FEATURES OF TRADE.

The Outlook for a Large Volume of Business in Drygoods

NEVER BRIGHTER THAN JUST NOW.

Pittsburg Shoe Uppers in Demand From Every Part of the Land.

SOME OF THE LOST INDUSTRIES

OFFICE OF THE DISPATCH, PITTSBURG, TUESDAY, February 23.

The spring jobbing drygoods trade has opened auspiciously, and all signs point to a larger volume of business this season than last. Domestic goods are especially active, and a decided improvement is apparent for the past week or two. Though the month has another half week to go on, it is already an assured fact that, so far as volume of trade is concerned, the volume of business for February will exceed that for the same month of last year. March is uniformly the great month for the jobbing trade and, from present outlook, the March now close at hand will make a record better than any previous month as regards volume of business. The great activity the past week or two has already raised price of blue prints, which are now selling at 5½c, against 5½c a week or two ago.

Imported goods are coming in freely of late, one of our leading firms reporting receipts of eight to ten cases per week from foreign shores. A carload of curtains and linen goods was received from abroad by this firm within a few days and was delivered directly at their warehouse without the formality of going through the Custom House. The Custom House officials thought better to enter up the goods at the place of destination than at their receptacle on Penn avenue and Garrison alley.

The Shoe Upper Trade.

This city supports one of the leading factories of the land in this line. The demand for Pittsburg shoe uppers reaches the farthest East as well as the farthest West. Orders from Boston, the center of the shoe trade, as well as from San Francisco and all intermediate centers of trade, come in freely for this line of goods. An order from London, England, was placed by the above manufacturing firm within the past week.

It is now an established fact that the shoe upper industry has come to stay. With the exception of the few who cater to the fancy trade, shoemakers now buy the uppers, and their business consists in fitting and fastening the sole to the upper, which is ready for their use from the manufacturer's hand.

Interviews with several of our shoemakers have developed the fact that the French calfskin has no longer the lead that it had a few years ago in footwear lines. Such has been the improvement in the home-made article that fully 90 per cent of the calfskins now worked up for footwear is home-made. A decade ago there was not above 50 per cent home-made, and the time draws near when French calfskins will be a thing of the past as far as America is concerned. This country is steadily improving in quality of its products in leather lines, and it is only a question of short time when we will be able to produce everything demanded by the trade in quality equal to anything produced in the Old World.

Lost Industries.

Among the industries which of late years have departed from this city to seek more congenial climes is the tanning of calfskins. New York City has become a great center in this line, but of late Chicago and Milwaukee have been making rapid strides towards taking this industry from the great metropolis.

The drift of things in the hide and leather lines, like the star of empire, seems to be westward. Our city manages to hold the fort in the harness leather line, but in most lines of finished hide and calfskin products this city is no longer a factor of importance.

A want of push and pluck has without doubt been the reason for the departure of many important industries from this to more congenial sections.

LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

Receipts and Shipments at East Liberty and All Other Stock Yards.

OFFICE OF THE DISPATCH, PITTSBURG, TUESDAY, February 23.

CATTLE—Receipts, 180 head; shipments, 120 head; market slow at yesterday's prices; no cattle shipped to New York to-day.

HOGS—Receipts, 1,100 head; shipments, 1,000 head; market slow; all grades, $5 00@5 25; no hogs shipped to New York to-day.

SHEEP—Receipts, 1,700 head; shipments, 1,000 head; market steady at yesterday's prices.

By Telegraph.

Chicago—Cattle—Receipts, 10,000 head; shipments, 3,000 head; market slow, and unsettled; good steers, $4 25@4 70; others, $3 50@3 90; feeders, $3 00@3 50; stockers, $1 75@2 90; cows, $1 65@2 80. Hogs—Receipts, 32,000 head; shipments, 14,000 head; market slower and lower; rough to common, $4 40@4 80; mixed, $4 50@4 75; prime heavy and butchers' weights, $4 80@4 85; light, $4 50@4 70. Sheep—Receipts, 6,000 head; shipments, 3,000 head; market fairly active and steady; ewes, $3 50@4 25; mixed, $4 70@5 20; wethers and yearlings, $5 00@5 75; Westerns, $4 90@5 10; lambs, $4 50@6 75.

New York—Beeves—Receipts, 1,878 head, all for exporters and slaughterers; no trade; feeling firm; dressed beef steady at 6@6½c per lb; shipments to-day, 450 beeves. Calves Receipts, 469 head; market firm; veals, $6 00@8 50 per 100 lbs; Western calves, $5 00@4 00. Sheep — Receipts, 385 head; market steady; sheep, $5 00@6 37½; lambs, $6 75@7 70; dressed mutton, steady; dressed lambs, slow, 9@11c. Hogs — Receipts, 7,125 head, consigned direct; nominally steady, $4 90@5 40 per 100 lbs.

St. Louis—Cattle—Receipts, two days, 3,615 head; shipments, 387 head; market slow; fair to handy native steers, $3 10@4 30; fair to pretty good Indians and Texans, $3@4 10. Hogs—Receipts, two days, 6,800 head; shipments, 1,300 head; market lower; fair to prime heavy, $4 65@4 80; mixed ordinary to good, $4 30@4 70; light, fair to best, $4 50@4 65. Sheep—Receipts, two days, 600 head; shipments none; market strong; fair to good butchers, $3 80@5 75.

Cincinnati—Hogs firm; common and light, $3 50@4 80; packing and butchers', $4 90@5 00; receipts, 405 head; shipments, 3,200 head. Cattle steady; fair to choice butcher grades, $2 50@4 15; prime to choice shippers, $3 75@4 50; receipts, 1,600 head; shipments, 400 head. Sheep firm; common to choice, $3 50@5 75; extra fat wethers and yearlings, $6 00; receipts, 480 head; shipments none. Lambs in good demand and strong; common to choice, $5 00@6 50 per 100 pounds.

Buffalo — Cattle — Receipts, 64 loads through, 15 sale; market very dull; good steers, $3 60@3 65. Hogs—Receipts, 31 loads through, 32 sale; market very dull, and 15@20c lower; heavy grades, $5 15@5 20; packers and medium, $5 05@5 10. Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 7 loads through, 20 sale; market steady and firm. Sheep, extra fancy, $6 00@6 25; good to choice, $5 50@5 75; fair to good extra native, $5 00@5 25; fair to good do, $6 40@6 90.

Kansas City—Cattle—Receipts, 4,100 head; shipments, 1,000 head; market slow but generally steady at yesterday's prices; steers, $3 45@4 50; cows, $1 55@3 40; stockers and feeders, $2 75@3 50. Hogs—Receipts, 9,900 head; shipments, 1,500 head; market about 5c lower all around; extreme range of prices, $4 00@4 60; bulk, $4 40@4 50. Sheep—Receipts, 1,000 head; shipments, 400 head; market strong.

Omaha — Cattle — Receipts, 3,300 head; market dull and 10c lower on nearly everything; steers, common to fancy, $2 75@5 25; Western, $2 75@3 50. Hogs—Receipts, 6,000 head; market firm and 5c lower; light, $4 55@4 70; heavy, $4 50@4 65; mixed, $4 55@4 60. Sheep—Receipts, 231 head; market active and firm; natives, $4 25@5 35; Western, $4 00@5 25.

The Drygoods Market.

NEW YORK, Feb. 23.—The business of the day was above the average of late at both first and second hands. Jobbers have the promise of a fairly active week with agents, the demand, though fuller, continued irregular as heretofore, the more active movement being in the finer descriptions of goods. Low grades were in slow request, though as yet without important changes. Prices of many fine goods would advance but for the lateness of the season, goods being scarce for any near delivery. The New York mills wide spinnings advanced 2¼ per c.

DULL GRAIN MARKETS.

Blue Monday Transferred to a Bluer Tuesday on Account of the Double Holiday—Wheat Down—No Life in Corn or Provisions—Oats Weak.

CHICAGO—There was but little doing in the speculative markets to-day. The receipts, which had accumulated since Saturday, showed up big when lumped together. Local holders dumped any long wheat they held, and the prices for May show a loss since Saturday of 1⅜c. Corn was firm but lifeless; provisions dull and weak.

Wheat started ⅛@¼c lower, with May at 93c sellers, followed by an immediate drop to 92¾c, and shortly after another drop to 92⅛c. Cables were lower. New York was a liberal seller in this market. The weather in the wheat belt was favorable. The longs sold out and the shorts waited for a further break and were gratified with a further decline toward noon to 92⅛c. There was a slight reaction to 92⅜c near the close, the last figure being 92⅛c.

The speculative business in corn came almost to a dead stand after the first 20 minutes of the session, and the price scarcely moved from 41⅜c for May afterward. It got as high as 41⅜@41⅝c and as low as 41⅜@41⅛c and closed at 41⅞c.

Oats were quiet and weak in sympathy with the easy feeling in wheat and corn. May sold early at 31⅛@31¼c, fell to 31c, and later reacted and closed at 31⅜c.

Hog products were quiet and decidedly lower. A good deal of speculative selling began, and as there was very little demand lower prices resulted. May pork sold early at $11 72½, broke gradually to $11 52, reacted to $11 60 and again sold off to $11 55. May lard sold from $6 60 to $6 55 and closed at $6 55. May ribs fell from $5 97½ to $5 87½ and closed at $5 90.

The leading futures ranged as follows, as corrected by John M. Oakley & Co., 45 Sixth street, members of the Chicago Board of Trade:

ARTICLES.	Opening.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.
WHEAT, No. 2.				
February	$ 89⅝	$ 90	$ 89⅛	$ 89¼
May	93	93⅛	92⅛	92¼
CORN, No. 2.				
February	40¼	40⅝	40⅛	40⅛
March	40⅝	40⅞	40⅝	40⅝
May	41⅜	41⅞	41⅜	41⅜
OATS, No. 2.				
February	29	29	29	29
May	31⅛	31¼	31	31⅛
MESS PORK.				
February	11 50	11 50	11 27½	11 32½
May	11 75	11 75	11 52½	11 57½
LARD.				
February	6 45	6 45	6 37½	6 40
May	6 60	6 60	6 52½	6 55
SHORT RIBS.				
February	5 82½	5 82½	5 72½	5 75
May	5 97½	5 97½	5 87½	5 90

Cash quotations were as follows: Flour unchanged; No. 2 spring wheat, 89¾c; No. 3 spring wheat, 83¼@84½c; No. 2 red, 93c; No. 2 corn, 40¼c; No. 2 oats, 29@29¼c; No. 2 white, 30¼c; No. 3 white, 29@29¾c; No. 2 rye, 85½c; No. 2 barley, 56c; No. 3, f. o. b., 37@56c; No. 4, f. o. b., 36@42c; No. 1 flaxseed, 98c; prime timothy seed, $1 21@1 27. Mess pork, per barrel, $11 32½. Lard, per 100 lb, $6 45. Short ribs sides, (loose) $5 75; dry salted shoulders, (boxed) $5 00@5 25; short clear sides (boxed), $6 20@6 25. Whisky distillers' finished goods, per gal., $1 14. Sugars—Cut loaf, 5@5¾c; granulated, 4¼c; standard A, 4⅛c.

On the produce exchange to-day the butter market was quiet; creamery, 21@28c; dairy, 18@25c. Eggs weak; fresh, 16@16½c.

NEW YORK—Flour dull and weak. Cornmeal dull. Wheat—Spot dull and lower; No. 2 red, $1 03⅝@1 06 store and elevator, $1 08¼@1 09¼ afloat, $1 07¼@1 10½; No. 1 Northern, 1 07¼@1 07½; No. 1 hard, $1 08¼@1 09¼. No. 2 Northern, $1 02; options—No. 2 red, February, $1 05⅞; March, $1 05⅝@1 06⅜, closing at $1 05⅝; April, $1 05¾@1 06, closing at $1 05¾; May, $1 03¾@1 04, closing at $1 03¾; June, $1 05⅞; July, 99¼@99⅝c, closing at 99⅛c. Rye dull and lower; Western, 97c@$1 00. Barley dull. Corn—Spot quieter and weaker; No. 2, 48⅞@48¾c elevator, 49½c afloat; ungraded mixed, 45@50; No. 2 white, 49½c; No. 3, 48c; steamer mixed, 48¼@49½c; options, February, 48½c; March, 49⅝@48⅝c, closing at 48⅝c; April, 49½c, closing at 49½c; May 48⅞@49¼c, closing at 49¼c; July, 48½c. Oats—Spot dull and easier; options dull and lower; February, 36¼c; March, 36½c; May, 36⅞@37⅛c, closing at 37c; No. 2 white, March, 38¼c; No. 2 white, 38½c; mixed Western, 35½@37½c; white do, 37@41c; No. 2 chicago afloat, 37@37½c. Hay quiet and steady. Hops quiet and weak; State, common to choice, 20@25c. Tallow firm and wanted. Eggs in fair demand and closed firm; Western, 18c. Pork in fair demand; cut meats dull and firm; middles quiet; short clear, $6 70. Lard lower and dull; Western steam closed at $6 77½; options, March, $6 75; May, $6 87; July, $7 01, closing at $6 98. Butter in moderate demand and steady; Western dairy, 18@23c; do creamery, 21@30½c; do factory, 16@23c; Elgin, 30½c. Cheese in fair demand and firm; part skims, 6@10½c.

PHILADELPHIA—Flour quiet but firm. Western winter clear, $4 35@4 60; Western winter, straight, $4 60@4 85; Winter, patent, $4 80@5 10; Minnesota, clear, $4 35@4 60; Minnesota, straight, $4 60@4 90; Minnesota, patent, $5 00@5 30. Wheat No. 2 red, February, $1 03¼@1 04; March, $1 04@1 04¼; April, $1 03¾@1 04; May, $1 02¾@1 03. Corn lower; No. 3 high mixed, track, 47c; No. 2 yellow, in elevator, 49½c; No. 2 yellow, in grain depot and elevator, 49¾c; No. 2 high mixed, in grain depot, 49c; No. 2, February and March, 48¾@48¼c; April and May, 48½@48¾c. Oats a shade lower but demand more active at the decline; No. 3 white, 36½c; No. 3 clipped, 37c; No. 2 white, 37½c. No. 1 white, 38½c; No. 2 white, February, 37@37½c; March, 37¼@33; April, 38c. Butter quiet and easy; Penn'a creamery, extra, 28c; Penn'a creamery, print extra, 31@34c. Eggs dull and lower; Penn'a firsts, 18c. Cheese steady; part skims, 9@10c.

BALTIMORE—Wheat weak; No. 2 red spot, the month and March, $1 03¼; May, $1 03⅝@1 03¾; receipts, 92,979; shipments, 103,408; stock, 806,619; sales, 50,000. Corn easy; mixed spot, 48¾@48¼c; the month, 48⅝@48⅞c; March, 48¼@48⅜c; April, 48⅝@48¾c; May, 48⅝@48⅝c; steamer mixed, 47½@47¼c. Oats active and lower; No. 2 white Western, 38c; No. 2 mixed Western, 36½c. Rye lower; No. 2, 97c. Hay steady; good to choice timothy, $13 00@14 00. Provisions firm, unchanged. Butter steady, unchanged. Eggs unsettled, 17c.

NEW ORLEANS—Sugar strong; open kettle prime, 2 15-16@3c; good fair to fully fair, 2¼@2⅝c; fair, 2⅜c; good common, 2⅛c, common, 2¼@2⅜c. Centrifugals, off white, 3 13-16@3½c; choice yellow clarified, 3⅜@3 11-16c; prime do, 3¼@3 9-16c; off do, 3¼@3 7-16c; seconds, 2¼@3¼c. Molasses—Open kettle fermenting, 15@22c; centrifugals, strictly prime, 19c; good prime, 15@17c; fair to good prime, 15@17c; fair to prime, 10@13c; common to good common, 6@9c.

ST. LOUIS—Flour unchanged. Wheat declined all day; May closed 1⅝c and July 1⅝c below yesterday; No. 2 cash, 93¼@93½c; May closed at 94⅝c; July, 89⅝c. Corn opened ⅛c lower, rallied ¼c and closed ¼@⅝c lower; May, 37⅞@37⅝c. Oats lower at 30¼@30⅝c; May, 31⅛c. Rye—No sales; 84c bid. Barley quiet; sample lots Minnesota, 54c. Bran lower at 72@73c. Butter firmer; creamery, 24@27c; dairy, 15@25c. Eggs lower at 14c. Provisions dull and lower. Pork, $11 50. Lard, $6 25.

CINCINNATI—Flour steady; family, $3 60@3 70; fancy, $4 15@4 35. Wheat easier; No. 2 red, 97½c. Corn in fair demand; No. 2 mixed, 49½c. Oats in good demand, firm; No. 2 mixed, 42½@43c. Rye, easier, lower; No. 2, 90c. Pork dull; $11 75. Lard, lower; $6 30. Bulk meats, dull; $5 85. Bacon, steady; $6 87½. Butter, firmer; fancy Elgin creamery, 30@31c; Ohio, 25@27c; dairy, 16@18c. Eggs, easier; 14c. Cheese, firm; prime to choice cured Ohio flats, 11@11½c.

MILWAUKEE—Flour quiet. Wheat easier; May, 87½c; No. 2 spring, 90c; No. 1 Northern, 93½c. Corn easier; No. 3, 37c. Oats dull; No. 2 white, 31@31½c. No. 3 do, 30@30½c. Barley quiet; No. 2, 53c; sample on track, 38@51c. Rye quiet; No. 1, 87c. Provisions easier. Pork—May, $11 57½. Lard—May, $6 55.

KANSAS CITY—Wheat dull but about steady; No. 2 hard cash, 77c bid. Corn more active and steady; No. 2 cash, 34½c; February, 33½c. Oats dull; No. 2 cash and February, 29½c bid. Butter firm to higher; creamery, 22@28c. Eggs steady and in good demand at 14c.

DULUTH—Wheat—No. 1 hard, cash, 86⅞c; February, 86⅞c; May, 91¼c; No. 1 Northern, cash, 86⅛c; February, 85½c; May, 90⅝c; No. 2 Northern, cash, 79½c; No. 3, 73c; rejected, 61c. On track, No. 1 hard, 88¼c; No. 1 Northern, 87½c.

TOLEDO—Wheat, active; No. 2 cash and February, 95¼c; March, 95¼c; May, 97¼@97⅜c; July, 99⅝c. Corn, dull, steady; No. 2 cash, 40½c; No. 3, 39½c; No. 2, yellow, 41c. Oats dull; No. 2 cash, 32c. Rye, quiet; cash 87c.

MINNEAPOLIS—Wheat—No. 1 Northern, February, 88c; May opened at 88c; highest, 88c; lowest, 87½c; closing, 87⅝c. On track, No. 1 hard, 88c; No. 1 Northern, 87¼c; No. 2 Northern, 82@84c.

Metal Markets.

NEW YORK, Feb. 23.—Pig iron quiet and steady; American, $15 75@17 75. Copper quiet and weaker; lake, $10 60@10 75. Lead dull and firm; domestic, $4 20. Tin weak; Straits, $19 60.

Turpentine Markets.

NEW YORK—Rosin dull and steady. Turpentine higher and firm but quiet at 40c.

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Use Horsford's Acid Phosphate.

Dr. S. L. Williams, Clarence, Ia., says: "I have used it to grand effect in a case of neuralgic fever, and in uterine difficulties. Also, in cases where a general tonic was needed. For a nerve tonic I think it is the best I have ever used, and can recommend it most confidently."

TRADE OF THE CITY.

Brimstone Corner to Be Superseded by a Business House.

THE PROPERTY IS ON THE MARKET

Improvements Actual and Prospective Give Federal Street a Lift.

FEATURES OF MONEY AND SPECULATION

"Brimstone Corner" is one of the most prominent landmarks in Pittsburg. Methodists have worshiped there for three or four generations. Among the pastors have been some of the ablest men belonging to the denomination. The late Bishop Simpson preached there at the beginning of his distinguished career. The congregation has outgrown the building and it will be sold. This has been rumored so often during the last three or four years that many, no doubt, will feel like impeaching the accuracy of the statement. But it is a fact. The property has been placed in the hands of W. A. Herron & Sons for sale, and will be so advertised in THE DISPATCH.

The principal objection of the congregation all along to giving up this location and going elsewhere has been that it would leave the central part of the city without a representative Methodist church. But this difficulty has been obviated by the trustees securing an option on a suitable site on Seventh avenue, near Smithfield street. The lot is capacious enough to admit of a building as large as may be desired. It is understood that several flattering offers have been made for the historic corner, and the probabilities are that the old church will give place to a handsome block before the year rolls away.

The announcement that "Brimstone Corner" is in the market will be a surprise to many whose associations with the place go back to childhood. Its disappearance will forcefully emphasize the revolution going on in Pittsburg. Sentiment and tradition are yielding to the growing demands of business, and landmarks are esteemed in proportion to their commercial value.

Joining the Procession.

Indications are cropping out here and there that Federal street, Allegheny, is awaking from its Rip Van Winkle sleep. It has been backward for so long a time that many will receive this information with more or less incredulity. But facts, always stubborn things, bear out the statement that it is falling into line with progressive thoroughfares on this side of the river. The work of remodeling, or rebuilding Colonade row, the residence and pride of the late General Robinson, has actually begun. It will, it appears, be built up two or three stories and extended to the curb, doing away with the porch, which has long been a feature in that quarter. The new building will contain a row of stores on the first floor and offices above.

Another evidence of progress on this street is found in the fact that negotiations are pending for three or four old buildings below the market house. If the deals go through a handsome business block will be the result. It is too early to give particulars, but the agent in charge says everything is favorable to the successful issue of the transaction.

Followed Good Advice.

Real estate agents are useful members of society in many ways. Without them the buying and selling of lands and houses would be of small importance. Many a man in these cities is indebted to them for the inspiration which moved him to acquire a home. Here is a case in point. About five years ago a Scotchman living on the Northside received a legacy of about $2,000. Before it slipped through his fingers one of his friends, who was and is a real estate agent, induced him to buy a lot in McClintock place, which had just been opened. A year later he built a nice dwelling, which he now occupies. It is almost paid for. He could sell it any day for $3,000 more than it cost him.

The purchase of the lot was his first investment, and really the first money he had been able to save. It changed the whole tenor of his life. Instead of living from hand to mouth as formerly, he is comfortably fixed, independent of landlords, and has no special horror of a "rainy day." If the advice of real estate agents were more generally followed, there would be fewer tenants and more proprietors.

Late Incorporations.

The United States Corporation Bureau reports the list of newly completed incorporations in the United States for the week ending February 12, 1892, as follows: Total corporations, 378; total capitalization, $115,782,025, distributed as follows:

Mercantile and manufacturing companies, 115	$18,808,950
Banks (not national) and investment companies, 8	285,000
National banks (to February 8, 1892), 1	50,000
Gold, silver and other mining and smelting companies, 32	28,716,000
Coal and iron companies, 3	1,850,000
Light, heat, power and transportation companies, 33	16,626,000
Building and loan associations, 12	30,700,000
Irrigation companies, 4	2,104,000
Miscellaneous companies, 180	17,467,075

Business News and Gossip.

It was reported yesterday that the United States Glass Company had secured an option on a large tract of land near Elizabeth as a site for its plants. The report could not be verified.

A Philadelphia corporation has placed $5,000,000 in Pittsburg and Allegheny on real estate security within the last five years. From this it is quite evident that outsiders have faith in the future of these cities.

German Turners of Canton, O., are preparing to build a new hall at a cost of $15,000.

Methodists of Coraopolis and Catholics of Johnstown will build new churches in the spring. Bids are invited for the latter.

In stock circles in Chicago it is rumored that Gould and Wanamaker have joined hands in a scheme to bull Western Union.

The expansion of over $10,000,000 in loans by the New York banks last week speaks well for the business situation. Pittsburg's big surplus will soon get into circulation.

John B. Barbour, Jr., of Rea Bros. & Co., on the sick list for a few days, was on 'Change yesterday looking out for snaps, as usual.

Birmingham Traction bonds moved up another peg yesterday. At the last call 99⅞ was bid. At the first call 19¾ was bid for a 500-share lot of Switch and Signal.

The demand for dwellings in Sewickley is greater than the supply. This is the case in all the towns around Pittsburg.

Checks for dividend No. 1 on Hidalgo, being 1 per cent, were received by stockholders yesterday.

Nine permits were issued yesterday for the erection of the same number of buildings and additions at a total estimated cost of $6,825. The most important was taken out by J. N. Aaron for a frame two-story and attic dwelling on Wall street, Fourteenth ward, to cost $3,300.

Movements in Realty.

W. E. Hamnett & Co. sold a house and lot on Biddle avenue, Wilkinsburg, for $4,200.

S. A. Dickie & Co. sold for F. H. Speer to C. Donhuea a two-story and attic frame house with lot 23¼x120 feet, on Gerritt street, Twenty-first ward, for $2,400.

John K. Ewing & Co. sold to Isaac Gross, the Sixth street tailor, for John Degelman, of the drygoods firm of Degelman & Black, the property No. 33 Liberty street, Fourth ward, Allegheny, being a two-story and mansard brick house of seven rooms, lot 25x88, for $6,700 cash.

Black & Baird sold to Alvis Zullner lot 104 in the Alta Land Company's plan, on Duquesne Heights, for $100 on the easy payment plan.

Peter Shields sold another modern eight-room frame house, on lot 36x90 feet, on Greenfield avenue in the Greenfield avenue plan, Twenty-third ward, to Edward S. Magu for $3,800 cash.

Baltensperger & Williams sold for B. J. Williams and George H. Hershey a new frame house of five rooms, on Natchez street, Mt. Washington, for $2,200.

Peter Shields sold a lot 30x90 on Hoosac street, Greenfield avenue plan, Twenty-third ward, to Thomas J. McEachran for $495.

A. C. Byers & Co. sold for Mrs. Eliza J. Neville to B. H. Smyers, No. 17 Terrace avenue, Third ward, Allegheny, consisting of a two-story frame house of four rooms, lot 25x100; consideration $1,425.

The Burrell Improvement Company report the following sale of lots at Kensington, the new manufacturing city on the A. V. R. R.: K. Banajties, Pittsburg, Pa., lot 133, block 8, for $350. C. M. Rueter, Allegheny, Pa., lot 59, block 5, for $935. Joseph Woineck, Kensington, Pa., lot 130, block 2, for $350. J. B. Mooney, Washington, Pa., lot 4, block 1, for $980. Mrs. M. Jackson, Kane, Pa., lot 48, block 5, for $1,250. Antoni Sisca, Sharpsburg, Pa., lot 93, block 4, for $825. Antoni Sisca, Sharpsburg, Pa., lot 94, block 4, for $850.

HOME SECURITIES.

A FAIR GRIST GROUND AFTER THE DOUBLE HOLIDAY.

Brokers Take Up the Thread of Business About Where They Left Off on Saturday—Trading Better Than Expected—No Important Price Changes.

The long holiday had no appreciable effect in speculative circles. There was a fair market for most of the specialties, and business was better than expected after the bulge of the last two or three weeks. Orders accumulate slowly. They cannot be picked up just when wanted.

On some tall talk, not new, of an extra dividend, Airbrake advanced to 108, but failed to hold the improvement in the bidding. Holders, however, refused concessions. Philadelphia Gas was firm at the opening on the accession of new sources of supply by the company, but fell back a trifle at the last call. Eastern support was not so pronounced as last week. The street railways were quiet and featureless. Luster, Electric and Switch and Signal declined a shade each. Pipeage finished a good fraction better than the opening.

Sales at first call were 10 shares Citizens' Traction at 61, $1,000 Birmingham bond at 99¾, 40 Philadelphia Gas at 15¾, 15 Luster at 9¼, 55 Switch and Signal at 19¾. Second call, 80 Citizens' Traction at 61, $1,000 Birmingham bond at 99¾, 10 Birmingham stock at 24, 10 Central Traction at 28½, 200 Philadelphia Gas at 15¾. Third call, $9,000 Birmingham bonds at 99¾, 10 Switch and Signal at 19¾, 10 Airbrake at 108, 10 Citizens' Traction at 61, 25 Electric at 15¾, 20 Pipeage at 9.

At the end of the last session the unlisted Tractions stood thus: Manchester, offered at 40½; Birmingham, 24 bid, offered at 24½; Duquesne, 22¾ bid. United States Glass, common, was offered at 75. Quotations at each call follow:

EXCHANGE STOCKS.	FIRST CALL. B	FIRST CALL. A	SECOND CALL. B	SECOND CALL. A	THIRD CALL. B	THIRD CALL. A
P. P. S. & M. Ex.	....	....	450	475	....	474
First Nat. Bank.	....	....	....	183	....	183
Freehold Bank.	....	....	....	82	....	....
German Nat. Bk	325	....	....	....	....	....
Keystone B. of P.	93	....	....	....	....	....
Liberty Nat. Bk.	104	....	....	....	....	....
Odd F. Sav. Bk	....	75	....	....	....	....
Allegheny Ins.	....	80	....	....	....	....
Armenia Ins.	....	77	....	....	....	....
Citizens' Ins.	....	33	....	....	....	....
Teutonia Ins.	65	65	....	....	....	....
Char. Val. Gas Co	7	....	....	....	....	....
Peo's Nat. Gas Co	....	....	....	....	....	14
Peo's N. G. & P. C	8¾	9	8⅝	9	8⅝	9
Philadelphia Co.	15⅝	15¾	15⅝	15¾	15½	15⅝
Wheeling Gas Co	19	....	....	....	....	....
Ft. Pitt In. P. Co.	5	20	5	20	....	....
Central Traction.	28½	29	28½	28½	28½	....
Citizens' Trac'n.	60¾	61	60¾	61	....	61
Pittsburg Trac'n.	53	54	51	53	....	53
Pleasant Valley.	24	24½	24	24½	23⅞	24½
Allegheny Valley	....	....	20	....	....	....
Luster Min. Co.	9½	9¾	9	9½	9	9¾
Westingh'e Elec.	15½	15¾	....	....	15¼	15½
Mon. Water Co.	27	27	....	....	....	....
U. S. & S. Co.	19¾	20	19¾	19⅞	19¾	19¾
U. S. & S. Co. pfd	....	33	....	38	....	....
Westingh'e A. B.	108*	109½	105	110	105¼	110

BIG BUYING AND SELLING.

LONDON DOING THE FORMER AND GOTHAM THE LATTER.

Chicago Gas Stock Gotten Rid of Very Rapidly—Late in the Day the Buying Turns the Tide of Prices—The Gold Movement Outlook.

NEW YORK, Feb. 23.—The condition of the foreign exchange market, and the buying of American stocks for foreign account, were the principal factors in the course of prices in the stock market to-day, and while there was a forenoon of drooping prices with some material losses, the latter portion of the day saw not only the recovery of the early figures, but the gain of fractions in addition. London was a liberal buyer of stocks during the whole forenoon, but despite this fact there was considerable realizing in different portions of the list, while Chicago Gas was under the hammer continuously, and its drop of 2¼ per cent had a material influence upon the rest of the list for the time being. The bears believed that large stop orders had been placed in the stock and went gunning for them with unusual success, and the buying for foreign account was of little influence at the time to check the dropping tendency imparted to the list.

Atchison, Burlington, Reading and some others scored losses of 1 per cent, while the entire list lost fractional amounts. The character of the buying, however, attracted attention at this time, and the pressure of stocks for sale was sensibly relieved, while the market from this cause became dull. A reduction in exchange rates gave promise that the prediction of some of the most influential bankers that very little gold would go out, which had been made public, stimulated new buying, and to help along the recovery the Coal stocks, Lackawanna in particular, were given a sharp upward twist, the inference that the buying was for the following of the new members of the directory stimulating a further demand for the stock. Jersey Central and Delaware and Hudson followed with marked gains on a light business, while Reading recovered all of its early decline.

The magnitude of the takings for foreign account then became apparent, and there was a rush to cover the shorts put out earlier in the day, which, with the help of the new buying on account of the improved aspect of the gold movement, soon placed prices on a materially higher level than that of the opening figures. In this latter movement, Chicago Gas recovered about half of its loss, but the Grangers, especially St. Paul and Atchison, were largely traded in at advancing prices.

The decline in Chicago Gas had no apparent influence upon the other Industrials, for all, including Sugar and Distillers' were very quiet and firm, while the Vestibule stocks were specially strong, the preferred rising 2¾ per cent. The market undoubtedly showed a narrowing tendency, but the late strength displayed was encouraging to buyers and the commission houses which purchased during the forenoon, became a factor in the late advance.

The close was quiet, but firm to strong, generally at fractional gains over first prices and at about the highest prices of the day. The final changes are almost all small gains; but while Chicago Gas is down 1⅜, Lackawanna rose 3, Jersey Central ⅛, and Union Pacific 1 per cent.

Sterling exchange quiet, easier at $4 86½ for 60-day bills, and $4 88 for the demand. The total sales of stocks to-day were 321,852 shares, including: Atchison, 24,300; Chicago Gas, 32,500; Delaware, Lackawanna and Western, 25,068; Louisville and Nashville, 7,130; New Jersey Central, 5,400; Northern Pacific, pfd, 9,100; New England, 12,157; Reading, 55,100; Richmond and West Point terminal, 4,000; St. Paul, 15,500; St. Paul and Omaha, 3,800; Union Pacific, 12,855; Western Union, 7,180.

Railroad bonds were comparatively quiet and remained without special feature of importance throughout the day, prices following closely the stock market, and early losses were offset by later advances. The trading was only $1,743,000, and only Reading thirds showed any marked activity, furnishing $124,000 to the grand total. The final changes are quite irregular.

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 the New York Stock Exchange, 57 Fourth avenue:

	Opening.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing bid.
Am. Cotton Oil	34¼	34¼	34	34
Am. Cotton Oil, pfd	....	....	....	66
Am. Sugar Refining Co.	82⅞	83½	82⅞	83¼
Am. Sugar Refining Co., pfd	....	....	....	92¾
Atch., Top. & S. F.	39½	39½	38½	39
Canadian Pacific	89½	89½	89½	89¾
Canada Southern	60½	60⅝	60⅝	60⅝
Central of New Jersey	137½	139⅛	136½	139
Central Pacific	....	....	....	31
Chesapeake and Ohio	24¾	24¾	24⅛	24⅜
C. & O., 1st pfd	....	....	....	61
C. & O., 2d pfd	42½	42½	41¼	42½
Chicago Gas Trust	80	80	77¾	78½
C., Bur. & Quincy	105	105	104	104⅞
C., Mil. & St. Paul	78⅝	78¾	77¾	78¾
C., Mil. & St. Paul, pfd	126	127⅛	126	128
C., Rock I. & P.	89	89	88¼	89
C., St. P. M. & O.	47¼	47½	47½	47½
C., St. P. M. & O., pfd	115	115	114½	114½
C. & Northwestern	116⅝	116⅞	116⅛	116⅛
C. & Northwestern, pfd	144½	145	144½	145
C., C., C. & I.	71	71½	70⅞	71¼
C., C., C. & I. pfd	....	....	....	97
Col. Coal & Iron	37	37	36½	36¾
Col. & Hocking Val	31⅞	31¼	31	31⅛
Del., Lack. & West	157	160¼	156½	160
Del. & Hudson	133¾	134⅝	133	134
Denver & Rio Grande	17⅞	17⅞	17	17
Den. & Rio Grande, pfd	48⅝	49¼	48⅝	49½
E. T., Va. & Ga.	7¼	7¼	7¼	7¼
Illinois Central	106	106	105½	105½
Lake Erie & Western	25⅝	25⅝	24⅝	25¼
Lake Erie & Western, pfd	77	77	75⅝	76½
Lake Shore & M. S.	122⅞	122	122⅞	122⅞
Louisville & Nashville	74¾	75⅛	74¼	75
Michigan Central	103	106¼	106	106½
Mobile & Ohio	....	....	....	38
Missouri Pacific	61⅞	62	61½	62
National Cordage Co.	95	95	94	94½
National Cordage Co., pfd