

LIVE STOCK REVIEW.

Receipts of Cattle at East Liberty Unusually Large and a Decline Noted in All Grades. At Western Stock Centers Higher Prices Than Last Week Ruled.

SHEEP AND SWINE WEAK AND LOWER

Office of the Dispatch, Pittsburgh, Wednesday, May 3. There have been all told close to 90 carloads of cattle on sale at the East Liberty yards this week, an excess of 25 cars over the late average. Quality of offerings was better than it has been for months past. Buyers were on hand in smaller force than usual, and in spite of the improvement in quality, markets were very heavy and slow at a decline in last week's prices ranging from 15c to 20c per cent. At all Western points prices of cattle were higher this week than last, and Pittsburgh drovers were left out in the cold. The highest price paid here this week was \$4 50, and the same grade could a week ago find ready buyers at \$4 25 and possibly more. Fresh cows were in larger supply this week than last, and prices were steady for good stock and weak for common. The supply of calves for sale was raised very little from last week. The total so far has been above 2,000 head, and is expected to reach 2,500 by the week end. Top price to date was \$4 per pound.

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Following is report of the week's transactions as furnished by the market makers: There were 105 head of cattle on sale at the opening of the market on Monday morning and 35 head of calves. The attendance of buyers was scarcely up to the average, which gave a bad outlook, and the opening was slow. The market for calves from the opening prices of same day last week was \$1 00 to \$1 25. The market for calves advanced prices grew weaker until the close when there were free offerings at 25c to 50c decline. The market for calves advanced prices grew weaker until the close when there were free offerings at 25c to 50c decline.

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POINTS IN REALTY.

The Singer Property at Wilksburg Changes Hands Finally. DETAILS OF THE TRANSACTION. General Features of the Market Showing Confidence of Investors.

THE TREND OF MONEY AND SPECULATION

The largest transaction in real estate ever made in the Wilksburg district was brought to a conclusion yesterday. For months the Singer property has been an object of interest to investors and speculators, and a number of offers for it have been made, but none of them were up to the mark. Believing there was money in the property, if judiciously handled, a short time ago a syndicate was formed for its purchase, headed by a former public school principal, and an offer of \$135,000 made. This was accepted and yesterday they acquired full possession.

The property is among the finest in the county. It consists of about 30 acres, with an elegant stone mansion, the view from which takes in a large stretch of highly improved territory, beautiful valleys and gentle slopes. While the object of the purchasers has not been divulged, it is understood that they will subdivide it into large lots for high-class residences. The \$45,000 an acre, is considered reasonable in view of the superior character of the property and the high state of improvement to which it has been brought.

Real estate is of perennial interest. Almost every tenant hopes to become a proprietor, and watches the market with absorbing interest. While there is an absence of speculative interest, there is a lack of investment interest. There would be more sales if owners would modify their views and meet buyers half way. But there is a good side to high prices. They show confidence in the future of the country. It is fortunate for home-seekers that there is a large visible supply of residence property to keep prices within reach of modest purses. Fancy prices are being asked for many cases for building sites. A rich man fixes upon a particular spot where he wants to establish his home, and is willing to pay roundly for it, even if it is surrounded on every side by property quite as desirable and much cheaper.

Unless indications be misleading, the market will improve as the season progresses. Good weather and dry roads are favorable to activity. Brokers are hopeful, owners are firm. Their ideas of values are as exalted as they were six months or a year ago. There is no sign of weakness in any part of the line.

Yesterday was another good day in the building line. Thirteen permits were issued for 16 improvements, aggregating \$70,625. Some of the special value are: James Lewis & Co., iron and stone factory, Ft. Lytle, \$10,000; J. J. Harp, brick building on Broad street, \$13,800; Joseph P. Reed, brick dwelling on Penn avenue, Twenty-first ward, \$12,000; David Kirk, brick dwelling on Penn avenue, Fourteenth ward, \$7,000; same, brick dwelling, same street and ward, \$5,000; Miss Ruby Bruce, brick addition to dwelling on Second street, First ward, \$1,800.

HOME SECURITIES.

SOME SHARP ADVANCES ON A VERY LETHARGIC MARKET. Airbrake and Manchester Traction Develop Additional Backbones - No Special Changes in Other Directions - Dullness Attributed to Indifference of the Half-Oriented Features.

THE HOME MARKETS.

Brokers who attended the sessions of the Exchange yesterday found poor picking. The most of them had orders, but were unable to execute them, holders showing no signs of demoralization from the lull in business. There were no fluctuations reported. There were no sales at either of the early calls. At the second Airbrake was bid up to 113 1/2, with none offered. It was built on the ground that the company is organizing a pushing business and on talk of an extra dividend at the meeting this month. Other good features of the early calls were Manchester Traction and Philadelphia Gas. Duquesne was a little weaker and Birmingham steady.

At the afternoon session 100 shares of Manchester Traction changed hands at 45, and 100 of Philadelphia Gas at 42. Airbrake advanced to 114, the best price for nearly two years. Central Traction was a trifling weaker. There were no fluctuations reported in other parts of the list. A broker remarked that money all over the country is favorably disposed to activity and higher prices, and if the bulls would make an effort they could attract investors. Bids and offers follow:

Table with columns: STOCKS, FIRST CALL, SECOND CALL, THIRD CALL, and various stock names like Airbrake, Manchester Traction, etc.

GETTING OUT OF THE RUT. BOND MOVEMENT THE ENCOURAGING FEATURE YESTERDAY. Some Animation and Firmness in the Early Stock Dealings - Arbitrage Purchases of Government Securities - Choice of Bonds - Bond Market - Bond Market - Bond Market.

Special features of Trade. The vote of Wilksburg favor of issuing bonds for \$150,000 for sewer purposes raises the borough indebtedness to \$300,000. There is a movement on foot to make Eight street full width from Liberty to Penn. With the Harper building in ruins, this is an auspicious time for the improvement. Certainly better communication between these streets is needed. The movement is being taken by a large number of business men.

PHILADELPHIA STOCKS.

Exchange quotations of Philadelphia stocks, furnished by the Philadelphia Stock Exchange, members of New York Stock Exchange at 10c premium.

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BOSTON STOCKS - CLOSING PRICES.

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EGGS SCARC AND FIRM, POULTRY AND BUTTER QUIET, AND

Cereals Still in Favor of Buyers - The Lumber Trade Opens Slowly, With Prices Lower Than a Year Ago - Groceries Moving More Freely.

Office of the Dispatch, Pittsburgh, Wednesday, May 3. Country produce - Jobbing prices - Strawberries from Pennsylvania are beginning to arrive, and prices are reduced, as our quotations will disclose. Eggs are firm and poultry is quiet. Both creamery and country butter are in bountiful supply and tendency of markets is downward. New vegetables are coming in freely, and markets are slow. Old potatoes are quiet at the same old prices as have ruled all the season. Receipts of bananas have been unusually large this week, one firm having received already 13 carloads, and another 10. Choice stock holds up fairly well in price. Common and low grades are dull and heavy at inside quotations.

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Advertisement for John M. Oakley & Co., Bankers and Brokers, located at 57 Fourth Avenue. Text includes contact information and services offered.

Advertisement for Dr. Whittier's Doctur Whittier, featuring a portrait of the doctor and text describing his medical expertise and treatments.

Advertisement for Dr. Mott's Pennyroyal Pills, featuring a portrait of the doctor and text describing the pills' effectiveness for various ailments.

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