

MARKETS UNSTEADY.

SHARP ADVANCE IN CORN, SUCCEDED BY REACTION:

All Chicago Grain Markets Finally Close at a Decline—Provisions Firm and Moving Upward—Closing Quotations on Wall Street.

Chicago, Feb. 7.—There was commotion in the entire grain trade the first hour of the session because of the remarkable action in corn. Following two days' advance that market was up $\frac{1}{2}$ cent additional at the start at 48 for May, made a dip to 45 $\frac{1}{2}$ and sold to 46 $\frac{1}{2}$ with the trade greatly excited. May wheat sold between 50 $\frac{1}{2}$ and 54 $\frac{1}{2}$, holding around 54 $\frac{1}{2}$. Oats sold 29 $\frac{1}{2}$ and 32 $\frac{1}{2}$ May. Pork went from \$10.20 last night to \$10.55 best point early. Lard 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ up, ribs 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ higher. Receipts were light owing to the storms—Wheat 6 cars, corn 74, oats 85.

Late dispatches failed to report any export sales of wheat at the seaboard. There was no cash business here to speak of. When corn lost its advance the last hour wheat weakened readily and closed 53 $\frac{1}{2}$ May, $\frac{1}{2}$ lower than yesterday.

Before the close the longs in corn made a grab at profits. They sold considerably and as the shorts were over their anxiety the market weakened quickly. May price dropped to 45 $\frac{1}{2}$ and closed 44 $\frac{1}{2}$, 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ under last night, 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ under high point to-day.

CPRX opened 10¢ up at \$1.13 and went to \$1.05. The packers offered enough stuff to close the markets at \$10.40, 20¢ up for the day. Lard went to 65.85 seller at top point, about 16¢ gain, and closed 65.75, 16¢ up. Ribs sold 55.45 and closed 54.40, 12¢ up.

Quotations were:

ARTICLES.	High	Low	CLOSING		Feb. 6.
			1st	2d	
Wheat—2					
Feb.	51 $\frac{1}{2}$	50 $\frac{1}{2}$	50 $\frac{1}{2}$	50 $\frac{1}{2}$	50 $\frac{1}{2}$
May...	54 $\frac{1}{2}$	53 $\frac{1}{2}$	53 $\frac{1}{2}$	54	54
July...	55 $\frac{1}{2}$	54 $\frac{1}{2}$	54 $\frac{1}{2}$	55	55
Corn—3					
Feb...			42 $\frac{1}{2}$	43	
May...	46 $\frac{1}{2}$	45 $\frac{1}{2}$	45 $\frac{1}{2}$	45 $\frac{1}{2}$	
June...	46	46	45 $\frac{1}{2}$	45 $\frac{1}{2}$	
Oats—4					
Feb...	28	27 $\frac{1}{2}$	27 $\frac{1}{2}$	27 $\frac{1}{2}$	
May...	29 $\frac{1}{2}$	29 $\frac{1}{2}$	29 $\frac{1}{2}$	29 $\frac{1}{2}$	
June...	29 $\frac{1}{2}$	29 $\frac{1}{2}$	29 $\frac{1}{2}$	29 $\frac{1}{2}$	
July...	29 $\frac{1}{2}$	28 $\frac{1}{2}$	28 $\frac{1}{2}$	27 $\frac{1}{2}$	
Pork—					
Feb...	10.55	10.80	10.15	9.95	
May...	6.85	6.70	6.77 $\frac{1}{2}$	6.67 $\frac{1}{2}$	
S. Ribs—					
Feb...			5.30	5.10	
May...	5.40	5.38	5.38	5.32 $\frac{1}{2}$	

Wheat and Corn.

Closing prices of wheat and corn at the following named cities were:

Wheat—New York—February, 57 $\frac{1}{2}$; March, 57 $\frac{1}{2}$; May, 58 $\frac{1}{2}$; St. Louis—February, 51 $\frac{1}{2}$; May, 52 $\frac{1}{2}$; Duluth—Cash, 56 $\frac{1}{2}$; May, 58 $\frac{1}{2}$; Minneapolis—Cash, 53 $\frac{1}{2}$; May, 55 $\frac{1}{2}$; Baltimore—February, 57 $\frac{1}{2}$; May, 59 $\frac{1}{2}$; Toledo—Cash, 58 $\frac{1}{2}$; May, 54 $\frac{1}{2}$; Milwaukee—Cash, 52 $\frac{1}{2}$; May, 54 $\frac{1}{2}$; Detroit—Cash, 54 $\frac{1}{2}$; May, 55 $\frac{1}{2}$.

Corn—New York—February, 48 $\frac{1}{2}$; May, 49 $\frac{1}{2}$; St. Louis—February, 4 $\frac{1}{2}$; May, 42 $\frac{1}{2}$; Baltimore—February, 47 $\frac{1}{2}$; May, 43 $\frac{1}{2}$.

Wall Street.

New York, Feb. 7.—There was a very quiet opening to the share speculation and sales registered were generally at prices a shade higher. The market was stagnant after 10:15 and but few changes were recorded. Chief among them were advances of $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. in New England and $\frac{1}{2}$ in Lacled Gas and Louisville and Nashville.

Money on call easy at 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.; prime mercantile paper, 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 5 per cent.; sterling exchange steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at 483 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 483 $\frac{1}{2}$ for demand and at 487 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 487 $\frac{1}{2}$ for sixty days; posted rates, 487 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 488 $\frac{1}{2}$ and 489 $\frac{1}{2}$; commercial bills, 486 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 486 $\frac{1}{2}$. Silver certificates, 60 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 60 $\frac{1}{2}$; no sales. Bar silver 59 $\frac{1}{2}$. Mexican dollars, 48 $\frac{1}{2}$. Government bonds steady.

Closing quotations were:

Atholton..... 4% Manhattan..... 108 $\frac{1}{2}$ Amer. Tobac..... 95% Missouri Pac..... 21 Baltimore & O..... Michigan Cent..... Can. Pacific..... Northern Pac..... C. B. & Q. 72 $\frac{1}{2}$ North Pac pfds..... 16 $\frac{1}{2}$ C. C. & St. L..... N. Y. Central..... Cordage..... 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ Northwestern..... 67 Chicago Gas..... 75 $\frac{1}{2}$ N. Y. & N. E. 31 Clark & O. 17 N. American..... Del & Hudson..... 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ Omaha..... 32 $\frac{1}{2}$ D. L. & W. 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ Omaha pfds..... Dist. Catl. Fd C. 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ Ont. & Westn. 16 $\frac{1}{2}$ Den & R. G. pfds..... 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ Pacific Mail..... 22 $\frac{1}{2}$ Erie..... 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ Pullman..... 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ East. Illinois..... 1 Reading..... 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ East Tennessee..... 1 Rock Island..... 68 $\frac{1}{2}$ Hocking Valley..... 19 $\frac{1}{2}$ Richmond Ter..... Illinois Central..... Silver Cet..... Jersey Central..... 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ Sugar Refinery..... 93 $\frac{1}{2}$ Kan. & Tex pfds..... St. Paul..... 56 $\frac{1}{2}$ Lead..... 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ St Paul pfds..... L. N. A. & C. 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ Texas & Pacific..... 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ Linseed Oil..... 18 Western Union..... 88 $\frac{1}{2}$ Lake Erie & W. 1 Wabash..... 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ L. E. & W. pfds..... 18 $\frac{1}{2}$ Lake Shore..... 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ Wilson's Cent.

Government bonds stand at the following bid prices:

Registered 2s.... 95 Currency 6s. 97.104 Registered 4s.... 119 Currency 6s. 98.107 Coupon 4s.... 110 Currency 6s. 99.100 Currency 6s. 95.100 Coupon 6s.... 114 $\frac{1}{2}$ Currency 6s. 96.102 Regist'd 6s ex 1.114 $\frac{1}{2}$

Chicago Produce Market.

Chicago, Feb. 7.—Butter—Dull. Extra creamy, 23¢ per lb; firsts, 21 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 22¢; seconds, 17 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 19¢; dairy, firsts, 15 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 17¢; seconds, 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 12¢; packing stock, 6¢ to 8¢.

Cheese—Steady. Full cream cheddars new, 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 10¢ per lb; twins, new, 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 10¢; Young America, new, 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 12¢; Swiss, new, 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 12¢; brick, 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 10¢; Limburger, new, 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 10¢.

Dressed Poultry—Turkeys, fair to choice 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 10¢; chickens, fair to good, 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢; ducks, 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 11¢; geese, poor to choice per lb, 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 10¢.

Potatoes—Firm. Rose, per bu, 52 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢; Burbanks, Wisconsin, 53 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢; per bu; Hebron, 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 6¢ per bu.

Apples—Eastern stock 5¢ to 6¢; from 6¢ to 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ per bu; western, \$2.50 to \$3.50; Canada, \$2.75 to \$3.75.

Vegetables—Beets, 60¢ to 75¢ per bu; cucumbers, home grown, \$1.00 to 1.50 per doz; celery, 15¢ to 30¢ per doz; lettuce, home grown, 9¢ to \$1.00 per case of 4 doz; onions, Michigan, \$1.75 to 2.00 per bu; sweet potatoes, \$1.50 to \$2.00 per bu.

Live Stock.

Chicago, Feb. 8.—Cattle—Receipts,

7,000 calves, 100. Trains came stragglng in along in the forenoon, protracting business till a later hour than usual; the short everything offered was taken and the close was firm. Dressed beef

and shipping steers were quoted at \$3.40 to \$5.75, cows and bulls at \$4.40 to \$8.50 and stockers and feeders at 2.25 to 3.85. Heavy cattle did not sell quotably higher than on the day before, but other descriptions gained 5¢ to 10¢.

Hogs—Receipts, 23,000. There were several sales of heavy hogs at \$4.50 and sales of assorted light were reported as high as \$4.25. Hardly anything weighing over 250 lbs sold below \$4.20 and the bulk of the 150 to 200 lb hogs brought \$4.10 to \$4.20. There was an average advance on yesterday's prices of 5¢. The danger of a blockade on the eastern roads made shippers hesitate to invest, but there was good buying by local packers and the market remained firm to the close.

Sheep—Receipts, 8,000. Buyers paid an advance of 5¢ to 10¢. Common to extra lambs were quoted at \$2.75 to \$4.35. Lambs also were higher, extra being quoted up to \$5.15 to \$5.25, and common to choice selling at \$3.25 to 5¢.

Liverpool.

Liverpool, Feb. 7.—Wheat—Spot No. 2 red winter, 44¢; No. 2 red spring, 55¢; No. 1 hard Manitoba, 55¢ to 58¢; No. 1 California stocks exhausted. Futures—February, 45¢ to 54¢; March, 46¢ to 54¢; April, 47¢; May, 48¢; June, 48¢ to 54¢; July, 48¢ to 54¢. Corn—Spot American mixed, new, 4¢ to 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢. Futures—February, 4¢ to 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢; March, 4¢ to 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢; April, 4¢ to 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢; May, 4¢ to 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢; June, 4¢ to 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢; July, 4¢ to 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢. Flour—St. Louis fancy winter, 5¢ to 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢.

Peoria.

Peoria, Ill., Feb. 7.—Corn—No. 2, 41 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢; No. 3, 41 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢. Oats—No. 2 white, 31 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ to 31 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢; No. 3 white, 30 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ to 30 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢. Rye—Nominal. Whisky—Highwine, basis \$1.22. Receipts—Wheat, 600 bu; corn, 30,500 bu; oats, 29,700 bu; barley, 5,600 bu. Shipments—Wheat, 600 bu; corn, 7,800 bu; oats, 31,900 bu; barley, 9,100 bu.

PRIESTS AND BICYCLES.

Dr. Rooker says the Pope has not forbidden their use.

Washington, Feb. 7.—Dr. Rooker, private secretary to Mgr. Satoli, said last night: "I do not think the holy see has intended to take any action against the use of bicycles by priests. The matter was brought up in a Hungarian diocese and taken to Rome for decision. It was decided that the subject was local. But it was thought that it would be best for the press concerned to refrain from riding any more than was absolutely necessary."

The reason for this, Dr. Rooker said, was the peculiar costume priests in Europe wear. "So long as bicycles are used within proper limits," he said, "they will not be frowned upon. If a priest is unwise in this matter it is the province of any local church officials to see that he corrects his deportment."

Severe Weather in Europe.

London, Feb. 7.—Bitterly cold weather, accompanied by snow storms, prevails generally throughout Great Britain. For the first time in fourteen years the docks at Southampton are frozen over with thin ice. Several persons have been frozen to death in the country. The railroad trains in Scotland and Wales are blocked by snow drifts. The weather on the continent has also been severe. In Paris there were five deaths yesterday from the cold.

Trolley Car Passengers Maimed.

New York, Feb. 7.—One of the trolley cars of the Bushwick avenue, Brooklyn, line was thrown by a misplaced switch from the track yesterday and Jacob Fleckhers, the motorman, was so badly injured that he was taken to St. Catherine's hospital in a dying condition. Half a dozen passengers were cut and bruised badly.

To Reorganize Whisky Trust.

New York, Feb. 7.—At the request of a majority of the stockholders of the Distilling and Cattle Feeding company, the following named gentlemen have been appointed a reorganization committee: Richard B. Hartshorne, president; John I. Waterbury, F. M. Lockwood, J. S. Baché and William E. Huntington, the latter of Cincinnati.

Thrown Into the Ditch.

Chappell, Neb., Feb. 7.—The Atlantic express on the Union Pacific was wrecked one mile from here this morning, four cars and the engine being overturned. No one was injured, but as the thermometer registered thirty degrees below zero the passengers suffered with cold. The accident was caused by the breaking of a frosty rail.

American Is Robbed.

Nice, Feb. 8.—Mr. Fox, said to be son of an American banker, was robbed on a train between Nice and Monte Carlo of \$1868. He made a complaint to the police yesterday, but wishing to escape publicity he withdrew it today.

Vetoed by Mayor Schieren.