dozen; oranges, 25 to 40c; lettuce, 5 to 10c per bunch: beets, new, 10c, old, 5c; onions, 40c a half peck; green onions, 5c a bunch: Bermuda onions, 25c a quart; Spanish onions, 5 to 10c each; rhubarb, 10c a bunch; 3 for 25c; turnips, 20c per half peck; cranberries, 15c a quart; cucumbers, 15 to 20c apiece: mushrooms, \$1 a pound; radishes, 5c: asparagus, 20c a bunch; new peas, 50c a quarter peck; strawberries, 35 \$30c 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.

Ocean Products. Following are the articles in this line or Following are the articles in this line on the stalls, with prices: Lake salmon, 12½c; California salmon, 40c per pound; white fish, 12½c; herring, 4 pounds for 25c; red snappers, 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, 12½c; lobsters, 25c; green sea jurtle, 25c; mackerel, 20c small, 40c large. Oysters: N. Y. counts, 175 per gallon; clams, \$1 25 per gallon; scollops, 50c a quart; frogs, \$2 00 per dozen; soft shell crabs, 75 per dozen; devil crabs, 85c per dozen.

Jacks, \$3 00 per dozen; La France, \$2 50 per dozen; Mermets, \$2 00 per dozen; Brides, \$2 00 per dozen; yellow and white, \$1 25 per dozen; tulips, 50c per dozen; Bennetts, \$2 00 per dozen tulips, 50c per dozen; Bennetts, 52 00 per dozen; Beauties,50c apiece; Magna Charta, 31 50 apiece; Harrison lilies, 25c apiece; violets, 31 50 a hun-dred; lily of the valley, 1 00 per dozen; Dutch hyaciaths, 51 75 to \$2 00 per dozen; heliotrope, 50c per dozen.

higher prices for stocks after April 1. THE new borough of Edgewood will begin te municipal career to-day by the election of

THERE is talk of drilling for oil on the Mc-Kelvy farm at Swissvale. Signs are said to be QUITE a village occupies the ground near Wilkinsburg, where the colored people held their camp-meeting last summer.

STOCKHOLDERS of the Allegheny County Light Company will, on March 28, vote on a proposition to increase the capital stock from \$500,000 to \$1,000,000. A FOURTH AVENUE real estate agent said

yesterday that considerable Eastern money would be sent here in the spring for investnent in business property. THE local speculative interest is more active than for a long time. There is more doing m oil, and stocks are in fair demand. With an easy money market there is promise of brisk times not far ahead.

THE Texas Street Railway and Land Company has been organized by Boston, Chicago and Texas capitalists for the purpose of buying and operating street railways in Texas cities. The capital stock is \$500,000. A PENN avenue deal, mentioned some time ago as cooking, was closed up yesterday by

ago as cooking, was closed up yesterday by Black & Baird. The property is located at No. 419 Penn avenue and belonged to Dr. Sutton. The price was \$27,000. In connection with the adjoining piece, occupied by Dr. Byer, it will be utilized as a site for a large apartment build-

HOW HAILSTONES ARE MADE. The Process Goes on at a High Altitude and Layers Are Formed.

The manufacture of hailstones is conducted at a high altitude. When a storm comes on there is a rush of cold air unward which catches falling raindrops and bears them heavenward. Then the drops pass through a cold cloud and get congealed; they become heavy and fall back into the rain cloud, where a coat of water adheres to them. Caught up again they are carried into the snow, and take on another jacket; and so the process goes on until a large-sized stone is formed, which, with its companions, escapes from the current of air, and comes tumbling to

the ground.

If a hailstone is cut in two, the layers of ice and snow may be seen with the "naked eye." The small, ordinary hailstone sometimes starts as a raindrop, but achieves its new dignity before it reaches the ground.

The regular monthly meeting of the St. Barnabas Guild for Nurses was held at the Allegheny General Hospital, Stockton avenue, on Thursday evening of this week. A special address was made by the Rev. John R. Wightman. The Rt. Rev. C. Whitehead and Rev. James G. Cameron con-duced the religious service. An informal social meeting, participated in by asso-ciates, members and clergy, took place after the service. The society is growing gradually, and promises to be of much use in the community. Miss Florence K. Tildesley and Miss Anna McCandless, alternate, were chosen delegates to represent the Pittsburg branch at the annual meeting of council

be held in Boston in April. Tearing Down the Old St. Nicholas. The furniture in the old St. Nicholas Hotel, on the corner of Fourth avenue and Grant street, has all been taken out, and the work of tearing down the somewhat famous structure was begun yesterday afternoon.

A Short Gas Line. The Braddock Wire Company is laying a gas line from its works to Sandy Creek, near the Allegheny river, where it will connect with the Equitable line. The branch line will be four miles long.

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George Marvin, an Adams Express messenger, states that Ohio is now paying 20 cents per dosen for the corpses of Anglo-American sparrows. A Premium on the Sparrow.

DOWN WENT O'SHEA.

An Encounter Between Two Well-Known

. Labor Lenders. A sensation was created in labor circles yesterday over a fight at fisticuffs between John M. Kelly and John E. O'Shea, two well-known labor leaders. The row took place in Mr. Kelly's office, and as usual with affairs of this kind, there are conflict-

ing stories of the encounter. About 1 o'clock Kelly, who was slightly indisposed, walked into his office, where he met O'Shea leaning against the counter. There has been somewhat of a disagreement between the two men over labor matters, but to outward appearances they were triends. As soon as Kelly saw O'Shea yes-terday he said:

"O'Shea, get out of this office."

Mr. O'Shea paid no attention to the remark, but resumed reading THE DIS-PATCH, whereupon Kelly said:

"Go on, now. I mean it. You get out."
O'Shea yet paid no attention, being much interested in an article on the labor question. Kelly then walked up to him and planted a heavy blow on the back of O'Shea's

Down went O'Shea to the bottom of the counter. As soon as he recovered his equi-librium he rushed upon Kelly and seized him by the throat. It is said that he struck Kelly in the face twice, but the latter's friends deny it. Others soon joined in the muss and separated the combatants.

After the battle O'Shea went downstairs, and standing on Fifth avenue threatened to

TIED UP WITH CARS.

sweep the snow off the sidewalk with Kelly's

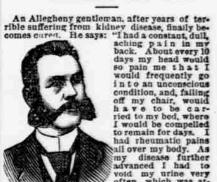
Heavy Grain Blockades on the Panhandle

and Ft. Wayne Roads. "The open weather has been a blessing to ran!road men," said an old Panhandle engineer last evening as he leaned against Depot Master Butler's little office at the Union depot. "I never saw such freight blockades as we have had this winter on the Panhandle, and if we had had much snow, the Lord help us, I don't know what we would have done. The Pennsylvania couldn't receive the cars fast enough, and all along the entire road the sidings and yards were jammed with loaded grain cars, principally corn and wheat, bound for Europe. I am told they couldn't get the vessels fast enough in New York, and the elevators soon filled up, so the grain has been held on the Panhandle and Ft. Wayne roads. We are beginning to make some headway now in clearing the tracks of these

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Mr. Chambers is a prominent actor and musician, and is well known in Allegheny and Pittsburg, and will verify his statement to any one who will write him or call at his home at No. 28 St. Clair street, Allegheny.

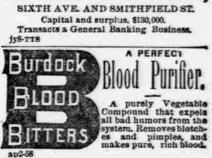
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