HIDES AND TARIFF.

The Allegheny Tanners Exercised Over the Proposition

BEFORE CONGRESS TO TAX HIDES.

The Shoe and Leather Reporter Announces its Position

FOR THE BENEFIT OF LEGISLATORS

OFFICE OF PITTSBURG DISPATCH, SATURDAY, March 22, 1890.

The hide and leather trade has been very quiet the past two weeks. Heavy steer hides have seldom been as dull, and never as low in the history of the trade. Harness leather was in fair demand the first two months of the year, but within the past two or three weeks has slacked up and stock begins to accumulate in the hands of our home tanners. The present lull is attributed by manufacturers to the wretched state of country roads through Pittsburg's field of trade operations.

Our harness makers report lots of orders and once weather permits the accumulations at the Allegheny tanneries will no doubt soon disappear as they have been in the habit of doing in years gone by.

Home tanners are considerably worked up concerning the proposed duty of 1½c per pound on green hides.

Tanners Don't Like It.

Already the Ways and Means Committee of the House of Representatives has taken action in favor of the duty. Said one of our leading tanners to-day: "I consider that this legislation will be very adverse to our industry. The leather trade desires to be let alone by the legislators. A duty of 1½c on green will add 3c to the cost of leather, an increase which, of course, will in the end fall on the consumer.

"It has been between 15 and 20 years since there was a duty on green nides, and in that time there has been a steady growth of our export trade. In 1851 the first hides were exported from this country, and in that year the total exported was 302,000. The hides exported in 1889 were in round numbers 11,000,000. In the latter year there were imported into the United States from South America, Africa, China and other countries 2,442,278 hides. The feeling among local tanners is adverse to any duty on hides, and we propose to bring all the pressure we know how gainst this tampering with our interests by Congress."

In connection with this subject the current number of the *Shoe and Leather Reporter* of New York contains the following editorial, which gives no uncertain sound:

Looking Backward.

It is reported that a majority of the members of the Committee of Ways and Means in the House of Representatives have agreed to report a bill in which a duty of one and a half cents a pound is to be levied on hides. This is so long a step backward that is is difficult to believe that the committee are in earnest. The impost on hides was removed after years of effort by a vigorous appeal to Congress made by some of the strongest representatives of the leather producing industry in the country, and concurred in by the whole fraternity without an exception. The abrogation of the tax was followed by a considerable export traffic in hemlock sole leather, which has continued and been increasing ever since. It is so manifestly in violation of the principles of political economy to tax a raw material of this nature that we have never for a moment imagined such a measure would be proposed.

Every tanner, shoemanufacturer and shoe dealer in the United States ought to sit down at once and address to his representative a remonstrance against taking hides out of their proper place on the free list. At present prices of hides, the proposed duty would not be very burden, but a burden most inequitably distributed. For example, on La Plata hides at 13½ cents a pound, the market price to-day, the duty would be 11 per cent ad valorem. On Buffalos, which are 7 cents a pound, the duty would be 35 per cent ad valorem. What could be the motive of the members of the committee for making this extraordinary recommendation? Haven't the tanners had trouble enough already in lifting their heads out of an unremunerative condition, that they should be offered up as victims of legislative oppression? We cannot make up our minds that a majority of the members can be persuaded to sanction the imposition. Our trade has some representatives in the popular branch of Congress, and they are protectionists. We take it for granted they will oppose the imposition of a duty on hides, and that they will make their opposition felt should there be need of it.

LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

The Condition of Business at the East Liberty Stock Yards.

OFFICE OF PITTSBURG DISPATCH, SATURDAY, March 22, 1890.

CATTLE—Receipts, 719 head; shipments, 472 head; market, nothing doing; all through consignments. Two cars cattle shipped to New York to-day.

HOGS—Receipts, 3,300 head; shipments, 2,900 head; market dull; medium and selected, $4 35@4 40; best Yorkers, $4 25@4 30; common to fair Yorkers, $4 15@4 25; pigs, $4 00@4 10; 17 cars of hogs shipped to New York to-day.

SHEEP—Receipts, 1,000 head; shipments, 1,000 head; market slow at yesterday's prices.

By Telegraph.

CHICAGO—Cattle—Receipts, 2,000 head; shipments, none; market steady; beeves, $4 50@5 00; steers, $3 40@4 40; stockers and feeders, $2 40@3 70; cows, bulls and mixed, $1 50@3 40; Texas corafed steers, $2 90@3 75. Hogs—Receipts, 15,000 head; shipments, none; market weak; mixed, $4 05@4 25; heavy, $4 03@4 30; light, $4 00@4 20; skips, $3 50@3 90. Sheep—Receipts, 3,000 head; shipments, 1,000 head; market stronger; natives, $3 75@6 00; Western corafed, $5 25@5 75; Texans, $3 75@5 25; lambs, $5 50@6 85.

ST. LOUIS—Cattle—Receipts, 700 head; shipments, 500 head; market steady; good to fancy native steers, $4 30@4 80; fair to good do, $3 40@4 40; steers and feeders, $2 40@3 50; range steers, $2 30@3 75. Hogs—Receipts, 1,800 head; shipments, 3,400 head; 10c lower; fair to choice heavy, $4 00@4 15; packing grades, $4 00@4 10; light, fair to best, $4 00@4 10. Sheep—Receipts, 700 head; shipments, 400 head; market strong; fair to choice, $4 00@5 80.

KANSAS CITY—Cattle—Receipts, 5,200 head; shipments, 1,200 head; market slow and 5@10c lower; steers, $3 30@4 60; cows, $1 80@3 00; stockers and feeders, $2 40@3 60. Hogs—Receipts, 6,300 head; shipments, 1,800 head; market strong and 2½c higher; all grades, $3 90@4 05; bulk at $3 95@4 00. Sheep—Receipts, 3,200 head; shipments, none; market quiet; good to choice lambs and muttons, $3 50@5 40; stockers and feeders, $3 00@5 25.

IRRIGATION BY FREEZING.

Colorado Farmers Want to Form Vast Glaciers for the Storing of Water.

The Wheat Ridge farmers met at Denver, Col., last week, and adopted a resolution declaring their belief that freezing is the best way of storing water for irrigation. Their idea is to make dams in the mountains and hold the water so it will freeze. Vast glaciers would be formed which would not entirely melt away until the summer's heat was gone. Some of the discussion was as follows:

Mr. Stewart favored the freezing process. He corroborated the statements of other old timers that the water in the creeks formerly continued to rise until in July, but that of late years the main body of snow would be melted and gone before irrigation had fairly begun, owing to the absence of timber. Therefore he thought it possible and likely practical to supply by artificial means what formerly had been done by nature; that is, creating immense bodies of ice on the northern slopes in the mountains to swell the streams at the proper time, as the snow did in an early day. He favored appropriations by the State to do this.

Mr. Morris thought large bodies of water and ice in the mountains would be a clever thing for farmers in times of scarcity, even if the dams should break occasionally and drown some people along the creek bottoms, for some of them needed drowning.

Mr. Sterling said dams could be made secure. He had fished in the lake above Johnstown, Pa., and the dam was known to be insecure long before it broke.

Shortness of Breath.

Dr. Flint's Remedy should be taken at once when slight exertion or a hearty meal produces shortness of breath or a pain in the region of the heart. Send for treatise, free. Mack Drug Co., N. Y. NWF

ARMOUR & Co., of this city report the following sales of dressed beef for the week ending March 22, 1890: 145 carcasses, average weight 624 pounds, average price 6¾c.

MARKETS BY WIRE.

No Snap in the Wheat Pit—The Early Advance Lost—Stocks Abroad—More Life in Hog Products.

CHICAGO—Wheat—The volume of trading was not as large to-day as during the preceding days of the week, and there was less snap to the market, but withal the market held its own well during the most of the session. Trading was largely of the professional order, and there was considerable covering by shorts and some selling by longs at the advance. The market opened ½@¾c lower, then ruled firm, advancing ¾@⅞c again weakened off, selling off to inside prices, fluctuated and closed about ½c lower than yesterday.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

WHEAT—No. 2, March, 80⅝@80⅞@80⅝@80⅝c; May, 86⅞@87⅜@86⅞@86½c; July, 78¼@78⅝@78⅛@78c.

CORN—No. 2, April, 29⅛@29⅜@28⅞@29c; May, 29⅞@30@29⅝@29¾c; July, 31½@31¾@31@31c.

OATS—No. 2, March, 21⅜@21⅝@21⅜@21⅝c; May, 21¾@22@21¾@21⅞c; June, 21¾@21⅝@21⅜@21⅝c.

MESS PORK, per bbl.—March, $10 32½@10 32½@10 32½@10 32½; May, $10 47½@10 57½@10 42½@10 47½; June, $10 55@10 60@10 50@10 55; July, ——. LARD, per 100 lbs.—March, $6 12½@6 12½@6 10@6 10; May, $6 12½@6 20@6 15@6 15; June, $6 15@6 17½@6 15@6 17½.

SHORT RIBS, per 100 lbs.—March, $5 07½@5 07½@5 07½@5 07½; May, $5 10@5 15@5 07½@5 10; June, $5 15@5 15@5 12½@5 12½.

Cash quotations were as follows: Flour firm and unchanged. No. 2 spring wheat, 79½@80c; No. 3 spring wheat, 71@73c; No. 2 red, 79½c. No. 2 corn, 28½c. No. 2 oats, 21½c. No. 2 rye, 42½c. No. 2 barley, nominal. No. 1 flaxseed, unchanged. Prime timothy seed, $1 49. Mess pork, per bbl, $10 37½@10 40. Lard, per 100 lbs, $6 10. Short ribs sides (loose), $5 05@5 10; dry salted shoulders (boxed), $4 80@4 50; short clear sides (boxed), $5 00@5 00. Sugars—Cut loaf, unchanged. Receipts—Flour, 10,000 barrels; wheat, 34,000 bushels; corn, 353,000 bushels; oats, 106,000 bushels; rye, 9,000 bushels; barley, 39,000 bushels. Shipments—Flour, 11,000 barrels; wheat, 24,000 bushels; corn, 149,000 bushels; oats, 191,000 bushels; rye, 12,000 bushels; barley, 37,000 bushels.

On the Produce Exchange to-day the butter market was unchanged. Eggs, 14c.

NEW YORK—Flour strong and quiet. Cornmeal—Yellow Western, $2 25. Wheat—Spot firmer and dull; options dull and irregular; early months, 2 cents late months, 1½c off, closing steady. Rye firm; Western, 55@57½c. Barley quiet; Western, 45@62c; Canada, 57@70c. Barley malt quiet; Canada, 72½c. Corn—Spot firm and quiet; options dull, 1½c down and weak. Oats—Spot firmer and quiet; options firm and quiet. Hay steady; shipping, 35@40c; good to choice, 65@85c. Hops quiet and easy. Coffee—Options opened steady 10@20 points up, and closed steady at 10@25 points up; sales, 27,750 bags, including March, 17.85c; April, 17.60@17.45c; May, 17.20c; June, 16.95@17.05c; July, 16.75@16.80c; August, 16.55@16.65c; September, 16.35@16.45c; October, 16.15@16.20c; December, 15.80@15.95c; January, 15.80c; February, 15.75@15.80c. Spot Rio quiet and steady; fair cargoes, 20½c; No. 7 flat bean, 18¾c. Sugar—Raw quiet and steady; sales, 41 hogsheads Muscavado, 87 test, at 4¾c; refined quiet and 1-16c lower; C, 5 1-16@5 5-16c; extra C, 5 7-16@5½c; white extra C, 5 13-16@5 15-16c; yellow, 4 11 16@5 3-16c; off A, 5⅝@5 13-16c; mold A, 6⅛c; standard A, 6¼c; confectioners' A, 5 15-16c; cut loaf, 7 3-16c; crushed, 7 3-16c; powdered, 6 7-16c; granulated, 6¼c; cubes, 6¾c. Molasses quiet and weak; 50 test, 22c. New Orleans steady; common to fancy, 31@45c. Rice steady and quiet; domestic, 4¼@6¼c; Japan, 4¾@5¾c. Cottonseed oil more active; crude, 26c; yellow, 34c. Tallow steady; city (82 for packages), 4⅜. Rosin firm and quiet. Turpentine dull and easy at 43@43½c. Eggs steady; Western, 14¼@14½c; receipts, 5,163 packages. Pork quiet and steady; mess, old, $10 25@10 75; do new, $11 50@12 00; extra prime, $9 50@10 00. Cutmeats firm; pickled bellies, $5 00@5 37½; do shoulders, $4 50@4 62½; do hams, $9 00@9 25; middles quiet; short clear, $5 35. Lard advanced 3@4 points and closed easy and dull; Western steam, $6 50; options, sales, 2,250 tierces; April, $6 47; May, $6 46@6 48, closing at $6 47; June, $6 50; July, $6 53; August, $6 59; September, $6 63@6 64, closing at $6 65. Butter easy and quiet; Western dairy, 11@18c; do creamery, 13@25c; Western, 8@25c; do factory, 6@19c; Elgin, 26¾@27c. Cheese more active and firm; Western, 10@10½c.

PHILADELPHIA—Flour firm, with a moderate demand. Wheat—Spot lots but quiet; rejected, 60@70c; fair to good milling wheat, 74@82c; prime to choice, 85@91c; Western ungraded in grain depot, 88@90½c; steamer No. 2 red in export elevator, 78c; No. 2 red March, 81½c; April, 81½@82c; May, 82@82¾c; June, 85½@86c. Corn—Options firm under light offerings; carlots for local trade scarce and quiet; No. 4, 31c; No. 2 yellow in grain depot, 38c; No. 2 mixed March, 36@36¼c; April, 36¼@36½c; May, 36½@36¾c; June, 36¾@37c. Oats—Carlots quiet but prices firm; No. 3 white, 29½c; No. 2 white, 30½c; ungraded white clipped, 31c; futures firm; No. 2 white March, 30@30¼c; April, 30@30½c; May, 29¼@29½c; June, 29¼@29½c. Eggs firm and in fair demand; Pennsylvania firsts, 14½c.

MINNEAPOLIS—Receipts of wheat for the day were 173 cars, with shipments of 30 cars. The demands for cash wheat from the sample tables were less active than for the past few days and at times were quite slack. Prices were in about the same general range as yesterday, with perhaps more going on at the higher figures. The demand from the outside was rather light, but on the whole quite a fair business was transacted for Saturday. Closing quotations: No. 1 hard, March, 78¼c; April, 78½c; May, 81¼c; on track, 80¼@81c; No. 1 Northern, 78¼c; April, 78¼c; May, 79¼c; on track, 79¾c; No. 2 Northern, 76¼c; April, 76¼c; May, 77¼c; on track, 76¾c.

ST. LOUIS—Flour unchanged. Wheat opened steady and advanced ½c for May, ½c for July, decline set in and a fall of ⅝@⅞c from top prices resulted; May closed 3½@⅞c, July ¼c below yesterday; No. 2 red, cash close 1 77¾@77¼c; May, 77¾@78¼c, closed at 77¾@77¼c; July, 75¾@75¼c, closed at 75¾@75¼c. Corn lower; No. 2 mixed, cash, 25@25¼c; April closed at 26c; May, 26¼c asked; July, 27¼c asked; August, 28½c; September, 29¼c. Oats quiet; No. 2 cash, 23½c bid; mixed, 22¼c asked at close. Rye—No. 2 hard, 44c bid. Barley—Buyers very indifferent and nothing was done. Flaxseed, $1 40. Povisions—The day was one of the dullest noted for a long time. Prices nominally unchanged.

BALTIMORE—Provisions firm and unchanged. Butter active but unchanged. Eggs strong at 13¾c. Coffee dull but firm; Rio cargoes, fair, 20½@20¾c.

Drygoods.

NEW YORK, March 24.—On account of rain it was a dull Saturday in the drygoods market. There was no change in the general situation.

THE TREND OF STOCKS.

Pleasant Valley Active and Stronger—Gassers and Tractions Dull and Lower.

A fair business was transacted at the Stock Exchange Saturday for a short session and a rainy day. Orders were said to be increasing, indicating a permanent revival. Total sales were 290 shares, and for the week 2,050, against 976 the previous week.

The market opened steady with liberal bidding for nearly all the specialties. Pleasant Valley was again the feature, and for which the demand, as had been the case for several days, was greater than the supply. The first sale of it was at 27¾, the next at 27¾ and the last at 27¾, showing a steady appreciation during the session. It closed at 27¾ bid and 27¾ asked. It is believed that all the recent selling has been on the long side.

Philadelphia Gas and the tractions were the weak spots in the market, all of them submitting to concessions. There seems to be an utter want of confidence in these stocks, though for what reason is not clearly understood. So far as known there has been no recent change in condition to warrant such a feeling. They seem to be in the hands of a coterie of chronic bears who are determined to keep them in the rut with or without reason.

Bank shares showed some appreciation, but there were no transactions. There was a very light demand for insurance for Saturday. Railroad stocks were firm, with Electric Switch and Signal and the miners dull and featureless.

Sales were 50 shares of Philadelphia Gas at 32, 50 at 31⅞, 120 Pleasant Valley at 27¼, 60 at 27¾, and 10 at 27⅞.

Andrew Caster sold 100 shares of Philadelphia Gas at 32.

HOLDING THE FORT.

Bank Clearings Still Crawling Away from Last Year—Easy Money.

A supply of currency was received Saturday, but it will soon go to fill a rat hole. Who hoards it is something no one seems able to find out. There was no other feature in banking circles. There was a light demand for money, and it was in good supply. Rates were 6@7 per cent. The bulk of present loans has been at 6 per cent.

The Clearing House report was favorable as showing a prosperous condition of trade. The week's gain in exchanges over the corresponding time last year was nearly $2,000,000. Baltimore was laid out. The report follows:

Saturday's exchanges	$ 2,316,978 35
Saturday's balances	468,196 25
Week's exchanges	14,380,247 49
Previous week's exchanges	13,794,380 59
Exchanges week of 1889	12,447,684 65
Balances week of 1889	2,027,446 12
Gain for week over 1889	1,945,562 84

Julius F. Bailey sold 50 shares Westinghouse Electric at 45¾.

John D. Bailey sold 50 shares Natural Gas and Pipeage at 16¾.

Sproul and Lawrence sold 100 shares Philadelphia Gas at 32¾.

Henry M. Long sold 100 shares Pleasant Valley at 27, and 10 shares Westinghouse Electric at 46.

DOMESTIC MARKETS.

Southern Eggs Slow, but Choice Nearby Stock Steady.

POTATOES AND ONIONS ADVANCING

Flour More Firmly Held at Sources of Supply, and Outlook

IS FOR AN EARLY ADVANCE IN RATES

OFFICE OF PITTSBURG DISPATCH, SATURDAY, March 22, 1890.

Country Produce—Jobbing Prices.

Potatoes of good quality are still scarce and firm. A better supply is expected in a few days, but this depends very much on weather. Eggs are quiet, and concessions on our quotations are reported. But choice nearby stock finds purchasers at our quotations, and are cheaper than Southern eggs at 13c per dozen. The native cost of Tennessee eggs is 11c per dozen, and the same are selling in Chicago at 13½c. A ten-case lot of nearby eggs was sold at 14½c to-day by one of our leading jobbers. Cheese is higher in both Eastern and Western markets, and firmer here. Creamery butter is moving freely at last week's prices. Onions are good stock. The outside quotations are easily obtained for a good quality.

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@11¾c; New York, 11¾c Lamburger, 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, 85@90c a pair; dressed, 14@15c a pound; ducks, 75c@$1 ₱ pair; dressed turkeys, 18@20c ₱ 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 gras, 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, 4¾c.

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, 6¾@7c ₱ lb; layer figs, 12½@15½c.

VEGETABLES—Potatoes, from store, 70@75c; on track, 60@65c; new Southern cabbage, $3@3 50 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, $2 00@3 00 a barrel; $4 00@5 00 a bushel; pickled 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 22¾c; low grade Rio, 20@21c; old Government Java, 28@29½c; Maracaibo, 25@27c; Mocha, 29½@31½c; Santos 21¾@23½c; Caracas 24@26c; La Guayra, 25½@26½c.

ROASTED (in papers)—Standard brands, 25c; high grades, 28@30½c; old Government Java, bulk, 33@34½c; Maracaibo, 28@29c; Santos, 20@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; nutmegs, 70@80c.

PETROLEUM (jobbers' prices)—110° test, 7¼c; Ohio, 120° 8½c; headlight, 150°, 8¾c; water white, 10½c; gasoline, 74@143c; elaine, 14½@15½c; naphtha, 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@28c; refinery 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—Bicarb in kegs, 3½@3¾c; cotton, 4½@4¾c; bi-carb, assorted packages, 5½@6c; sal-soda in kegs, 1¾c; do granulated, 2c.

CANDLES—Star, full weight, 8½c; stearine, ₱ set, 8½c; paraffine, 14@16c.

RICE—Head, Carolina, 6¾@7c; choice, 6¼@6¾c; prime, 5½@6c; Louisiana, 5@6¼c.

STARCH—Pearl, 2½c; cornstarch, 5@6c; gloss starch, 4¾@7c.

FOREIGN FRUITS—Layer raisins, $2 65; London layers, $2 75; California London layers, $2 75; Muscatels, $2 40; California Muscatels, $2 25; Valencia, 8¼c; Ondara Valencia, 10¼@10½c; sultana, 11c; currants, 5¼@6c; Turkey prunes, 5½@6c; French prunes, 7¼@10½c; Salonica prunes, in 5-lb packages, 8½c; cocoanuts, $4 00@4 100. 86; almonds, Lan., ₱ lb, 20c; do Ivica, 17c; do, shelled, 40c; walnuts, nan., 14@15c; Sicily filberts, 12c; Smyrna figs, 12@13c; new dates, 6@6¾c; Brazil nuts, 11c; pecans, 11@15c; citron, ₱ lb, 18@18c; 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, 20@22c; 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, 6¾c; confectioners' A, 6¼c; standard A, 6⅜c; soft white, 6¼@6¾c; yellow, choice, 5¾@5¾c; yellow, good, 5⅝@5¾c; yellow, fair, 5¼@5⅝c; yellow, dark, 5¼@5⅜c.

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

SALT—No. 1, ₱ bbl, 85c; No. 1 ex. ₱ bbl, $1 00; dairy, ₱ bbl, $1 20; coarse crystal, ₱ bbl, $1 20; Higgins' Eureka, 4-bu sacks, $2 80; Higgins' Eureka, 16-1-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; Hid Co. corn, 60@85c; red cherries, 80@85c; Limas beans, $1 25; soaked do, 80c; string do, 80@90c; 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, $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, $14 00@15 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, $22; extra No. 1 do, mess, $26. 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 85; 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 sample corn, 34½c, free in elevator; 1 car winter wheat bran, in sacks, $15, 5 days, P. R. R.; 1 car No. 2 yellow ear corn, 39c, 10 days, P. R. R.; 1 car middlings, $16, 5 days, P. R. R.; 2 cars brown middlings, $14, 10 days, P. R. R.; 2 cars No. 2 white oats, 29½c, last half of April. Receipts as bulistined, 16 cars. By Pittsburg, Ft. Wayne and Chicago, 1 car of middlings, 1 of hay, 2 of flour. By Pittsburg, Cincinnati and St. Louis, 2 cars of oats, 2 of bran, 2 of corn, 1 of hay. By Baltimore and Ohio, 3 cars of hay. By Pittsburg and Lake Erie, 1 car of flour, 1 of hay. Receipts for the week ending March 21, 252 cars, against 253 last week and 284 for the week ending March 22, 1889. Flour is firm enough to go up higher. Jobbers report that stock cannot be replaced at prices of a week ago. Mills in the Northwest have advanced spring patents 10c per barrel within a few days.

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, 30@32c; high mixed shelled corn, 33@34c.

OATS—No. 2 white, 29½@29¾c; 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 25@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.

The only change in prices ordered by the powers that be is an advance of ¼c per pound on lard.

Sugar-cured hams, large, 9½c; sugar-cured hams, medium, 10c; sugar-cured hams, small, 10¾c; sugar-cured breakfast bacon, 8c; sugar-cured shoulders, 6c; sugar-cured boneless shoulders, 7¼c; sugar-cured California hams, 7½c; sugar-cured dried beef flats, 9c; sugar-cured dried beef ends, 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 pork, heavy, $11 50; mess pork, family, $12 50. Lard—Refined, in tierces, 5½c; half-barrels, 5¾c; 60-lb tubs, 6¼c; 20-lb pails, 6¼c; 50-lb tin cans, 5¾c; 3-lb tin pails, 6¼c; 5-lb tin pails, 6¼c; 10-lb tin pails, 6c; 5-lb tin pails, 6½c. Smoked sausage, long, 5c; large, 5c. Fresh pork links, 9c. Boneless hams, 10½c. Pigs' feet, half-barrels, $4 00; quarter-barrels, $2 15.

STOCKS PARALYZED.

A Six Months' Record for Dullness Broken—Sugar the Only Feature, But Some Fairly Strong Spots—The Money Bugaboo.

NEW YORK, March 22.—The dullness in the stock market, which has been such a feature for the past week, was still more pronounced to-day and the transactions were the smallest for the morning hours for more than six months.

The strong tone of yesterday remained, however, as the impression that the bank statement was to be a good one was most universal and the selling was very cautious, while covering of shorts was indulged in to a marked extent, considering the limitations of the market. The general list remained within the narrowest limits, and the stocks among the usually active list which fluctuated over a range of more than ½ per cent could be counted upon the fingers of one hand.

Sugar was again a feature for one half the session, but the traders sold it on the theory that the dividend news having come out the stock would be a sale. Tennessee Coal was the strong feature, rising to 57, against 54¾, but it reacted late in the last hour to 56. Hocking Coal and Iron sympathized with it and scored a net rise of 1¾ per cent, closing at 21.

In the railroad list the Flint and Pere Marquette stocks were specially strong and the common at 34⅞ is up 1¾ and the preferred at 100¾ is up 2¾ per cent. Among the other specialties which showed considerable strength, the Western Union and Louisville, New Albany and Chicago were prominent. The other movements were entirely without significance. The market closed dull and strong at the best prices.

Railroad bonds showed the same dullness and steadiness which has marked the declines throughout the week, and on a very limited business only slight changes were recorded.

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:

	Open-ing.	High-est.	Low-est.	Closing Bid.
Am. Cotton Oil Trust	27¾	27¾	27	27
Atch., Top. & S. F.	37⅜	37¾	37	37
Canadian Pacific	....	....	....	71½
Canada Southern	54¾	54¾	54¾	54¾
Central of New Jersey	121½	121¾	121½	121¾
Central Pacific	....	....	....	31½
Chesapeake & Ohio	22¾	22¾	22¾	22¾
C., Bur. & Quincy	107¾	107¾	107	106¾
C., Mil. & St. Paul	68⅝	69	68⅝	68⅝
C., Mil. & St. P., pf.	....	....	....	116¾
C., Rock I. & P.	93½	94¼	93½	93½
C., St. L. & Pitts.	....	....	....	16¾
C., St. L. & Pitts. pf.	....	....	....	30¼
C., St. P., M. & O.	....	....	....	83¾
C. & Northwestern	111	111	110¾	111
C. & N. W. pfd.	....	....	....	141
C., C., C. & I.	71	71	70¾	70¾
C., C., C. & I., pf.	....	....	....	90¾
Col. Coal & Iron	45¾	46	45¾	46
Col. & Hocking Val	22	22¾	22	21¾
Del., L. & W.	136½	136½	136½	136
Del. & Hudson	....	....	....	140¾
Denver & Rio G.	....	....	....	14½
Denver & Rio G., pf.	....	....	....	43
E. T., Va. & Ga.	....	....	....	8¾
E. T., Va. & Ga. 1st pf.	....	....	....	71½
E. T., Va. & Ga. 2d pf.	....	....	....	22
Illinois Central	115¼	115¾	114¾	114¾
Lake Erie & Western	17½	17½	17½	17⅜
Lake Erie & West, Dv.	64¾	64¾	64¾	64¾
Lake Shore & M. S.	107	107	107	107
Louisville & Nashville	84¾	84¾	84¼	84¼
Michigan Central	....	....	....	97
Mobile & Ohio	....	....	....	14⅜
Missouri Pacific	73½	73½	72½	73
N. Y., L. E. & W.	25¾	25¾	25¼	25¼
N. Y., L. E. & W. pf.	61½	61½	61	60
N. Y., C. & St. L.	17¾	17¾	17	17¼
N. Y., C. & St. L., 2d pf.	....	....	....	70½
N. Y., C. & St. L., 2d pf.	....	....	....	89¼
N. Y. & N. E.	46¾	46¾	46¾	46¾
N. Y., P. & W.	17¾	17¾	17¾	17¾
Norfolk & Western	....	....	....	19
Norfolk & Western, pf.	....	....	....	60¾
Northern Pacific	....	....	....	30
Northern Pacific pf.	72¾	72¾	72¾	72¾
Ohio & Mississippi	....	....	....	37¾
Oregon Improvement	38	38	37¾	37¾
Oregon Transcon.	20	21	20	20
Philadel. & Reading	40¾	40¾	40¾	40¾
Pullman Palace Car	....	....	....	189
Richmond & W. P. T.	21¾	21¾	21	21¾
Richmond & W. P. T. pf	....	....	....	77¾
St. P., Minn. & Man.	....	....	....	112
St. L. & San Fran.	....	....	....	17¾
St. L. & San Fran pf.	....	....	....	37½
St. L., A. & T. 1st pf.	....	....	....	67¾
Texas Pacific	....	.