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THE MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH

Yesterday's Fluctuations on the Exchanges.

Quotations of the New York Money Market—Chicago Grain and Live Stock—Country Produce.

New York, March 16.—After an extremely dull session cotton closed to-day at about the same as it closed last night. There were no developments of importance in the political situation. Liverpool was rather favorable this morning. That market advanced one-half to one sixty-fourth. Prices here opened unchanged, later declined somewhat on moderate short selling and then recovered the loss, on reports from the south of the presence of an excellent spot demand in that market. August opened at 6.06, rallied to 6.08, declined to 6.03, advanced to 6.07 and closed at 6.06 to 6.07, with the tone of the market steady. The demand in the south is too good to justify the contention of the bears that the trade of the world is fully supplied and unless depressed by outside influences the market will probably go higher.

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NEW YORK STOCKS.

New York, March 16.—The stock market showed much improvement today, the advance being large in some leading stocks. The market closed steady at best prices of the day Following are some of the closing figures:

Am. Spirits	
Am. Sugar	122¼
Am. Sugar. Pfd	
Atch. T. & S. F	
Atch. T. & S. F., Pfd	25¾
Am. Tobacco	99½
Balto. & Ohio	
Central of N. J	92½
Ches. & Ohio	19¼
Chic. Bur. & Q	91¾
Chic. Gas	91⅜
Consolidated Gas	
Delaware & Hudson	110¼
Del. Lac. & Western	
Erie	
General Electric	39¼
Lake Erie & West	
Lake Shore	
Louisville & Nashville	49⅞
Manhattan Ele	104½
Missouri Pacific	26⅞
New York Central	111
Northern Pacific	
Northern Pacific, Pfd	62
Pacific Mail	
Phila. & Reading	16⅞
Southern Ry. Co	
Southern Ry. Co., Pfd	76½
Tenn. Coal & Iron	19¼
Texas Pacific	
Union Pacific	19
Union Pacific, Pfd	5 ⅜
U. S. Leather, Pfd	58
Wabash, Pfd	15⅝
Western Union	87¼

CHICAGO GRAIN AND PROVISIONS.

May	Wheat	104
"	Corn	29¼
"	Oats	25½
"	Pork	977
"	Lard	5 5
"	Ribs	500

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COMMENTS.

A clear and concise treatise upon methods in speculation. New York Evening Sun, March 5.

Written in entertaining fashion. The experience and keenness of the author is undoubted. New York Times, March 9.

The author is an experienced speculator, who tells how money is made and lost in Wall street.—New York Tribune, March 9.

The book deals with an interesting subject in an entertaining manner.—N. Y. Stockholder, Mar. 5.

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A FATAL FIRE

Four Persons Dead and Fifteen Missing.

Chicago, March 16.—Four are dead and fifteen missing as a result of the fire that destroyed the big music building at 215 Wabash avenue today.

Three hundred girls were employed in the building, mostly on the fifth and sixth floors. When the fire broke out a panic ensued, many of the unfortunate women being trampled under the feet of their comrades in their frantic efforts to escape. Cut off from escape by the elevators and stairways the people penned in the burning building began jumping from the windows, and, though the firemen and others held nets and canvas, many were crushed on the stone sidewalks.

The walls of the building caved in within half an hour after the fire started, and it is believed that several of the fifteen persons who are missing were buried in the blazing ruins.

DEFIED THE JUDGE

Jury Refused to Indict an Original Package Dealer.

Columbia, S. C., March 16.—Judge D. A. Townsend, who refused to recognize the decision of the United States courts on the legality of the original package law, caused a sensation at Edgefield today. McNamara, the original package dealer, was charged with selling liquor and keeping a disorderly store. The grand jury returned "No bill." Townsend thereupon declared that none but state dispensaries had a legal right to sell liquor in the state and ordered the grand jury to find a true bill. The body flatly refused to obey the order.

TO SUPERVISE IRON TRADE.

New York, March 16.—A directors' meeting, at which representatives of a dozen iron and steel firms of the south were present, was held here today. It is believed an effort is being made to form an association which will represent their various interests and maintain a general supervision of trade. There is such an association now, but it is understood it does not fulfill the requirements of the situation.

AT THE MOUNTAIN PARK.

Hot Springs, March 16.—The two days golf tournament which has just been completed here was enthusiastically engaged in by many players.

The four handsome prizes offered by the management of the Mountain Park hotel, were awarded as follows: First gentleman's prize to Mr. C. T. Williamson, Norfolk; second to Mr. Biscoe Hindman, of Louisville. First ladies' prize, to Mrs. Mrs. Biscoe Hindman; second to Mrs. McIlvine, of Chicago.

PERSONAL AND SOCIAL

Prof. A. J. Wodd, of Charlottesville, Va., has been at Rock Ledge for the last two days.

George H. Smathers left yesterday for Bryson City, where he will be engaged for several days in referee cases.

Sheriff Teague, of Swain county, is in the city.

Capt. Dodson, general roadmaster of the Southern, reached Asheville yesterday in a special car.

Chairman Porter, of the C. & E. I. R. R., arrived yesterday from Cincinnati in his private car.

F. O. Grayson, of Supt. Sprigg's office, leaves to-day to visit his home, Washington.

J. M. Moody came over from Waynesville yesterday.

W. J. and E. H. Jamison, of Middleton, Conn., will be at the Asheville for several weeks.

Will Nelson left yesterday for New York where he will work at his trade as a stone cutter.

E. W. Keith left this morning for Winston on professional business.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred L. Chase, Mrs. Dr. Stella Hunt, Mrs. T. L. Wayne, Mr. John Zettle, of Cincinnati, and Miss Rabecca Garwood, of Philadelphia, are visiting Mr. Charles Brown on Montford avenue.

J. Caney Brown, son of Wiley Brown, has gone to Cincinnati to accept an offered position.

Kelly Chambers, of Reems creek, who is a candidate before the democratic convention for county tax-collector, was in the city yesterday.

Ex-Sheriff T. C. Israel, of Hendersonville, is in the city.

Ex-Representative W. G. Candler, of Hominy, attended court yesterday.

W. H. Jarvis, of Mars Hill, is visiting in Asheville.

W. L. Henry, Esq., who has been critically ill for some time, was able to come to the city yesterday.

Terrell Loftis is quite ill at his room on Patton avenue.

Deputy Collector T. F. Roland is stopping at the Western hotel.

Sheriff V. B. McGaha, of Transylvania, is in the city.

Manager T. D. Green, of the Mountain Park hotel, is here from Hot Springs.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

HOTEL BERKELEY.—C. H. Smith, Harrisburg, Pa.; J. O. Harrison, Franklin, N. C.; J. D. Elliott, Hickory, N. C.; J. D. Ross, Charlotte; George T. Chase, Boston.

SWANNANOA HOTEL.—W. C. Jones, Wilmington, N. C.; W. G. Spark, North Carolina; Mrs. N. H. Pritt, London, Eng.; George W. Sandifer, Nashville; C. E. Dexter, North Carolina; W. O. Wilson, Round Knob; C. A. Lietz, St. Louis; George Thairs and wife, St. Catharines, Canada; Edmond Jones, Lenoir, N. C.; G. E. Crabtree, New York; T. D. Crawford, Roanake, Va.

A DESPERADO CAPTURED

Moses Wilson a Yancey County Criminal now in Jail.

Deputy U. S. Collector T. F. Roland is in Asheville after a raid made through Yancey county, and has reported to the collector's office. On this trip Mr. Roland discovered and destroyed two large stills. One was on Jack's Creek, near the home of Mose Peterson, and the other in the range of mountains that divide North Carolina and Tennessee. Over one thousand gallons of still beer was found at these two blockade distilleries which were also destroyed.

In company with Deputy Marshal J. H. Bradshaw, Sheriff Huskins, S. Peterson and others, Mr. Roland succeeded in capturing Moses Wilson, who is charged in Yancey county with the murder of Joseph Tipton on Jack's Creek several months ago, an account of which was published in the Gazette at the time. Wilson is a notorious blockader, and of a bad character generally. For years he has been a terror to the people of Yancey county, being regarded as a more desperate character even than George McCurry. Immediately after the murder, and before officers could reach the scene Wilson skipped the country, and in spite of the efforts made to capture him has managed to evade the law until now. When found he was at the house of Moses Peterson on Jack's Creek, near a large still, which it is thought he was running clandestinely. This fact was communicated to the officers and the raid made.

The officers hearing of Wilson's whereabouts surrounded the house and demanded his surrender. No resistance was made and the posse entered the house and seized their prisoner.

Wilson told the officers that since the murder he had been hiding in Tennessee and Kentucky He was handcuffed and taken to Burnsville jail, where he will remain until his trial, which will probably be at the next term of the court, which meets in May.

The county of Yancey is to be congratulated upon the capture and incarceration of three of the most desperate criminals that ever infested that or any other county in North Carolina, to wit, George McCurry, Mack Webb and Moses Wilson, and the officers of the law are entitled to much credit for the diligent manner in which they have done their work in making the arrests. The people of Yancey county are determined to see that these desperadoes are properly punished.

BEATS THE KLONDIKE.

All Asheville people who are going to Klondike, as well as those who stay at home should try the juicy fresh meat to be had at A. M. Goodlake's, 33 East street. Phone 209.

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Frederick Tennyson, the poet, eldest brother of the late poet laureate, Lord Alfred Tennyson, is dead.

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N. Wright Cuney, colored, of Galveston, ex-national republican committeeman from Texas, for years the leader of the republican party, is dead.

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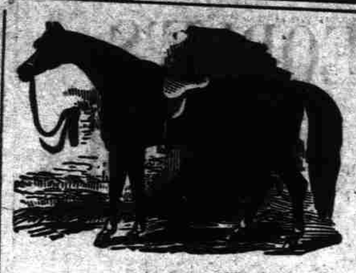

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