

SENSATIONAL STOCK DECLINE SLUMP THAT CAUSED A BLEATING OF THE LAMBS.

net on the day. National Steel dropped 1/4, got back 1/8 of it for People's Gas sagged 1/4, but rallied strongly and closed with 3/8 net loss. Total sales for the day were 1,224,400 shares.

The Plunge in Prices Attributed to the Money Market Where Discrimination Was Exercised Against Certain Industrials—Advice of Commission Houses Causes a Check in the Downward Tendency. An Example of Wide Movements Given by Brooklyn Rapid Transit.

New York, April 7.—Today's sensational stock market was remarkable for great declines that took place in practically all the specialties. Losses of importance remained at the end of the day, although the closing was strong. The potential influence behind today's plunge in prices was the money market, where discrimination was exercised against the industrial securities. The inability of some large firms to renew loans on those shares as collateral made it necessary to sacrifice stocks at the best prices obtainable. Call rates for money ranged from five to fifteen per cent, but left off at the latter figure.

The rally which was in progress toward the close was almost entirely due to covering of short contracts, although some of the houses professed to believe that the market was bottoming. We do not believe ourselves that any great amount of long stock has been bought. From promises to remain a factor for some little time to come, and as the banks as well as the commission houses have been buying heavily in the market, it will be extremely difficult to create renewed interest in the market. The close was strong. Total, 2,247,472 shares.

Quotations furnished by LADAR & FULLER, stock, grain and cotton brokers, rooms 20 and 26 Board of Trade building, Scranton, Pa.

A Thing of Beauty The Skating FLOREY & BROOKS.

ern creamery, 22c; do, prints, 22c. Eggs—Steady; fresh, nearby, 12c; do, western, 12 1/2c; do, southern, 12 1/2c; do, south, 12c. Flour and at 5.50 a m. all hard sugars advanced 1/2c, while Nos. 5 and 10 down to No. 10, including advanced 1/2c. Powdered and cubes, 5 1/2c; crown A, 5 1/2c; granulated and crystal A, 5c; confectionery grade, 4 1/2c. Coffee—Unchanged. Talow—Firm; city prime, in hogsheads, 4 1/2c; country, do, barrels, 4 1/2c; do, 4 1/2c. Cakes, 5 1/2c; grease, 2 1/2c. Live Poultry—Unchanged; fowls, 12c; old, 11c. Dressed Poultry—Steady; fowls, choice, 12 1/2c; do, fair to good, 12c; old, 11c. Turkey, 12c. Receipts: Flour, 2,300 barrels and 100,000 bushels; wheat, 2,000,000 bushels; corn, 20,000,000 bushels; oats, 1,000,000 bushels; shipments—wheat, 4,500 bushels; corn, 3,000,000 bushels; oats, 1,000,000 bushels.

Chicago Grain and Produce Market. Chicago, April 7.—Demoralizing in securities today. The market was demoralized by foreign demand and heavy Argentine shipments to Europe weakened wheat. Crop damage news. Refined sugars, however, checking any important decline and may closed with a loss of 1/2c. Corn and soybean declined, while lard and rib left unchanged. Cash quotations were as follows: Flour—Unchanged. No. 1 spring wheat, 79 1/2c; No. 2 spring wheat, 78 1/2c; No. 3 spring wheat, 77 1/2c; No. 4 spring wheat, 76 1/2c; No. 5 spring wheat, 75 1/2c; No. 6 spring wheat, 74 1/2c; No. 7 spring wheat, 73 1/2c; No. 8 spring wheat, 72 1/2c; No. 9 spring wheat, 71 1/2c; No. 10 spring wheat, 70 1/2c; No. 11 spring wheat, 69 1/2c; No. 12 spring wheat, 68 1/2c; No. 13 spring wheat, 67 1/2c; No. 14 spring wheat, 66 1/2c; No. 15 spring wheat, 65 1/2c; No. 16 spring wheat, 64 1/2c; No. 17 spring wheat, 63 1/2c; No. 18 spring wheat, 62 1/2c; No. 19 spring wheat, 61 1/2c; No. 20 spring wheat, 60 1/2c; No. 21 spring wheat, 59 1/2c; No. 22 spring wheat, 58 1/2c; No. 23 spring wheat, 57 1/2c; No. 24 spring wheat, 56 1/2c; No. 25 spring wheat, 55 1/2c; No. 26 spring wheat, 54 1/2c; No. 27 spring wheat, 53 1/2c; No. 28 spring wheat, 52 1/2c; No. 29 spring wheat, 51 1/2c; No. 30 spring wheat, 50 1/2c; No. 31 spring wheat, 49 1/2c; No. 32 spring wheat, 48 1/2c; No. 33 spring wheat, 47 1/2c; No. 34 spring wheat, 46 1/2c; No. 35 spring wheat, 45 1/2c; No. 36 spring wheat, 44 1/2c; No. 37 spring wheat, 43 1/2c; No. 38 spring wheat, 42 1/2c; No. 39 spring wheat, 41 1/2c; No. 40 spring wheat, 40 1/2c; No. 41 spring wheat, 39 1/2c; No. 42 spring wheat, 38 1/2c; No. 43 spring wheat, 37 1/2c; No. 44 spring wheat, 36 1/2c; No. 45 spring wheat, 35 1/2c; No. 46 spring wheat, 34 1/2c; No. 47 spring wheat, 33 1/2c; No. 48 spring wheat, 32 1/2c; No. 49 spring wheat, 31 1/2c; No. 50 spring wheat, 30 1/2c; No. 51 spring wheat, 29 1/2c; No. 52 spring wheat, 28 1/2c; No. 53 spring wheat, 27 1/2c; No. 54 spring wheat, 26 1/2c; No. 55 spring wheat, 25 1/2c; No. 56 spring wheat, 24 1/2c; No. 57 spring wheat, 23 1/2c; No. 58 spring wheat, 22 1/2c; No. 59 spring wheat, 21 1/2c; No. 60 spring wheat, 20 1/2c; No. 61 spring wheat, 19 1/2c; No. 62 spring wheat, 18 1/2c; No. 63 spring wheat, 17 1/2c; No. 64 spring wheat, 16 1/2c; No. 65 spring wheat, 15 1/2c; No. 66 spring wheat, 14 1/2c; No. 67 spring wheat, 13 1/2c; No. 68 spring wheat, 12 1/2c; No. 69 spring wheat, 11 1/2c; No. 70 spring wheat, 10 1/2c; No. 71 spring wheat, 9 1/2c; No. 72 spring wheat, 8 1/2c; No. 73 spring wheat, 7 1/2c; No. 74 spring wheat, 6 1/2c; No. 75 spring wheat, 5 1/2c; No. 76 spring wheat, 4 1/2c; No. 77 spring wheat, 3 1/2c; No. 78 spring wheat, 2 1/2c; No. 79 spring wheat, 1 1/2c; No. 80 spring wheat, 1/2c.

Chicago Live Stock Market. Chicago, April 7.—Cattle—Offerings small and trade dull; fancy cattle brought 70c; common, 60c. Hogs—Active; steady; 5 1/2c; heavy, 5 1/4c; light, 5 1/2c. Sheep—Active; steady; 4 1/2c; heavy, 4 1/4c; light, 4 1/2c.

New York Live Stock Market. New York, April 7.—Beef—Market steady; steers, steady to a shade lower; cows, 10c; calves, 12c. Pork—Market steady; hams, 14c; shoulders, 12c; sides, 10c. Lard—Market steady; 1/2c.

East Liberty Cattle Market. Extra, 12c; best, 11c; medium, 10c; poor, 9c. Hogs—Active; best, 5 1/2c; heavy, 5 1/4c; light, 5 1/2c. Sheep—Active; choice, 4 1/2c; common, 4 1/4c; poor, 4 1/2c.

Buffalo Live Stock Market. Extra, 12c; best, 11c; medium, 10c; poor, 9c. Hogs—Active; best, 5 1/2c; heavy, 5 1/4c; light, 5 1/2c. Sheep—Active; choice, 4 1/2c; common, 4 1/4c; poor, 4 1/2c.

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