

NEW YORK EXCHANGE.

**FLOWER STOCKS ACTIVE AND
STRONG—STEEL WIRE ADVANCES—
ST. PAUL STRONG ON GOOD EARN-
INGS.**

New York, May 17.

While the London market is better on balance to-day, the trading is said to be mostly in specialties. The Germans are said to be buying Can. Pacific quite freely, and this buying has caused an advance of $\frac{1}{4}$. Southern Pacific has responded to the strength in our market yesterday and shows a gain of $\frac{1}{4}$. Nor. Pacific & O. W. are also strong but rest are dull.

There is no news of any great importance. St. Paul earnings for second week in May show an increase of \$24,200, the largest on record for same week. While yesterday's market was the dullest we have seen for some time and the volume of sales the smallest, the number of stocks dealt with comparatively very large and a few more such markets would do a great deal toward reassuring the general public and re-establishing confidence.

The market throughout the day was strong and the most noticeable feature was the scarcity of stocks pressing for sale. Yesterday's market was a distinct disappointment to the bears. They argued that the large interest had bought stocks on Saturday not to hold but merely to support the market, and that any tendency of strength or any little advance would be met by considerable selling orders by these people.

Such however, was not the case. B.R.T. was one of the strongest stocks, and offerings from any source which could be connected with Saturday's buying were very light. People who watched yesterday's market very closely claim that most of the buying power came from a rather nervous short interest, and that while the big people did not sell they certainly did not increase their holdings. The short interest has increased materially during the last few days, while a week ago it was hard to lend stock at anything like money rates. There is no account of borrowing demand for St. Paul, B.Q., and a number of other stocks.

STRAWS.

Pacific strong, \$75,000 increase looked for to-morrow.

Mines steady to strong.

Many orders slightly under market.

Wall Street firm money $3\frac{1}{2}$ to 3 p.c.

Twins are in favor again.

B. R. T. is gaining friends.

Vanderbilt interests are accumulating New York Central.

Montreal-London declares its first regular monthly dividend of $1\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. This is a better rate than their last quarterly one.

Bulls declare Pacific will sell over 99 to-morrow.

LONDON CABLE.

O. Meredith & Co.'s Cable gives the following London quotations:

Grand Trunk, guaranteed 4 p. c. 86 $\frac{1}{2}$
 " 1st preference 79 $\frac{1}{2}$
 " 2nd " 53 $\frac{1}{2}$
 " 3rd " 22 $\frac{1}{2}$

G. T. R. Com. 101 $\frac{1}{2}$
 O. P. R.

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET.—May 17, 1899.

—CLOSING PRICES MAY 10 TO MAY 16.—

	10	11	12	13	15	16	Open'	High'	Lowest	Closing
Air Brake .....	....	....	....	....	165	....	....	....	....	....
Am. Cotton Oil Co. ....	....	36 $\frac{1}{2}$	35 $\frac{1}{2}$	35 $\frac{1}{2}$	35 $\frac{1}{2}$	35 $\frac{1}{2}$	35 $\frac{1}{2}$	36 $\frac{1}{2}$	35 $\frac{1}{2}$	35 $\frac{1}{2}$
" Sugar 149 $\frac{1}{2}$	148 $\frac{1}{2}$	154 $\frac{1}{2}$	149 $\frac{1}{2}$	151	154 $\frac{1}{2}$	155 $\frac{1}{2}$	156 $\frac{1}{2}$	160 $\frac{1}{2}$	155 $\frac{1}{2}$	160 $\frac{1}{2}$
" Spirits Mfg. Co.	12	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
" S.W. Co. 66 $\frac{1}{2}$	65 $\frac{1}{2}$	65 $\frac{1}{2}$	61 $\frac{1}{2}$	61 $\frac{1}{2}$	63 $\frac{1}{2}$	63 $\frac{1}{2}$	64	65 $\frac{1}{2}$	64	65 $\frac{1}{2}$
" Tin Plate 41 $\frac{1}{2}$	41 $\frac{1}{2}$	39	39	40 $\frac{1}{2}$	40 $\frac{1}{2}$	40 $\frac{1}{2}$	....	....	....	....
" Tobacco 212 $\frac{1}{2}$	102 $\frac{1}{2}$	102	98 $\frac{1}{2}$	100	105 $\frac{1}{2}$	107 $\frac{1}{2}$	107 $\frac{1}{2}$	105	107 $\frac{1}{2}$	107 $\frac{1}{2}$
Anaconda Copper 57 $\frac{1}{2}$	58 $\frac{1}{2}$	59 $\frac{1}{2}$	57	58 $\frac{1}{2}$	58 $\frac{1}{2}$	58 $\frac{1}{2}$	58 $\frac{1}{2}$	59	58 $\frac{1}{2}$	58 $\frac{1}{2}$
Atch. T. & S. Fe. 18 $\frac{1}{2}$	18 $\frac{1}{2}$	18 $\frac{1}{2}$	17 $\frac{1}{2}$	18 $\frac{1}{2}$	18$\frac{1}{2}$	18$\frac{1}{2}$	18$\frac{1}{2}$	18$\frac{1}{2}$	18$\frac{1}{2}$	18$\frac{1}{2}$
" " pfd 55 $\frac{1}{2}$	55	55 $\frac{1}{2}$	53 $\frac{1}{2}$	53 $\frac{1}{2}$	54 $\frac{1}{2}$	55	56	54 $\frac{1}{2}$	55 $\frac{1}{2}$	55 $\frac{1}{2}$
Baltimore & Ohio .....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Bay State Gas .....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Brooklyn Rap. Tran. 122 $\frac{1}{2}$	119 $\frac{1}{2}$	118 $\frac{1}{2}$	100 $\frac{1}{2}$	109 $\frac{1}{2}$	112 $\frac{1}{2}$	112 $\frac{1}{2}$	112 $\frac{1}{2}$	119 $\frac{1}{2}$	112 $\frac{1}{2}$	119 $\frac{1}{2}$
C.C. & St. L. 54 $\frac{1}{2}$	55	55	54	54	54 $\frac{1}{2}$	55	55	55	55	55
Canadian Pacific 98	98	97 $\frac{1}{2}$	97	98 $\frac{1}{2}$	98$\frac{1}{2}$	98$\frac{1}{2}$	98$\frac{1}{2}$	98$\frac{1}{2}$	98$\frac{1}{2}$	98$\frac{1}{2}$
Canada Southern 54 $\frac{1}{2}$	54	54	54	53 $\frac{1}{2}$	54	54	54	54	54	54
Chesapeake & Ohio 26	25 $\frac{1}{2}$	25 $\frac{1}{2}$	25	25	25	25	25	25 $\frac{1}{2}$	25 $\frac{1}{2}$	25 $\frac{1}{2}$
Chicago & Great Western ... 14 $\frac{1}{2}$	14 $\frac{1}{2}$	14 $\frac{1}{2}$	13 $\frac{1}{2}$	14 $\frac{1}{2}$	14$\frac{1}{2}$	14$\frac{1}{2}$	14$\frac{1}{2}$	14$\frac{1}{2}$	14$\frac{1}{2}$	14$\frac{1}{2}$
" B. & Q. 133 $\frac{1}{2}$	132	132 $\frac{1}{2}$	130 $\frac{1}{2}$	130	130 $\frac{1}{2}$	131 $\frac{1}{2}$	131 $\frac{1}{2}$	133 $\frac{1}{2}$	131 $\frac{1}{2}$	133 $\frac{1}{2}$
" Mill. & St. P. 124 $\frac{1}{2}$	123 $\frac{1}{2}$	124	122	122 $\frac{1}{2}$	123 $\frac{1}{2}$	124	124	124	124	124
" R. I. & Pacific 112 $\frac{1}{2}$	112 $\frac{1}{2}$	112 $\frac{1}{2}$	109 $\frac{1}{2}$	110 $\frac{1}{2}$	110 $\frac{1}{2}$	111	111	112 $\frac{1}{2}$	111	112 $\frac{1}{2}$
" & Northwest 154	153 $\frac{1}{2}$	153	152 $\frac{1}{2}$	152	153 $\frac{1}{2}$	153$\frac{1}{2}$	153$\frac{1}{2}$	153$\frac{1}{2}$	153$\frac{1}{2}$	153$\frac{1}{2}$
" " pfd .....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Central Pacific .....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Consolidated Gas 187	185	186	183 $\frac{1}{2}$	184 $\frac{1}{2}$	188	188	189	190	188 $\frac{1}{2}$	189
Continental Tobacco 52 $\frac{1}{2}$	52 $\frac{1}{2}$	53	53	50 $\frac{1}{2}$	51 $\frac{1}{2}$	52 $\frac{1}{2}$	53 $\frac{1}{2}$	53 $\frac{1}{2}$	53 $\frac{1}{2}$	53 $\frac{1}{2}$
Delaware & Hudson 119 $\frac{1}{2}$	117 $\frac{1}{2}$	118 $\frac{1}{2}$	116 $\frac{1}{2}$	116 $\frac{1}{2}$	118	118	118	118	118	118
Del. Lack. & Western 16 $\frac{1}{2}$	167 $\frac{1}{2}$	....	....	165	166 $\frac{1}{2}$	....	....	....	166 $\frac{1}{2}$	166 $\frac{1}{2}$
Denver & Rio Grand pfd. 73	76 $\frac{1}{2}$	....	76	....	....	....	....	....	....	77 $\frac{1}{2}$
Duluth com. ....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
" pfd .....	....	....	....	....	12	....	....	....	....	....
Erie .....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
General Electric 113	117	117 $\frac{1}{2}$	115	115 $\frac{1}{2}$	116 $\frac{1}{2}$	117 $\frac{1}{2}$	117 $\frac{1}{2}$	118	117 $\frac{1}{2}$	117 $\frac{1}{2}$
Glucose	69 $\frac{1}{2}$	69	x68	67	67 $\frac{1}{2}$	....	....	....	....	68
Fed. Steel Com. 63 $\frac{1}{2}$	62 $\frac{1}{2}$	61 $\frac{1}{2}$	55 $\frac{1}{2}$	56 $\frac{1}{2}$	57 $\frac{1}{2}$	57 $\frac{1}{2}$	57 $\frac{1}{2}$	61 $\frac{1}{2}$	57 $\frac{1}{2}$	61 $\frac{1}{2}$
" " pfd 83 $\frac{1}{2}$	82 $\frac{1}{2}$	81 $\frac{1}{2}$	77 $\frac{1}{2}$	78 $\frac{1}{2}$	79 $\frac{1}{2}$	80 $\frac{1}{2}$	80 $\frac{1}{2}$	83 $\frac{1}{2}$	80 $\frac{1}{2}$	83 $\frac{1}{2}$
Lake Shore .....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Louisville & Nashville 65 $\frac{1}{2}$	65 $\frac{1}{2}$	65 $\frac{1}{2}$	64 $\frac{1}{2}$	64 $\frac{1}{2}$	65	65 $\frac{1}{2}$	65 $\frac{1}{2}$	64 $\frac{1}{2}$	64 $\frac{1}{2}$	65 $\frac{1}{2}$
Manhattan con. 112	111	111 $\frac{1}{2}$	107 $\frac{1}{2}$	109	110	110	110	112 $\frac{1}{2}$	110	112 $\frac{1}{2}$
Met. Street Ry. Co. 224	220	222 $\frac{1}{2}$	218 $\frac{1}{2}$	226 $\frac{1}{2}$	228 $\frac{1}{2}$	228 $\frac{1}{2}$	228 $\frac{1}{2}$	231 $\frac{1}{2}$	228 $\frac{1}{2}$	230 $\frac{1}{2}$
Missouri, Kan. & Tex pfd. 32 $\frac{1}{2}$	34 $\frac{1}{2}$	34 $\frac{1}{2}$	33 $\frac{1}{2}$	33 $\frac{1}{2}$	33 $\frac{1}{2}$	34 $\frac{1}{2}$	34 $\frac{1}{2}$	35	33 $\frac{1}{2}$	35
" Pacific 44 $\frac{1}{2}$	44 $\frac{1}{2}$	44 $\frac{1}{2}$	43	43 $\frac{1}{2}$	43 $\frac{1}{2}$	44 $\frac{1}{2}$	44$\frac{1}{2}$	44$\frac{1}{2}$	44$\frac{1}{2}$	44$\frac{1}{2}$
Nat. Lead 32 $\frac{1}{2}$	33 $\frac{1}{2}$	32 $\frac{1}{2}$	30 $\frac{1}{2}$	31 $\frac{1}{2}$	31	31	31	31	31	31 $\frac{1}{2}$
New Jersey Central 113 $\frac{1}{2}$	113 $\frac{1}{2}$	118	112	111	111	112	112	112	112	112 $\frac{1}{2}$
New York Central 138 $\frac{1}{2}$	132 $\frac{1}{2}$	133 $\frac{1}{2}$	131	132	133	133 $\frac{1}{2}$	133$\frac{1}{2}$	133$\frac{1}{2}$	133$\frac{1}{2}$	133$\frac{1}{2}$
Northern Pacific 50 $\frac{1}{2}$	50 $\frac{1}{2}$	50 $\frac{1}{2}$	48 $\frac{1}{2}$	49 $\frac{1}{2}$	49 $\frac{1}{2}$	50	50	49 $\frac{1}{2}$	50 $\frac{1}{2}$	50 $\frac{1}{2}$
" " pfd 77 $\frac{1}{2}$	77	77 $\frac{1}{2}$	79 $\frac{1}{2}$	79 $\frac{1}{2}$	79 $\frac{1}{2}$	79 $\frac{1}{2}$	79 $\frac{1}{2}$	79 $\frac{1}{2}$	79 $\frac{1}{2}$	79 $\frac{1}{2}$
Omaha	95	....	....	....	93 $\frac{1}{2}$	....	....	....	....	....
Ontario & W stern 25 $\frac{1}{2}$	24 $\frac{1}{2}$	24 $\frac{1}{2}$	23 $\frac{1}{2}$	24 $\frac{1}{2}$	24 $\frac{1}{2}$	24 $\frac{1}{2}$	24 $\frac{1}{2}$	25 $\frac{1}{2}$	24 $\frac{1}{2}$	25 $\frac{1}{2}$
Pacific Mail 49 $\frac{1}{2}$	50 $\frac{1}{2}$	50 $\frac{1}{2}$	49 $\frac{1}{2}$	50	50	50 $\frac{1}{2}$	50 $\frac{1}{2}$	51 $\frac{1}{2}$	50 $\frac{1}{2}$	51 $\frac{1}{2}$
Pennsylvania R. R. 128 $\frac{1}{2}$	128 $\frac{1}{2}$	128 $\frac{1}{2}$	123 $\frac{1}{2}$	127 $\frac{1}{2}$	128 $\frac{1}{2}$	128 $\frac{1}{2}$	128 $\frac{1}{2}$	129	128 $\frac{1}{2}$	128 $\frac{1}{2}$
Peo. Gas L. & Coke Co. 121 $\frac{1}{2}$	121	x119 $\frac{1}{2}$	119 $\frac{1}{2}$	114	117	117 $\frac{1}{2}$	117 $\frac{1}{2}$	121 $\frac{1}{2}$	117 $\frac{1}{2}$	121 $\frac{1}{2}$
Pressed Steel .....	....	....	....	....	52	54	54	54	53	53
" " pfd .....	....	....	....	....	80$\frac{1}{2}$	80$\frac{1}{2}$	80$\frac{1}{2}$	80$\frac{1}{2}$	80$\frac{1}{2}$	80 $\frac{1}{2}$
Pullman Palace Car Co. ....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Reading 20 $\frac{1}{2}$	20 $\frac{1}{2}$	20 $\frac{1}{2}$	19 $\frac{1}{2}$	19 $\frac{1}{2}$	19 $\frac{1}{2}$	19 $\frac{1}{2}$	19 $\frac{1}{2}$	19 $\frac{1}{2}$	19 $\frac{1}{2}$	19 $\frac{1}{2}$
" 1st pfd. 50 $\frac{1}{2}$	51 $\frac{1}{2}$	51 $\frac{1}{2}$	51 $\frac{1}{2}$	52 $\frac{1}{2}$	52 $\frac{1}{2}$	53 $\frac{1}{2}$	54 $\frac{1}{2}$	55	54 $\frac{1}{2}$	55
Southern Pacific 28 $\frac{1}{2}$	30 $\frac{1}{2}$	29 $\frac{1}{2}$	29 $\frac{1}{2}$	29 $\frac{1}{2}$	29 $\frac{1}{2}$	32<math				