# IRON IN THE OLD RUT.

## Really No Change in the Market in This Section This Week.

## TRANSACTIONS WERE VERY LIGHT.

### Orders for Steel Rails Can Now be Placed at Lower Figures.

### TRADE STILL FIRM AT PHILADELPHIA

The week past shows no improvement in markets. Transactions have been light for the reason that the drift of markets is downward. Consumers are only buying as their necessities require. On the other hand, manufacturers of standard brands are not pressing their products on to markets, being confident that there is a better day for trade near at hand. The fact, however, stands that markets are lower than they were a week ago, as our quotations will disclose. Wire nails have suffered a drop, and though cut nails are still quoted the same as for a week or two past, there is little doubt that concessions are made on these rates. There are rumors that Bessemer iron has been sold below our inside quotations within a few days.

There has been a disposition on the part of holders of Bessemer irons to press their goods on the market of late, and this has more or less depressed prices. Steel rails are on the decline across the ocean, but manufacturers here hold their goods at the old rates. There is, however, little doubt that orders can be placed at the Edgar Thomson works at lower figures than have prevailed for a few months past. With the figures lowered, there still remains a very handsome profit to the producer. At the reduced prices steel rails are selling at not less than $8 per ton above the rates of last summer, when steel rails were selling at $26 per ton. Following are the latest quotations:

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| Neutral mill | $16 50@17 00—cash |
| All-ore mill | 17 50@18 00—cash |
| No. 1 foundry, native ore | 18 25@18 50—cash |
| No. 1 foundry, lake ore | 18 50@19 00—cash |
| Bessemer | 20 00@20 50—cash |
| Spiegel | 28 50@30 00 |
| Muck bar | 29 50 |
| Steel blooms | 31 50@32 50 |
| Steel slabs | 31 50@32 50 |
| Steel billets | 31 50@32 50 |
| Steel R.U. ends | 24 00@24 50 |
| Steel bloom ends | 22 00@22 50 |
| Old iron rails, American Ts | 25 00@26 00 |
| Old steel rails, short pieces | 22 50@23 50 |
| Steel rails, new | 35 00@36 00 |
| Steel R. light sec | 35 00@37 00 |
| Bar iron | 1 85@ 1 90 |
| Steel nails, per keg, usual dis | 2 25@ 2 35 |
| Wire nails, per keg | 2 60@ 2 70 |
| Ferro manganese | 97 00@100 |

### FIRM AT PHILADELPHIA.

#### No Change in Quotations is Expected Before the 1st of April.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.]

PHILADELPHIA, March 21.—The local iron market is firm considering the weakness manifested in the South and West. Early in the week dispatches were sent out from Pittsburg proclaiming that the pig iron recently shipped here by water from the South had been tested by steel makers and condemned, and this conveyed the impression that the Southern iron would not be useful to Northern manufacturers. The Southern producers state that the metal shipped was never intended for steelmaking purposes, and that the condemnation so loudly proclaimed does not denounce the iron for foundry purposes, for which it is intended. Agents of the Southern furnaces state that they are placing Southern pig iron in New England and the West and that more and larger shipments to Pittsburg by way of the Tennessee and Ohio rivers will follow. Concessions of 50 cents to $1 per ton were made by Southern manufacturers of pig iron, but salesmen for nearby furnaces are sitting coolly in their offices and letting the buyers do the hustling. One of the largest concerns in this State is sold ahead on the lower grades, but is in the market for small orders of No. 1 foundry at $20 per ton. President Clark, of the Thomas Iron Company, has gone to Florida and he announces that no change in quotations will be made before his return about April 1.

One company with furnaces at Columbia is reported to have sold 1,000 tons of No. 1 foundry at $19 00. It seems to be the opinion among iron dealers that the McKinley tariff bill will not become a law. Bessemer iron is in light demand. Bar iron moves slowly, but more activity is noted regarding plates. Manufacturers of structural iron say there is enough doing to keep their mills busy.

Quotations are: $19 50@20 00 per ton for No. 1 foundry delivered; $18 50@19 00 for No. 2; $16 75@17 50 for gray forge; Bessemer, $20 50; blooms, $32 00@33 00 per bloom ton of hot blast charcoal; $51 00@55 00 for cold blast delivered; $44 00@45 00 for run out anthracite; muck bars, $30 00@31 00 at the mill; steel rails, $35 00 at the mill; old rails, $27 at interior mills; bar, 1.90@1.95c at city mills and 1.80@1.85c in the country; skelp, 1.90@1.95c, delivered, for grooved and 2.05@2.10c for sheared plates. Iron and steel respectively, tank, 2.20@2.25c and 2.5@2.6c, bridge plate, 2.25@2.30c, shell, 2.40@2.50c and 2.8@3c; flange, 3.15@3.25c and 3.10@3.2c; fire box, 3.75c and 3.75@4.25c; bridge plates, 2.20@2.25c for angles, and 2.40@2.50c extra for steel; tees, 2.75@2.8c; beams and channels, 3.1c for iron and steel.

#### New York Figures.

NEW YORK, March 21.—Pig iron quiet. Copper easier; Lake, March, $14 65; do, April, $14 65. Lead quiet and steady; domestic, $3 92½. Tin dull and heavy; straits, $20 30.

### LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

#### The Condition of Business at the East Liberty Stock Yards.

OFFICE OF PITTSBURG DISPATCH, FRIDAY, March 21, 1890.

CATTLE—Receipts, 756 head; shipments, 630 head; market, nothing doing; all through consignments. No cattle shipped to New York to-day.

HOGS—Receipts, 2,800 head; shipments, 2,500 head; market slow; medium and selected, $4 40@4 50; best Yorkers, $4 30@4 40; common to fair, $4 20@4 25; pigs, $4 00@4 15; 8 cars of hogs shipped to New York to-day.

SHEEP—Receipts, 1,000 head; shipments, 400 head; market firm at unchanged prices.

#### By Telegraph.

NEW YORK—Beeves—Receipts, 57 cars for export; 30 cars for market and 62 cars direct to slaughterers; market dull and 5c per 100 lbs lower; steers, $3 90@4 55; bulls and dry cows, $1 50@3 75; dressed beef firm, 6@7½c per lb for sides; exports to-day, 498 beeves; to-morrow 878 beeves and 3,940 quarters of beef. Cable from London quotes American beef dull at 8c per lb. Calves—Receipts, 374 head; market steady; veals, $5 00@7 00 per 100 lbs; buttermilks, $3 00@3 50. Sheep—Receipts, 3,737 head; market steady; sheep, $5 50@6 50 per 100 lbs; lambs, $7 00@7 75; dressed mutton firm at 9@10½c per lb; dressed lambs steady at 9½@11c. Hogs—Receipts, 5,877 head; all consigned to slaughterers; nominally steady at $4 40@4 90 per 100 lbs.

CHICAGO—Cattle—Receipts, 7,500 head; shipments, 3,000 head; market strong to higher, closing easier; beeves, $4 85@5 05; steers, $3 25@4 30; stockers and feeders, $2 40@3 75; Texas cornfed steers, $2 90@3 75. Hogs—Receipts, 20,000 head; shipments, 10,000 head; market stronger, closing weak and active; heavy, $4 00@4 27½; light, $4 00@4 25; skips, $3 50@4 25. Sheep—Receipts, 8,000 head; shipments, 1,000 head; market strong; natives, $4 00@4 35; Western cornfed, $5 00@5 75; Texans, $3 75@5 20; lambs, $5 00@6 85.

ST. LOUIS—Cattle—Receipts, 800 head; shipments, 700 head; market strong; good to fancy native steers, $4 30@4 80; fair to good do, $3 30@4 40; stockers and feeders, $2 30@3 40; Texas and Indian steers, $2 40@3 75. Hogs—Receipts, 5,600 head; shipments, 5,100 head; market lower; fair to choice heavy, $4 00@4 10; packing grades, $3 90@4 05; light, fair to best, $3 95@4 10. Sheep—Receipts, 400 head; market steady; fair to choice, $4 00@5 80; lambs, $5 00@6 20.

KANSAS CITY—Cattle—Receipts, 3,000 head; shipments, 2,000 head; market active; steers 5c higher; steers, $3 50@4 70; cows, $1 85@2 95; stockers and feeders, $2 30@3 50. Hogs—Receipts, 5,500 head; shipments, 1,600 head; market steady; all grades, $3 90@4 00; bulk at $3 95@4 00. Sheep—Receipts, 1,000 head; shipments, 1,400; market strong; good to choice lambs and muttons, $3 50@5 40; stockers and feeders, $5 00@5 25.

BUFFALO—Cattle steady and firm; receipts, 18 loads through, no sale. Sheep and lambs slow and a shade lower; receipts, 6 loads through, 12 sale. Sheep—Choice to extra, $5 90@6 10; good to choice, $5 50@5 85. Lambs—Choice to extra, $7 00@7 25; good to choice, $6 75. Hogs steady; receipts, 36 loads through, 20 sale; mediums and heavy, $4 40@4 45; mixed, $4 40@4 45; Yorkers, $4 30@4 35; pigs, $4 25@4 30.

PHILADELPHIA—Wool market quiet; Ohio, Pennsylvania and West Virginia XX and above, 32@34c; X, 30@33c; medium, 36@38c; coarse, 34½@36c; New York, Michigan, Indiana and Western fine, or X and XX, 28@31c; medium 36@37c; coarse, 34½@36c; fine washed delaine X and XX, 33@35c; medium washed combing and delaine, 38@41c; coarse do., 35@36c; Canada washed combing, 33@34c; tub washed, choice, 39@40c; fair, 37@38c; coarse, 32@35c; medium unwashed combing and delaine, 28@30c; coarse do, 26@27c; Montana, 17@25c; Territorial, 15@22c.

#### Drygoods.

NEW YORK, March 22.—There was no new feature to the market for drygoods.

# MARKETS BY WIRE.

#### May Wheat Stronger, but Other Features Lose Ground—Corn and Oats Hold Their Own—Trifling Changes in Hog Products.

CHICAGO—Wheat—A large business was transacted and a higher range of prices established for May, while the deferred futures did not follow the advance, and ruled rather weaker. The opening was about ⅛c lower than yesterday's closing, but the market quickly developed strength under large buying orders, especially for May, and as the offerings were not large, prices were advanced for May delivery ⅜c, then followed a reaction of ⅜@⅛c, again rallied, prices advancing to the outside range, eased off and the closing was about ⅜c higher for May than yesterday. June and July deliveries did not follow the advance.

Shorts covered freely for May, and operators were reluctant about selling short for that delivery, evidently fearing manipulation, liable on account of the limited supply of wheat at hand. The action of the market would indicate that short sellers had changed their interests to July delivery. The market to-day was bulled some on the report from New York that, while there were no exports of wheat reported, some 224,000 bushels had cleared late yesterday and would show up to-morrow.

Advices were received from California reporting more rain and the Sacramento Valley flooded; also, that recent frosts had done some damage to the wheat. Snow was reported at Minneapolis, but weather in the West generally was reported fine.

Corn—There was a fair amount of speculative business transacted, and the situation was relatively firm early, influenced largely by the strength of wheat, but later an easier tone was developed, due largely to large estimated receipts. The market opened at yesterday's closing prices, was firm for a time, and sold up a trifle. Houses that purchased yesterday bought again to-day, but offerings became larger and prices declined ⅛c, a local elevator selling moderately, and final quotations were the same as on yesterday.

Oats—The market was fairly strong. There was good buying by several large operators, but the offerings were liberal and their wants were supplied. The feeling at the opening was rather easy, and prices receded slightly, rallied ⅛c for May, but later receded ⅛c, and the market closed steady at about the same prices as yesterday.

Pork—Not much doing, and the feeling was comparatively steady. Prices exhibited only slight changes, and the market closed at inside figures.

Lard—Trading was moderate with only slight changes to note in prices. Shorts provided for a few contracts early, and prices advanced 2½@5c. Later the market ruled quiet, and prices settled back again to medium figures and closed quiet.

Short Rib Sides—There was a moderate business, and the market ruled steady at about former figures.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

WHEAT—No. 2, March, 80@80⅜@80@80⅛c; May, 80⅝@81⅛@80⅝@81c; July, 78@78⅜@77⅞@78⅛c.

CORN—No. 2, April, 29⅛@29⅛@29⅛@29⅛c; May, 30@30⅛@29⅞@30c; July, 31⅛@31⅛@31⅛@31⅛c.

OATS—No. 2, March, 21⅛@21⅛@21⅛@21⅛c; May, 22@22⅛@21⅞@21⅞c; June, 21⅞@21⅞@21⅞@21⅞c.

MESS PORK, per bbl.—March, $10 30@10 30@10 30@10 30; May, $10 45@10 47½@10 45@10 45; June, $10 50@10 52½@10 50@10 50.

LARD, per 100 lbs.—March, $6 05@6 07½@6 05@6 07½; May, $6 10@6 15@6 10@6 12½; June, $6 12½@6 15@6 12½@6 15.

SHORT RIBS, per 100 lbs.—March, $5 05@5 07½@5 05@5 07½; May, $5 05@5 07½@5 02½@5 07½; June, $5 10@5 10@5 07½@5 10.

Cash quotations were as follows: Flour firm and unchanged. No. 2 spring wheat, 80@80⅛c; No. 3 spring wheat, 68@70c; No. 2 red, 80@80⅛c. No. 2 corn, 28⅛c. No. 2 oats, 21⅛c. No. 2 rye, 42½c. No. 2 barley, nominal. No. 1 flaxseed, $1 48. Prime timothy seed, $1 19. Mess pork, per bbl, $10 37½@10 40. Lard, per 100 lbs, $6 07½. Short ribs sides (loose), $5 00@5 10; dry salted shoulders (boxed), $4 35@4 40; short clear sides (boxed), $5 40@5 50. Sugars—Cut loaf unchanged. Receipts—Flour, 11,000 barrels; wheat, 18,000 bushels; corn, 338,000 bushels; oats, 112,000 bushels; rye, 6,000 bushels; barley, 36,000 bushels. Shipments—Flour, 17,000 barrels; wheat, 15,000 bushels; corn, 203,000 bushels; oats, 180,000 bushels; rye, 16,000 bushels; barley, 24,000 bushels.

On the Produce Exchange to-day the butter market was weaker; fancy Elgin creamery, 24½@25c; finest Western, 23@24c; finest dairies, 20@22c; fine, 14@18c. Eggs, 13½@14c.

NEW YORK—Flour firm and fairly active; Cornmeal dull and steady. Wheat—Spot stronger; options fairly active and irregular; near months ⅛c up; late months ⅛@⅜c off, closing barely steady. Rye firm. Barley quiet; Barley malt quiet. Corn—Spot strong and fairly active; options dull, ⅛c up and steady. Oats—Spot strong and active; options less active and easier. Hay steady and quiet. Hops quiet and easy. Coffee—Options opened steady, March unchanged, others 5@10 points down, closed steady at 10@30 points down; sales, 77,250 bags, including March, 17.75@17.80c; April, 17.30@17.40c; May, 16.95@17.10c; June, 16.80@16.90c; July, 16.60@16.70c; August, 16.35@16.55c; September, 16.15@16.30c; October, 15.95@16.15c; November, 15.75c; December, 15.70@15.95c; January, 15.80c; spot Rio quiet and easy; fair cargoes, 20½c; No. 7 flat bean, 18⅝c. Sugar—Raw lower and in fair demand; fair refining, 5 1-16c; centrifugals, 96 test, 5⅝c; sales, 1,900 bags of centrifugals, 96 test, at 5⅝c; 400 hogsheads Muscavado, 87 test, at 4⅝c; refined firm and fairly active. Molasses—Foreign active; 50 test at 22c; New Orleans steady. Rice firm and in fair demand. Cottonseed oil steady. Tallow easy; city ($2 for packages), 4 5-16c. Rosin firmer; strained, common to good, $1 20@1 22½. Turpentine easier and quiet at 43@43½c. Eggs quiet and steady; Western, 14½c; receipts, 7,495 packages. Pork quiet and firm. Cutmeats firm. Lard quiet and steady; sales 100 tierces Western steam, $6 50; options, sales, 2,000 tierces; April, $6 43 bid; May, $6 44; June, $6 49 asked; July, $6 51@6 52, closing at $6 52 asked; August, $6 57; September, $6 64 asked; October, $6 66. Butter in moderate demand and freely offered; Western dairy, 11@18c; do creamery, 13@25½c; do held, 8@15c; do factory, 6@19c; Elgin, 26½@27c. Cheese steady and in moderate demand; Western, 10@10½c.

PHILADELPHIA—Flour firm and quiet. Wheat quiet, but firm; rejected, 60@70c; fair to good milling wheat, 74@82c; prime to choice, 85@91c; western ungraded in grain depot, 88c; No. 2 red, March, 84@85c; April, 85c; May, 85⅜@86c; June, 85⅜@86c. Corn—Options firm; carlots for local trade quiet but steady: No. 4 mixed, on track, 30⅛c; No. 2 yellow, in Twentieth street elevator, 37½c; No. 2 mixed, March, 35@36⅛c; April, 36⅛@36⅛c; May, 36⅛@36⅛c; June, 36⅛@36⅛c. Oats—Carlots advanced ⅛c with a fair local trade demand; No. 3 white, 29@29½c; No. 2 white, 30@30½c; do on track, 31c; futures, ⅛@⅛c higher; No. 2 white, March, 30@30½c; April, 29½@30c; May, 29½@29½c; June, 29½@29⅜c. Eggs steady and in fair demand; Pennsylvania firsts, 14@14½c.

MINNEAPOLIS—Receipts of wheat for the past 24 hours were 196 cars, with 24 shipped out. The demand for spot wheat was good, and good samples for delivery to the mills went off readily to local millers; the demand for outside was light, and for some lots the movement was slow, and some difficulty was experienced in disposing of them at the stiff prices asked. Closing quotations: No. 1 hard, March and April, 80c; May, 81c; on track, 80½c; No. 1 Northern, March, 78½c; April, 78½c; May, 79½c; on track, 79½c; No. 2 Northern, March, 76½c; April, 76½c; May, 77½c; on track, 76@77½c.

ST. LOUIS—Flour steady. Wheat higher; May opened ⅛c and July ⅜c lower; market improved steadily and at the close was ⅛@⅜c above yesterday; No. 2 red, cash, 78⅜c; May closed at 78½c, bid; June, 78⅜@78⅜c, asked; July, 75⅝@75⅝c; August, 75⅛c. Corn higher; No. 2 mixed, cash, 25⅞c; April closed at 26⅛c; September at 29⅛c. Oats easier; No. 2, cash, 23⅛c; May, 23⅝c, asked at close. Rye—No. 2 had bids of 40½@40⅝c. Barley firm; Iowa, 81c. Flaxseed, $1 40. Provisions very quiet; job and order business light at unchanged prices.

MILWAUKEE—Flour unchanged. Wheat steady; No. 2 spring, on track, cash, 72@74c; May, 74@74⅛c. Corn higher; No. 3, on track, 29c. Oats higher and wanted; No. 2 white, on track, 24c. Rye again higher. Barley advancing; No. 2, in store, 42c. Provisions weak. Pork, $10 30. Lard, $6 05. Cheese steady; cheddars, 10@10½c.

BALTIMORE—Provisions firm and steady. Lard, refined, 7½c. Butter active and good demand for prime goods; western ladle, 16@21c; best roll, 16@19c; creamery, 24@26c. Eggs strong at 13@13½c. Coffee dull but firm; Rio, fair, 20¼@20½c.

TOLEDO—Cloverseed active and steady; cash and April, $3 25; October, $3 50.

### THE TOMB OF A QUEEN.

#### A Famous Mound is One of the Attractions of Shebold Park.

The new Shebold park on the Bellevernon road will be fixed up handsomely for picnic parties. The road will spend about $5,000 in beautifying the grounds. Over the hill from the park is a large mound where tradition has it that Queen Aliquippa is buried.

She was a famous Indian princess who controlled the savages in this section during the days of Washington. It is said she entertained the immortal George.

### RIVERS RISING AGAIN.

#### About 1,000,000 Bushels of Coal Lying in the Upper Pools.

The rivers are rising very rapidly, but no danger from a local flood is anticipated. Yesterday was a quiet day on the wharf. There wasn't much freight of any kind on the move.

It is estimated there are 1,000,000 bushels of coal in the upper pools, but the operators are in no hurry to get it out

# WILL SPREAD OUT.

## The Butler Chemical Company to Meet the Demand for Soda Ash.

## ENLARGEMENT OF THE BIG PLANT.

### Inside Facts About the Government Property on Ellsworth Avenue.

### FOREIGN VERSUS HOME CAPITAL

The flurry in soda ash and other chemicals, such as are used in glass works, is quickening the interests of the Butler Chemical Manufacturing Company, recently organized with a capital of $400,000. A member of the company, and one of the largest of the Pittsburg stockholders, said yesterday: "We will at once proceed to enlarge our plant so as to be able to meet the demand for soda ash and other specialties for which there is a large home demand. We have plenty of space to expand in to any extent desired. The proposed improvement will cost considerable money, but we believe business will justify it." There is a large amount of Pittsburg capital invested in this enterprise, which makes it of special local interest.

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The failure of the Government to sell its property on Ellsworth avenue was a surprise to many. A prominent real estate broker, in discussing the matter yesterday, said: "The property comprises about two acres, and is valuable. I think it is worth more than the minimum price fixed by the Government, $30,000. The lack of bids is no evidence that the property is not wanted. Buyers were plenty, but they were afraid of running the price up on each other. In my opinion the property will realize at least $40,000. It cost the Government about $25,000, if I recollect aright. General Negley, who was in Congress at the time of the purchase, engineered the deal. When citizens of the ward found out what it was wanted for—a marine hospital—they set up a vigorous kick, and kept it up until the authorities abandoned the project. General Negley's advocacy of the measure cost him a great many votes."

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A mortgage specialist said yesterday: "There is no scarcity of money in Pittsburg, and a good deal of it is being placed at low rates—say 5 3-10 per cent—on productive city business property. A lower rate than this is exceptional. Capitalists are very conservative, and confine themselves for the most part to choice properties which are always marketable. Out-of-town properties are viewed with disfavor. Farms are almost completely ignored. I have heard talk of Eastern money coming here this spring for investment. There is nothing new in this—it is always here. Some think it is cheaper than home money, but it is not. When borrowers pay the extra expense which the examination of titles and other formalities involve and which Boston men insist upon, they find that it costs them fully as much as the home article."

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There is nothing to encourage the bulls in the coal stocks, trade in both bituminous and anthracite being in a state of almost unparalleled depression. To prevent further demoralization the output is being restricted as much as possible, only enough being marketed to supply the actual necessities of consumers. It is a matter of surprise that these stocks have held up so well during the long period of dullness.

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The Sprague Electric Company proposes to build a street railway in Mansfield, O. A representative of the company, Charles James, of Pittsburg, is now in Mansfield securing right of way. Thus rapid transit is marching on. It is a necessity of the times, as no wideawake person in Pittsburg will dispute.

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The recent advance in Lima oil to 27 cents is causing an unusual interest in that product, but there is nothing strange about it. The advance was due entirely to the increased demand for it. During the last few months a large quantity of oil has been wanted, and a large quantity has been bought; the price, therefore, rose. As the summer approaches it is highly probable that very much less oil will be wanted and the price will fall again, though it will hardly return to the old level of 15 cents.

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The stockholders of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company will hold a special meeting on March 31 to consider and vote upon the question of leasing the West Virginia and Pittsburg Railroad, which is the main line of the system, but not including the Monongahela river road. The lease is for 999 years, and the links of the railroads, when widened to standard gauge and completed, will be about 175 miles long.

### LOCAL SECURITIES.

#### Pleasant Valley Keeping Up Its Little Boom—Some Weak Spots.

Sustained by a good demand and light offerings, Pleasant Valley continued its little boom yesterday, selling up to 26¾ and closing at 27 bid. Its earnings are said to justify the advance. How much higher it will go is a problem a good many are trying to solve, but judging from the temper displayed yesterday, the end is not yet.

The tractions and natural gassers were dull and lower. Switch and Signal and Electric hugged the old quotations, while Luster showed up a little better. There was nothing in the rest of the list demanding special mention. Bids, offers and sales were:

| | MORNING. Bid. | Asked. | AFTERNOON. Bid. | Asked. |
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| Pitts. P. S. & M. Ex. | 450 | 485 | .... | .... |
| Freehold Bank | 70 | .... | .... | .... |
| Masonic Bank | 64¼ | .... | 64¼ | .... |
| Monongahela N. B. | 117 | .... | .... | .... |
| People's National Bk. | 170 | .... | .... | .... |
| Second National Bank | .... | 255 | .... | .... |
| Third Nat. Bank | .... | 180 | .... | .... |
| Allegheny Heating Co. | 108 | .... | 108 | .... |
| Bridgewater H. Co. | 30 | .... | .... | .... |
| Chartiers V. Gas Co. | 45 | 46½ | 46¼ | 47 |
| People's Nat. Gas | .... | 40 | .... | .... |
| People's N.G. & P.Co. | 16¼ | 16⅝ | 16⅝ | 16½ |
| Pennsylvania Gas Co. | 14 | .... | .... | .... |
| Philadelphia Co. | 32⅛ | 32¾ | 32 | 32¼ |
| Wheeling Gas Co. | .... | .... | 18⅝ | .... |
| Washington Oil Co. | 85 | .... | .... | .... |
| Central Traction | 29 | 30 | 29 | 29⅞ |
| Citizens' Traction | 64 | 64⅜ | .... | 64⅜ |
| Pitts. Traction | 40¼ | 41⅜ | .... | 43 |
| Pleasant Valley | 26⅝ | 26⅞ | 27 | 28½ |
| Suspen'n B'dg.(6th st) | 50 | .... | .... | .... |
| Luster Mining Co. | 16 | 18½ | 17⅝ | 18⅜ |
| Yankee Girl Min. Co. | .... | 2⅜ | .... | .... |
| East End Electric | 60 | .... | .... | .... |
| Westinghouse Electric | 45½ | 46 | 45¼ | 45⅝ |
| New Castle Water Co. | .... | 35 | .... | .... |
| U. S. & Sig. Co. | 15 | 16 | 14¾ | 16 |
| U. S. & S. Co. pref. | .... | 46 | .... | .... |
| The G. S. & Stor. Co. | .... | .... | 104½ | .... |

At the morning call 2 shares of Luster brought 20; 50 Citizens' Traction, 64¼; 50 Philadelphia Gas, 32¼; 30, 32⅜; 20, 32¼; 40 Pleasant Valley, 26⅝; 50 London Airbrake, 60, and 10 Central Traction, 29⅜.

After call 10 shares of Pleasant Valley realized 26¾.

At the afternoon call 110 shares of Westinghouse Electric went at 45¾.

Edward P. Long sold 250 shares Pleasant Valley at 26, 40 shares Union Switch and Signal Company at 15, and 100 shares Central Traction at 29¾.

The total sales of stocks at New York yesterday were 152,292 shares, including Atchison, 5,289; Delaware, Lackawanna and Western, 8,830; Louisville and Nashville, 17,220; Missouri Pacific, 5,200; Oregon Transcontinental, 6,725; Reading, 6,100; St. Paul, 6,558; Union Pacific, 5,000.

### IMPORTANT DEALS.

#### Several Large Parcels of Real Estate Quietly Picked Up.

Alles & Bailey, 164 Fourth avenue, sold for Captain William Wood, Nos. 164 and 166 Fourth avenue, being three three-story brick buildings, each lot 20x85 feet, to Cohen, Israel, Kaufman and Trauerman, through C. H. Love, for $50,000. The deed has passed into the hands of the purchasers.

Jamison & Dickie sold for D. C. Kuhn a brick mansard house on Shady avenue, lot 27x120 feet, to Maggie and Mary Thomas, for $7,300, and for Hartman and Hay a brick house on Oakland avenue, lot 31½x110 feet, to Dr. J. S. Wagaman, for $7,500. They also sold the residence of Joseph S. Brown, corner Lincoln avenue and Meadow street, East End, lot 112x220 feet, to the Lincoln Avenue M. E. congregation, for $15,000. A stately stone church will adorn this beautiful lot in the near future.

Reed B. Coyle & Co., 131 Fourth avenue, sold to Marshall H. Reno, for B. F. Beale, No. 20 Kirkpatrick avenue, Allegheny, being a two-story pressed brick dwelling of six rooms and all modern improvements, with lot 17½x102 feet, for $3,750.

James W. Drape & Co. closed the sale of the property at the corner of Sixteenth, Seventeenth and Sarah streets, Southside, for $23,500 cash; also closed the sale of a fine piece of property, of which particulars cannot be given at present; also sold a lot in Bellevue, 48x200 feet, for $1,000 cash; also closed two mortgages of $56,000 at 6 per cent, on manufacturing properties in the city; also four mortgages for $1,500 to $2,000 each on properties in the city and McKeesport.

Ewing & Byers, No. 93 Federal street, sold for Mrs. Lydia Pinkerton to F. Schoenthal, Esq., on Wilson avenue, Tenth ward, Allegheny City, on line of the Perrysville Electric road, a frame house of six rooms, hall, bathroom, both gases and laundry, with lot 25x125, for $3,000.

Black & Baird, 95 Fourth avenue, sold for Simen Beymer to Michael J. Murphy a vacant lot on Romeo street, Oakland, being No. 231 in the Linden Land Company's plan, size 24x100 feet, for $950. They also placed a mortgage for $5,000 for three years on Oakland property near Forbes avenue, valued at $7,500, at 6 per cent.

C. Beringer & Son sold a two-story frame dwelling with lot 20x110 feet on Third avenue, Homestead, to Thomas Parly for $1,600 cash.

Samuel W. Black & Co. sold to Andrew J. Armstrong a lot on the northwest corner of Chestnut street and the Beaver road, Edgeworth station, Pittsburg, Fort Wayne and Chicago Railway, size about 200x1,000 feet, for $5,200. They also sold lot No. 204 and part of No. 203 in the Swissvale place plan of lots, Swissvale station, Pennsylvania Railroad, size 53x125, for $416 66.

George Schmidt, 157 Fourth avenue, sold to E. G. King, lot No. 11 Lombard street, 22x120, with a seven-roomed brick house, for $3,600. He also placed a mortgage in the Eleventh ward for $2,800 for three years at 6 per cent.

D. Dennison, 6214 Penn avenue, sold a lot in Sterritt township for $750 cash. Also a house and lot for J. R. Holland to Mrs. Sarah Conn for $1,900 cash. They also placed a mortgage on property in the Twenty-first ward for $1,500.

### THE MONEY MARTS.

#### A Drop in Bank Clearings Due to Easy Collections.

There was a drop in the bank clearings yesterday of over $100,000. Under some circumstances this would indicate depression of business, but in the present case it is the reverse of that. It shows that collections are so good as to render merchants and manufacturers in some degree independent of outside accommodations. The exchanges were $2,300,354 22, and the balances $312,546 20.

The following is a statement of bonds purchased by the Treasury from August 3, 1887, to and including March 15, 1890: Amount purchased 4s, $126,049,350; 4½s, $135,452,550; total, $261,501,900; cost 4s, $160,569,817; 4½s, $145,987,174; total, $306,556,991; cost at maturity 4s, $218,747,698; 4½s, $152,903,962; total, $571,651,660; saving 4s, $58,177,880; 4½s, $6,916,787; total, $65,094,668.

Money on call at New York yesterday was easy, ranging from 3½@4 per cent; last loan, 3½; closed offered at 3½. Prime mercantile paper, 5½@7½. Sterling exchange dull and steady at $4 83¼ for 60-day bills and $4 85½ for demand.

#### Closing Bond Quotations.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| U. S. 4s, reg. | 121¾ | M. K. & T. Gen. 5s | 64⅛ |
| U. S. 4s, coup. | 122¾ | Mutual Union 6s | 100 |
| U. S. 4½s, reg. | 103⅛ | N. J. C. Int. Cert. | 111¼ |
| U. S. 4½s, coup. | 103⅛ | Northern Pac. 1sts | 114⅝ |
| Pacific 6s of '95 | 116 | Northern Pac. 2ds | 113⅛ |
| Louisiana stamped 4s | 95 | Northw't'n consols | 142 |
| Missouri 4s | 100 | Northw'n deben's | 111 |
| Tenn. new set. 6s | 109 | Oregon & Trans. 6s | 106⅛ |
| Tenn. new set. 5s | 102 | St. L. & I. M. Gen. 5s | 91 |
| Tenn. new set. 3s | 74 | St. L. & S. F. Gen. M. | 110 |
| Canada So. 2ds | 98 | St. Paul consols | 127¼ |
| Cen. Pacific. 1sts | 112 | St. Pl. Chi & Pc. 1sts | 116 |
| Den. & R. G., 1sts | 118⅛ | Tx., Pc. L. G. Tr. Rs. | 92 |
| Den. & R. G., 4s | 78⅛ | Tx., Pc. R. G. Tr. Rcts | 38⅛ |
| D. & R. G. West, 1sts | — | Union Pac. 1sts | 113⅛ |
| Erie, 2ds | 101¼ | West Shore | 105 |
| M. K. & T. Gen. 6s | 75 | | |

NEW YORK—Clearings, $96,801,940; balances, $4,906,460.

BOSTON—Clearings, $16,394,758; balances, $1,802,024. Money, 4 per cent.

PHILADELPHIA—Clearings, $11,560,352; balances, $1,614,657.

BALTIMORE—Clearings, $1,956,125; balances, $279,286.

LONDON—The amount of bullion gone into the Bank of England on balance to-day is £87,000.

PARIS—Three per cent rentes, 87f 62½c for the account.

CHICAGO—Clearings, $11,322,000. New York exchange sold at 40c per $1,000 discount. Money rates steady at 5½@6 per cent on call and 6½@7 per cent on time.

NEW YORK—Government bonds have been dull and steady. State bonds have been dull and without feature.

### STILL IMPROVING.

#### More Vim in the Oil Market—A Strong Close —Good Producers.

Oil was steady and active as things go yesterday, trading being fair during the most of the session. Oil City took the lead. New York was up also. Pittsburg assisted the upward movement in the forenoon, but was the lowest point at the close. The strength was due to short selling, as indicated by the strong close within a small fraction of the highest point. The range was: Opening, 85⅜; highest, 87; lowest, 85⅜; closing, 86⅞. Thursday's clearances were 608,000 barrels.

The Horton, Crary & Co. well in the Sheffield district is the biggest yet struck in that territory, and shows that the field is far from dry. At last accounts it was flowing at the rate of about 150 barrels an hour.

The Pennsylvania Oil Company also got a well on lot 197, adjoining Horton, Crary & Co.'s gusher, that is doing 25 barrels an hour. These two strikes will make things a little brighter in Sheffield.

Tanks have been erected at the well on the Toothman farm at Fairview, W. Va., and the oil is flowing at the rate of 25 barrels a day.

At Eureka Barnsdale & Moore's No. 5 on the Hammatt farm is doing 300 barrels a day. They have another well in the field that came in about two months ago, now producing 135 barrels a day, and the South Penn Oil Company has another that is doing 200 barrels a day, in addition to its new one, on the Hammatt farm, flowing 400 barrels a day.

Conner & Biggens' Zelt No. 2, in the Washington field, is making 60 barrels a day from the fourth sand, and Aiken & Co.'s Haggerty No. 4 is showing for a 75-barrel producer from the fifth sand. The Forest Oil Company has a 50-barrel well in its No. 4 on the William Morrow farm that is in the Gordon.

In the hundred-foot district Wood & Young's No. 2 on the Cable farm has an excellent sand, but no oil as yet. Their No. 2 on the C. E. Shannon farm is through the sand and will be small, while their gusher on the John Dambach farm is making 360 barrels a day.

The Wildwood well did 31 inches in 21 hours, about 77 barrels, making its production for 24 hours over 100 barrels, a decided increase.

The well on the Upper Brothers Island in the Eureka field came in Thursday night, and is flowing 20 barrels an hour. This is the third good well in four days. The entire output of the three is 2,000 barrels a day.

The Bridgewater Gas Company brought in an 80-barrel well on the Smith farm in the Turkeyfoot field.

#### Features of Yesterday's Oil Market.

Corrected daily by John M. Oakley & Co., 45 Sixth street, members of the Pittsburg Petroleum Exchange.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Opened | 85⅜ | Lowest | 85⅜ |
| Highest | 87 | Closed | 86⅞ |

| | Barrels. |
|---|---|
| Average charters | 18,229 |
| Average shipments | 69,053 |
| Average runs | 61,941 |

Refined, New York, 7.25c.
Refined, London, 5⅜d.
Refined, Antwerp, 17f.
Refined, Liverpool, 6d.
Refined, Bremen, 6.65m.

A. B. McGrew quotes: Puts, 86½c; calls, 87¾@87⅞c.

#### Other Oil Markets.

BRADFORD, March 21.—Petroleum opened at 85⅝c; closed at 87c; highest, 87⅛c; lowest, 85⅝c; clearances, 956,000 bbls.

OIL CITY, March 21.—Petroleum opened at 85⅝c; highest, 87⅛c; lowest, 85⅝c; closed at 87⅛c. Sales, 250,000 bbls.; clearances not reported; charters 5,714 bbls.; shipments, 93,783 bbls.; runs, 70,477 bbls.

NEW YORK, March 21.—Petroleum opened weak at 86c, but after the first sales became strong and advanced to 87⅝c. The market then became quiet and closed steady at 87⅝c. New York Stock Exchange: Opening, 86c; highest, 87⅝c; lowest, 86c; closing, 87⅝c. Consolidated Exchange: Opening, 85⅝c; highest, 87⅛c; lowest, 85⅝c; closing, 86⅞c. Total sales, 248,000 barrels.

# THE LAST HOUR

#### Productive of All the Activity in the Share Market—Brokers Anxious About To-Day's Bank Statement—Gains at the Finish.

NEW YORK, March 21.—The dullness in the stock market, which was the most conspicuous feature yesterday, was even more intense to-day until the last hour, when the only approach to activity was had. Every one was holding off, and neither side was disposed to press any little advantage it might have though a few marked movements were made during the day. The bank statement is again the principal point of anxiety, and should to-morrow's statement prove a favorable one a new buying movement is likely to result, though nothing of large proportions is to be expected until after the April settlements are out of the way.

The dullness to-day up to 2 P. M. was simply oppressive. The only feature of the forenoon was Sugar refineries, which was sold down a trifle in the early dealings, but the reception of the news that the court had granted the permission to pay the dividends rallied it to above 70, though there seemed to be plenty of stock for sale at that price and it afterward reacted. An application for an injunction against the payment of a dividend upon Chicago Gas was the occasion of a drive at that stock in the afternoon, and it broke from 43⅛ to 41⅜, on comparatively lively trading. The final settlement of the troubles among the managers of Tennessee Coal has had its effect, and that stock was more quiet to-day, though after opening up 1 per cent it lost the improvement and not until the last hour was any real advance made in it.

Toward delivery hour the impression that the bank statement to-morrow would be a good one got abroad, and the traders started in to cover some of their shorts, and the lack of stock for sale was plainly exemplified by the marked advance which took place in the short time left in which to do business. The coalers were most conspicuous in the advances. Colorado Coal scored a material improvement. The movement extended to all portions of the list, and everything traded in felt the stimulus, the market closing quiet but strong at the highest prices of the day. Among the specialties Wheeling and Lake Erie and Oregon Short Line were prominent for strength, while Louisville, New Albany and Chicago was the weak point. The list this evening is almost invariably higher, and even Chicago Gas shows only a fractional loss, while Colorado Coal rose 2; Tennesse Coal 1⅜; Louisville and Nashville 1¼, and Rock Island and Denver, Texas and Ft. Worth 1 per cent.

Railroad bonds were a little more animated, and the Louisville, New Albany and Chicago consuls were the only feature of the day, dropping from par to 98½c, but rallying 1 per cent at the close. They furnished $125,000 to the grand total of $1,101,000. There was the usual lack of feature in the rest of the list, and of those which show gains Duluth and Iron Range firsts rose 2¼ to 103¾ while Louisville Southern firsts lost 3@92.

The *Post* says: There was less business in railroad stocks this forenoon than there has been in the same hours at any time in over two years. Leaving out such stocks as Tennessee Coal, Colorado Coal, Oregon Transcontinental and Sugar Trust, in which there was some activity, arising from such causes special to themselves in each case, and which would not be the causes of any general movement either for investment or for liquidation, the total remaining transactions in railroad stocks in the forenoon were only about 30,000 shares, or about one-fourth of the forenoon's proportion of a very moderate business in stocks.

If the mere scalping for eighths and quarters by the board room traders could be deducted from the 30,000 shares, it is probable that it would show that not above 5,000 or 6,000 shares of railroad stocks had been bought or sold on regular commission orders this forenoon. So that it is probable that the total commissions paid to stock exchange brokers for their transactions this forenoon did not amount to above $1,500. When it is remembered that there are over 1,100 members of the New York Exchange, and that a large proportion of them try to live upon commissions, it is easy to understand why they feel despondent, and, as bearishness is the natural concomitant of despondency, talk bearish.

The following table shows the prices of 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, 57 Fourth avenue:

| | Opening. | Highest. | Lowest. | Closing Bid. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Am. Cotton Oil Trust | 27 | 27¼ | 26⅞ | 27⅛ |
| Atch., Top. & S. F. | 36⅝ | 37⅛ | 36⅝ | 37 |
| Canadian Pacific | .... | .... | .... | 72 |
| Canada Southern | 54⅝ | 54¾ | 54½ | 54⅝ |
| Central of New Jersey | 120⅝ | 121¼ | 120⅛ | 121⅜ |
| Chesapeake & Ohio | 22⅜ | 22⅜ | 22⅜ | 22⅜ |
| C., Bur. & Quincy | 106⅜ | 107¼ | 106⅜ | 106⅞ |
| C., Mil. & St. Paul | 68⅜ | 68⅜ | 68⅜ | 68⅛ |
| C., Mil. & St. P., pf. | .... | .... | .... | 116⅞ |
| C., Rock I. & P. | 93¾ | 94⅛ | 93¾ | 94 |
| C., St. L. & Pitts. | .... | .... | .... | 16¼ |
| C., St. L. & Pitts. pf. | .... | .... | .... | 50¼ |
| C., St. P., M. & O. | .... | .... | .... | 32⅜ |
| C., St. P., M. & O., pf. | .... | .... | .... | 93 |
| C. & Northwestern | 110⅜ | 111 | 110⅜ | 110⅞ |
| C. & N. W. pfd | .... | .... | .... | 141 |
| C., C., C. & I. | 70⅜ | 70⅝ | 70⅜ | 70⅝ |
| C., C., C. & I., pf. | .... | .... | .... | 98½ |
| Col. Coal & Iron | 44 | 45⅜ | 44 | 45⅜ |
| Col. & Hocking Val | 22 | 22 | 21¾ | 21⅜ |
| Del., L. & W. | 135⅝ | 136⅜ | 135⅝ | 136⅜ |
| Del. & Hudson | 149 | 149⅝ | 149 | 149⅝ |
| Denver & Rio G. | 15 | 15 | 14 | 14 |
| Denver & Rio G. pf. | .... | .... | .... | 45½ |
| E. T., Va. & Ga. | .... | .... | .... | 8⅜ |
| E. T., Va. & Ga. 1st pf. | 72 | 72 | 72 | 71½ |
| E. T., Va. & Ga. 2d pf. | .... | .... | .... | 22 |
| Lake Erie & Western | .... | .... | .... | 17⅛ |
| Lake Erie & West. pf. | 64¼ | 64¼ | 64 | 64¼ |
| Lake Shore & M. S. | 107 | 107⅛ | 107 | 107 |
| Louisville & Nashville | 84 | 85⅛ | 84 | 84⅞ |
| Michigan Central | 97⅝ | 97⅞ | 97⅝ | 97⅞ |
| Mobile & Ohio | .... | .... | .... | 14⅜ |
| Missouri Pacific | 72⅝ | 73⅛ | 72⅝ | 72⅝ |
| New York Central | .... | .... | .... | 106⅞ |
| N. Y., L. E. & W. | 25⅛ | 25⅛ | 25⅛ | 25⅛ |
| N. Y., C. & St. L. | 17 | 17 | 17 | 17¼ |
| N. Y., C. & St. L. pf. | .... | .... | .... | 70⅛ |
| N. Y., C. & St. L. 2d pf | 39⅜ | 39⅜ | 39⅜ | 39⅜ |
| N. Y. & N. E. | 46⅜ | 46⅝ | 46⅜ | 46⅝ |
| N. Y., O. & W. | 17⅛ | 17⅛ | 17⅛ | 17⅛ |
| Norfolk & Western | .... | .... | .... | 19 |
| Norfolk & Western, pf. | 60⅛ | 60⅛ | 60⅛ | 60⅜ |
| Northern Pacific | .... | .... | .... | 30⅞ |
| Northern Pacific pf. | 72¼ | 72⅜ | 72¼ | 72⅜ |
| Oregon Improvement | 45⅛ | 45⅛ | 45⅛ | 45⅜ |
| Oregon Transcon. | 37⅛ | 38⅛ | 37⅛ | 38 |
| Pacific Mail | .... | .... | .... | 37 |
| Peo. Dec. & Evans. | .... | .... | .... | 18⅜ |
| Philadel. & Reading | 39⅞ | 40⅜ | 39⅞ | 40⅛ |
| Richmond & W. P. T. | 21 | 21 | 21 | 20⅞ |
| Richmond & W.P.T.pf | .... | .... | .... | 77⅛ |
| St. P., Minn. & Man. | .... | .... | .... | 112 |
| St. L. & San Fran. | .... | .... | .... | 17⅜ |
| St. L. & San Fran pf. | .... | .... | .... | 37½ |
| St. L. & San F. 1st pf. | .... | .... | .... | 80 |
| Texas Pacific | .... | .... | .... | 19⅛ |
| Union Pacific | 63⅛ | 62⅝ | 62⅝ | 62⅜ |
| Wabash | .... | .... | .... | 12⅛ |
| Wabash preferred | 26⅛ | 26⅜ | 26⅛ | 26⅜ |
| Western Union* | 81⅝ | 81⅞ | 81⅝ | 81⅞ |
| Wheeling & L. E. | 72⅛ | 72⅛ | 71⅞ | 72⅛ |
| Sugar Trust | 69⅝ | 70⅛ | 69⅛ | 69⅞ |
| National Lead Trust | 18¼ | 18¼ | 18 | 18⅛ |
| Chicago Gas Trust | 43⅛ | 43⅛ | 41⅜ | 42⅝ |

#### Boston Stocks.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Atch. & Top. | 37⅛ | Atlantic | 13 |
| Boston & Albany | 218 | Boston & Mont. | 48¾ |
| Boston & Maine | 225 | Calumet & Hecla | 256 |
| C. B. & Q. | 107⅛ | Franklin | 15 |
| Eastern R. R. | 164½ | Huron | 3⅛ |
| Eastern R. R. 6s | 125 | Kearsarge | 11 |
| Flint & Pere M. | 32¼ | Osceola | 28⅝ |
| Flint & Pere M. pfd. | 96 | Pewabic | 8 |
| L. R. & Ft. S. 7s | 100 | Quincy | 70 |
| Mass. Central | 17¾ | Santa Fe copper | [illegible] |
| Mex. Central com. | 19 | Tamarack | 158 |
| N. Y. & New Eng. | 46½ | Anniston Land Co. | 57 |
| O. & L. C. com | 7 | Boston Land | 6⅝ |
| Old Colony | 177½ | San Diego | 19⅝ |
| Rutland common | 3⅝ | West End Land Co. | 25⅛ |
| Rutland preferred | 73 | Bell Telephone | 228 |
| Wis. Central, com. | 29¾ | Lamson Stores | 28 |
| Wis. Central pf. | 61 | Water Power | 6 |
| Allouez Mg Co. | 3 | Centennial Mining | 23 |

#### Philadelphia Stocks.

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

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Pennsylvania Railroad | .... | 53⅝ |
| Reading | 20 1-16 | .... |
| Lehigh Valley | .... | 51⅝ |
| Lehigh Navigation | .... | 52⅝ |
| Philadelphia and Erie | .... | 30⅜ |
| U. Co's New Jersey | .... | *228 |
| Northern Pacific | .... | 30⅜ |
| Northern Pacific preferred | .... | 72¾ |

*Ex-dividend. †Asked.

#### Mining Stocks.

NEW YORK, March 21.—Mining quotations: Alice, 120; Caledonia B. H., 180; Consolidated California and Virginia, 415; Commonwealth, 250; Comstock T., scrip, 30 00; El Cristo, 145; Hale and Norcross, 220; Horn Silver, 220; North Belle Isle, 100; Ontario, 39 00; Ophir, 370; Savage, 145; Sierra Nevada, 195; Sutter Creek, 230.

### BUSINESS NOTES.

THE Supreme Court of Illinois has denied a rehearing in the Chicago Gas Trust case.

REPRESENTATIVES of several New York banks were on the street yesterday offering money at 5 per cent.

THE Berlin syndicate has taken the second block of Northern Pacific 5s at 89, the first lot having been largely over subscribed.

THERE is a remarkable rush for membership in the London Stock Exchange, and the entrance fee is to be raised from $1,500 to $2,[illegible]

MONEY is distinctly easier in Chicago, 5 per cent being accepted in some instances where 6 per cent would have been exacted a few weeks ago.

SIX per cent will be the maximum rate of dividend of the Pleasant Valley Railway Company until all indebtedness is wiped out. This should be satisfactory to investors.

MAJOR GLOVER, of James W. Drape & Co., was out the Pennsylvania Railroad yesterday with some wealthy gentlemen representing a large syndicate, looking for a site for an extensive manufacturing plant, and are supposed to have found one. The Major said he would turn on the light in a few days.

#### Wool Markets.

BOSTON—There has been a fair business in domestic wool during the past week. Foreign wool has been in moderate request. Sales of all kinds amount to 2,305,000 pounds. Prices, on the whole, have been about the same, although for washed fleeces they were weak and in buyers' favor. Michigan X fleeces have sold to a moderate extent at 28c. Ohio fleeces have been quiet at 31c for X and 33@33½c for XX and XX and above. Combing and delaine fleeces have been about steady at 39@40c for No. 1 combing, 35c for Ohio fine delaine and 34c for Michigan fine delaine, but sales were made only in small lots. Unwashed combing wools have been dull. Territory has been in good demand, with sales of fine at 56@58c; fine medium at 53@55c, and medium at 50@52c. Texas wool has sold in the range of 17@21c, and Oregon at 41@49c. Considerable California spring has been sold at 52c, scoured. Pulled wools have been in steady demand at unchanged prices. Foreign has continued firm.

YOU can break up a bad cold by the timely use of Dr. Jayne's Expectorant, an old and popular medicine for sore lungs and throats, and the best of all cough remedies.

A LIFE-SIZE crayon and one dozen cabinet photos can be had together for $6 only at Society Gallery, 35 Fifth ave. Use elevator.

# DOMESTIC MARKETS.

## Markets About Bare of Good Potatoes and Fancy Apples.

## POULTRY SCARCE AND VERY FIRM.

### Oats and Ear Corn Are Strong—Hay Quiet and Flour Steady.

### CEREALS STILL IN FAVOR OF BUYERS

OFFICE OF PITTSBURG DISPATCH, FRIDAY, March 21, 1890.

#### Country Produce—Jobbing Prices.

Poultry is very scarce and firm. Markets are almost bare of good potatoes, a fact attributed by dealers to the impassable condition of country roads throughout the regions tributary to Pittsburg. Dairy products are quiet at the old prices. Apples and tropical fruits of high grade are in good demand at outside quotations. Onions are good stock and firm. Cabbage is moving slowly because of high prices. Eggs are slow. Produce men report a quiet trade for Friday, owing to unfavorable weather and a scarcity of stuff. Full supplies are on the way, and the general expectation is that next week there will be an abundance of fruits and vegetables on the market.

BUTTER—Creamery, Elgin, 28@29c; Ohio do, 26@27c; fresh dairy packed, 20@21c; country rolls, 18@20c.

BEANS—Navy hand-picked beans, $1 75@1 80.

BEESWAX—25@28c ℔ lb for choice; low grade, 18@20c.

CIDER—Sand refined, $7 50; common, $4 50@5 00; crab cider, $8 00@8 50 ℔ barrel; cider vinegar, 10@12c ℔ gallon.

CHEESE—Ohio, 11@11½c; New York, 11½c; Limburger, 13@13½c; domestic Sweitzer, 13@14½c; imported Sweitzer, 23½c.

EGGS—14@15c ℔ dozen for strictly fresh.

FRUITS—Apples, fancy, $4 25@4 50 ℔ barrel; cranberries, $4 00@4 25 a crate; strawberries, 35@40c a box.

FEATHERS—Extra live geese, 50@60c; No. 1, do, 40@45c; mixed lots, 30@35c ℔ lb.

MAPLE SYRUP—New, $1 00@1 10 a can.

POULTRY—Live chickens, 80@85c a pair; dressed, 12½@13c a pound; ducks, 75c@$1 ℔ pair; live turkeys, 13@14c ℔ lb; dressed turkeys, 16@17c ℔ lb.

SEEDS—Clover, choice, 62 lbs to bushel, $4 00 ℔ bushel; clover, large English, 62 lbs, $4 35@4 60; clover, Alsike, $8 00; clover, white, $9 00; timothy, choice, 45 lbs, $1 60@1 70; blue grass, extra clean, 14 lbs, $1 25@1 30; blue grass, fancy, 14 lbs, $1 30; orchard grass, 14 lbs, $1 40; red top, 14 lbs, $1 00; millet, 50 lbs, $1 00; Hungarian grass, 50 lbs, $1 00; lawn grass, mixture of fine grasses, $2 50 ℔ bushel of 14 lbs.

TALLOW—Country, 3¾c; city rendered, 4⅜c.

TROPICAL FRUITS—Lemons, common, $3 00@3 50, fancy, $4 00@4 50; Florida oranges, $4 00@4 25, Valencia, $4 00@4 50 for 420 case, Jamaica, $7 00 a barrel; bananas, $1 25@1 75 firsts, $1 00@1 25 good seconds, ℔ bunch; cocoanuts, $4 00@4 50 ℔ hundred; dates, 6½@7c ℔ lb; layer figs, 12½@15½c.

VEGETABLES—Potatoes, from store, 70@75c; on track, 60@65c; new Southern cabbage, $3 75 one barrel crate; Dutch cabbage, $17 00 ℔ hundred; celery, 40c ℔ dozen; Jersey sweet potatoes, $4 50@4 75 a barrel; turnips, $1 25@1 50 a barrel; onions, $4 00 a barrel; Bermuda onions, $3 75 bushel crate; parsnips, $2 25@2 50 ℔ barrel; onion sets, $2 75@3 00 per bushel.

BUCKWHEAT FLOUR—$1 75@2 00.

#### Groceries.

GREEN COFFEE—Fancy Rio, 24@25c; choice Rio, 22@23c; prime Rio 22½c; low grade Rio, 20@21c; old Government Java, 28@29½c; Maracaibo, 25@27c; Mocha, 29½@31½c; Santos 21½@25½c; Caracas 24@26c; La Guayra, 25½@26½c.

ROASTED (in papers)—Standard brands, 25c; high grades, 26@30½c; old Government Java, bulk, 33@34½c; Maracaibo, 28@29c; Santos, 26@30c; peaberry, 30c; choice Rio, 26c; prime Rio, 24½c; good Rio, 23½c; ordinary 21@22½c.

SPICES—(whole)—Cloves, 17@18c; allspice 10c; cassia, 8c; pepper, 17c; nutmeg, 70@80c.

PETROLEUM (jobbers' prices)—110° test, 7¼c; Ohio, 120° 8½c; headlight, 150° 8¾c; water white, 10½c; globe, 14@14½c; elaine, 14½c; carnadine, 11½c; royaline, 14c; globe red oil, 11@11½c; purity, 14c.

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

SYRUP—Corn syrup, 26@29c; choice sugar syrup, 36@38c; prime sugar syrup, 30@33c; strictly prime, 33@35c; new maple syrup, 90c.

N. O. MOLASSES—Fancy, new crop, 48@50c; choice, 47c; medium, 38@43c; mixed, 40@42c.

SODA—Bi-carb in kegs, 3½@3¾c; bi-carb in ½s, 5½c; bi-carb, assorted packages, 5¼@6c; sal-soda in kegs, 1⅓c; do granulated, 2c.

CANDLES—Star, full weight, 8½c; stearine, ℔ set, 8½c; paraffine, 11@12c.

RICE—Head, Carolina, 6¾@7c; choice, 6¼@6½c; prime, 5¾@6c; Louisiana, 5@6½c.

STARCH—Pearl, 2¾c; cornstarch, 5@6c; gloss starch, 4½@7c.

FOREIGN FRUITS—Layer raisins, $2 65; London layers, $2 75; California London layers, $2 75; Muscatels, $2 40; California Muscatels, $2 25; Valencia, 8½c; Ondara Valencia, 10¼@10½c; sultana, 11c; currants, 5½@6c; Turkey prunes, 5½@6c; French prunes, 7½@10½c; Salonica prunes, in 2-lb packages, 8½c; cocoanuts, ℔ 100, $6; almonds, Lan., ℔ lb, 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, ℔ lb, 18@19c; lemon peel, 18c ℔ lb; orange peel, 17c.

DRIED FRUITS—Apples, sliced, per lb, 6c; apples, evaporated, 9c; apricots, California, evaporated, 15@16c; peaches, evaporated, pared, 24@26c; peaches, California, evaporated, unpared, 18@19c; cherries, pitted, 13@13½c; cherries, unpitted, 5@6c; raspberries, evaporated, 26@27c; blackberries, 7@7½c; huckleberries, 10@12c.

SUGARS—Cubes, 7¼c; powdered, 7¼c; granulated, 6⅝c; confectioners' A, 6¾c; standard A, 6⅝c; soft white, 6⅛@6⅝c; yellow, choice, 5¾@5⅞c; yellow, good, 5¼@5½c; yellow, fair, 5⅛@5¼c; yellow, dark, 5⅛@5¼c.

PICKLES—Medium, bbls (1,200), $7 00; medium, half bbls (600), $4 00.

SALT—No. 1, ℔ bbl, 95c; No. 1 ex, ℔ bbl, $1 00; dairy, ℔ bbl, $1 20; coarse crystal, ℔ bbl, $1 20; Higgins' Eureka, 4-bu sacks, $2 80; Higgins' Eureka, 16-14 lb packets, $3 00.

CANNED GOODS—Standard peaches, $2 00@2 25; 2ds, $1 65@1 80; extra peaches, $2 40@2 60; pie peaches, 95c; finest corn, $1 00@1 50; Hfd Co. corn, 60@85c; red cherries, 80@85c; Lima beans, $1 20; soaked do, 80c; string do, 60@65c; marrowfat peas, $1 10@1 15; soaked peas, 70@80c; pineapples, $1 30@1 40; Bahama do, $2 75; damson plums, 95c; greengages, $1 25; egg plums, $2 00; California pears, $2 40; do greengages, $1 85; do egg plums, $1 85; extra white cherries, $2 40; raspberries, 95c@1 10; strawberries, $1 10; gooseberries, $1 30@1 40; tomatoes, 80@85c; salmon, 1-lb, $1 65@1 90; blackberries, 65c; succotash, 2-lb cans, soaked, 90c; do green, 2 lb, $1 25@1 50; corn beef, 2-lb cans, $2 05; 14 lb cans, $14 00; baked beans, $1 45@1 50; lobster, 1-lb, $1 80@1 90; mackerel, 1-lb cans, broiled, $1 50; sardines, domestic, ¼s, $4 25@4 50; sardines, domestic, ½s, $6 75@7 00; sardines, imported, ¼s, $11 50@12 50; sardines, imported, ½s, $18 00; sardines, mustard, $3 50; sardines, spiced, $3 50.

FISH—Extra No. 1 bloater mackerel, $36 ℔ bbl.; extra No. 1 do, mess, $40; extra No. 1 mackerel, shore, $32; extra No. 1 do, mess, $36; No. 2 shore mackerel, $24. Codfish—Whole pollock, 4½c ℔ lb; do medium, George's cod, 6c; do large, 7c; boneless hake, in strips, 4½c; do George's cod in blocks, 6½@7½c. Herring—Round shore, $5 00 ℔ bbl; split, $6 50; lake, $2 90 ℔ 100-lb bbl. Whitefish, $6 50 ℔ 100-lb half bbl. Lake trout, $5 50 ℔ half bbl. Finnan haddock, 10c ℔ lb. Iceland halibut, 13c ℔ lb. Pickerel, half bbl, $3 00; quarter bbl, $1 35; Potomac herring, $5 00 ℔ bbl; $2 50 ℔ half bbl.

OATMEAL—$6 00@6 25 ℔ bbl.

#### Grain, Flour and Feed.

Sales on call at the Grain Exchange, 1 car No. 2 yellow ear corn, 39c, 5 days, P. R. R.; 6 cars 2 white oats, 28½c, April delivery; 2 cars 2 white oats, 28½c, last half of April; 1 car 2 y. e. corn, 38c, April delivery; 1 car 2 y. e. corn, 39c, 10 days. Total receipts as bulletined, 37 cars. By Pittsburg, Ft. Wayne and Chicago, 4 cars of oats, 2 of middlings, 3 of barley, 7 of flour, 2 of corn, 1 of straw. By Pittsburg, Cincinnati and St. Louis, 3 cars of hay, 1 of bran, 3 of corn, 1 of oats. By Pittsburg and Lake Erie, 2 cars of bran, 1 of oats, 1 of hay, 1 of flour, 2 of malt. By Baltimore and Ohio, 2 cars of hay, 1 of wheat. The cereal situation is not changed since our last report. Markets in general continue in favor of buyers. Oats and ear corn are firm. Hay is quiet. Flour is steady.

Prices below are for carload lots on track:

WHEAT—New No. 2 red, 83@83½c; No. 3, 79@80c.

CORN—No. 2 yellow, ear, new, 38@38½c; high mixed, new, 34@35c; No. 2 yellow, shelled, old, 36½@37c; new, 35@36c. Rejected shelled corn, 20@23c; high mixed shelled corn, 33@31c.

OATS—No. 2 white, 28@28½c; extra, No. 3, 27@27½c; mixed, 26@26½c.

RYE—No. 1 Pennsylvania and Ohio, 53@54c; No. 1 Western, 51@52c.

FLOUR—Jobbing prices—Fancy winter and spring patents, $4 75@5 25; winter straight, $4 50@4 75; clear winter, $4 00@4 25; straight XXXX bakers', $3 75@4 00. Rye flour, $3 25@3 50.

MILLFEED—Middlings, fine white, $15 50@17 00 ℔ ton; brown middlings, $14 50@14 75; winter wheat bran, $14 25@14 75; chop feed, $15 50@16 00.

HAY—Baled timothy, No. 1, $11 25@11 50; No. 2 do, $9 00@9 50; loose from wagon, $11 00@14 00, according to quality; No. 2 prairie hay, $7 00@8 00; packing do, $6 75@7 00.

STRAW—Oat, $6 75@7 00; wheat and rye, $6 00@6 25.

#### Provisions.

Sugar-cured hams, large, 9½c; sugar-cured hams, medium, 10c; sugar-cured hams, small, 10½c; sugar-cured breakfast bacon, 8c; sugar-cured shoulders, 6c; 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, 5¾c; bacon, clear sides, 7½c; bacon clear bellies, 7½c; dry salt shoulders, 5¼c; dry salt clear sides, 7c. Mess pork, heavy, $11 50; mess pork, family, $12 50. Lard—Refined, in tierces, 5⅝c; half-barrels, 5¾c; 60-lb tubs, 5⅞c; 20-lb pails, 6c; 50-lb tin cans, 5⅝c; 3-lb tin pails, 6⅛c; 5 lb tin pails, 6½c; 10-lb tin pails, 5⅞c; 5-lb tin pails, 6c. Smoked sausage, long, 5c; large, 5c. Fresh pork links, 9c. Boneless hams, 10½c. Pigs' feet, half-barrels, $4 00; quarter-barrels, $2 15.

# THE MARKET BASKET.

#### Poultry Scarce and Higher—First Spring Chickens From the South—Butter and Eggs Slow—Flowers Tending Downward.

The kitchen market has developed very few new features within the week past. The tendency of poultry has been toward high prices. Butter and eggs are drifting in the other directions, but the change has not been sufficient to make much impression on retail markets. Turkeys are very scarce and readily bring 25c per pound. The first spring chickens of the season, which came from the sunny South, were offered within a few days in the Diamond markets. There has been a slight scare the past week, as to the effect of recent frosts on Southern vegetables. So far our markets are well supplied. Another week will tell the tale as to the effects of the frosts. The trade in ocean and lake products has been fair for the week, with prices unchanged. The bulk of stock on the stalls is frozen. Some fresh shad, haddock and cod have been offered of late and by another week supplies will be larger in the line of fresh fish from the ocean.

As the days lengthen and the sun strengthens, flowers keep tending downward in price. In this line trade the past week has been fair to middling. Following are the latest retail quotations of market basket filling:

#### 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, 10 to 12c; best round steaks, 12½ 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, 12½ to 15c; cutlets, 20c per pound; spring lambs, fore quarter, 10 to 12c; hind quarters, 15c. A leg of mutton, hind quarter, of prime quality, brings 12½c; fore quarter, 8c; loin of mutton, 15c; giblets, 5c per pound.

#### Garden Stuff.

Potatoes, 15c per half peck; Jersey sweet potatoes, 25c per half peck; cabbage, 10 to 25c; new Bermuda potatoes, 30c per quarter peck; choice Florida tomatoes, 40c 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 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; 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, 30c a quarter peck; strawberries, 35@50c a quart.

Choice creamery butter, 35c. Good country butter, 30c. Fancy pound rolls, 35c.

The retail price for fresh country eggs is 17c.

The range for dressed chickens is $1 to $1 25 per pair. Spring chickens, $1 50 per pair. Turkeys, 25c per pound. Ducks, $1 25 to $1 50 per pair.

#### Ocean Products.

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 turtle, 28c; mackerel, 20c small, 40c large. Oysters: N. Y. counts, $1 75 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.

#### Flowers.

Jacks, $3 00 per dozen; La France, $2 00 per dozen; Mermets, $1 50 per dozen; Brides, $1 50 per dozen; yellow and white, $1 00 per dozen; tulips, 50c per dozen; Bennetts, $1 50 per dozen; Beauties, 50c apiece; Magna Charta, $1 00 apiece; Harrison lilies, 25c apiece; violets, $1 50 a hundred; lily of the valley, 75c per dozen; Dutch hyacinths, $1 75 to $2 00 per dozen; heliotrope, 50c per dozen.

### SCOTT WAS OFFERED STOCK.

#### The Hearing in the Plate Glass Suit Continued Yesterday.

The taking of testimony in the case of S. F. Barr against the Pittsburg Plate Glass Company before Commissioner H. D. Gamble was continued yesterday. John F. Scott took the stand, and recited what took place at the meeting of the stockholders of the glass company on September 20, 1887, at Creighton. He said that a resolution was submitted providing for the erection of additional works. No plans or estimates were submitted. Colonel Barr and William Scott were of the opinion the company did not have the charter power to build new works in Armstrong county. The motion was put, but no one voted on it. After that meeting no other opportunity was offered the Pittsburg Plate Glass Works to build additional works, but the new ones were proceeded with by J. B. Ford & Co.

Mr. Scott said that 75 per cent of the capital stock of the glass company was held by J. B. Ford, E. L. Ford, Edward Ford and A. Pitcairn. He heard Edward Ford say before the meeting that the company ought not to build, as it was not in shape to go to the expense and it would hurt the dividends. John Pitcairn said he thought the company should build, and that J. B. Ford & Co. could build the new works for $1,500,000. Mr. Scott said that before the meeting he was offered stock in the new No. 3 works. The hearing was continued until next Thursday.

### GLUE HEARING POSTPONED.

#### The Judgment Held by Flaccus & Son Was Not Struck Off.

Yesterday was fixed for an argument on the rules to stay the executions against the partnership property of the William A. Baeder Glue Company, the claim being made that the judgments were confessed for individual liabilities of L. C. Haughey. The hearing, however, was postponed until some information can be obtained from New York creditors of the firm.

The rule to strike off the judgment for $10,000 held by William Flaccus & Son against Schimpf & Richards was argued yesterday. W. C. Moreland appeared for Flaccus & Son and G. W. Chalfant for Schimpf & Richards. It was claimed that the firm did not owe Flaccus & Son that amount. Paper was produced, however, tending to show the indebtedness, and Judge Stowe discharged the rule allowing the judgment to stand.

### JUDGE SLAGLE WAS IN IT.

#### He Would Not Allow the Plaintiff to Talk to a Juror.

The suit of Jacob Christman against Mifflin township, for damages for injury to his property, was placed on trial before Judge Slagle yesterday. At noon the attorney for the defense observed one of the jurors in the case ask the plaintiff a question concerning the matter.

He at once complained to the Court and Judge Slagle said that such a proceeding was contrary to the principles of law. He discharged the jury and continued the case, ordering it to be placed on the list for next week.

#### McKee Sued for Slander.

W. H. Wallace yesterday brought suit against ex-Policeman John McKee for damages for slander. He alleges that the defendant in the hearing of a number of persons said: "You and Dr. Jennings were connected with a blackmailing scheme to rob people which you failed to get."

#### A Trio of Court Notes.

THE jury is out in the suit of Henry Schmidt against A. C. Waggoner, an action on a contract to purchase whisky.

A NON-SUIT was entered against the plaintiff yesterday in the case of Robert Gracey against the People's Mutual Accident Association, an action on a policy.

THE jury is out in the suit of Barbara Steinbrunner against the P. & W. R. R. Co., for damages for the death of her husband, who was struck by a train and killed.

#### Improvements for Allegheny.

Controller Brown, of Allegheny, yesterday prepared advertisements for the paving of Stockton avenue from Federal to East Diamond, and from Sandusky street to Union avenue, with asphaltum sheeting. Also, for the paving of Pennsylvania avenue with Belgian block, and for the construction of a sewer on Island avenue from Ashton avenue to the Ohio river and for a number of lateral sewers.

#### Flynn Won the Watch.

The contest between Edward Flynn, of St. Patrick's Church congregation, and George Murray, of St. Mary of Mercy, Father Sheedy's congregation, as to which was the more popular, was settled last night at the Ralston School by Mr. Flynn winning the gold watch by 2,887 votes to 1,355. The money received in the contest is to be appropriated for church purposes.

#### A Load of Cotton Not Common.

"That cotton out there," said Superintendent Henderson, of the Pittsburg and Cincinnati Packet line, pointing to a number of bales on the wharf, "reminds one of the sunny South. It is an unusual thing in Pittsburg, and not much of the raw material is shipped here."

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