

NEW YORK EXCHANGE.

MARKET GENERALLY FIRM —
COALERS LEADING—GRANGERS
FIRM—ST. PAUL X. D.

New York, March 23.

Bank of England rate remains unchanged. Feature of American market is the strength of London Ry. pfd. which has advanced $\frac{1}{2}$ and $\frac{1}{4}$ respectively.

In the latter the character of buying is called good. The bullish feeling on this stock both here and abroad is due to the fact that the New Jersey legislature will adjourn shortly and will take no step to prevent the reported agreement between the various anthracite coal properties.

The street is already full of rumors of divs. on Rg pfd and it is also thought that there is a possibility that holders of the 2nd pfd will receive some return.

The sugar mystery continues as unpredictable as ever. The financial writer of the Evening Sun who has a good reputation for reliable information asserts in the most positive way that all rumors of any combination between the A. S. R. Co. and the outside refineries are absolutely false.

It is stated further that the A. S. R. Co. is of the opinion that a great mistake was made some years ago in absorbing the Franklin Refining Co. of Philadelphia and that its policy in the future will be to fight all competition to the death.

The story of a controlling interest being held by certain Standard Oil interests is pronounced to be merely the result of a lively imagination on the part of speculators in Wall street.

The writer in question asserts positively that his statements are based on official information, nevertheless the street is full of bull tips on the stock and it is confidently expected by many of the speculators that the stock will touch 200 in the near future.

The most favorable development yesterday was the marked tendency towards the lower rates for call money.

There was a very sharp advance in B. Q. which was attended by usual refunding rumors, but from what we can learn nothing will be done towards the refunding of \$28,000,000 seven per cent. bonds due in 1903 until they mature.

The rise in B. Q. was followed by advances in both Rock Island and St. Paul, the latter stock sold x d to-day and there seemed to be some purchases based on its low level of price. With the crops assured there is no doubt whatever that the stock will get an extra dividend of 1 per cent at the next period which is in September.

Manhattan opened very $\frac{1}{2}$ and has since reacted 2 per cent. Trading in the Rights bear active and these contracts must be closed before Monday when holders who wish to exercise their holdings to take the new stock must declare themselves. One announcement that was gratifying to a good many people was of the issue of the new Col. Southern securities which have been long delayed by litigation instituted by some of the old Denver and Gulf stockholders.

Money is ruling from 4 to 5 p. c. London has not been an important factor.

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET.—March 23, 1899.

	CLOSING PRICES FROM MAR. 16 TO 22							TO-DAY'S PRICES			
	16	17	18	20	21	22	Open	High	Low	Closing	
Air Brake.....	36	36	36	36	35	35	186	190	185	180	
Ain. Cotton Oil Co.	169	164	172	164	161	167	108	108	104	104	
" " Pfd.	213	211	211	207	210	207	205	208	205	208	
" Sugar.....	21	20	21	21	21	20	20	20	20	20	
" Spirits Mfg. Co.	70	
" Steel Wire.....	100	102	103	106	107	108	107	108	107	108	
Atch T. & S. Fe.	147	146	140	148	147	147	148	148	148	148	
Atch T. & S. Fopfd.	127	127	127	127	127	128	128	128	128	128	
Baltimore & Ohio.....	117	117	117	116	117	117	117	117	117	118	
Bay State Gas.....	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	
Brooklyn Rap. Tran.	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	
C.C.C. & St. L.	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	
Canadian Pacific.....	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	
Canada Southern.....	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	
Chesapeake & Ohio.....	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	
Chic. & Great Western.....	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	
Chicago B. & Q.	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	
Chicago Mil. & St. P.	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	
Chi. Mil. & St. P. pfd.	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	
Chicago R. I. & Pacific.....	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	
Chicago & Northwest.....	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	
Chic. & Northwest pfd.	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	
Central Pacific.....	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	
Consolidated Gas.....	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	
Continental Tobacco.....	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	
Delaware & Hudson.....	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	
Del. Lack. & Western.....	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	
Denver & Rio Grand Pfd.	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	
Erie.....	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	
General Electric.....	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	
Glucose Pfd.	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	
Fed. Steel Com.	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	
" " pfd.	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	
Lake Shore.....	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	
Louisville & Nashville.....	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	
Manhattan con.	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	
Met. Street Ry. Co.	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	
Michigan Central.....	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	
Missouri Kan. & Tex.	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	
Missouri Kan. & T. pfd.	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	
Missouri Pacific.....	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	
Nat. Lead.....	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	
Nat. Lead pfd.	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	
New Jersey Central.....	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	
New York Central.....	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	
Northern Pacific.....	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	
Northern Pacific pfd.	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	
Omaha.....	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	
Ontario & Western.....	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	
Pacific Mail.....	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	
Pennsylvania R. R.	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	
Pec. Gas L. & Coke Co.	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	
Pullman Palace Car Co.	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	
Reading.....	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	
" 1st Pfd.	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	
" 2nd Pfd.	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	
Southern Pacific.....	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	
Southern Railroad Pfd.	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	
Twin City.....	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	
Texas Pacific.....	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	
Tenn. Coal & Iron.....	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	
Third Avenue R. R.	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	
Union Pacific.....	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	
Union Pacific pfd.	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	
U. S. Rubber.....	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	
U. S. Rubber pfd.	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	
U. S. Leather.....	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	
U. S. Leather pfd.	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	
Wabash.....	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	
Wabash pfd.	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	
W. U. Telegraph.....	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	

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