SHARP COMPETITION

For Desirable Orders Keeps Down the Figures on Pig Iron.

STEEL RAILS YET REMAIN FIRM.

The Markets Abroad are in a Decidedly Unsettled Condition.

NO CHANGE IN THE COKE SITUATION

PRPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.

NEW YORK, April 24 .- The Iron Age report of the market is as follows : American Pig-Sales are on a moderate scale in the territory tributary to this market, buyers taking only small lots. Desirable orders are sharply competed for, particularly by Southern furnaces. The supply of No. 1 from the latter is very moderate, however, while, on the other hand, Northern furnaces have a moderate accumulation of that grade. At least one of the large Southern furnace companies has practically withdrawn from the market, but others are still seeking business quite eagerly. On moderate lots the quotations for Southern iron are on the basis of \$17@17 50 for No. 1 foundry and \$16 25@ be and of Stight 20 for No. 1 foundry and Sid 25@
16 50 for No. 2 foundry. For large and desirable orders, however, sellers acknowledge that
816 50 for No. 1 and \$16@16 25 would be accepted. Northern furnaces quote No. 1
10 Lindry from \$18 to \$13, and for No. 2 \$17@18.

Spiegeleisen and Ferro Manganese—During
the week an Eastern rail mill has purchased
5,000 tons of 20 per cent English spiegeleisen at
\$31 50 for delivery after July. Another order
for 7,000 tons has also been booked. This price
is regarded as low by importers since it is considered impossible at the quotations abroad,
ruling at present, to lay down the spiegel for
early delivery at less than \$32 00 or \$25 50. The
situation in manganiferous material is regarded
as differing in some material points from that
acknowledged to prevail in the general trade.
The demand for this class of material all over
the world has increased very rapidly, so as to
outstrip the supply of good ore. During the
past six months the scarcity of ore has led to
the placing on the market of a good deal of ore
poor in quality. The result has been that there
has been a good deal off-color-spiegel made, and
that rejections have been very heavy. The
quality of spiegeleisen needs very careful
matching and bargains may prove dangerous.
Ferro manganese is weak. Future delivery
may me quoted \$79 90@80 00; and early delivery,
\$82 50@83 00.

Billiets—The market is quiet so far as large 16 50 for No. 2 foundry. For large and desira-

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Billets—The market is quiet so far as large transactions are concerned. There are a good many inquiries for small lots, however. We continue to quote the market \$30,50(3) to at Eastern mills, but it should be added that some of the leading mills are not ready to meet such prices. They are, however, on a parity with the quotations made in the West.

Wire Rods—The market is very quiet. Sales are roported from Pittsburg at \$42 which is equivalent to \$44.60 at tidewater.

Steel Rails—Transactions in this market have been limited in quantity, the largest sale reported being one lot of \$4,000 tons to a road in Alalama at private terms. The market continues weak, but considering the drop in other lines, notably in Bessemer pig iron and in steel billiets in the West, rails have kept up remarkably well. This is partly attributed to the fact that in the lines named speculative lots have been thrown overboard, demoralizing the market, while in rails that has not been the case. It is true also that the pressure to sell among rail makers has not been general by any means. On the whole the mills are comfortably off for orders, some of them being in a particularly good condition so far as their order books are concerned. There is little probability of a further decline in raw material in the West, unless the ore mitging companies accede to the demands now being made by some of the mills in the Weelnining companies accede to the demands now being made by some of the mills in the Wheeldistrict that the price on contracts on h delivery is now to begin be adjusted to which delivery is now to begin be adjusted to meet the changed conditions of the soft steel trade. In the West there are rumors of the placing of an order for 40,000 tons for a new road on the Pacific coast. We quote steel rails at Eastern mills \$33 00,933 50, although some of the sellers are firm at higher prices than these. Old Rails—The sale is reported of a lot of 1,000 tons of tees at private terms. The market continues very dull at nominally \$23 50,024 00.

IRREGULAR IRON MARKETS. With Speculation on a Larger Scale, the Main Features in England.

**PECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCHAL EW YORK, April 24.-The Iron As the following special cable from London The market for pig iron has continued irregnlar, but speculative operations have been on a rather larger scale. Cleveland warrants have fallen to a level with Scotch again. Both sold Tuesday at 40s 6d, reacting to 45s 3d and 45s 1d respectively, at the close. Hematites dropped to 538 7d in the face of reports that another meeting of West Coast smelters has been held at which it was agreed to damp more furnaces, and despite the fact that shipments are large and stocks decreasing under the influence of the same and reduced make, confidence seems to be entirely absent as a matter of fact and little interest is manifested except on the part St. Louis..... of sellers operating on the "bear" side. There was business to-day at 448 \$4 for Scotch, 44s 7d for Cleveland and for Scotch, 448 7d for Clevelaud and 538 6d for Hematites. Makers' prices are again lower all along the line, and reduced quotations are given also on old material and nearly all descriptions of steel. The thi plate market has continued very much depressed. Makers have freely quoted 13s 9d for ordinary cokes, and buyers only offer 12s 9d for large lots. Only a portion of the mills are running but nules. a portion of the mills are running, but unless buying improves many will soon have to be worked on plates for stock or stop running altogether. Operations have been resumed in five mills of the aberearne works. For block

altogether. Operations have been resumed in five mills of the Abercarue works. For block tin there has been a better speculative demand, based chiefly upon belief that shipments from the East will be smaller. Easier money rates also contributed to freer operations. Prices also contributed to freer operations. Prices have shown £27.8 ds advance from the lowest point of last week. Thesday's operations showed less active interest on the part of buyers, and prices receded to £99 5s at the close for spot.

To-day the market was barely steady, with business at £90 2s. 8d. Cooper warrants are becoming scarcer as the French stock are still held firmly for £50. Other sellers have offered more freely at intervals, but there is little outside speculative demand. The India demand, which has laid dormant for a long while, is beginning to revive somewhat, and there is at present a fair business in that direction. Recent transactions in furnace material include a total of 2,250 tons anaconda argentiferous matte on private terms and 185 tons Montana matte at 10s. to arrive. The Rio Tinto Company has declared a dividend of 10s. per share and earlied sorved £152 000. The company's pany has declared a dividend of 10s, per share and carried forward £152,000. The company's pusibless in refined manufactured productions was reported as moderate. In Liverpool it is unforced that the heavy decline in prices for ron and steel has caused such serious losses to ron and stee has caused such as errous losses to merchants and manufacturers that several irms will probably have to go the wall. The Wednesfield Galvanized Iron Company have ceased work owing to financial difficulties loseph Bull & S. n. North Staffordshire, it is Joseph Bull & S. B. North Stathordshire, it is reported, are unable to carry out their con-tracts and a private meeting of creditors has been called. It is also announced that a Shef-field iron and coke merchant is in difficulties and found it necessary to confer with his

American Manufacturer's Cable Quotations, 1 Scotch Pig-There has been a further drop in warrants. Business was done at 44s. 8d., and from that point only 2d. reaction has taken place. The market is still depressed and mak-ers' prices are very irregular with the latest quotations as follows:

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point.

Middlesbrough Pig.—Makers' prices have continued irregular under the influence of depression in warrants, which sold down to 443 7d, and business has been moderate. Makers quote 45s 6d for No. 3, f. o. b.

Spiegeleisen.—The demand is slow at present, and sollers are offering at 5s decline. English 20 per cent quoted at 108 f. o. b. at works.

Steel Wire Rods.—Market very slow, with prices weak and lower. Mild steel No. 6 quoted at 402 2s 6d f. o. b. shipping por..

STEEL AGAIN DECLINES. Steel Rails-Orders are light and prices weak

at a further decline. Heavy sections quoted at £5 f. o. b. shipping point.

Steel Blooms—Scarcely anything doing and prices weak at a further decline. Bessemer 7x7 quoted £4 17s. 6d. f. o. b. shipping point. Steel Billets—Dealings moderate and market weak and unsettled. Bessemer (size 2½x2½) quoted at £175. 6d. f. o. b. shipping point.

Steel Slabs—Demand very slow and makers' prices again lower. Ordinary sizes quoted at £4 17a 6d f. o. b. shipping point. Crop Ends—Business moderate and market weak and further declined. Run of the mill quoted at £3 f. o. b. shipping point.
Old Iron Rails—Little or no business doing. Prices still irregular and in buyer's favor. Tees quoted at £3 5s. and double heads at £3 10s. f. o. b.

AN ADVANCE IN TIN. Pig Tin-Prices advanced sharply on the strength of brisker speculative demand, but there has been a partial reaction upon the market becoming quieter. Straits quoted £90 for

2s. 6d. for spot, futures (3 months), £91. Copper—Trading has been rather slow and Copper—Trading has been rather slow and prices have undergone little change. Chili bars quoted £48 7s. 6d. for spot. £48 12s. 6d. for future delivery. Best selected English, £55.

Lead—Business very fair and prices quite firm. Soft Spanish quoted at £12 12s. 6d. @12 15s.

Spelter—Business continues slow and market weak. Ordinary Silesian quoted at £20@20 5s.

Tin Plate—The market has continued depressed and irregular. Some increase of sales where specially low prices were made, but the general movement slow.

I. C. charcoal, Allaway grade,
f. o. b. Liverpool 6s. 0s. 0d.@16s. 0d.
Bessemer steel, coke finish 6s. 0d.@14s. 9d.
Siemens steel, coke finish 6s. 0d.@14s. 9d.
Be y grade coke, 14x20 6s. 0d.@14s. 9d.
Dean grade ternes 14s. 0d. @14s. 3d.

Rumors of Increased Orders Not Verified by the Facts-The Quotations on the Dif-

NO CHANGE IN COKE.

ferent Grades. SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.1 SCOTTDALE April 94 -The demand for coke as improved very little and the prevailing features are about the same as a fortnight ago. While rumors have arisen of increased orders they are invariably denied. A comparison of last week's coke shipments with the previous week's shows a very creditable increase, how ever, and the cause is a mystery. The restriction policy was used with the same vigor, if tion policy was used with the same vigor, if not a little more, last week than has characterized the trade for several weeks past. Over 1,200 ovens were blown out, and that alone should have been sufficient to incur a considerable curtailment in sthuments. It is now predicted that if the aspect of trade is changed at all in the next few weeks it will be for the better. This is a rather dull season of the year, and the period is shortly forthcoming when the coke trade will again blossom. Four and five days was the rule in the region last week, although quite a rule in the region last week, although quite ; rule in the region last week, although quite a number of operators succeeded in making six days. Some of the operators thus foriunate were Rainey, the Cambria Iron Company, the Stewart Iron Company, the Percy Mining Company and Laughlin. On account of the scarcity of orders the Frick and McClure companies shut down 583 ovens in the region yesterday. They are distributed as follows: Twenty-two at Henry Clay, 39 at Oliphant, 200 at Leisenring No. 2, 99 at Mammoth, 44 at Valley, 44 at Foundry, 6 at Diamond, 7 at Union, 25 at Donnelly, 70 at Bessemer, and 22 at Mayfield. This increases the number of idle ovens to something over

the number of idle ovens to something over This number will be further increased by the This number will be further increased by the shutting down of the entire Lemont plant on next Saturday, It consists of 100 ovens. Last week 6,480 cars of coke were sent out, or counting 18 tons to the car, 116,60 tons. Shipments were distributed to the various points of consumption as follows: To points west of Pittsburg, 3,450 cars: to Pittsburg and river points, 1,550 cars. The previous week's shipments were consigned as follows: To points west of Pittsburg, 3,200 cars; to Pittsburg and river points, 1,550 cars; to points east of Pittsburg, 1,425 cars. Shipments for last week compared with the previous week increased to Western points, 250 cars; to Pittsburg, a decrease of 20 cars, and to Eastern points an increase of 75 cars.

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Four days per week will be the rule in the region this week.

The strike of 500 men is still on at the Morrell and Wheeler works.

The Pennsville Company have shut down 20 per cent of their plant of 92 ovens. The 170 ovens are still idle at Standard.

Prices will be kept above the \$2 mark. They are: Furnace coke, \$2 15; foundry, \$2 45; crushed, \$2 65.

Freight rates per ton of 2,000 hs from the Connelisville region, which includes any part of it, to points of consumption, are as follows:

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3	To St. Louis, Mo 3 35	

This will make prices at these points of con-

Pittsburg. M. and S. Valleys... Cleveland... Buffalo...

New York Values. NEW YORK—Pig iron quiet; American, \$16 00 @16 50. Copper steady; Lake, \$14 35. Lead strong and brisker: domestic, \$4 0234. Tin firmer and more active; Strains, \$20 10.

LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

The Condition of Business at the East Liberty Stock Yards. OFFICE OF PITTSBURG DISPATCH, THURSDAY, April 24, 1890.

CATTLE-Receipts, 777 head: shipments, 767

head; market nothing doing; all through con-signments. No cattle shipped to New York to-Hoose-Receipts 2000 heads shipments 1 500 head; market steady; medium and selected,\$4 40 @4 55; common to best Yerkers,\$4 25@4 40; pigs, \$4 00@4 15; 3 cars hogs shipped to New York today.
SHREP—Receipts, 1,200 head; shipments, 1,000 head; market slow at yesterday's prices.

By Telegraph.

CHICAGO—Cattle—Receipts, 19,000 head; shipments, 6,000 head; market slow and 10 cents lower; be-eves, \$4 75@5 00; stockers and feeders, \$2 80@3 90; stockers and feeders, \$2 80@3 90; stockers and feeders, \$2 80@3 50; stockers and seeders, \$2 80@3 50; stockers and seeders, \$3 25 63 50. Hogs—Receipts, 21,000 head; shipments, 7,000 head; market strong; and 5e higher; mixed, \$4 05@4 273c; light, \$4 05@4 30; heav, \$4 05@4 473c; light, \$4 05@4 30; heav, \$4 05@4 473c; light, \$4 05@4 30; heav, \$4 05@6 00; Western cornfed, \$5 25@5 80; Texans, \$5 00@6 15; lambs, \$5 00@6 80.

ST.LOUIS—(attle—Receipts, 1,800 head; ship.

Texans, \$8 60@5 15; lambs, \$5 00@6 80.

ST.LOUIS—Cattle—Receipts, 1,800 head; shipments, 1,100 head; market steady; good to fancy native steers, \$4 25@4 90; fair to good do, \$3 40 @4 40; stockers and feeders, \$2 30@3 50; Texans and Indians, \$2 80@4 00. Hogs—Receipts, 6,800 head; shipments, 4,300 head; market steady; fair to choice heavy, \$4 10@4 20; packing grades, \$4 00@4 10. Sheep—Receipts, 700 head; shipments, 1,000 head; market firm; fair to choice, \$4 00@5 60.

NEW VORK—Parameters, 1,800 head; shipments, 1,000 head; market firm; fair to choice, \$4 00@5 60.

\$4.00@5 60.

NEW YORK—Beeves—Receipts, 1,263 head; all for slaughterers and exporters: no trading: dressed beef firm at 6@7%c per pound for sides, Calves—Receipts, 1,066 head; market steady; veals, \$4.00@5 60 per cwt. Sheep—Receipts, 2,735 head; sheep dull; lambs firm; unshorn sheep sold at \$5.60@6 70 per cwt; chipped do, \$6.00@5 75; unshorn yearlings, \$7.00@7 75; chipped do, \$6.00@6 75. Hogs—Receipts, 2,481 head; market steady at \$4.40@4.90 per cwt.

weeks ago that orders would slacken up by this time on account of depression in the iron in-dustry. This fear has proved a groundless one. dustry. This fear has proved a groundless one. Demand is as good as ever, and our products are going out to the extent of a daily average of 30 tons. We are now finishing up some rolls which will weigh 25 to 27 tons each. Railroads demand much heavier rails than they did a few years ago on account of increased weight of engines, and hence heavier rolls are required. "Prices of chilled rolls were advanced 1/4c a pound when iron went up last fall, but at the advance profits are very much less than they were a few years ago. We make up for small profits by the increased volume of trade."

Wool Market. Sr. Louis-Receipts 71.425 pounds. Demand good for desirable bright medium. Prices steady.

FREE -Samples of Dr. Miles' restorative Nervine at Jos. Fleming & Son's, Market st.. cures headache, nervousness, sleepless-ness, neuralgia, fits, etc.

HOLDS UP ITS HEAD.

Fact and Gossip Showing That Something is Doing in Real Estate.

GOBBLED BY A NEWSPAPER MAN.

One of the Greatest Needs of Pittsburg Beginning to be Supplied.

Mr. Albert Barr has bought 100 feet or more on Barton street, near Fifth avenue, at price approximating \$100 a foot front, or \$10,000 for the whole, upon which he will at once begin the erection of a fine residence. It is understood that another newspaper man is engineering a \$25,000 deal in the

same neighborhood. Ira M. Burchfield: "Your remarks about activity in real estate at Hazelwood are not exaggerated. I have myself sold over \$40,-000 worth of property up there in the last six weeks. Cheap car fare is doing great things for that locality. No movement, however, no matter in what direction, can lessen public interest in East End properties. That section has the bulge and is bound to hold

One of the great needs of the city, as has been remarked on numerous occasions, is a greater number of tenement houses. This scarcity, which has been felt for several years, has made rents high, and injured the city. But it is a pleasure to note that this drawback is being overcome, as owners are beginning to erect houses to rent instead of to sell.

On this subject a member of the firm of W. A. Herron & Sons said yesterday: "We have had many such houses put in our hands for

rent within the last few months-houses similar to those advertised by us in THE DISPATCH. This cannot be otherwise than beneficial to the city, and prove a paying investment to the owners. Good homes are as essential to the prosperity of the city as good business houses." Mr. James W. Drape, who, with his wife, had een making a visit to the famous springs and other points of interest in Virginia, returned home yesterday morning, feeling much the better for his trip. He is again at his desk.

During his absence Mr. Drape inspected closely many of the large landed interests of the Old Dominion, and was impressed very favorably with several places as affording special inducements for investment. He believes there is a splendid future for Virginia farmers, and predicts that those who step in now and secure bodies of land, whether for farming or mineral enterprises, will reap a much more satisfactory and quicker return than from Western invest-ments. Land can be bought anywhere from \$10

to \$125 an acre.

The towns, as a general thing, are making apid strides in business and population. Mr. Drape summarized his impressions in one brief sentence, full of meaning: "Virginia is undergoing a business revolution."

STILL MIXED.

Gains and Losses in Local Stocks-Three

Daily Calls Herenfter. The stock market presented about the same feature yesterday as on the previous day, some things being strong and others weak. For the pecialties there were more buyers than sellers. The sales were 90 shares, of which 80 were Pleasant Valley. Bridgewater Gas was bid up to 45% in the

afternoon; it was offered at 75—a difference of \$38. Some sanguine holders thought the stock would reach that figure on the present whirl. Conservative brokers said nothing but shook Washington Oil, Luster and New York and

washingson Oil, Luster and New York and Cleveland Gas Coal also scored advances. The offerings were light, indicating confidence in a further upward movement. Manufacturers' Gas was offered at 25. Gas was offered at 25.

Fractional concessions were submitted to in Philadelphia Gas, Central and Pittsburg Traction, Pleasant Valley, Westinghouse Electric, Switch and Signal and Grocers' Supply Company. Wheeling Gas, Airbrake, La Noria, bank and insurance stocks were steady and un-

bank and instrance seems to hanged.

At the meeting of the Board of Directors of the Petroleum Exchange held yesterday the recommendations of the Committee on Securities was adopted. There will hereafter be three stock calls daily commencing on Monday next—the first at 10:15 A. M., the second at 1 P. M. and the third at 3 P. M. This plan will be tried for a month at least as an experiment.

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At the first call 30 shares of Pleasant Valley brought 28.
Sales in the afternoon were 50 shares of Pleasant Valley at 27%, and 10 s. o. 60 at 27%.
Robinson Brus. sold \$5,000 St. Joseph. Mo., guaranteed 6 per cent water bonds at 100 and interest.

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The total sales of stocks at New York yesterday were 341,520 shares, including Atchison, 8,700; Delaware, Lackawanna and Western, 34,315;Delaware and Hudson, 4,040;Denver, Texas and Ft. Worth, 5,125; Erie, 3,970; Hocking Valley, 4,100; Lake Shore, 3,200; Louisville and Nashville, 8,272; Missouri Pacific, 11,900; Northwestern, 4,000; Northern Pacific preferred, 7,130; Oregon Transcontinental, 10,134; Reading, 13,244; Richmond and West Point, 10,829; St. Paul, 30,220; Union Pacific, 22,860; Western Union, 8,275. Union, 8,275.

WELL UP.

Heavy Checking at the Banks and Busines

Good All Round. Checking was again heavy at the banks yesterday, considerable of which was credited to the railroads. The exchanges were \$3,071,517 92; balances, \$348,141 11. Depositing was also brisk, showing a healthy condition of business. Discounting was fair, and rates unchanged. Currency was in better supply than for a long time. Some of the country banks are anxious to rediscount Pittsburg paper. to rediscount Pittsburg paper.

Money on call at New York vesterday was easy, ranging from 31/65 per cent, last loan 33/6, closed offered at 3 per cent. Prime mercantile paper, 5@7. Sterling exchange quiet and steady at \$4 85% for 60-day bills and \$4 87% for demand.

clipped do, \$6 00@6 75. Hogs—Receipts, 2,481 head; market steady at \$4 40@4 90 per cwt.

ACTIVE TRADE IN ROLLS.

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Manufacturers Talk Encouragingly of the Business Outlook.

Manufacturers of rolls and pinions report a very active trade for the time of the year, with a promising outlook for the foture. A representative of the Phœnix Roll Works in an interview to-day said: "I fully expected a few weeks ago that orders would slacken up by this

Closing Bond Quotations.

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New York—Clearings, \$126,545,056; balances, \$5,533.44.
Boston — Clearings, \$16.654,260; balances, \$1,788,499. Money iper cent.
PHILADELPHIA—Clearings, \$11,440,484; balances, \$1,981,309.
London—The amount of bullion withdrawn from the Bank of England on balance to-day is £200,000. The bullion in the Bank of England decreased £482,000 during the past week. The proportion of the Bank of England's reserve to liability is now 44.45 per cent. Bar silver, 47d per ounce. PARIS—Three per cent rentes, 89f 5c for the account. The weekly statement of the Bank of France shows an increase of 15,725,000 france gold and 6,125,000 france silver. CHICAGO—Clearings, \$11,661,000. New York exchange sold at par. Money easy and un-changed.

Mining Stocks. New York, April 24.—Mining quotations: Alice, 160: Caledonia B. H., 220: Chollar, 225: Crown Point, 255; Consolidated California and Virginia, 460; Commonwealth, 250; Eureka Con-

solidated, 335; El Christo, 135; Gould and Curry, 170; Hale & Norcross, 230; Homestake, 850; Horn Silver, 290; Iron Silver, 185; Mexican, 300; N. P. Isle, 100; Ontario, 4000; Ophir, 375; Occidental, 110; Plymouth, 890; Sutter Creek, 150; Union Consolidated, 280; Yellow Jacket, 280.

A DISAPPOINTING HOLE. Great Bore In More Seuses Than One to the

Marion Improvement Company. For ways that are dark and tricks that are vain petroleum operators are peculiar, some-times. The Marion Improvement Company's membors all live in this city and Allegheny, and they are bordering on a state of disgust at the ill-success that has attended their opera-tions in Marion county, W. Va. The company has 3,080 acres on which it has been boring a GOOD WORDS FOR OLD VIRGINIA tions in Marion county, W. Va. The company has 3,080 acres on which it has been boring a test well so long that the mere thought of it has become a bore. It was started at a diameter of ten inches, and it is the intention to have close on to a six-inch hole clear to the bottom—3,000 feet—if necessary to go so far. The company also has a charter for a pipeline to carry its product to the B. & O. R. R. Mr. C. Kimberland says it begins to look as though they were voodooed. Thirty-four days ago yesterday they were down a certain depth, somewhere between 1,200 and 2,000 feet. They had several fishing jobs previously, but were then congratulating themselves that the tide appeared to have turned. Since then, however, the progress, according to the best advices obtainable has been four inches and yesterday the contractor was in the city and reported that they had dropped a wire rope into the well and had come for some kind of a tool to use in fishing for it.

Marion county is a continuation of the Mt. Morris field, and it is said that Hukill has 22 wells bored in it, not far from the territory of the Marion Improvement Company's tract. They are all supposed to contain oil in paying quantities, but are plugged. One is said to have kroken loses and put out 600 barrels before the flow could be checked. Some people think Mr. Hukill may have some kind of a deal with the Standard Oil Company by which territory is merely tested and then shut in, and some occult way the troubles of the Marion Improvement Company are connected therewith.

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UP AND DOWN.

Oil Brenks on a Rumor but Recovers Mos of the Loss.

There was considerable activity as well as strength in the oil market yesterday. It opens at 83e and sold right up to 85c. This was followed by a break to 8234c, due to realizing on the advance. Oil City and Bradford were the principal buyers. Pittsburg sold on reports that the Keating well was showing up in great shape. This was afterward denied, and the market rallied to 84%c, where it stood at the

market railied to 83/2c, where it stood at the close—and steady. Principal fluctuations were: Opening 83c, highest 85c, lowest 82%, closing 84/2c.

The Mack well, in the Washington field, which caused so much litigation on account of being located in the borough, and caused one owner to commit suicide, and the other to become bankrupt, has been drilled through all the lower sand and has sustained its unlucky record to the last, being almost completely dry.

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Barnhart & Hoch's No. 1 on the William Dambach farm in the Hundred-foot district, is through the sand and dry, and Young Bros.'

No. 3 on the C. E. Shannon farm has reached the sand, but with no show of oil.

In the Mt. Morris field Skinner & Co.'s well on the Price farm, west of the Lemley, is producing 100 barrels a day as the result of drilling in it.

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E. M. Hukill's Wise No. 1, which came in a few months ago at 800 barrels a day, is now doing 170 barrels. The well has produced 60,000 barrels since it came in.

Operations are spreading in the vicinity of Cameron, W. Va. The Cameron Oil Company's venture on the Dorsey farm, an important one, is down a little over 1,000 feet.

At Eureka, Barnsdale & Boyle's No. 1 on the Corbett farm is in at 25 barrels a day, and their No. 2 on the same farm is showing 10r about a like figure. Barnsdale & Boyle's No. 1 on the Corbett farm is in at 25 barrels a day, and their No. 2 on the same farm is showing 10r about a like figure. Barnsdale & Moore's No. 9 on the Cochran farm is showing up good. It has filled up 700 feet with oil. The Beason well southwest of Eureka, is in the sand and boarded up as a mystery for some reason.

The Ciuzens' Oil and Gas Company's No. 2 in the Washington field is drilling 20 feet in the Gantz sand, and has filled up 1,400 feet with oil. The Keating road house on the side of the hill, and perhaps a furlong or more from the original Ivory well. It started spudding the latter part of March, and has gone down rapidly and with scarce a mishap to delay its progress. After spraying to the top of the derrick it was closed down for tank connections. Some think it will prove to be the best well in that territory. prove to be the best well in that territory.

Deep Wells, but No Oil.

BRADFORD. April 24.—The McGinty test well on the premises of William Brodhead & St. P., Minn. & Man. III Sons, Jamestown, N. Y., has been abandoned, the drill having penetrated the earth to a depth of \$263 feet without any indications of oil. A careful record has been kept of the well. Oil Wabash. 15 Wabash preferred. 25 careful record has been kept of the well. Oil men say the Trenton rock, where oil and gas are found in Ohio, is here 4,300 feet below the Surface, or 1,000 to 1,200 feet below the Ningara limetroes as which the drill now

	limestone, In which the drill now is, Enter- prising citizens may conclude to push the drill further down in hopes of finding something valuable.
ı	Features of Yesterday's Oll Market
	Corrected daily by John M. Oakley & Co., 45 Sixth street, members of the Pittsburg Petro- leum Exchange:
	Opened
	Average charters. 45,056 Average shipments 71,921 Average runs. 64,776 Refined, New York 7,20c. 64,776

Other Oil Markets.

OIL CITY, April 24.—Petroleum opened at 83c; highest, 84%c; lowest, 83c; closed at 84c, 83les, 107.000 barrels; clearances not reported; charters, 82.682 barrels; shipments, 108,338 bar-BRADFORD, April 24.—Petroleum opened at 831/c; closed at 841/c; highest, 841/c; lowest, 83c. Clearances, 384,000 barrels.

SOME BIG DEALS

Valuable East End Property Changes Hands -Other Important Transactions. H. A. Schwab & Co., East End, sold for Thomas C. Lazear, Esq., to George A. Kime a lot on Frankstown avenue, 120x220 feet to Flavel street, with a dwelling, for \$25,000. They also sold 28 acres land adjoining the city line for

\$32,000. The purchaser contemplates dividing it up into lots this spring.
Alles & Bailey, 164 Fourth avenue, sold a valuable investment property of five brick dwelling houses, lot 48x120 feet to an alley, in the Eleventh ward, Pittsburg, for a price approxima-

ting \$9,000.

Reed B. Coyle & Co., 131 Fourth avenue, sold a piece of ground in the Fourteenth ward, city, fronting on Boquet, Frazier and Ward streets, or \$10,500.

Samuel W. Black & Co., 99 Fourth avenue, old a lot, size 25x127 feet, on the northeast side of Second avenue, Glenwood, in the Blair plan of lots, for \$1,000.

C. H. Love, 33 Fourth avenue, sold a lot for C. L. Reno to Henry Molloy, being No. 5 in the

Craig plan of lots, on Covington street, for \$750 cash.

Black & Baird, No. 95 Fourth avenue, sold for H. S. A. Stewart to M. A. Hunter, a new two-story Queen Anne brick dwelling of eight rooms and finished attic, on Stanton avenue, Negley place, with lot 40x158 feet, for \$7,000.

Ira M. Burchfield, 158 Fourth avenue, sold lot No. 137 in the Homestead Bank and Life Insurance Company's plan, North Homestead, Twenty-second ward for \$850.

Hamnett & Meredith, 102 Fourth avenue, and Wilkinsburg, sold lot 14, plan No. 1, Wilkins'estate, Wilkinsburg, to Henry W. Ware, of Meyersdale, for \$1,050.

James W. Drape & Co. sold a house of six rooms, with lot 50x150 feet, on Baum street, East End, for \$5,000 cash.

Mayaw & Goff, limited, 145 Fourth avenue, sold in the Oak station plan, Castle Shapnon Raifread, two lots, Nos. 25 and 29, fronting 50 feet on Second and Third avenues, to B. M. Norman, for \$160.

Charle Somers & Co., 313 Wood street, sold for Charles Somers to John Nim three lots on Banton avenue, being Nos. 12, 13 and 14 in Benton place, Eleventh ward, Allegheny, together having a frontage of 72 feet and a depth of 110 feet, for \$1,200 cash, They also placed a mortgage of \$700 tor two years at 6 per cent on property in the Thirty-second ward. Craig plan of lots, on Covington street, for \$750

gage of \$700 for two years at 6 per cent on property in the Thirty-second ward. STOCKS MORE ACTIVE.

The Silver Discussion Makes Some Lively Times-Benrish Reports From the West Totally Incorrect-Factors in the General Advance in Prices.

NEW YORK, April 24.-The stock market to-day showed a broadening and stronger tone, with the result of advancing prices materially all over the list. The news of the agreement in the Republican caucus last night on a silve bill which will combine the unobjectionable bills, started the boom in stock values which received a temporary setback from the uncer-

tainty as to the final result of the Congressional deliberations upon that subject. The bears bought heavily to cover their shorts in the ranges of Missouri Pacific and other stocks, bought heavily to cover their shorts in the ranges of Missouri Pacific and other stocks, while the bulls showed renewed courage and the buying for the long account was more important than any day since the last rise began. Together with this there was a marked disposition shown by the foreigners to again invest in our securities. Cable orders to buy at the market were received in all the leading favorites. In the market to-day the coal stocks were especially conspicuous, and Delaware and Hudson led the upward movement, making the largest net advance for the day, although a spurt in Oregon Navigation stock carried it up nearly 6 per cent, it could not hold that improvement, and sagged away later. The Grangers came next, and St. Paul and Rhode Island were most prominent, both showing large gains at the close, and the transactions running up to big figures. The covering of shorts was more prominent in this group than in any other part of the list, and gave those stocks their position in the market.

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The Gould shares were moderately active, only all were strong. Oregon Short Line and Evansville and Terre Haute made especially Evansville and Terre Haute made especially sharp, upward movements.

In the unlisted department sugar was again the feature. Bullish feeling in them continued while the outsiders bought liberally. The marked exception to the general strength shown was Chicago Gas, which was depressed upon news of further litigation against the trust by the holder of ten shares who brought previous suits, but the decline went only a short distance. The whole participated in the improvement, and dealings reached a larger figure than in any day during the recent rise. The upward movement continued with but slight interruptions. The last hour, when the realizations upon, profits accrued during the day, caused a slight sagging off of prices. The reaction amounted to but little, however. The close was active and firm at the best prices of the day.

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The final changes show almost an unbroken line of advances and Delaware and Hudson is up 27. Oregon Navigation 234. Oregon Short Line 25. Sugar 234. Lackawanna 134. Chicago, Burlington and Quinoy 134. Union Pacine 1 per cent each. The Atchison issues, the Kansas and Texas issues and the Reading incomes were most prominent in the deal. The Atchison incomes contributed \$460,000, the firsts \$237,000, the Kansas and Texas general 7s \$385,000, the Rio Grande Western firsts \$133,000 and the Reading first incomes \$142,000 to the totals. St. Paul and Duluth 7s rose 234, Evansville and Terre Haute firsts 34(to 1234) Green Bay incomes 2 to 25. Government bonds have been dull and steady. State bonds have been dull and steady. State bonds have been dull, The Past says the advance in prices during the forenoon was due principally to purchases for the spirit account induced by the silver commission on a bill for an increased monopoly purchase of silver. The other factors in the advance were continued ease in money both here and abroad, the large earnings of rall-roads, the heavy volume of business in sight. Bearish reports from the West are entirely incorred.

The following table shows the prices of active

Correct.

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 ave-

Open- High-lug. est. 19% 20 Openlug.

Am. Cotton Oil 194

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Atch. Top. & S. F. 39

Canada Southern 54½

Central Of New Jersey, 122½

Central Pacific. 194

Central Pacific. 195

C. Bur. & Quincy. 195

C. Mil. & St. Paul. 197

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C. & N. W. pf. 143

C. C. C. & L. pf. 98

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Texas Pacific. 23
Union Pacific. 64
Union Pacific. 64
Wabash. 125
Wabash preferred. 25
Wastern Union. 85
Waterlunion. 85
Water

Boston Stocks Atch. & Top. 39
Boston & Albany 218
Boston & Maine 225
C. B. & Q. 1075
Cinn. San. & Clev. 28
Eastern R. R. 165
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Eastern R. R. 6. 65
Eastern R. R. 6. 125
Filint & Pere M. 37
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Filint & Pere M. 96
Mass. Central. 174
Mex. Central com. 234
N. Y. & N. Eng. 47
N. Y. & N. Eng. 47
N. Y. & N. Eng. 47
Wis. Central common. 85
Wis. Central pt. 604
Atlantic. 14

Philadelphia Stocks.

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

. 55 . 21 1-16 . 10 . 52% . 22% . 76% Buffalo, Pittsburg & Western.... Lehigh Navigation
Northern Pacific
Northern Pacific preferred. DEALERS WELL SATISFIED.

The Wholesnie Drygoods Trade in a Healthy Condition.

The drygoods trade is entirely satisfactory my the leading pobbers. Representatives of two of the leading houses of the city were seen yesterday, and both expressed themselves as very comfortable over the situation and outlook. Said one of the pioneers of this industry, whose knowledge of it extends beyond a half century: "There is no boom, but something much better, a good, healthy trade. Orders are coming in freely, collections are reasonably good, and, on the whole, business is as good with us as it has ever been. Prices are low, in some lines lower than last year, and profits are small but sufficient for a healthy trade. The mild winter has forced jobbers to carry over perhaps more woolen goods than usual, but this may in the end be to their benefit, as wool is likely to advance in price between now and fall.

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The time of great profits has passed away and a better day has come when success depends on pushing trade and placing large quantities of goods. The new era is better for consumer and jobber alike since the speculative feature of our trade is practically a thing of the pust. A representative of another leading house said: "Our trade is better than it was this time last year, and in fact has been so all the years of far. We are kept hustling in order to attend to our customers. There are fewer speculative influences in the wholesale drygoods trade than for some years past. The fear that we would be forced to carry over heavy stocks of woolen goods, which prevailed a month or two ago, proved groundless. We bought only as we needed, and are carrying over no more goods than usual. If there are heavy stocks being carried, they are in the hands of manufacturers, certainly not in the hands of Pittsburg jobbers.

Big Drygoods Company Organ zed. New York, April 24.-There was an improing business in drygoods at first hands. The ing business in drygoods at first hands. The tone of the cotton goods market is firmer. Low grade brown and bleached are realizing better prices. The Androscoggin L 4-4 bleached shirtings were advanced 1/2 a yard. The prospectus of the H. B. Claffin Company is out. The capital is \$9,000,000 in \$100 shares. The firm take \$6,000,000, of which John Claffin has \$3,000,000, and will be President. It is expected to be in operation about the middle of June. The reorganization of this firm is well thought of here.

The high position attained and the universal acceptance and approval of the pleasant liquid fruit remedy Syrup of Figs, as the most excellent laxative known, illustrate the value of the qualities on which its success is based and are abundantly grantfying to the California Fig.

FIRST come, first served. See Clifton, Sunday Dispatch, page 10. FINE watches a specialty, low prices certainty, at Hauch's, No. 295 Fifth ave.

DOMESTIC MARKETS.

Butter and Eggs Moving Freely, but No Advance in Price.

STRAWBERRIES DRIFT DOWNWARD

Corn, Millfeed and Hay Weakening---Wheat and Oats Strong.

EVAPORATED FRUITS ARE VERY FIRM OFFICE OF PITTSBURG DISPATCH, THURSDAY, April 24, 1890.

Country Produce - Jobbing Prices. Trade was quiet to-day owing to the steady rain. Prices are practically unchanged since our last report. Butter and eggs are moving freely at present low rates, and markets are steadier than they have been for a week or two past. Choice vegetables are firmly held at quotations, while common stock goes begging. The demand for high grade cheese is also good. Supply and quality of strawberries have greatly improved within a few days, and prices are fast approaching the purchasing power of the average purse. Apples go slow because of high BUTTER-Creamery, Elgin, 21@211/c;Ohio do,

19@20c; country roffs, 15c. Brans—Navy hand-picked beans, \$1 75@1 80. Berswax—25@28c P h for choice; low grade, 18@20c, CIDER—Sand refined, \$7 50; common, \$3 00@ 4 00; crab cider, \$7 50@8 00 P barrel; cider vin-4 00; crab cider, \$7 5028 00 % barrel; cider vinegar, 10612c % gallon.
CHEESE—Ohio, 1161154c: New York, 126
1234c: Limberger, 145615c; domestic Sweitzer, 165661c; imported Sweitzer, 2354c.
EGGS—1261254c % dozen for strictly fresh.
FRUITS—Apples, fancy, \$4 0064 50 % barrel; strawberries, 20630c a box.
FEATHERS—Extra live geese, 50600c; No, 1, do, 40645c; mixed loss, 30635c % %.
MAPLE STRUP—New, 90635c a can. Maple sugar, 11612c % %

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FOULTRY—Live chickens, old, 85690c a pair; dressed, 14615c a pound; spring chickens, 65c a pair; ducks, 75c621 a pair; dressed turkeys, 1860c; dover, choice, 62 hs to bushel, \$4 00; dover, large English, 62 hs, \$4 3560 4 60; clover, Alsike, \$8 00; clover, white, \$8 00; clover, white, \$8 00; dover, white, \$8 00; dover, choice, 45 hs, \$1 600 11 70; blue grass, fancy, 14 hs, \$1 00; orchard grass, 14 hs, \$1 00; thungarian grass, 50 hs, \$8 100; millet, 50 hs, \$1 00; Hungarian grass, 50 hs, \$8 100; lawn grass, mixture of fine grasses, \$2 50 hb bushel of 14 hs.

TALLOW—Country, 3%c; city rendered, 4%c.
TROPICAL FRUITS—Lemons, common, \$5 00 63 50; fancy, \$4 00044 50; Florida oranges, \$4 50 65 00; vlaencis, \$5 5005 50 for 420 case, Jamaica, \$6 000 45 50; florida oranges, \$4 50 65 00; vlaencis, \$5 5005 50 for 420 case, Jamaica, \$6 000 45 50; florida oranges, \$4 50 65 00; vlaencis, \$5 5005 50 for 420 case, Jamaica, \$6 000 45 50; florida oranges, \$4 50 600 45 50; florida oranges, \$4 50 600; flore, and the secondary substantial process on track, 60070c; Bermuda potatoes, \$10 00 a barrel; new Southern cabage, \$3 50 for small crates, \$4 50 for large; Jersey sweet potatoes, \$5 2565 50 a barrel; Bermuda onions, \$2 4062 50 per bushel crate; green onions, \$20075c a dozen; parsnips, \$2 00 3 bunch.

Grocerles.

Haw sugars have been in strong demand in Eastern markets for a day or two past. Tuesday's volume of trade in this line was the largest of the season. All sweetening goods are firmly held. Evaporated fruits are scarce and firm and tendency is upward. Coffee options show a bullish drift of late, but packages fail to respond to an upward movement.

Green Coffee, Haw sugars have been in strong demand in Eastern markets for a day or two past. Tuesday's volume of trade in this line wa

32c: Santos, 22626c; Caracas, 2446281/c; La Guayra, 26627c.

Roatsed (in papers)—Standard brands, 25c; high grades, 266301/c; old Government Java, bulk, 336341/c; Maracaibo, 28629c; Santos, 26630c; peaberry, 30c: choice Rio, 28c; prime Rio, 24/c; good Rio, 23/c; ordinary, 21622/c.

Spices—(whole)—Cloves, 17618c; allspice, 10c; cassia, Sc; pepper, 17c; nutmer, 70639c.

Petroleum (jobbers prices)—110° test, 7/c; ohio, 120° 8/c; headlight, 150°, 8/c; water white, 10/c; globe, 146014/c; claime, 14/c; carnadine, 11/c; royaline, 14c; globe red oil, 116 11/c; purity, 14c.

Miners Oil—No. 1 winter strained, 42644c g gallon: summer, 38640c. Lard oil, 60665c.

Syrdy—Corn syru, 26622c; choice sugar syrup, 36638c; new maple syrup, 90c.
N. O. Molasses—Fance, new crop, 47648c; sal-soia in kegs, 3/c/3/c; bi-carb in kegs, 3/c/3/c; bi-carb in kegs, 3/c/3/c; bi-carb in kegs, 3/c/3/c; bi-carb in kegs, 3/c/3/c; choice, 6/c; sal-soia in kegs, 1/c; do granulated, 2c.

Candle—Head, Carolina, 6/c/3/c; choice, 6/c/6 sal-soia in kegs, 1/c; correstarch, 5/c/6; cjoss starch, 4/c/7/c.

Forrigo Fruits—Layer raisins, 2 65; London layers, 275; California, London layers, 275; Valencia, 8/c; coroanuts, 8/c; torprunes, 8/c; coroanuts, 8/c; coroa

STARCH—Fearl, 2%c; cornstarch, 5@6c; gloss starch, 4%d7c.
FOREIGN FRUITS—Layer raisins, \$2 65; London layers, \$2 75; Muscatels, \$2 50; California, London layers, \$2 75; Muscatels, \$2 50; California Muscatels, \$2 40; Valencia, 8%c: Ondara Valencia, 10%@11c; sultana, 14c; currants, 5%d6c; Turkey prunes, 6@6%c; French prunes, \$8211c; Salonica prunes, in 2-B packages, 9c; cocoanuts, \$2 100, \$6; almonds, Lan., \$3 5, 20c; do Ivica, 17c; do, shelled, 40c; wainuts, nap., 13g14c; Sicily filberts, 12c; Smyrna figs, 12@13c; new dates, 6@6%c; Brazil nuts, 11c; pecaus, \$%@10c; citron, \$8 8, 18@19c; lemon peel, 18c \$B; orange peel, 17c.

filberts, 12c: Smyrna figs, 12@13c: new dates, 6@6%c; Brazil nuts, 11c; pecans, 9%@10c; citron, \(\mathbb{R}\) h 18@19c; lemon peel, 18c \(\mathbb{P}\) h; orange poel, 17c.

Dried Fruits—Apples sliced, per \(\mathbb{R}\), 6c; apples, evaporated, 10%@11%c; appricots, California, evaporated, 15@16c; peaches, evaporated, 24@28c; peaches, California, evaporated, unpared, 18@20c; cherries, pitted, 13@13%c; cherries, unpitted, 5@6c; raspherries, evaporated, 29%@30c; blackberries, 7@7%c; huckelberries, 10@12c.

SUGARS—Cubes, 6%c; powdered, 6%c; granulated, 6%c; confectioners' A. 6%c; standard A. 6%c; soft white, 5%@6c; yellow, choice, 5%@5%c; yellow, afair, 5%@5%c; yellow, fair, 5%@5%c; yellow, fair, 5%@6%c; yellow, fair

Hay and millfeed continue to show a downward drift, and markets are in buyers' favor.

Corn is scarcely as firm as it has been for a

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

HAY—Baled timothy, No. 1, \$11 00@11 50; No. 2 do, \$10 00@10 50; loose from wagon, \$15 00@ 18 00, according to quality; No. 2 prairie hay, \$7 00@8 00; packing do, \$5 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, 10½c; sugar-hams, small, lic: sugar-cured breakfast bacon, 8c; sugar-cured

shoulders, 65/c; sugar-cured boneless shoulders, 8c; sugar-cured California hams, 75/c; ders, 8c: sugar-cured California hams, 73/c; sugar-cured dried beef flats, 9c; sugar-cured dried beef sets, 10c; sugar-cured dried beef sets, 10c; sugar-cured dried beef rounds, 12c; bacon, shoulders, 8c; bacon, clear sides, 73/c; bacon, clear sides, 73/c; dry salt shoulders, 53/c; dry salt clear sides, 73/c. Mess pork, heavy, \$13 00; mess pork, family, \$13 50. Lard-Refined. in tierces, 53/c; half-barreis, 53/c; 50-b tubs, 6c; 20-b pails, 63/c; 50-b tin pails, 63/c; 5-b tin pails, 63/c; 10-b tin pails, 63/c; 5-b tin pails, 63/c; 10-b tin pails, 63/c; 5-b tin pails, 63/c; 5-b tin pails, 63/c; 10-b tin pails, 63/c; 10-b tin pails, 63/c; 5-b tin pails, 63/c; 10-b tin pails,

MARKETS BY WIRE.

Less Doing to Wheat and July Lower-Corn Receives More Attention-Onts Active and Stronger-Pork Nerv-

ous and Unsettled. CHICAGO-The volume of business in wheat was rather smaller to-day and more of a local character. A fair number of outside orders were received, but less than for some days past, which, however, can be accounted for by the rather steadier condition of the market and the fact of prices remaining within about the sale

range for several days.

The market opened rather strong and prices 1465% higher. The firmness was assisted some by the colder weather, but the speculative offerings were quite large, under which the market weakened and prices declined %@lc. then rallied, fluctuated some and closed about the same as yesterday for May and June and %c lower for July than closing figures on 'Change yesterday. The feeling was rather

firm most of the session.

Corn received considerable attention, the market ruling fairly active at a lower range of prices. The feeling developed was weaker, there being but little support to the market, and offerings were considerably increased. The easier tone was attributed some to the fine weather and decline in wheat, but the reaction was due as much as anything to the fact that May shorts have been pretty well covered of late, and thus support was withdrawn from the market. The market opened at vesterday's close, was easy, and sold off %8%c, reacted some, ruled steady, and closed %8%c lower than yesterday.

than yesterday.

Oats were active, stronger and sold at higher than yesterday.

Oats were active, stronger and sold at higher prices early in the session, but later weakness set in, and prices receded %@%c, and the market closed quiet at about inside prices. The feature of the trading was the free selling by one large operator and the by buying another. At one time he bid 24%c for any part of 1,000,000 bushels July. The last named month was the weakest on the list, despite the large buying. A nervous and unsettled feeling prevailed in pork. Sellers were not disposed to offer much property and were very cautious in their movements, while buyers also were conservative in their bids. The fact is, most any offer was liable to be accepted from either side of the market. Evidently there are some shorts out or prices could not be twisted in the manner they are. The volume of business was light. One of the features of the market was the fact that June at one time commanded a premium of 567%c over July. Prices were advanced 29630c during the early part of the day but settled back again 100fbc. Near the close they advanced 15620c, closing firm.

A moderate trade was reported in lard with considerable irregularity in prices within a comparatively narrow range. The market opened rather easy at Wednesday's closing figures, advanced 29cc, and then settled back again and closed quiet.

Only a fair trade was reported in short ribs. Early sales were made at Wednesday's closing figures, but a slight improvement was gained later. About the middle of the session the market ruled easier and prices declined 234c5c. Toward the close the market was steadier and

market was steady; fancy Elgin creamery, 17½ @18c; finest Western, 16@17c; fine, 14@15c; finest dairies 12½@15c; fine, 10@12c. Eggs, 10½c.

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NEW YORK—Flour quiet and weak. Cornmeal dull. Wheat—Spot dull and unsettled, closing stronger and scarce; options fairly active, closing weak. Rye strong. Barley strong; Western nominal; Canada, 60%76c. Barley mail firm; Canada, 75@00c. Corn—Spot unsettled, decidedly lower and active; options fairly active and unchanged to 1/4c down and steady. Oats—Fpot fairly active and firm; options fairly active and firmer. Hay quiet and steady. Hops steady and quiet. Coffee—Options down; closed barely steady, 5 points up to 5 points down; closed barely steady, 25@35 points down; sales, 50,500 bags, including April. 16.90@17.10c; May, 16.75@17.10c; June, 18.00@18.90c; July, 16.50@16.70c; August, 16.55@16.60c; September, 16.20@16.70c; August, 16.55@16.60c; September, 16.20@16.70c; August, 16.55@16.00c; September, 16.20@16.85c; October, 15.90@16.20c; December, 15.70@15.85c; February, 15.70c; spot lower and firmer; cargoes, 20c; No. 7 bean, 18c. Sugar—Raw firm; city active; centrifugals, 96 test, 53/@5 9-16c, sales to-day about 85,000 bags centrifugals, 96 test, 33 3-16c c. f.; refined city, active and firm. Molasses—Foreign fairly active and steady; sales, 3 cargoes Cuba for New York at 21c; New Orleans Gru. Rice firm and active. Cottonseed oil stronger; crude, 32c bid; yellow, 35c bid. Tallow firm. Rosin firm; strained, common to good, \$1 37½ (20 40 Turpentine dull and offered at 39½c. Eggs quiet and steady; western, 113/@12c; receipts, 5.74t packages. Pork strong; mess, old, 812 25@12 75; do new, 814 00@14 25; extra prime, 811 00. Cut meats fairly active and firm; pickled bellies, \$5.50@6 00; do shoulders, \$6; do hams, \$10; middles firm; short clear, \$6 20. Lard declined four points, closing easy and dull; western steam, \$6 60 asked; August, \$6 80 asked; September, \$6 85, closing at \$6 85 asked; October, \$6 85; closing at \$6 85 asked; October, \$6 85; closing at \$6 85 asked; October, \$6 85; closing at \$6 85 asked; October

and easy: western, 9@10%c.

PHILADELPHIA—Flour firm. Wheat—Supply and demand both light and the market largely nominal: rejected, 78c; fair to good milling, 88@94c; prime to choice, 96@21; steamer No. 2 red, in grain depot, 88c; No. 2 red, April, 94@94%c; May, 92@95c; June, 92@95c; July, 89%g95d,c. Corn—April and May No. 2 mixed in good demand; later futures quiet; carlots for local trade firm with a fair demand: No. 3 mixed, in export elevator, 38c; do, in grain depot, 38c; do, in Twentieth street elevator, 39c; steamer No. 2 mixed in grain depot, 40c; do, on Port Richmond track, 41c; No. 2 mixed, April, 49%g941c; May, 40%g940%c; June, 40%g940%c; June, 40%g940%c; July, 40%d94c; data—Carlots ruled in buyers favor; No. 3 white, 33%c; futures dull and lower; No. 2 white, April, 34%g93%c; May, 33%g932%c; fune, 32%g932%c; July, 32%g93c. Eggs quiet and easy; Pennsylvania firsts, 12%g93c.

ward drift, and markets are in buyers' favor. Corn is scarcely as firm as it has been for a week past. The general feeling among operators is that corn has reached its highest point, and that any future changes will be toward a lower level. Oats are still very scarce and market was a very quiet and dull one to-day, with but few buyers on the floor. Prices were a little lower at the opening under the heavy receipts and flour are very strong. Good milling wheat is ususually scarce in this market, and our quotations are advanced, in accordance with stubborn facts. Receipts as bulletined at the Grain Exchange, 33 cars. By Pittsburg, Fi. Wayne and Chicago, 4 cars of hay, 2 of oats, 2 of bran, 1 of flour, 2 of corn. By Pittsburg, Fi. Oats, 1 of flour, 2 of corn. By Pittsburg and West-cri, 2 cars of corn, 3 of hay. There was a single sale on call at the Grain Exchange, viz. a car of No. 2 white oats, 32c, May delivery.

Prices below are for carloan lots on track:

WHEAT—New No. 2 red, 94696c; No. 2 yellow, self-led, 414/642c; high mixed shelled corn, 49464c; in the condition of the corn o

Tc. Bye firm; No. 1, in store, 511/46511/c. Bar-ley firm; No. 2 in store, 44c bid. Provisions firmer. Pork, \$13 25. Lard, \$6 25. Cheese steady; cheddars, 94/4610c. cheddars, 9%@10c.

BALTIMORE—Wheat, Western easy: No. 2 winter red, spot and April, 89%c; May, 90c asked; July, 87c asked. Corn—Western spot firm, futures easy: spot and April, 41%c; May, 40%d9%c: June, 40%c: July, 40%c; August, 41c. Oats firm: Western white, 33@34c; do mixeo, 31@32c; graded No. 2 white, 33@40c; highest search and dult: Rio, fair, 19%c. Receipts—Wheat, 16,000 bushels; corn, 32,000 bushels; corn, 32,000 bushels; corn, 32,000 bushels. Shipments—Flour, 4,245 barrels; wheat, 2,000 bushels; corn, 32,000 bushels. Sales—Wheat, 7,000 bushels; corn, 42,000 bushels.

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TOLEDO—Wheat weak and lower: cash, 90c; Mav. 90%c; July. 86%c; August, 85%d. Corn dull; cash, 35c; May, 36c. Oats quiet and firm; cash and May, 26c. Cloverneed active and lower; cash and April, \$3 65.

BUSINESS NOTES.

THERE will be three stock calls hereafter, beginning on Monday next. THERE is nothing like a well-developed boil to take the enthusiasm out of a stock broker. BUSINESS is rather quiet on Liberty street. except with wholesale grocers, who are rushed to fill orders. WALL street traders seem to be waiting for

TWENTY-TWO mortgages were placed on record yesterday. The two largest were for \$6,000 each, Seven were given for purchase money. MR. JOHN HERRON-Yes, there is a good deal going on in real estate. I am sitting on some big things to keep them from getting away from me.

Mr. Gould to make a move. It is known that he is bullish.

PRODUCE dealers found little comfort from yesterday's rain, but umbrella dealers were happy. This illustrates a phase of human na-ture that is as universal as the race. There is good in everything for somebo RAILROAD earnings: St. Paul, third week in April, increase \$41,045; Toledo, St. Louis and Kansas City, third week in April, increase \$12,-

Assas City, third week in April, increase \$12,769; Pennsylvania Railroad, month of March, net increase \$58,171; Denver and Rio Grande, third week in April, increase \$20,000; East Tenenessee, Virginia and Georgia, second week in April, increase \$13,560. HIGH-PRICED ice is already seriously affects ing the butchers, especially those whose trade is small. The expense of preserving fresh

meats the coming summer will be more than double the average. The ice dealers who in-vested in freezing machines early in the season with considerable reluctance on account of their expense, are now well satisfied with the

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