

NEW YORK.

BANK OF ENGLAND RATE REDUCED $\frac{1}{2}$ P.C.—OMAHA DIVIDEND INCREASED $1\frac{1}{2}$ P.C.—GRANGERS ARE STILL LEADERS IN AN AGGRESSIVE BULL MARKET.

New York, Jan. 91.

The bank of England rate is down p.c.

The results being that consols are strong at $\frac{1}{2}$ advance and the market for Americans is said to be sportively rampant.

St. Paul gains 1 point. London is up and cables report that British speculative interest is being centred in the market for Americans.

The papers have apparently abandoned their attempt to create a reaction, and are this morning unanimously bullish. Mr. Keene is out in a flamboyant interview pointing out the extraordinarily strong financial position of this country and incidentally booking B. O. R. G. 1st pfds. Union Pacific, So. Ry. and Northern Pacific pfd.

Although the directors of the B. Q. road met yesterday nothing is definitely known as to the result of their deliberations. Various estimates are made as to the benefits which would accrue to the stockholders of the B. Q. Road by the refunding of the bonds. The lowest estimate being an additional 1 p.c. on the stock whilst the highest is over 1 p.c.

Mr. Keene predicts that B. Q. will soon become a permanent 8 p.c. divisor and will assume the position held by Lake shore up to the recent merging with the New York Central.

The Omaha directors met to-day and declared an extra dividend of $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.

In 1897 the company earned over 4 p.c. on the stock and declared only 1 p.c. In 1898 it is believed that the earnings were certainly 6 p.c. on the common stock.

Under these circumstances a dividend of $3\frac{1}{2}$ p.c. is fully justified.

Mr. Flower continues to preserve a sphinx like silence and the tone continues to be strong. There is a feeling in the street that considering the sharp advance in B. Q. recently and the comparative small advance in St. Paul that the latter ought to be good for a rise of 2 or 3 points. Sentiment in the street continues to be especially bullish on the Railroad stocks and commission houses continue very rightly to do all in their power to discourage speculation in the manipulated industrials.

Descremination on the part of the Banks against industrial securities continues.

The marvelous strength of the stock market shows no signs of abating at the opening of business there was a great outburst of speculative enthusiasm to some extent due to the reduction of the Bank of England rate of discount from 4 to $3\frac{1}{2}$ p.c. which imparted great buoyancy to the London market in which the American division participated.

For first time in some days London houses had buying orders in this market which at the opening were in excess of those on the other side of the account.

After the granger stocks the Pacific issues have been the leaders.

The transactions in Union Pacific particularly have been in enormous volume, there is no particular gossip on Union Pacific but in the case of Nor. Pacific there are reports that the various heretofore differing interests have hit upon a comprehensive plan for the readjustment of the company's capitalization.

The industrials have been strong and active there were good advances in sugar F. S., and A. S. W., no particular gossip has attended the movement in any of these stocks and there was no other financial news of importance this morning other than the reduction of the Bank of England discount rate.

MONEY AND EXCHANGE.

Money on call from Banks to Brokers $4\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.

OVER THE COUNTER	PARIS FRANCS.
Sixties.....	88 $\frac{7}{8}$
Demand.....	9 $\frac{1}{2}$
Cables.....	9 $\frac{1}{2}$
N.Y. Fds. $\frac{1}{2}$ pm.	9 $\frac{1}{2}$
DOCUMENTARY.	9 $\frac{1}{2}$
3 days.....	8 $\frac{5}{8}$
30 days.....	8 $\frac{1}{2}$
3 days cattle.	8 $\frac{5}{8}$
Call money.....	2 $\frac{1}{2}$ p.c.
Stg Dm.....	4 84 $\frac{3}{4}$
Sixties.....	4 82 $\frac{1}{2}$

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NEW YORK STOCK MARKET.—January 19, 1899.

CLOSING PRICES FROM JAN. 10 TO 18.										TO-DAY'S PRICES				
10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	Open	Highest	Lowest	Closing	Bid.	Asked.
Am. Cotton Oil Co.....	34 $\frac{1}{2}$	35 $\frac{1}{2}$	36 $\frac{1}{2}$	36 $\frac{1}{2}$	35 $\frac{1}{2}$	35 $\frac{1}{2}$	36 $\frac{1}{2}$	36 $\frac{1}{2}$	36	36 $\frac{1}{2}$	35 $\frac{1}{2}$	36
" " " Pfd.	126 $\frac{1}{2}$	126	125 $\frac{1}{2}$	127 $\frac{1}{2}$	127 $\frac{1}{2}$	127 $\frac{1}{2}$	127 $\frac{1}{2}$	129 $\frac{1}{2}$	130	132 $\frac{1}{2}$	129 $\frac{1}{2}$	132 $\frac{1}{2}$	132 $\frac{1}{2}$	132 $\frac{1}{2}$
" Sugar.....	126 $\frac{1}{2}$	126	125 $\frac{1}{2}$	127 $\frac{1}{2}$	127 $\frac{1}{2}$	127 $\frac{1}{2}$	127 $\frac{1}{2}$	129 $\frac{1}{2}$	130	132 $\frac{1}{2}$	129 $\frac{1}{2}$	132 $\frac{1}{2}$	132 $\frac{1}{2}$	132 $\frac{1}{2}$
" Sugar pfd.	126 $\frac{1}{2}$	126	125 $\frac{1}{2}$	127 $\frac{1}{2}$	127 $\frac{1}{2}$	127 $\frac{1}{2}$	127 $\frac{1}{2}$	129 $\frac{1}{2}$	130	132 $\frac{1}{2}$	129 $\frac{1}{2}$	132 $\frac{1}{2}$	132 $\frac{1}{2}$	132 $\frac{1}{2}$
" Spirits Mfg. Co.....	38	38	38 $\frac{1}{2}$	36 $\frac{1}{2}$	36	36 $\frac{1}{2}$	36 $\frac{1}{2}$	37						
" Spirits Mfg Co pfd	146 $\frac{1}{2}$	146 $\frac{1}{2}$	147	147 $\frac{1}{2}$	147 $\frac{1}{2}$	146	148	148	*149	148 $\frac{1}{2}$	147 $\frac{1}{2}$	148 $\frac{1}{2}$	148 $\frac{1}{2}$	148 $\frac{1}{2}$
" Tobacco pfd.	21 $\frac{1}{2}$	21 $\frac{1}{2}$	21 $\frac{1}{2}$	22 $\frac{1}{2}$	21 $\frac{1}{2}$	21 $\frac{1}{2}$	21 $\frac{1}{2}$	21 $\frac{1}{2}$	22	22 $\frac{1}{2}$	21 $\frac{1}{2}$	22 $\frac{1}{2}$	22 $\frac{1}{2}$	22 $\frac{1}{2}$
Atech T. & S. Fe.....	55 $\frac{1}{2}$	55	55	55 $\frac{1}{2}$	57	57	57	57	58	59 $\frac{1}{2}$	58	59 $\frac{1}{2}$	59	59 $\frac{1}{2}$
Atech T. & S. Fepfd	55 $\frac{1}{2}$	55	55	55 $\frac{1}{2}$	57	57	57	57	58	59 $\frac{1}{2}$	58	59 $\frac{1}{2}$	59	59 $\frac{1}{2}$
Baltimore & Ohio.....	68	68	68	68	68	68	68	68	68	68	68	68	68	68
Bay State Gas.....	7 $\frac{1}{2}$	7 $\frac{1}{2}$	6 $\frac{1}{2}$	6 $\frac{1}{2}$	6	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7
Brooklyn Rap. Tran.....	88 $\frac{1}{2}$	88 $\frac{1}{2}$	89 $\frac{1}{2}$	94 $\frac{1}{2}$	94	92 $\frac{1}{2}$	92 $\frac{1}{2}$	92 $\frac{1}{2}$	93	93 $\frac{1}{2}$	92 $\frac{1}{2}$	93	92 $\frac{1}{2}$	92 $\frac{1}{2}$
C.C.C. & St. L.....	45 $\frac{1}{2}$	46 $\frac{1}{2}$	47 $\frac{1}{2}$	46	46 $\frac{1}{2}$	47 $\frac{1}{2}$	46 $\frac{1}{2}$	46 $\frac{1}{2}$	47					
Canadian Pacific.....	86	86	86	86	86	86	86	86	86	86	86	86	86	86
Canada Southern.....	56 $\frac{1}{2}$	55 $\frac{1}{2}$	55	56	55 $\frac{1}{2}$	56 $\frac{1}{2}$	55 $\frac{1}{2}$	56 $\frac{1}{2}$	55 $\frac{1}{2}$	56				
Chesapeake & Ohio.....	27 $\frac{1}{2}$	27	27 $\frac{1}{2}$	27 $\frac{1}{2}$	27	26	26	26	26	26	26	26	26	26
Chic. & Great Western.....	15 $\frac{1}{2}$	15	15 $\frac{1}{2}$											
Chicago B. & Q.	126 $\frac{1}{2}$	126	127 $\frac{1}{2}$	130 $\frac{1}{2}$	133	133	132 $\frac{1}{2}$	137 $\frac{1}{2}$	138 $\frac{1}{2}$	140	137 $\frac{1}{2}$	139 $\frac{1}{2}$	139 $\frac{1}{2}$	139 $\frac{1}{2}$
Chicago Mil. & St. P.	122 $\frac{1}{2}$	122 $\frac{1}{2}$	123 $\frac{1}{2}$	124 $\frac{1}{2}$	125 $\frac{1}{2}$	125	126 $\frac{1}{2}$	127	127	128 $\frac{1}{2}$				
Chi. Mil. & St. P. pfd..	114 $\frac{1}{2}$	115 $\frac{1}{2}$	116	116 $\frac{1}{2}$	117 $\frac{1}{2}$	117 $\frac{1}{2}$	119 $\frac{1}{2}$	119 $\frac{1}{2}$	119 $\frac{1}{2}$	120 $\frac{1}{2}$	119 $\frac{1}{2}$	120 $\frac{1}{2}$	120 $\frac{1}{2}$	120 $\frac{1}{2}$
Chicago R. I. & Pacific.....	142 $\frac{1}{2}$	144	144	145 $\frac{1}{2}$	144 $\frac{1}{2}$	144	144	144	147 $\frac{1}{2}$	147 $\frac{1}{2}$	146 $\frac{1}{2}$	147 $\frac{1}{2}$	147 $\frac{1}{2}$	147 $\frac{1}{2}$
Chicago & Northwest.....	126 $\frac{1}{2}$	126	127 $\frac{1}{2}$	130 $\frac{1}{2}$	133	133	132 $\frac{1}{2}$	137 $\frac{1}{2}$	138 $\frac{1}{2}$	140	137 $\frac{1}{2}$	139 $\frac{1}{2}$	139 $\frac{1}{2}$	139 $\frac{1}{2}$
Chi. & Northwest pfd.	122 $\frac{1}{2}$	122 $\frac{1}{2}$	123 $\frac{1}{2}$	124 $\frac{1}{2}$	125 $\frac{1}{2}$	125	126 $\frac{1}{2}$	127	127	128 $\frac{1}{2}$				
Cleavel'd, Lor. & Wheel'g.....	1													