THE SPECULATIVE MARKETS.

Wheat Shows Very Slight Changes as Compared With Wednesday.

DISTINCT ADVANCE IN CORN.

Oats Active at Stronger Prices—Provisions Open Higher, but Ease off at the Close—Cattle and Hogs.

CHICAGO PRODUCE MARKETS.

CHICAGO, Jan. 23.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Wheat ruled rather quiet today. A downward tendency developed early, but was checked and the subsequent inclination of the market was in the other direction. The range of fluctuations was narrow and closings show a very slight change as compared with yesterday. The weather conditions are not regarded as quite so unfavorable, although the cold in the northwest is extreme, and violent storms are raging. The temperature to the southward is moderating and snow is promised in localities where complaint has been loudest about exposed wheat fields. English markets are quoted firm and continental markets are generally higher for both wheat and flour. What action there was in wheat today was in May. This delivery opened at 80⅝c, sold down to 80⅝@80¾c, advanced to 80⅞c, worked back to 80⅝c, where it stuck, and closed at 80⅝@80⅞c. Last figures on other deliveries were: January, 76⅝c; February, 76¾@76⅞c; July, 79c. In the character of the trade there was nothing significant or sensational to describe. Cudahy, Partridge, Hutchinson and indeed the whole bear interest was credited with a willingness to buy under 80¼c, but the market only got there once, and then but for a moment. The volume of trade was not up to the average of the last three days, but it was not small, however. The interest that developed in the surrounding pits drew from the wheat crowd and had something to do with the quietness.

The price of corn had a distinct and palpable advance. The immediate opening was not indicative of much accession of strength to prices or increased activity to trading, but it was soon stirred up by accessions of numbers of speculators from other pits, more particularly from the provision crowd. The activity in the latter branch of business created a sympathetic feeling of strength in corn. Trading became quite active compared with what has had to be recorded of it for the past two weeks. A clear advance of ¼c was established at the close, although this was ⅛c to ¼c under the top prices of the day. The range was much broader than of late and shorts were free buyers all day. The closing quotations were: January 29⅜c, February 29⅝c, May 32c sellers, July 32⅛@32⅜c.

Oats was much more active at stronger prices, with an advance scored of ⅜@⅝c. The animation was mostly because of a desire on the part of shorts to cover, with trading chiefly in May, which sold up to 22¾@22⅞c, other months being relatively strong. Speculative trading was general, with some operations from other grain pits turning buyers who were recently selling short. Bids for No. 2 white for May were advanced to 24c, without calling out sellers. The withdrawals from store were unimportant.

Provisions opened strong and higher, but later eased off under free sales of product by longs and for speculative short account. These offerings were absorbed at the decline and the market recovered most of the loss, at the same time regaining to a large degree its tone. Still later values eased down and the closing quotations were at or near the bottom. At the opening Cassidy appeared as a seller of pork and succeeded in unloading a line of 6,000 to 8,000 barrels, in which there was a profit of about 90c a barrel. Other long lines came out and profits were taken by a good many of the smaller bulls. May pork started off at $10.45, ranged at $10.40@10.45 for white and then rapidly declined to $10.25, subsequently recovered to $10.42½, but receding and closing at $10.25, with February quoted at $9.85. There was an active trade in lard and meats at a smaller proportionate range than in pork. The average of prices was rather better than yesterday, though there was an occasional dip in values and weakness at the last. February lard ranged at $5.92½@5.97½; March, $6.02½@6.07½; May, $6.15@6.20. The closings were: $5.92½@5.95 for February, $6.02½ for March and $6.15 for May. Cash lard was 2½c higher than yesterday, selling at $5.93. Ribs ranged at $4.85@4.92½ for February, $4.95@5.00 for March and $5.05@5.15 for May, closing at $4.85, $4.92½ and $5.05 respectively. Cudahy was an open seller of the product, his attack being principally directed against ribs. During the session an active business was done in the pit.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK.

CHICAGO, Jan. 23.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—CATTLE—Business was slow and prices unsettled, some salesmen quoting a decline of 10c on fair to good natives, and 15c off on common. Heavy, fat cattle, although not lower, were slow and the demand was limited, as two or three of the regular buyers of such were out of the market. The few lots of Texans on sale made about the same prices as heretofore. Cows and butcher stock underwent little or no change, and there was very little change in the stocker and feeder trade. Prices were steady to strong, especially on choice young steers. Choice to extra beeves, $5.00@5.20; medium to good steers, 1350 to 1500 lbs, $4.00@4.60; 1200 to 1350 lbs, $3.50@4.15; 950 to 1200 lbs, $3.00@3.70; stockers and feeders, $2.10@3.25; cows, bulls and mixed, $1.20@3.00; Texas cattle, $1.50@3.60.

HOGS—The demand was active and prices were again on the upturn, an advance of 5@10c being established and maintained until near the close, when values ruled a phase lower, yet about everything was sold and the general market closed steady. Packers paid $3.57½@3.67½, largely $3.60@3.65, and shippers paid $3.55@3.67½, a few selling as high as $4.00. Light sorts sold at $3.75@3.85.

FINANCIAL.

NEW YORK, Jan. 23.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—STOCKS—The bulls in stocks were not exultant this morning because they did not accomplish more yesterday and bears were downhearted because they accomplished nothing. At the resorts last night the former made the point that any stocks dislodged in any quarter were taken by the stronger parties. They made further argument that the bears have so far failed to get under cover in the Burlington and other stocks where there is large short interests. Such changes as occurred at the opening today were principally in the way of slight gains. Missouri Pacific, Reading, Lackawanna and Sugar Refineries were the most prominent and showed a firm to strong tone in the early trading. Advances of small fractions were followed by a weakening all over the room and a few stocks reacted to below their first price, Sugar Refineries being most conspicuous. After an advance to 56¼ it retired to 55⅝, but none of the others made so marked a decline. There was a better feeling displayed toward the end of the hour and at 11 o'clock the market was quiet and firm. The hour to noon brought some improvement to the list in spots. Northern Pacific preferred was at 75. Rock Island was at 97, with the Grangers and Coal stocks generally at best prices of the morning. The stock market was well sustained until near the close, when there was a decline on general realizing sales. Missouri Pacific touched 75⅝ after midday and closed at 75¼. Reading went to 38⅝ and closed at 38¼. Rock Island dropped back to 96¾, closing steady at yesterday's figure. Chicago Gas was off to 47 at the close. Sugar Trusts to 55½, Lackawanna to 136¾. Oregon Trans-Continental fell back to 36¼, but closed ½ higher for the day. The total sales were 225,000 shares.

The following were the closing quotations:

U. S. 4s regular	120½	Northern Pacific	31
U. S. 4s coupons	121½	do preferred	74⅝
U. S. 4½s regular	109½	O. & S. W.	102⅝
U. S. 4½s coupons	109½	do preferred	141
Pacific 6s of '95	116	N. Y. Central	106½
Central Pacific	34	P. D. & E.	18⅝
Chicago & Alton	159	Rock Island	96¾
Chicago, Burlington & Quincy	74¼	C., M. & St. P.	76⅝
D., L. & W.	126½	do preferred	114½
Illinois Central	118⅝	St. Paul & Omaha	35½
L. S. & W.	94	do preferred	96⅝
Kansas & Texas	19⅝	Union Pacific	67¼
Lake Shore	104⅝	W., St. L. & P.	15⅝
Michigan Central	93¼	do preferred	34⅝
Missouri Pacific	75	Western Union	84⅝

MONEY—On call, easy at 5@3½ per cent.

PRIME MERCANTILE PAPER—5½@6½ per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Steady; sixty-day bills, $4.82; demand, $4.86¼.

Mining Stocks.

NEW YORK, Jan. 23.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The following are the mining stock quotations:

Aspen	30	Alice	105
Best & Belcher	225	Caledonia, B. H.	115
Crown Point	145	Con. Cal. & Va.	430
Consolidated Virginia	560	Comstock, T. tal	300
Comstock, T. sp	300	Deadwood T.	150
Eureka Con	170	Gould & Curry	135
Hale & Norcross	270	Homestake	800
Horn Silver	210	Mexican	225
Ontario	2700	Opnir	340
Savage	145	Sierra Nevada	190
Sutter Creek	115		

PRODUCE MARKETS.

CHICAGO, Jan. 23.—1:15 p. m. close—Wheat—Firm; January, 76⅝c; February, 76¾c; May, 80⅝c.

Corn—Firmer; January, 29⅜c; February, 29⅝c; May, 32c.

Oats—Steady; January and February, 21¼c; May, 22¾c.

Rye—January, 44½c.

Barley—No trading.

Prime Timothy—$1.30.

Flax—Cash, $1.35.

Whisky—$1.02.

Pork—Steady; January, $9.75; February, $9.85; May, $10.25.

Lard—Steady; January, $5.87½; February, $5.92½@5.95; May, $6.15.

Flour—Steady; winter wheat, $2.00@4.35; spring wheat, $1.10@4.75; rye, $2.50@2.85; buckwheat, $1.50@2.00 per cwt.

Provisions—Shoulders, $4.20@4.30; short clear, $5.10@5.15; short ribs, $4.85 January.

Butter—Dull; creamery, 16@26c; dairy, 7@20c.

Cheese—Quiet; full cream cheddars and flats, 9¼@9½c; Young Americas, 10¼@10½c.

Eggs—Firm; fresh, 14@14½c.

Hides—Steady; heavy and light green salted, 4½c; salted bull, 3½c; green salted calf, 5½c; dry salted, 6c; dry flint, 6@7c; dry calf, 5c@6c; deacons each, 20c.

Tallow—Steady; No. 1, solid packed, 4c; No. 2, 3¼@3½c; cake, 4c.

	Receipts.	Shipm'ts.
Flour	22,000	6,000
Wheat	21,000	17,000
Corn	300,000	209,000
Oats	113,000	207,000

NEW YORK, Jan. 23.—Wheat—Receipts, 144,850 bushels; exports, none; spot easy; No. 2 red, 86¼@86½c in elevator, 87⅜@87⅝c afloat, options steady; No. 2 red, January, closing at 86⅝c.

Corn—Receipts, 134,400 bushels; exports, 21,850 bushels; spot stronger; No. 2, 38@38½c in elevator, 38⅝@39½c afloat; ungraded mixed, 27@40¼c; options stronger; January closing at 38c.

Oats—Receipts, 142,000 bushels; exports, 217,700 bushels; spot higher; options firmer; January closing at 30⅝c; spot No. 2, white, 30½@30¾c; mixed western, 28¾@31½c; white western, 31@35½c.

Coffee—Options steady, unchanged to 5 points down. Sales: 22,500 bags. January, $16.00@16.05; May, $15.90@16.95; spot Rio steady; fair cargoes, $19.75.

Sugar—Raw, firm and more active; refined, firm and fairly active.

Petroleum—Steady; United closed at $1.06½ for February.

Eggs—Firm; western, 16½@17c.

Pork—Firm.

Lard—Easier and less active; western steam, $6.30@6.32½, closing at $6.30.

Butter—Fancy steady; Elgin, 28@28½c; western dairy, 8@16c; creamery, 12@26½c.

Cheese—Irregular; western, 8@10c.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 23.—Wheat—Easy; No. 2 red, 77@78c.

Corn—Barely steady; No. 2 mixed, 32@33c.

Oats—Firm; No. 2 mixed, 25c.

Whisky—$1.02.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 23.—Wheat—Lower; cash, 77⅝c; May, 79⅝@79¾c.

Corn—Higher; cash, 26½c; May, 28½c.

Oats—Higher; cash, 20½c; May, 22½@22¾c.

Pork—Steady; $10.37½.

Lard—Quiet at $5.70@5.75.

Whisky—Steady at $1.02.

Butter—Unchanged; creamery, 20@22c; dairy, 20@21c.

MILWAUKEE, Jan. 23.—Wheat—Steady; No. 2 spring, on track, cash, 73@74c; May, 74⅝c.

Corn—Firm; No. 3 on track, 23½c.

Rye—Firm; No. 1, in store, 44½c.

Barley—Quiet; No. 2 in store, 41c.

Provisions—Active; pork, $9.85.

MINNEAPOLIS, Jan. 23.—Wheat, Active; receipts, 152 cars; shipments, 77 cars. Closing: No. 1 hard, January and February, 79c; May, 82½c; on track, 79@79½c; No. 1 northern, January and February, 77c; May, 79½c; on track, 77½@77⅝c; No. 2 northern January and February, 76c; May, 77⅝c; on track, 75@76c.

LIVERPOOL, Jan. 23.—Wheat—Firm; demand poor; holders offer sparingly.

Corn—Firm; demand fair.

LIVE STOCK

CHICAGO, Jan. 23.—The Drovers' Journal reports as follows:

Cattle—Receipts, 15,000; market slow; closing 15c lower; beeves, $5.00@5.50; steers, $3.00@4.60; stockers and feeders, $2.70@3.25; Texas cattle, $1.50@3.60.

Hogs—Receipts, 30,000; market strong and 5c higher, closing weak; mixed $3.75@3.95; heavy, $3.70@4.00; light, $3.65@3.90; skins, $3.00@3.60.

Sheep—Receipts, 8,000; market strong and shade higher; natives, $3.25@5.70; western corn-fed, $5.00@5.50; Texans, $3.50@4.50; lambs, $5.00@6.50.

KANSAS CITY, Jan. 23.—Wheat—Weaker; No. 2 hard, cash, 65½c; No. 2 red, cash and January, 68½c bid.

Corn—Quiet; cash 21½c bid; January 21¾c bid.

Oats—No. 2, cash and January, 18½c bid.

KANSAS CITY, Jan. 23.—Cattle—Receipts, 5,000; shipments, 4,200; market strong, closing weak; steers, $3.15@4.70; cows, $1.85@2.70; stockers and feeders, $2.40@3.15.

Hogs—Receipts, 13,000; market opened strong, closed steady; all grades, $3.70@3.82½; bulk, $3.70@3.75.

SIOUX CITY, Jan. 23.—Cattle—Receipts, 200; shipments, 80; market steady and unchanged; canners, 75c@$1.25; cows, $1.00@1.25; stockers, $1.50@2.35; feeders, $2.25@2.90; veal calves, $2.00@3.15.

Hogs—Receipts, 3,200; market opened strong and 5c higher, closed firm with opening; light, $3.60@3.70; heavy, $3.60@3.72; mixed, $3.55@3.60.

NATIONAL STOCK YARDS, East St. Louis, Jan. 23.—Cattle—Receipts, 2,000; shipments, 900; market strong; fair to fancy native steers, $3.25@5.00; stockers and feeders, $3.10@3.25.

Hogs—Receipts, 5,300; shipments, 2,300; market higher; heavy, $3.70@3.80; packing, $3.60@3.75; light, $3.60@3.70.

OMAHA LIVE STOCK.

Cattle.

Thursday, Jan. 23.

There was a good demand here today for heavy corn fed beeves and the market on such was a little stronger. The quality of the cattle was so much better that it gave the market the appearance of being higher than it really was. The lighter and more common kinds of cattle were slow at only steady prices. There was one bunch of beeves good enough to bring $4.20. Cows, when choice, sold at strong prices, but the market on the general run of stuff was not much changed. The supply of stockers and feeders continues very light and what few there are here do not sell very rapidly. The buyers are very backward about paying the prices asked.

Hogs.

The hog market opened very close to 5@10c higher, some of the first sales being at $3.70@3.75. The trade was active and the early arrivals were soon cleared up. The market rather improved after the opening and on the arrival of some of the later trains it was active at an advance of fully 10c. Some quite ordinary loads sold off the later trains at $3.75, hogs that were not so good as some of the $3.70 loads sold earlier. The market is back now very nearly where it was at the opening of the week. The receipts this week are holding up well and it looks now as if the total for the week would be double the receipts of the week before.

Sheep.

The receipts were light as compared with yesterday. One load of western ewes brought $4.70.

Receipts.

Cattle	2,000
Sheep	657

Prevailing Prices.

The following is a table of prices paid in this market for the grades of stock mentioned:

Prime steers, 1300 to 1600 lbs	$3.80@4.40
Good steers, 1250 to 1450 lbs	3.40@4.00
Good steers, 1050 to 1250 lbs	3.03@3.80
Common 1000 to 1150 lb steers	2.90@3.20
Common canners	1.25@1.60
Ordinary to fair cows	1.60@1.90
Fair to good cows	1.90@2.10
Good to choice cows	2.10@2.40
Choice to fancy cows	2.40@3.00
Fair to good bulls	1.50@2.50
Choice to fancy bulls	2.50@3.25
Light stockers and feeders	2.00@2.60
Feeders, 950 to 1100 lbs	2.25@3.00
Fair to choice light hogs	3.70@3.75
Fair to choice heavy hogs	3.70@3.77½
Fair to choice mixed hogs	3.70@3.75

Representative Sales.

STEERS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
3	535	$2 50	18	1082	$3 35
1	980	3 00	40	1135	3 37½
1	750	3 05	20	1296	3 40
21	1025	3 10	17	1128	3 40
21	1025	3 10	41	1190	3 40
119	954	3 10	59	1185	3 40
3	910	3 15	20	1265	3 50
5	1192	3 15	21	1328	3 50
20	1107	3 15	17	1301	3 50
4	1045	3 15	19	1233	3 55
2	1000	3 15	46	1186	3 55
2	1200	3 25	66	1219	3 55
6	1157	3 25	22	1314	3 60
20	1112	3 25	20	1330	3 60
20	1137	3 25	22	1195	3 65
11	1095	3 25	39	1306	3 65
3	1167	3 25	39	1305	3 65
19	1278	3 30	5	1374	3 75
61	1259	3 30	18	1300	3 80
40	1167	3 30	58	1288	3 85
18	1147	3 35	48	1440	3 95
11	1136	3 35	54	1476	3 95
21	1114	3 35	16	1285	4 00
15	1069	3 35	68	1368	4 10
43	1151	3 35	45	1563	4 15
18	1082	3 35	68	1511	4 20

COWS.

8	1034	1 70	9	1111	2 35
2	770	1 90	17	1008	2 30
21	969	1 90	5	1080	2 35
23	871	1 95	21	869	2 35
21	984	2 00	5	1106	2 35
7	1180	2 00	21	868	2 35
20	970	2 10	21	1025	2 37½
17	1029	2 10	7	1164	2 40
19	1139	2 10	12	857	2 40
6	903	2 15	11	1302	2 50
29	1019	2 20	6	1158	2 50
10	1147	2 20	1	1070	2 50
13	1070	2 25	2	1230	2 60
1	940	2 25	1	1000	2 90
10	1007	2 25			

BULLS.

1	1240	1 90	2	1470	2 30
2	1195	2 00	2	1440	2 35
1	1720	2 10	1	1060	2 40
10	1540	2 10	1	1470	2 50
1	1670	2 15	1	2010	2 60
2	1640	2 25	2	1580	2 62½
1	1500	2 25	1	1400	2 85
1	1540	2 25	1	850	3 00
1	1730	2 25			

CANNERS.

4	1067	1 60	8	1034	1 70
6	723	1 65	1	1090	1 75
1	1030	1 65	2	1150	1 75
6	1077	1 65	19	987	1 80
1	950	1 65			

CALVES.

1	400	2 70	1	120	4 75
1	170	4 50	1	110	5 25

HEIFERS.

1	710	2 00	23	917	2 27½
5	668	2 25			

FEEDERS.

3	967	2 90	50	953	3 10
1	760	2 90			

STAGS.

1	980	2 65

STEERS, YEARLINGS.

4	637	3 00

WESTERN CATTLE.

6 steers, corn-fed	1455	3 65

HOGS.

No.	Av.	Sh.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Sh.	Pr.
59	260	40	$3 65	65	248	80	$3 72½
53	319	520	3 65	74	268	40	3 72½
66	240	160	3 65	57	273	80	3 72½
75	229	80	3 67½	59	246	280	3 72½
64	260	120	3 67½	61	317	40	3 72½
64	268	120	3 70	51	260	80	3 72½
50	312	280	3 70	56	312	160	3 72½
47	292	200	3 70	45	401	120	3 72½
65	207	80	3 70	70	255	120	3 72½
55	302	160	3 70	58	236	200	3 72½
52	261	120	3 70	62	277	80	3 72½
58	283	160	3 70	64	276	160	3 72½
59	286	40	3 70	60	276	40	3 72½
62	234	120	3 70	61	306	80	3 72½
63	272	120	3 70	55	323	80	3 72½
57	268	160	3 70	68	250	120	3 75
64	252	—	3 70	67	244	80	3 75
48	260	—	3 70	60	320	120	3 75
52	279	160	3 70	41	376	80	3 75
68	232	200	3 70	58	271	160	3 75
77	242	240	3 70	55	305	240	3 75
70	233	220	3 70	51	277	160	3 75
68	249	120	3 70	58	257	240	3 75
63	288	80	3 70	58	392	—	3 75
60	289	240	3 70	59	363	120	3 75
62	302	200	3 70	76	222	120	3 75
57	286	120	3 70	60	294	80	3 75
74	253	80	3 70	70	255	80	3 75
60	217	40	3 70	60	289	120	3 75
56	216	120	3 70	72	234	120	3 75
56	258	120	3 70	63	247	—	3 75
68	293	40	3 70	70	231	160	3 75
69	254	120	3 70	61	288	—	3 75
59	288	240	3 70	86	164	—	3 75
60	205	—	3 72½	68	240	200	3 75
60	254	120	3 72½	88	234	—	3 75
65	244	—	3 72½	48	432	40	3 77½

PIGS.

12	122	40	3 25

SHEEP.

No.		Av.	Pr.
103	westerns, ewes corn-fed	114	$4.70
88	natives	73	4 45

Purchases of Cattle.

	No.
Swift & Co.	1,375
George E. Hammond & Co.	171
The Armour-Cudahy Packing company	145
H. Rothschild	46
Hamilton Stephens & Co.	14
R. Becker	21
Nels Morris	177
Shippers and feeders	59

Purchases of Hogs.

Showing the number of hogs bought by the packers and leading buyers on today's market:

Armour-Cudahy Packing company	1,989
Omaha Packing Co.	1,634
Swift & Co.	446
George H. Hammond & Co.	543

Sheep.

George H. Hammond & Co.	88
Nels Morris	100

With Cattle.

On the market with cattle: Steele & Stralan, Carroll; B. W. Austin, Neola, Ia.; C. E. Keys, Springfield; D. S. Kinsella & Son, Dunlap, Ia.; Gust Johnson, Valley; B. Lamb, Fullerton; S. S. Hall, Pender; W. C. Sheppard, Pender; J. A. Carey, Pender; J. W. Bartlett, Wayne; Ran Frazier, Wayne; M. M. Conover, Wayne; E. H. Everett, Lyons; J. H. Smith, Shelby, Ia.; J. R. H., Woodbine; G. Nelson, Talmage; J. C. Cummins, Talmage; A. Milbredt, Berlin; Sheppard & H., Arlington; C. A. H. Gordon, Crete; H. Schnatock, West Point; James McNamara, Beemer; F. Given, Beemer; J. H. Martin, Beemer; C. H. Tillotson, Wisner; Frank Nathan, Wisner; John Morau, Wisner; H. T. Clarke, Dwight; Wright & Allen, Seward; Reid & Gordon, Oak; Little & Storing, Kasson, Minn.; C. W. Smith, River Sioux, Ia.; C. A. Barrett, Mondamin.

With Hogs.

On the market with hogs: F. Johnson, Blair; J. H. Blenkison, Coleridge; H. Smith, Shelby, Ia.; William Osborne, Neola, Ia., Peterson Bros., Weston, Ia.; J. H. B. Woodline, Weston, Ia.; J. Hastie, Cook; O. M. Young, Berlin; Sheppard & B., Cedar Bluffs; Farmers' co-operative association, Cedar Bluffs; John Dern, Hooper; Sheppard & H., Plainview; Dresson & R., Creighton; A. Warner, Davison & M., W. H. Debuse, Ainsworth; John Pfiefer, Johnstown; C. A. Johnson, Wood Lake; Nels Nilson, Erling, Ia.; J. N. Rudd, Portsmouth; H. C. Lafler, Springfield; G. P. Morehead, Dunlap, Ia.; M. D. Stevens, C. Sprecher, Denison, Ia.; A. D. Foster, Cedar Rapids; F. W. Kropp, Schuyler; A. Steufer, Lindsay; F. W. Metcher & Co., Dodge; Perkins & O., Octavia; J. P. McCartney, Genoa.

With Sheep.

On the market with sheep: Morse, R. & Co., Morse Bluffs.

Live Stock Notes.

Hogs closed 10c higher.

A. D. Foster, Cedar Rapids, topped the hog market.

A farmer living near Odebolt takes several wagon loads of cobs, piles them in a heap on the ground and then sets fire to them. When they are reduced to coals he pours several bushels of oats on the mass, letting them scorch, and then puts out the fire by pouring on water. The hogs are then turned in and devour the mixture greedily. In a community where cholera is prevalent he has not lost a hog.—Sioux City Tribune.

OMAHA WHOLESALE MARKETS.

Produce, Fruits, Etc.

EGGS—Strictly fresh, 16@17c; cold storage, 8c@10c.

HIDES, PELTS, TALLOW, ETC.—Green salted hides, 4½c; No. 2, g. s. hides, 3c; dry flint hides, 5@7c; calf hides, 4½@4½c; damaged hides, 2c less; sheep pelts, green, each, 25c@$1.00; sheep pelts, dry, per lb, 7@10½c; tallow, No. 1, 4c; No. 2, 3c@3½c; grease, white, 4@4½c; yellow, 2½@3c.

BUTTER—Creamery, fancy 20@22c; choice, 19@20c. Dairy, fancy, 14@16c; choice, 12@14c. Country, fancy, 11@12c; good to choice, 9@11c; fair, 7@8c; inferior, 4@6c.

PICKLES—Medium per bbl, $4.75; small, $5.75; gherkins, $6.75; C & B chow chow, qts, $3.85; pts, $3.35.

POTATOES—30@35c for choice.

ONIONS—50@70c.

SAUER KRAUT—Bbls, $4.75; half bbls $2.75.

GAME—Mallard ducks, $3.00@3.50; mixed ducks, $1.50@2.00; teal, $1.25@1.50; jack snipes, $1.00@1.25; jack rabbits, $3.50@4.00; sm ll rabbits, $1.00@1.20; squirrels, $1.00@1.10; plover, 75c@$1.00.

CIDER—Bbls, $5.50; hlf bbls, $3.25.

MAPLE SUGAR—12½@15c per lb.

FURS—Beaver, per lb, $2.50@4.00; otter, each, $3.00@7.00; wolf, each, $1.50@2.00; coon, each, 25@75c; mink, each, 15@60c; muskrat, fall, 5@9c; skunk, rat, 25@60c; badger, rat, 25@80c; deer skins, fall, per lb, 18@27c; winter, 12@23c.

BEANS—Choice hand picked navy, $1.75@1.80; choice hand picked medium, $1.65@1.70; choice hand picked country, $1.50@1.65; clean country, $1.50@1.60; inferior country, $1.00@1.25.

PROVISIONS—Hams, No. 1, 16 lb average, 9½c; 20 to 22 lbs 8½c; 12 to 14 lbs, 9½c; shoulders, 5c; breakfast bacon, No. 1, 8c; ham sausage, 8½c; dried beef hams, 7c. beef tongues, $6.00 per dozen; dry salt meats, 5@5½c per per lb; ham roulette, 6½c; add 1c per lb for small lots.

APPLES—Per bbl, common, $2.00@2.25; choice, $2.50@4.00; fancy, $4.00@5.00.

MINCE MEAT—20-lb cans, 7½c.

HONEY—15@16c per lb for choice.

PRESERVES—8@10c per lb.

JELLIES—4@4½c per lb.

BEESWAX—No. 1, 16@19c.

PIGS FEET—Pickled kits, 70c; spiced pigs tongues, kits, $2.35; pickled tripe, kits, 60c; pickled H. C. tripe, kits, 85c; spiced pigs hocks, kits, $1.15.

FLOUR—State, $4.00@5.00; fancy, $5.00@5.30.

LARD—Tierce—Refined, 5½c pur leaf, 6¼c; kettle rendered, 6½c. Add ⅛c to ¼c for smaller quantities.

BEEF TONGUES—Salt, per bbl. $20.00.

HAY—$5.00@6.00.

CHOP FEED—$12.00.

BRAN—$10.50.

LEMONS—Fancy, $5.00@6.00; choice, $3.50@5.00.

CELERY—Per doz; 30c.

CALIFORNIA GRAPES—$2.00; pears, $2.75.

MESS PORK—Per bbl, $9.75@10.50.

BANANAS—According to size, per bunch, $2.00@3.00.

BUTTERINE—Tubs, 13c; roll, 14c.

COCOANUTS—Per 100, $5.00.

APPLE BUTTER—6c.

CHANDERRIES—Cape Cod, $10.00@11.00.

ORANGES—Florida, per box, $3.00@5.00.

BUCKWHEAT FLOUR—Per bbl, $5.50@6.00.

WOOL—Fine, average, 22@23c; medium, average, 21@22c; quarter blood, average, 20@21c; coarse, average, 15@17c; cotts and rough, average, 14@16c.

CORN—15c.

OATS—10c.

VEAL—Choice, medium size, 6@8c; choice, heavy, 4@6c.

LIVE PIGEONS—Per doz, $1.50.

Groceries.

DRIED FRUIT—Currants, new, 5½c; prunes, casks 1,300 lbs, 4¾c; prunes, bbls or bags, 5c; citron peel, drums, 20 lbs, 22c; lemon peel, drums, 19 lbs, 20c; fard dates, boxes 12 lbs, 10c; apricots, choice evaporated, 14c; apricots, jelly, cured, 25 lb boxes, 16c; apricots, fancy, Mount Hamilton, 25 lb boxes 16c; apricots, choice, bags, 80 lbs, 14½c; apples, evaporated, Alden, 50 lb boxes, 9½c; apples, star, 8¾c; apples, fancy, Alden, 5 lb, 10c; apples, fancy, Alden, 3 lb, 10½c; Salt Lake, 5½c, blackberries, evaporated, 50 lb boxes, 5½@6½c; cherries, pitted, dry cured, 13c; pears, California fancy, ½s boxes, 25 lb, 12c; peaches, Cal. No. 1, fancy, ½s, unpbags, 80 lb, 15c; nectarines, red, 14c; nectarines, silver boxes, 15c; pitted plums, Cal. 25 lb boxes, 8½c; raspberries, evap. N. Y., new, 25½c; prunes, Cal. R. C. 90-100, boxes, 25 lbs, 7c; prunes, R. C. 60-70, 9c; orange peel, 15c; raisins, California Londons, crop 1889, $2.25; Cal. loose, muscatels, crop 1889, $2.00; Valencias, 1888, 6c; Valencias, new, 8½c; Cal. seedless, nkr, 7½c.

CANNED GOODS—Fruits, California Canned Goods, Standard Brands, 2½ lbs, per doz.—Apricots, $1.70@1 85; apricots, pie fruit, $1.55; gallons, $4.65; blackberries, $2.25; cherries, black, $2.00@2.25; cherries, white, $2.25@2.50; grapes, $1.65@1.80; pears, Bartlett, $2.10@2 25; peaches, yellow, $2.10@2.25; peaches, lemon cling, $2.35; plums, egg, $1.65@1.80; plums, gold drops, $1.80; plums, green gages, $1 65@1.80; peaches, Bay City, with pitts in, $1.60; currants, $2.30; gooseberries, $2.30; nectarines, $2.05; quinces, $2.10; raspberries, $2.90; strawberries, $2.70; peaches, 3 lb eastern standards, $1.85; 3 lb eastern seconds, $1.35@1.50; 3 lb pie, $1.10; 6 lb pie, $2.00; gallon, pie, $3.00; Crescent apples, high standards, $2.50; 2 lb gooseberries, 90c; 2 lb strawberries, 90@95c; 2 lb raspberries, $1.00; 2 lb blueberries, 80@90c; 2 lb blackberries, 65@75c; 2 lb strawberries, preserved, $1.80; 2 lb raspberries, preserved, $1.80; 2 lb blackberries, preserved, $1.80; pineapples, Bahama chopped, $2.00; 2 lb Bahama grated, $2.75; 2 lb Bahama sliced, $2.50; 2 lb Standard sliced, $1.25@1.50; cherries, 2 lb red, Baltimore, 85@95c.

CANNED FISH—Brook trout, 3 lb, $2.40; salmon trout, 2 lb, $2.25; clams, 1 lb, $1.25; clams, 2 lb, $2.00; clam chowder, 3 lb, $1.25; deviled crabs, 1 lb, $2.25; deviled crabs 2 lb, $3.50; codfish balls, 2 lb, $1.75; cavier, ½ lb, $2.75; eels, 1 lb, $3.40; lobsters, 1 lb, $1.90; lobsters, 2 lb, $2.95; lobsters, deviled, ½ lb, $1.25; mackerel, 1 lb, $1.75; mackerel, mustard sauce, 3 lb, $2.60; mackerel, tomato sauce, 3 lb, $2