COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL

In Wheat There Was More Activity Than on Tuesday.

PRICES EASED OFF AND THEN ADVANCED

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CHICAGO, Ill., Jan. 4.—The announcement that the government crop report for January would be issued this afternoon rather unhinged the grain markets. With regard to wheat, there was no decided opinion formulated concerning the report, but traders in corn and oats concluded that, as regards these articles, it must necessarily help the bulls. Wheat closed about ¼c lower than the day before. Corn is ⅛c higher, and oats from ⅜c to ½c higher. Provisions were strong, and showed the bull clique to be still in absolute control. At the close pork was 40c higher, lard and ribs each 17½c.

In wheat there was more doing than yesterday. The opening was about from ¼c to ⅜c lower than yesterday and prices eased off another ¼c or so, then became steadier, but again fell back. Later a stronger feeling developed and prices advanced from ⅜c to ⅝c, became easier, and the closing was about midway between the high and low points of the day. There were pretty free offerings during the early part of the session, which caused the weakness, but the advance in corn and provisions helped the market. Cables were favorable, the receipts in the northwest were lighter than they have been of late, but toward the close came moderate selling by some of the prominent local operators and some long wheat was also reported to have been sold. Local contracts of wheat were reported at 5,557,000 bu., against 5,500,000 bu. the previous week.

The movement in corn was quite the reverse of that which has prevailed for some days past, higher prices ruling, which were fairly well sustained up to the close. The better tone was due largely to the action of provisions and to a prospective bullish government report. The opening was weak at from ⅛c to ¼c decline from the figures of yesterday, the receipts of 764 overrunning the estimates considerably, having no influence, but the demand soon improved and sold up with little reactions, a full 1c, receding later ⅜c, ruled steady and closed with from ⅛c to ⅜c gain. A prominent local speculator was credited with moderate purchase, and many of the smaller shorts provided for outstanding contracts on the advance.

A large trade was transacted in oats, and there was a firmer market, due largely to sympathy with other grains, and also to the belief that the government report would be bullish. Less disposition to sell existed, and the shorts had more business and bought freely. Prices advanced ⅜c, and the market closed steady at nearly the top figures with a grain of from ⅜c to ½c.

The report of the stock of provisions on hand was a stimulating feature—the aggregate supply being less than 33 per cent of the stocks on hand one year ago. This feature made shorts somewhat uneasy and encouraged more orders on outside accounts on the buying side of the market. At the same time local manufacturers and some of the leading local speculators were also inclined to purchase rather freely of the nearer deferred deliveries. Reports from Liverpool indicated a light stock on hand, with a further advance of 1s in lard and bacon. The receipts of products were rather light, and the shipments of all kinds were quite large and prices were advanced sharply, with considerable competition for the offerings. At the extreme figures reached there was a little more pressure to sell, and prices settled back slightly.

Estimated receipts for tomorrow: wheat, 280 cars; corn, 300 cars; oats, 170 cars; hogs, 33,000 head.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

ARTICLES.	OPEN.	HIGH.	LOW.	CLOSE.	YESTY'Y
Wheat No 2					
January..	$ 72¼	72½	72	72⅜@½	72¼
May....	78⅛	79@79⅝	78¼	78⅝@¾	78⅜@3/16
July....	76⅝	77⅛	76⅝	77¼@⅜	77¼
Corn No. 2—					
January..	40¼@⅜	41¼	40¼@⅜	41⅛	40⅝
February.	41⅞@42	42⅛	41⅞	42⅛	42
May....	45¼	46⅛	45¼	46¼	44¾@⅝
Oats No. 2—					
January..	30⅛	30⅝	30⅛	30⅛	30⅛
February.	31⅜	31⅞	31⅜	31¾	31¼
May....	34½	35¼	34½	35¼	34⅛@⅜
Mess Pork—					
January..	16 25	16 77½	16 25	16 75	16 25
May	16 70	17 25	16 70	17 17½	16 75
Lard—					
January .	10 70	10 75	10 62½	10 62½	10 75
May....	10 02½	10 17½	10 00	10 15	9 97½
Short Ribs—					
January..	8 90	9 15	8 90	9 15	8 80
May	9 00	9 22½	9 00	9 30	9 00

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Steadier, holders asking 10@15c advance on the better grades; bakers not sharing in the upward tendency.

WHEAT—No. 2 spring, 72⅝@72½c; No. 3 spring, 60⅛@62½c; No. 2 red, 72⅝@72½c.

CORN—No. 2, 41½c; No. 3 cash, 36½@36¾c.

OATS—No. 2, 30½@31c; No. 2 white, f. o. b., 33¼@34½c; No. 3 white, 32@32½c.

RYE—No. 2, 55c.

BARLEY—No. 2, 65c; No. 3, 40@68c; No. 4, f. o. b., 35@45c.

FLAX SEED—No. 1, $1.09½.

TIMOTHY SEED—Prime, $2.02@2.03.

PORK—Mess, per bbl., $15.62½@15.75; lard, per 100 lbs., $10.70; short ribs, sides (loose), $9.12½@9.15; dry salted shoulders (boxed), $8.37½@8.50; short clear sides (boxed), $9.50@9.60.

WHISKY—Distillers' finished goods, per gal., $1.30.

SUGAR—Unchanged; cut loaf, 5½@5⅝c; granulated, 5c; standard "A," 4⅞c.

The following were the receipts and shipments today:

ARTICLES.	RECEIPTS.	SHIPMENTS
Flour, bbls	12,000	27,000
Wheat, bu	29,000	29,000
Corn, bu	245,300	124,000
Oats, bu	238,000	236,000
Rye, bu	6,000	3,000
Barley, bu	65,000	64,000

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was firm; creamery, 20@30½c; dairy, 18@27c. Eggs, firm; strictly fresh, 27@28c.

New York Markets.

NEW YORK, Jan. 4.—FLOUR—Receipts, 65,157 pkgs; exports, 3,533 bbls., 28,725 sacks; moderate demand, strong; sales, 14,100 bbls. Low extras, $2.10@2.55; winter wheat, low grades, $2.10@2.55; fair to fancy, $2.55@3.75; patents, $3.85@4.25; Minnesota clear, $2.50@3.40; straights, $3.60@4.00; patents, $4.25@4.75; rye mixtures, $2.90.

CORN MEAL—Dull, steady; yellow western, $2.75@2.80.

WHEAT—Receipts, 21,700 bu.; exports, 82,201 bu.; sales, 1,185,000 bu. futures; 88,000 bu. spot. Spots firmer, with options moderately active; No. 2 red, 80c in store and elevator, 80¾c afloat, 79½@80¾c f. o. b.; No. 1 northern, 83½c; No. 1 hard, 88⅜c; No. 2 northern, 79½c; No. 3 spring, 74c. Options opened weak at ¼@⅛c decline on large receipts west and weakness there, and ruled dull as awaiting the government report due today, closing steady after advancing ⅜@¾c on shorts covering and following the west. No. 2 red January, 78@78½c, closing at 78½c; March, 80⅜@81c, closing at 80⅝c; May, 82½@83 3-16c, closing at 83c.

RYE—Nominal; western, 58@59c.

BARLEY—Dull.

BARLEY MALT—Quiet.

CORN—Receipts, 28,800 bu.; exports, 42,000; bu.; sales, 250,000 bu. futures; 26,000 bu. spot. Spots firmer, dull; No. 2, 50c in elevator, 50½@51c afloat; No. 3, 48½@49½c; steamer mixed, 50½c; No. 2 white, 53c. Options were dull and ⅜c higher as following wheat and the west; February, 50⅝@50¾c, closing at 50¾c; May, 51½@52¼c, closing at 52¼c.

OATS—Receipts, 48,300 bu.; exports, 140 bu.; sales, 150,000 bu. futures, 100,000 bu. spot. Spots, firmer, moderately active. Options, quiet, stronger; February, 37½@38½c, closing at 38½c; May, 39@39⅜c, closing at 39⅜c; spot, No. 2 white, 42¾c; mixed western, 37@38c; white western, 41@40½c; No. 2 Chicago, 38⅜c.

HAY—Quiet, steady; shipping, 65c; good to choice, 75@90c.

HOPS—Dull, steady.

EGGS—Quiet, weaker, unsettled; western, 28c; western, late gathered, 28c.

HIDES—Steady.

PORK—Quiet, stronger; old mess, $15.50; new mess, $16.25; extra prime, nominal; cut meats active, stronger; pickled bellies, 9¼@9¾c; middles, firmer; short clear, $9.20. Lard, quiet, stronger; western steam closed at $11.05; sales, 200 tierces at $11.00. Options sales, none; January, $10.95; March, $10.55; May, $10.45.

BUTTER—Fair demand, firm; creamery, 20@32c; factory, 15@23c; Elgin, 32½c.

CHEESE—Fairly active, firmer.

PIG IRON—Dull, steady; American, $12.75@15.50.

COPPER—Quiet, unchanged; lake, $12.20.

LEAD—Unchanged; domestic, $3.85.

TIN—Firm; Straits, $19.75.

SUGAR—Quiet and firm; sales, 100 bags; muscovado, 89 test at 3c; refined fairly active and firm; No. 6, 4¼@4 7-16c.

MOLASSES—New Orleans, fair demand and steady.

RICE—Fair demand and steady.

Manchester Commercial Review.

MANCHESTER, Jan 4.—The Guardian, in its commercial article, says: "Business has not yet been fully resumed. The market, however, is distinctly firm. Sellers looking forward with confidence to higher prices. Their expectation is based partly on the important curtailment of production and the high cost of yarns and cloth and partly on the fact that in the near future there will be an increase in the foreign demand. There have been few sales of shirtings. There is rather more inquiry for finishing cloths. Medium and common printing cloths are very firm. There are inquiries for heavy Mexican goods. Some sales have been arranged for China. There has been more business in heavy goods for Constantinople and the Mediterranean ports. The transactions in yarn are confined to the home trade. The business is of a retail character and goods are taken for early delivery."

Omaha Produce Market.

The receipts of all kinds of produce were light, but at the same time the demand was correspondingly light and the supply was sufficiently large considering the state of the market. The market dragged all day and the only reason for everything being cleaned up was that the offerings were no larger. Dealers generally assign the reason for the moderate demand to the fact that the holidays are just past and people are content with a light bill of fare after the feasts of Christmas and New Year's day. Besides there is always more or less of poultry and other kinds of produce held over after a holiday in the hands of consumers if not by dealers. It generally requires several days to restore the demand to its normal condition. Prices yesterday did not show much change. The egg market is very firm as will be noted from the quotations given below.

APPLES—Stocks are held at $3.50@4.00 for fair to choice stock.

BANANAS—Quoted at $2.00@2.50 per bunch.

BUTTER—There appears to be plenty of butter on the market and yet there can not be said to be any great surplus. Straight packages of country roll go largely at 16c and selected lots at 17@18c and occasionally 20c is touched. Bid and inferior stock would have to sell even below 16c.

CRANBERRIES—Quotations are: Bell and cherry, $8.50 per bbl.; bell and bugle, $9.50@10.00; Jersey Cape Cod, $9.50.

CELERY—Per doz. bunches, 35c.

EGGS—The supply is very light and the market strong. The demand is, however, very limited and it does not require many to supply it. As a dealer remarked, a case of eggs goes a long way at the present prices. Consumers will not buy liberally so long as eggs command such firm prices. The general market for strictly fresh stock was generally 25c though there were so called fresh eggs to be had at 24c.

GAME—Squirrels are almost unsalable and hardly worth shipping at the present state of the market. Jack rabbits are generally quoted at $1.50 and small rabbits at 75c.

HONEY—Good white clover is quoted all the way from 17@20c.

LEMONS—Quotations are $4.00@5.00.

MALAGA GRAPES—Unchanged at $9.00 per keg.

NUTS—Large hickory nuts, $1.65; black walnuts, $1.25.

OYSTERS—Prices at Omaha still remain at 13@35c per can.

ONIONS—The market is quiet. Home grown, 85c per bushel, and Spanish $1.90 per crate.

ORANGES—The market is still supplied with Florida oranges only. Brights are quoted at $3.25 for single case lots and $3.00 for five to ten case lots. Russets are 25c cheaper.

POTATOES—The trade is limited to the sale of small lots from stores. Western Nebraska stock is quoted at 80c and Utah and Colorado at 90c.

POULTRY—Chickens were in the best demand of anything in the poultry line and good stock could safely be quoted at 7@8c. Good turkeys were not very plenty nor was the demand very large at 12½@12½c. Ducks and geese were steady at 8@9c.

SWEET POTATOES—The supply is very light and they are held at $4.25.

FRESH VEGETABLES—Local growers are bringing in a few fresh vegetables of hothouse growth. New onions, 30@25c per dozen bunches; lettuce, 40@45c; radishes, 50c.

VEAL—Veal calves, choice, 7c; large and thin, 3@5c. A large and thin veal calf is about the hardest thing on the market to dispose of.

PRODUCE POINTERS.

W. O. Perry, a well known Omaha produce salesman, left last evening for Chicago, where he was called by the dangerous illness of an uncle.

An Omaha commission house writes their shippers: We have had a very stagnant poultry market for some weeks and prices have been unusually low, but the market is about cleared of held stock, and you can now look for much better prices unless we should have a spell of very soft weather. Do not ship live poultry for it is unsalable. Handle your poultry nicely; take great pains with it and it will pay you.

A great many people, says the Produce Bulletin, are of the opinion that the russett orange is a distinct variety, while others understand that insects puncturing the peel of the bright orange give it the dark color. Both of these ideas are erroneous. The russett orange grows on the outside of the orange tree. It gets its color from the sun's rays. The russett is sweeter than the orange which grows in the tree where it is protected from the sun, for the reason that it matures more quickly, as it is well known that the sun's ray is the greatest ripener of fruit of any kind. The russett orange is better than the bright for many reasons. In most instances the peel is thinner and it always has more juice in proportion to the size.

BUSINESS BRIEFS.

H. N. Lord will go out of the hotel business at Doniphan.

Miles J. Lumbard, in the grocery business at Hastings, has failed.

P. F. Butler, a confectioner at Petersburg, will remove to Elgin.

W. J. Beatty, in the hotel business at Orchard, has sold out to John Angus.

J. W. Moore has succeeded Moore & Sterner, paints and wall paper, Omaha.

H. Blanchard has succeeded to the hardware business of Blanchard & Anderson at Wausa.

The firm of Stein & Krugman, agricultural implement dealers at Bloomfield, has been succeeded by Stein, Krugman & Co.

STOCKVILLE, Neb., Jan. 2.—[Special to THE BEE.]—The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Frontier County Republican occurred today. The report of the secretary and treasurer shows the financial condition of the paper to be in good shape, and a steady growth since the first issue. The following officers were elected: President, A. Wilsey; vice president, J. C. Gammill; directors, A. Wilsey, W. H. McCowin, L. O. Richardson, J. C. Gammill, L. H. Cheney.

St. Louis Markets.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Jan. 4.—FLOUR—Unchanged.

WHEAT—Closed about as yesterday; cash, 68c; February, 69¼c; May, 74½c.

CORN—Finished ⅜c above yesterday; cash and January, 37½c; February, 38⅛c; May, 41¼c.

OATS—Cash, dull, 31c bid; May, higher, 34⅜@34¾c.

RYE—Scarce; firm; 50c.

BARLEY—Slow; Iowa and Minnesota, small sales, 62c.

EGGS—Unchanged; 22c for average.

PORK—$16.00 for old; lard, $10.50.

RECEIPTS—Flour, 10,000 bbls.; wheat, 30,000 bu.; corn, 25,000 bu.; oats, 14,000 bu.; rye, 4,000 bu.; barley, 9,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Flour, 9,000 bbls.; wheat, 21,000 bu.; corn, 339,000 bu.; oats, 38,000 bu.; rye, 13,000 bu.; barley, 4,000 bu.

Oil Market.

NEW YORK, Jan. 4.—PETROLEUM—Strong; opened, 53¾c; highest, 54c; lowest, 53¾c, and closing, 54c bid. Pennsylvania oil, spot sales none; February options, sales 26,000 bbls. at 53¾@54c; Lima oil, sales none, 27½c bid, 30c asked; total sales, 26,000 bbls. United closed 54c bid for February.

COTTONSEED OIL—Firmer; crude, 43c; yellow, 47c.

TALLOW—Firmer; wanted; city (@2.00 for pkgs), 5 5-16@5⅜c.

ROSIN—Quiet, steady.

TURPENTINE—Dull, steady.

LONDON, Jan. 4.—TURPENTINE SPIRITS—22s per cwt.

Kansas City Markets.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Jan. 4.—WHEAT—Steady; No. 2 hard, 64½@65c.

CORN—No. 2 mixed, 32½@33c.

OATS—Steady; No. 2 mixed, 26½c.

RYE—Firm at 51c.

BUTTER—Unchanged; creamery, 25@28c; dairy, 17@18c.

EGGS—Active at 22½c.

RECEIPTS—Wheat, 75,000 bu.; corn, 8,000 bu.; oats, 2,000.

SHIPMENTS—Wheat, 14,000 bu.; corn, 1,000 bu.; oats, 1,000.

Coffee Market.

NEW YORK, Jan. 4.—Options opened steady, 10 to 15 points up, closed barely steady, 5 points down to 5 points up. Sales, 42,500 bags, including January, $16.00@16.10; February, $15.90; March, $15.85@15.95; April, $15.80; May, $15.70@15.85; July, $15.65@15.80; September, $15.70@15.85; October, $15.60; December, $15.80. Spot Rio, dull, steady; No. 7, $17.00.

Liverpool Markets.

LIVERPOOL, Jan. 4.—WHEAT—Firm; demand fair; holders offer moderately; red western spring, 6s per cental; No. 2 red, 5s 9½d.

CORN—Firm; demand good; western, 4s 3½d per cental.

BACON—Long and short clear, 55 lbs., 48s per cwt; long clear, 40 lbs., 49s 6d per cwt.

Milwaukee Grain Market.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Jan. 4.—WHEAT—Steady; May, 70⅝c; No. 2 spring, 69c.

CORN—Quiet; No. 3, 36½@37c.

OATS—Active; No. 2 white, 34@35c; No. 3, 31½@33½c.

BARLEY—64c.

RYE—59c.

Cotton Market.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Jan. 4.—Firm; middling, 9⅝c; low middling, 9⅛c; good ordinary, 8⅝c; net receipts, 6,840 bales; gross receipts, 7,229 bales; exports to France, 4,200 bales; coastwise, 2,552 bales; sales, 7,000 bales; stock, 353,179 bales.

STOCKS AND BONDS.

Bulls Rather Controlled the Situation the Greater Portion of the Day.

NEW YORK, Jan. 4.—The temper of speculation at the Stock exchange was bullish during the greater part of the day, but dealings were somewhat better distributed than of late. Among the industrials American Sugar Refining was the special card, selling up from 112⅜ to 115 for the common and from 100 to 101¼ for the preferred. Manhattan dropped from 155⅛ to 153⅛ and quickly rose to 156. The western railway shares were stronger, more particularly the Union Pacific group, which secured advances of 1 to 2¾ per cent, the bonds of the Union Pacific and United States subsidiary companies at the same time making material advances under increased demand. The reduction in the Union Pacific collateral and evidences of a substantial improvement in the financial condition of the company have created a very bullish feeling on that stock as well as on Oregon Short Line and Oregon Navigation. In the late afternoon trading the rise was checked by a sudden break in Distilling and Cattle Feeding from 65¼ to 62¼ on heavy sales. Industrials sympathized to the extent of 2¼ on Sugar and 1⅛ in Chicago Gas. At the same time the coal stocks were subjected to a sharp pressure and yielded 1½ to 2 per cent, except for Delaware & Hudson, which remained steady. The general list reacted 1¼ to 1 per cent from the highest, but the market closed firm at a small rally.

"The one obvious comment called for by the Stock exchange at the opening of the new year," says the financial writer of the Evening Post, "is that it shows no significant alarm. Trustworthy critics agree, however, that the currency is threatened with serious complications, and unite, as a rule, in the opinion that only heroic measures can avert something like a crisis.

"The sudden convulsion which seized the market December 15 and continued for nearly a week, was peculiar, in that it worked out its own cure. It left behind it higher money rates, turned the international movement of credit in our favor, and checked abruptly the new engagement of gold for export.

"So far it was clearly a restoration of the market to equilibrium. Yet, barely a fortnight has passed and the local money market is gravitating back to exactly the position occupied before the heavy gold shipments began. Allowing for the stringency incidental to the January payments, the loan market stands again on a level of very great ease. Sterling exchange is hardening and imports show no sign of falling off. While strength in the stock market under such circumstances is remarkable it is not surprising to those who have studied its tendency during the last two months.

"Sharing, perhaps, the feeling of the commercial community, the financial community has refused to look upon the currency situation as a distinct menace. This is largely due, of course, to the continuance of a strong investment demand for first-class securities and an unusually large supply of money, which can be controlled by market cliques interested in advancing or maintaining prices. The issue of new silver currency, at the rate of $45,000,000 or more a year, has contributed to this second factor, both directly, through the manufacturer of new money, and indirectly, through the consequent depression of interest rates. The grave question, then, is whether this swelling of the money fund with silver notes is actually and of itself forcing out gold, and this is the problem which the new year must very soon solve.

"Thus far the winter gold exports have had a partial explanation in the exceptional demand from Austria. Even last week's shipment was described as an old order contracted for while the Austrian government was still in the market. But Austrian bid for gold is now withdrawn and future operations in sterling must be based on the general merits of the market."

The following are the closing quotations of the leading stocks on the New York Stock exchange today:

Atchison	35⅛	North American	5⅛
Adams Express	152	Northern Pacific	16
Alton, T. H.	33	Northern Pacific pfd	41⅝
do preferred	150	U. P. Den. & Gulf	6⅝
American Express	117	Northwestern	115⅝
Baltimore & Ohio	93¾	do preferred	141⅝
Canada Pacific	88¼	N. Y. Central	108¾
Canada Southern	55⅝	N. Y. & N. E.	44¾
Central Pacific	27⅝	Ontario & Western	18⅛
Ches. & Ohio	22¾	Oregon Imp	19⅛
Chicago Alton	149	Oregon Nav	76
C. B. & Q.	97⅝	Ore. S. L. & U. N.	22
Chicago Gas	70⅛	Pacific Mail	36
Consolidated Gas	24⅝	Peoria, Dec. & E.	26⅝
C. C. C. & St. L.	57⅛	Pittsburg	155
Colo. Coal & Iron	87¼	Pullman Palace	196
Cotton Oil Cert	34	Reading	40⅝
Del. Hudson	132¼	Richmond Terminal	15
D. L. & W.	151¼	Richmond Ter. pfd.	30
D. & R. G. pfd.	55⅝	Rio Grande W.	24
D. & R. G. W.	62¾	do preferred	61⅝
East Tenn.	34	Rock Island	82¾
Erie	29⅛	St. L. & S. F. 1st pfd.	75
do preferred	53¾	St. Paul	76⅝
Fort Wayne	153	do preferred	122½
Gt. Northern pfd	119	St. Paul & Omaha	47⅝
C. & E. I. pfd	96½	do pfd. Ex-div	116
Hocking Valley	28⅛	Southern Pacific	34¼
Illinois Central	99	Sugar Refinery	112⅝
St. Paul & Duluth	41	Tenn. Coal & Iron	36
Kan. & Tex. pfd.	29¾	Texas Pacific	9⅝
Lake Erie & West	22⅛	Tol. & O. Cent. pfd.	80
do preferred	75½	Union Pacific	53⅝
Lake Shore	127½	U. S. Express	58
Lead Trust	45	W. St. L. & P.	11
Louis. & Nash.	72	do preferred	29¾
Louis. & New Alb'y	23⅝	Wells Fargo Exp.	141
Manhattan Con.	153¾	Western Union	95¼
Memphis & C.	50	Wheeling & L. E.	21⅛
Michigan Central	99	do preferred	62
Missouri Pacific	56¾	Minn. & St. L.	17
Mobile & Ohio	35⅛	D. & R. G.	16
Nashville Chatt.	83	General Electric	112⅝
National Cordage	138	National Lead	42
do preferred	112¾	C. Fuel & Iron	62¾
N. J. Central	123	do preferred	109
Norfolk & W. pfd.	37	Hous. & Tex. Cen.	[illegible]

The total sales of stocks today were 374,000 shares, including Atchison, 3,700; Chicago Gas, 7,500; Distilling, 30,800; Louisville & Nashville, 4,900; Manhattan, 5,100; Missouri Pacific, 8,000; New England, 5,200; Northern Pacific preferred, 4,400; St. Paul, 9,800; Sugar, 49,800; Union Pacific, 34,800; Western Union, 6,000.

London Financial Review.

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LONDON, Jan. 4.—[New York Herald Cable—Special to THE BEE.]—Apart from a few securities which met with some amount of speculative attention, business was very quiet on the Stock exchange. While the dense fog that enveloped the city the greater part of the day has been responsible for the absence of many members and outside operators, the markets nevertheless, have not been devoid of interest. Consols are unchanged. Indian rupee paper is only ¼d easier. Foreign government securities closed decidedly stronger than they opened, a better tendency being reported on continental bourses, more particularly. There has been some excitement in Brighton deferred, which has been largely dealt in, and closed 3½ per cent higher, operators have gone in for the dividend of 7½ per cent. Other divisions have been influenced by dividend anticipations. Northeastern improved 1¼ per cent and others are up to ¼ per cent. Scotch lines, however, are rather dull. Americans, after having been dull the greater part of the day closed in better tone, but prices have recovered only slightly from their worst points. A decline of ⅜ per cent was established in Philadelphia & Reading and ⅛ to ⅜ per cent in most others, but an improvement of ¼ to ⅜ per cent is marked in Denver preference. Central Pacific and Canadian lines are somewhat heavy. Grand Trunk preferences have also given way ⅛ to ⅜ per cent. Money is almost a drug. Short loans have been easily obtained at 1 per cent. The discount market was quiet; two and three months bills were quoted at 1¼ to 1⅜ per cent.

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, Jan. 4.—MONEY ON CALL—Easier at 4 to 6 per cent; last loan, 4 per cent, closing offered at 4 per cent.

PRIME MERCANTILE PAPER—5@6 per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Firm, with actual business at $4.85¼@4.86 for sixty day bills and $4.87½ for demand.

The closing quotations on bonds:

U. S. 4s reg	113	Northern Pac. 2nds	112½
U. S. 4s coup	113	N. W. Consols	136
U. S. 4½s reg	109	N. W. Deb. 5s	105
Pacific 6s of '95	105	St. L. & I. M. Gen 5s	84⅛
Louisiana st'pd 4s	98	St. L. & San F. G. M.	106⅛
Missouri 6s	103	St. Paul Consols	127
Tenn. new set 6s	109	St. P. C. & P. 1sts	115
Tenn. new set 5s	100	T. P. L. G. Tr. Rcts.	76¾
Tenn. new set 3s	73½	T. P. R. G. Tr. Rcts.	26
Canada So. 2nds	102⅝	Union Pac. 1sts	101½
Cen. Pacific 1sts	104	West. Shore	107
D. & R. G. 1sts	117⅝	R. G. W.	70
D. & R. G. 4s	84	Atch 4s	87⅝
Erie 2nds	101	Atch. 2s's, class A	48⅝
M. K. & T. Gen. 6s	80	G. H. & S. 5s	104
M. K. & T. Gen. 5s	48⅝	G. H. & S. 2d 5s	102½
Mutual Union 6s	115	H. & T. C. 5s	104½
N. J. C. Int. Cert	109	H. & T. C. Cons. 6s	102¾
Northern Pac. 1sts	115		

Boston Stock Quotations.

BOSTON, Mass., Jan. 4.—The following are the closing stock quotations:

Atchison & Topeka	35⅛	Boston & Mont	33
Boston & Albany	209	*Calumet & Hecla	250
Boston & Maine	168⅝	Franklin	13⅛
C. B. & Q.	97½	Kearsarge	12
Eastern R. R. 6s	129	Osceola	35¼
Fitchburg	133	Quincy	131¼
Flint & P. M. pfd	74	Tamarack	169
K. C. St J & C Bluffs		*Boston Land Co	5¼
7s	121	*San Diego Land Co	11
Mass. Central	18	West End Land Co.	17½
Mex. Cen. com	10⅞	Bell Telephone	209
N. Y. & N. England	44⅝	Lamson Store S.	15½
do 7s	129	Water Power	2 3-16
Old Colony	180½	C. M.	8
*Rutland com	2⅝	B. & R.	114
*Allouez M. Co (new)	90	Gen. El.	112¾
*Atlantic	9½		

* bid.

New York Mining Quotations.

NEW YORK, Jan. 4.—The following are the closing mining quotations:

Crown Point	60	Plymouth	55
Con. Cal. and Va.	200	Sierra Nevada	170
Deadwood	125	Standard	140
Gould & Curry	90	Union Con	100
Hale & Norcross	100	Yellow Jacket	40
Homestake	1300	Iron Silver	50
Mexican	100	Quick Silver	350
Ontario	1500	do pref'd	1700
Ophir	380	Bulwer	100

Financial Notes.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Jan. 4.—Clearings, $2,580,959.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Jan. 4.—Clearings, $2,124,863.

PARIS, Jan. 4.—Three per cent rentes, 99f; 22c for the account.

NEW YORK, Jan. 4.—Clearings, $214,449,142; balances, $8,869,851.

NEW YORK, Jan. 4.—Government bonds steady; state bonds neglected.

BALTIMORE, Md., Jan. 4.—Clearings, $4,310,395; balances, $404,283. Rate, 6 per cent.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Jan. 4.—Clearings, $642,068; balances, $85,547. New York exchange selling at par.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Jan. 4.—Clearings, $5,816,641; balances, $691,574. Money, quiet at 6@7 per cent; exchange on New York, 25c premium.

LONDON, Jan. 4.—Amount of bullion withdrawn from the Bank of England balance today, £26,000.

CINCINNATI, O., Jan. 4.—Money, 4@6½ per cent. New York exchange, 60c premium. Clearings, $3,554,300.

BERLIN, Jan. 4.—The statement of the Imperial Bank of Germany shows a decrease in specie of 23,940,000 marks.

BOSTON, Mass., Jan. 4.—Clearings, $20,108,127; balances, $2,376,237. Money, 6 per cent; exchange on New York, 8@15c discount.

NEW YORK, Jan. 4.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Exchange was quoted as follows: Chicago, 65c premium; St. Louis, 75c premium.

CHICAGO, Ill., Jan. 4.—Clearings, $26,537,689. New York exchange, 65c premium. Sterling exchange, steady at $4.86 for sixty day bills, and $4.88 for sight drafts. Money, steady at 6 per cent.

OMAHA LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Receipts Continue of a Holiday Character—Supply of Cattle Quite Short.

OMAHA, Jan. 4.—Receipts continue of a holiday character, but for the first half of this week compared with the corresponding three days last week there has been an increase of nearly 1,000 cattle, 5,000 hogs and 1,000 sheep.

The supply of cattle of all kinds was over 1,500 short of last Wednesday's run and of these not much over a third would suit the dressed beef men. There was a very respectable demand both from slaughterers and speculators and the good to choice cattle were easily moved at steady to strong prices, 1,200 to 1,400-lb. cattle of this class selling at from $4.10 to $4.60. On anything not strictly good the market was slow and uneven with a lower tendency. Buyers were indifferent and sellers found it difficult to induce them to take medium to inferior cattle even at shaded prices. Sales of this latter class were largely at from $3.00 to $3.50. The fair to good handy 1,100 to 1,200-lb. steers, which made up the bulk of the offerings, sold mostly at from $3.75 to $4.10, or at substantially steady prices and about everything finally changed hands.

The trade in butchers' stock and canners was on the basis of rather stronger prices. There was a liberal amount of mixed stock on sale, and the demand was good from all sources. Poor to fair cows sold for canning purposes all the way from $1.00 to $2.10; butchers' stuff largely at from $2.25 to $2.75, with good to choice cows and heifers around $3.00 to $3.15. Good to choice fat heifers, oxen and stags were in active demand and stronger at from $2.75 up to $3.80. The general run of bulls, however, sold around $2.00 to $2.50. The supply of calves was light. Good to choice veals sold at from $3.00 to $5.00, common large calves and yearlings at around $2.00 to $3.00.

Trade was dull in the stocker and feeder line but this was more on account of the limited supply than from any slackness in the demand. The meager fresh receipts were freely taken at good, strong prices and the market is quotably strong. Representative sales:

DRESSED BEEF.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
3	780	$3 00	21	1044	$3 75
12	888	3 25	19	1238	3 75
2	885	3 25	19	1022	3 80
1	860	2 25	25	1080	3 80
4	875	3 30	4	1178	3 85
16	945	3 35	40	1151	3 90
1	1010	3 50	13	1230	3 95
6	1133	3 50	21	1168	3 95
23	995	3 60	2	1240	4 00
25	1158	3 65	28	1187	4 10
24	1119	3 65	20	1308	4 10
39	1158	3 65	38	1228	4 50
3	1100	3 70	42	1303	4 50
5	1068	3 70	72	1367	4 55
2	1425	3 70	18	1358	4 60

SHIPPING AND EXPORT.

49	1060	3 50	1	1400	3 75

MIXED.

26	771	2 80	17	958	3 40
21	790	3 05			

COWS.

1	900	1 00	6	1003	2 35
1	920	1 50	15	973	2 35
1	930	1 50	11	1090	2 35
15	644	1 50	18	927	2 40
2	950	1 65	1	1000	2 40
9	906	1 60	18	1083	2 40
5	952	1 65	13	1043	2 40
2	950	1 65	19	1029	2 45
24	989	1 70	1	1060	2 45
3	500	1 75	1	1200	2 50
2	1020	1 75	21	934	2 50
1	940	1 75	28	950	2 50
18	721	1 75	1	1330	2 50
2	965	1 75	4	1087	2 50
6	843	1 75	1	1300	2 50
2	800	1 75	18	1038	2 50
2	1050	1 85	22	923	2 50
7	882	1 85	2	1000	2 55
3	933	1 90	1	940	2 55
25	786	1 90	14	1064	2 55
3	1033	2