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FINANCE AND TRADE.

OFFICE OF PITTSBURGH GAZETTE, MONDAY, April 4, 1869.

The gold market opened strong at 131⅛, and closed steady at that figure. The anticipation of May coupons had but little effect, and few are availing themselves of the opportunity of having their interest cashed.

Government bonds opened strong and advanced about ¼ per cent. when the market suddenly broke and declined about ⅛ per cent.; but closed strong at the decline. Old bonds of 1862 have advanced again to 119¾, but old 1865's are lower, having fluctuated between 116⅝ and 116⅞. 1868's are lower and neglected, selling as low as 113¾. after having sold at 114. The whole Government market is unsettled, and parties who calculated to buy on the expected decline about the first of the month, feel disappointed and do not know how to act. The general impression, however, is that bonds will go higher, since the advance in foreign exchange has enabled the bond bankers to sell their bills with a profit, and buy bonds at a lower rate than two weeks ago.

Stocks are strong and have advanced through the entire list, with a general disposition to hold for higher prices.

Money is easier but business is improving slowly.

Quotations as received by Ph. R. Mertz: Gold, 131⅛; Silver, 125; Eighty-one's, 116; Five Twenties, 1862, 119, do 1864, 114¾; do 1865, 117; do 1865, Consols, 113¾; do 1867, ——; do 1868, 113⅝; Ten Forties, 105⅝; New York Central, 63¾; Erie, ——; Reading, 91¾; Pittsburgh, Fort Wayne & Chicago Railroad, 20¼; Ohio & Mississippi, 33; Michigan Southern, 96⅛; Cleveland & Pittsburgh, 90¼; Chicago & Rock Island, 31¼; Chicago & North Western, 84¾; Chicago & North Western Preferred, 95; Adams Express Company, 59¾; Merchants Union Express, 10; Pacific Mail, 91⅜; Western Union Telegraph Company, 40⅜; Gregory, 2,80; Quartz Hill, 1,20; Corydon, —; Smith & Parmlee, 2,50; W. Am. Express 41.

[By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

NEW YORK, April 5, 1868.

The money demand is urgent from brokers. During the day the most of the banks either closed on legal or below the point; closing rates were 7 per cent. gold at 1 1-16 per cent. commission, or 7 per cent. currency at ¼ per cent. commission. Sterling firm; prime bankers were generally held above the market; we quote at 8¼@8¼ for 60 days, and 8¾@8⅞ for sight; these quotations are mostly nominal. Gold dull: opened at 131¼, advanced to 131¾, fell to 131¼ and closed at 131⅝. Rates paid for carrying were 5½@5¾, 32 and 1-32 per cent. to flat. Gross clearance, $39,000,000.

Governments strong and higher, under the prices from London and liberal purchases on both foreign and home account. To influence the prices, a number of swindle loans were called in and the market hammered by offerings of currency sixes, and with small sales yielded to the following quotations, owing to which no large amount of gold bonds can be purchased. Coupons of '81, 116@116¼; do. '62, 119@119¼; do. '64, 114⅝@114¾; do. '65, 116¾@116¾; new do., 113¼@113⅝; do. '67, 113¾@113¾; do. '68, 113; 10-40s, 105½@105¼.

State Bonds dull. Missouris, 87½; Old Tennessees, 64½; New 64; North Carolinas, 63@63¾.

Stock market generally strong during the day and quite buoyant. The money pressure and speculative interest was chiefly in North Carolina, Pittsburgh and Fort Wayne, Pacific Mail, Rock Island and Mariposa, in which the advance was most marked, though the market was all higher, in sympathy, at the close.

5-30 *Prices* — Cumberland, 35@38½; Wells Express, 30½@31; American, 40¾; Adams, 30; Merchants Union, 15¼@16; United States, 57½@59½; Quicksilver, 20¼; Canton, 69½; Pacific Mail, 93⅜@94; Western Union, 40½; Mariposa, 18¾@19¼; preferred, 19¾; New York Central, 163¾@164; Erie, 64; Hudson, 140¼@141; Reading, 92⅛@92¼; Terre Haute, 37½@39; Wabash, 36; preferred, 77; Harlem, 134@13 6; St. Paul, 73½; Fort Wayne, 126½@127; Ohio & Mississippi, 33¼@33½; Michigan Central, 118; Michigan Southern, 96¾@96⅞; Pittsburgh, 90¾@91⅜; Illinois Central, 138; Toledo, 97⅛@97⅜; Rock Island, 133¾; Northwestern, 85¼; preferred, 95½@95¾; Lake Shore, 98; Chicago and Alton, 149½; preferred, 150; Cleveland, Columbus and Indiana Central, 14¾.

Mining shares dull.

Copper stocks at Boston; Copper Falls 9; Franklin 17¼; Hecla 75; Hancock 4; Minnesota 2; Quincy 25.

Receipts of the Sub-Treasury were $1,309,304; Payments $695,306; Balance $8,494,294.

The imports of specie for the week were $760,343.

ALLEGHENY CATTLE MARKET.

OFFICE OF PITTSBURGH GAZETTE, MONDAY, April 5, 1869.

There was a very fair supply of Cattle on sale to-day, 687 head, but with a good local demand, the market was stronger than last week, and, by ten o'clock, there were but very few unsold. It is probable that prime Cattle were no higher, but common and medium stock sold at an advance, and we have no hesitation in saying that the average price of all the stock sold was higher than that of last week. In regard to quality, the offerings were below that of the past two or three weeks, though there were quite a number of good Cattle, and butchers generally experienced no difficulty in obtaining whatever kind they wanted. Out of some forty car loads on sale, thirty seven came from Chicago, showing that Chicago is our main point of supply; this has been the case pretty much all winter, and it is likely to continue so until about the 1st of June, or until such time as grass Cattle commence to make their apperance.

As will be seen by reference to report of sales, prices ranged from 7½@8 for good butchers stock, and 8¼@8½ for prime do. Stock steers may be quoted at 5@6¼. Fresh Cows dull; prices range all the way from $40@80.

John Richey sold 8 head rough steers to J. Rothchilds averaging 1,150, at 6@6½; also 1 cow and 1 heifer, at 6; Dolan wholesaled to McAllister 30 head good steers, from Chicago, at 7½; McAllister retailed above lot of cattle, at 7¾@8½; L. Rothchilds 24 Chicago steers, at 7@7½; L. & J. Shamberg 55 do do, at 6@8; M. Verner 18 do do, at 7@7¾; Zeigler to Hartman 33 do do, at 6¾@8¼; Haas & Kraus 37 do do, at 7@8; E. Katz 18 do do, at 6@7¼; L. Keefer 23 do do, at 6¾@8; J. Needy 36 do do, at 7@8¼; same 17 from Ohio at 7@8¼; J. Rothchilds 11 from Pennsylvania, at 6½@7¼; S. Marks & Bro. 56 from Chicago, at 7¼@8½; Blackstock & Hazlewood 32 do do, at 7@8¼; Traurman & Lobman 63 do do, at 6¼@8¼; Holmes, Lafferty & Co. 34 cows from Cincinnati (stillers), at 6½@7¾; 16 steers from same place, at 6¾@8; 15 mixed stock from Cincinnati, at 6½@6¾; Smith & Blue sold 18 head, for Applegate, at 6@7 cts; Hedges & Taylor 53 from Ohio, at 6½@7¼; M. Carr 18 for Dolan, from Chicago, at 7¼@8½; Greenwald & Kahn 55 do do, 7@8¾; Stakely & Bro. 11 Penna, at 4½@6½; Lowensteine 16 from Chicago.

SHEEP—The supply of Sheep was exceedingly small to-day, 186 head, and there was hardly enough business done to establish quotations. The roads are in such a miserable condition that it is next to impossible to drive them, and this accounts for the very small supply on sale to-day.

James Kerr sold 106 head from Allegheny county at 5½@7¾; Moulton & Neely sold 50 head from Mercer county at an average of 5½; Stakely & Bro. had 30 head of scalawags on sale—up until 10 A. M. they had not been sold.

HOGS—The Hog market was rather better to-day, that is, there was an improved demand; while as regards prices, there is no change compared with last week. Quotations, in a retail way, may be fairly given at 11@13, but very few sales above 12½.

Jacob Needy wholesaled 70 head to Emerick & Co., at 11¼.

PETROLEUM MARKET.

OFFICE OF PITTSBURGH GAZETTE, MONDAY, April 5, 1869.

The market was again exceedingly quiet to-day, the sales being unusually light while so far as prices are concerned there is no material change, compared with the closing quotations of Saturday. The most important point under consideration was in regard to the production. Private telegrams from Titusville reported that the *Herald* made the daily production for March nine thousand and ninety-one barrels, an increase of twenty-six barrels compared with February; this report created considerable surprise, as it was generally expected that instead of an increase there would be a decrease, variously estimated at from two to five hundred barrels. There are parties here, claiming to be well posted, who allege that the daily production in the Venango Oil regions is fully ten thousand barrels, but we incline to the belief that the Titusville *Herald* is the best authority we have on this subject; it makes no difference how it figures in this respect, there are always some dissatisfied with the report, because it comes in conflict with their particular interests, and is calculated to have an influence on the market which is not at all agreeable to them. In regard to stocks, we learn from the same source, that there is an increase of forty-seven thousand barrels, compared with February. It is reported that there have been several strikes within the last few days, and it is expected that whenever the weather sets in fine, there will be more activity in development, and that work on old wells will be re-commenced, and that many new ones will be started.

CRUDE—There was not a solitary operation in Crude to-day, and while the market was remarkably quiet prices, compared with Saturday, have undergone no quotable change. Offer to buy 1,000 bbls, each April to June at 15½; and offer to sell, sellers option, until July, at 15½. Spot oil may be quoted at 15¼@15¾. The offerings seem to be very light, the great bulk of what has already arrived by river being put in on former contracts.

REFINED—But a single sale reported; 1,000 bbls last half of April, at 32¼. Sellers option all the month, quoted at 31¾; April, last half, 32½; and April to June at 34@34¼. "Lines" running from April to September, May to September, and July to December, remain unchanged.

LUBRICATING OILS.

Eclipse Winter Lubricating oil	40c
Eclipse Railroad Axle	35c
Eclipse Machinery	75c
Eclipse Spindle	80c

OIL SHIPPED EAST BY A. V. R. R.

McKelvy & Bro., 565 bbls refined to W. P. Logan & Bro., Philadelphia.

Total Shipments Refined..... 565

Dry Goods Market.

NEW YORK, April 5.—The weather being clear and dry trade is improving, but is far from being active for any class of goods. Brown Sheetings of the best makes like Atlantic A and Atlantic H, rules steady at 16c; Augusta and Cabot at 15½c; Indian Orchard A at 14¼c; do. do. R and N at 13½@14¼c; do. B B, 33-inch, at 13½c; do. L, 13½c; Bedford R at 13¼c; Pittsfield W at 12½c; Portsmouth at 10c; Amoskeag Muslin, 16c; Blackstone, 15½c; Ballou & Son's, 15c; Utica, 11¼c; do. 9-4, 10½c; Ballou's glazed Cambrics, 11½c; Washington do, high colors, 11½c; White Rock Paper Cambrics, 11½@12c; Green Star Wigans, 14½c; Standard Prints, 11¾c, and Delaines at 18½@20c.