COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL

Latent Bullish Feeling of the Past Few Days Was Manifested Yesterday.

ADVANCES STARTED EARLY IN ALL LINES

Buying Enthusiasm Died Out for a Time When it Was Seen that Plenty of Wheat Was for Sale.

CHICAGO, Jan. 15.—The latent bullish feeling which has lent more or less strength to the markets the past day or two in spite of indifferent views became decidedly manifest today. This, helped by the small official Russian shipments, created a decidedly bullish sentiment and wheat closed ⅝c higher than yesterday. Corn and oats are each up ¼c, while pork advanced 30c, lard 10c and ribs 12½c.

The atmosphere of the trading hall was well charged with electricity from the bull dynamos when business started and caused all the leading speculative articles to jump into a sparkle of enthusiasm for higher prices. Wheat, corn, oats and provisions were all wanted at yesterday's closing prices, but few were found who were willing to part with any on such terms and consequently an advance commenced at once all along the line. Wheat opened at 59⅝c bid for May, with some holders demanding and receiving 59½c at the same time. Inside of half an hour from the start 59¾c was paid. The only fresh bullish features early in the session were moderate receipts at Minneapolis and Duluth, 410 cars, and the official report of last week's Russian shipments, which were only 952,000 bu., against 1,200,000 bu. as estimated yesterday. The buying enthusiasm died out for a time when it was seen that nearly all those who had taken a little wheat immediately at the opening and those who had bought calls had plenty for sale at ⅝c advance. During the next hour and a half the price gradually shook off its early accumulation. After the price had reacted from 59⅝c to 59¼c, due to realizing sales, there was a second spurt, which carried it up to from 59⅞c to 60c, the market finally closing at those figures. The bullish tone of the corn, oats and provision markets had something to do with the last named little swell, but rumors of activity in the demand for cash wheat had probably the principal share in creating the extra inquiry for May wheat.

Corn was strong and active. The news was no more bullish than before, but the receipts were again moderate. This, with the big gain in provisions, the rise in wheat and oats and rumors of a bull combination among the larger dealers, developed strength, which was maintained to the close. May started at 28⅝c, rose to 29¼c, reacted to 28⅞c, rose again to 29c bid and closed with sellers at 29⅞c.

The early market for oats was quite active, with shorts taking up considerable and a generally good business doing. Toward the close interest in trade ceased and prices fell back, some resting from ¼c to ⅜c up for May at 19⅞c bid, after having a range of from 19¾c to 20¼c.

Provisions started on the jump and kept bounding about in an unusually active manner all day and a very heavy business was the result. The opening trades in May were at from $9.80 to $9.82½ and from that it advanced to $10.05 and closed at $10.00. Lard and ribs made equivalent advances, each closing with a net gain of 12½c per 100 pounds. The strength was due to confirmatory reports of the extensive ravages of hog cholera and to the day's run of hogs falling 9,000 short of yesterday's estimate.

Estimates for Thursday: Wheat, 55 cars; corn, 550 cars; oats, 160 cars; hogs, 30,000 head.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat, No. 2				
Jan.....	56⅝	57¼	56⅝	57¼
Feb.....	56⅞	57½	56⅞	57⅝
May.....	59⅝	60⅛	59⅝	60
July.....	59⅝	60½	59⅝	60⅜
Corn, No 2.				
Jan.....	26⅛	26⅛	26⅛	26⅛
May.....	28⅝	29⅛	28⅝	28⅞
July.....	29⅝	30	29⅝	29⅞
Oats, No. 2.				
Jan.....	.....	.....	.....	17⅝
Feb.....	.....	.....	.....	18
May.....	19⅝	20⅛	19⅝	19⅞
July.....	20⅛	20⅛	20⅛	20⅛
Pork, per bbl				
Jan.....	9 55	9 80	9 55	9 75
May.....	9 80	10 00	9 80	10 00
Lard, 100 lbs				
Jan.....	.....	.....	.....	5 50
May.....	5 72½	5 82½	5 72½	5 80
Short Ribs—				
Jan.....	4 75	.....	.....	4 75
May.....	4 90	5 02½	4 90	5 00

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Steady; winter patents, $3.60@3.60; winter straights, $2.40@3.50; spring patents, $3.10@3.25; spring straights, $2.40@2.75; bakers, $2.10@2.35.

WHEAT—No. 2 spring, 57¼@58c; No. 3 spring, 57½@58c; No. 2 red, 61⅞@63c.

CORN—No. 2, 26½c; No. 2 yellow, 26⅝c.

OATS—No. 2, 18¼c; No. 2 white, 19¾@20¼c; No. 3 white, 18¾@19½c.

RYE—No. 2, 36c.

BARLEY—No. 2, nominal; No. 3, f. o. b., 24@36½c; No. 4, f. o. b., 27c.

FLAX SEED—No. 1, 93c.

PRIME TIMOTHY SEED—$3.80.

PROVISIONS—Mess pork, per bbl., $9.75@9.80; lard, per 100 lbs., $5.50; short ribs, sides, loose, $4.75@4.80; dry salted shoulders, boxed, $4.50@4.75; short clear sides, boxed, $5.00@5.12½.

WHISKY—Distillers' finished goods, per gal., $1.22.

SUGARS—Cut loaf, $5.75; granulated, $5.12; standard "A," $5.

POULTRY—Steady; turkeys, 9@11c; chickens, 7@8c; ducks, 11@12c.

The following were the receipts and shipments today:

Articles.	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls.....	11,000	15,000
Wheat bu.....	39,000	57,000
Corn, bu.....	543,000	125,000
Oats, bu.....	383,000	96,000
Rye bu.....	3,000	1,000
Barley, bu.....	49,000	8,000

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was steady; creamery, 18@23c; dairy, 13@20c. Eggs, steady; fresh, 16@17c. Cheese, quiet; 8¾@9¼c.

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKET.

Closing Quotations on the Principal Commodities and Staples.

NEW YORK, Jan. 15.—FLOUR—Receipts, 19,400 bbls.; exports, 23,000 bbls.; firmer with wheat, but buyers showed little disposition to trade; low grades, dull and easy. Minneapolis patents, $3.40@3.50; winter patents, $3.60@3.75; winter straights, $3.40@3.45; winter extras, $2.65@3.00; winter low grades, $2.20@2.60. Rye flour, steady; superfine, $2.55@2.75. Buckwheat flour, dull; $1.30.

BUCKWHEAT—Easy; 39½@40c.

CORN MEAL—Dull; yellow western, coarse, 70c; Brandywine, $2.35.

RYE—Nominal; western, 42@45c.

BARLEY—Nominal; western, 28@45c; feeding, 26@33½c.

BARLEY MALT—Nominal; western, 49@55c.

WHEAT—Exports, 109,600 bu. Spot, strong; No. 2 red, 70⅝c; No. 1 hard, 70½c. Options were firm all day, advancing on local covering and sympathy with corn; foreign news was fairly steady, and some export business developed, only to be shut off by the final sharp rise; closed ⅛@⅝c higher; No. 2 red, January, closed at 68⅛c; May, 66 13-16@67⅜c, closed at 67⅜c.

CORN—Receipts, 16,000 bu.; exports, 6,100 bu. Spot, firmer; No. 2, 35⅝c. Options, firmer and higher on moderate receipts, local covering and sympathy with wheat; closed ¼@⅜c higher; January closed at 35⅝c; May, 34 15-16@35⅝c, closed 35¼c.

OATS—Receipts, 58,500 bu.; exports, 1,300 bu. Spot, dull; No. 2, 24@24¼c. Options, quiet, but firmer with corn; closed ¼c higher; January closed at 24c; May, 24½@24⅝c, closed at 24½c.

HAY—Dull; shipping, $8.00@8.50; good to choice, $9.50@10.00.

LEATHER—Firm; hemlock sole, Buenos Ayres, light to heavy weights, 21c; acid, 21@22c.

HOPS—Weak; state, common to choice, 1894 crop, 2½@9c; 1895 crop, 4@10c; Pacific coast, 1894 crop, 3@5c; 1895 crop, 4@10c.

HIDES—Nominal; Galveston, 12c; Buenos Ayres, dry, 18c; Texas, dry, 10c; California, 15c.

WOOL—Steady; domestic fleece, 16@22c; pulled, 19@26c.

PROVISIONS—Beef, quiet; family, $10.00@12.00. Cut meats, quiet; pickled hams, $8.25@8.75. Lard, firm; western steam, closed at $5.80, nominal; January, $5.80, nominal. Pork, firmer; mess, $10.25@10.75.

TALLOW—Steady; city, 3⅞c; country, 4c.

CHEESE—Receipts, 1,371 pkgs.; quiet; state large, 7¼@10c; small, 7¾@10½c; part skims, 2¼@6c; full skims, 2@5c.

TURPENTINE—Firm, 31½@32c.

PETROLEUM—Firmer; United closed at $1.45 bid; refined, New York, $7.75; Philadelphia and Baltimore, $7.70; Philadelphia and Baltimore in bulk, $5.50.

ROSIN—Steady; strained, common to good, $1.70@1.75.

RICE—Steady; domestic, fair to extra, 3¾@5c; Japan, 3¾@4c.

MOLASSES—Steady; New Orleans, open kettle, good to choice, 29@36c.

BUTTER—Receipts, 7,376 pkgs.; steady; creamery, 16@24c; western dairy, 11@17c; Elgins, 24c.

EGGS—Receipts, 8,839 pkgs.; steady; state and Pennsylvania, 17@18½c; western, 17@18c; southern, 16@17c.

METALS—Pig iron, weak; southern, $11.75@13.00; northern, $12.00@13.50. Copper, dull; brokers' price, $10; exchange price, $9.80@9.90. Lead, quiet; brokers' price, $2.90; exchange price, $2.80@2.90. Tin, easy; straits, $12.95@13.00; plates, market weak. Spelter, quiet.

COTTON SEED OIL—Weak and generally lower, with holders indifferent; prime crude, 26@28½c; butter grades, 30c; prime summer yellow, 28@30c.

Kansas City Markets.

KANSAS CITY, Jan. 15.—WHEAT—Low grades neglected; others higher; No. 2 hard, 59c; No. 2 red, 59c; No. 2 white, nominally 60c; No. 3 red, nominally 56@56c; No. 2 spring, 58c; No. 3 spring, nominally 55@56c; rejected, 44@50c.

CORN—Steady and higher; No. 2 mixed, 29@29½c; No. 2 white, 30c.

OATS—Firm; No. 2 mixed, 16½@17c; No. 2 white, 17½@18c.

RYE—Dull; No. 2, nominally 31c.

HAY—Firmer; timothy, $10.00@12.50; prairie, $6.00@7.00.

BUTTER—Weaker; creamery, 18½@21c; dairy, 13@15c.

EGGS—Weaker at 14c.

OMAHA GENERAL MARKET.

Condition of Trade and Quotations on Staple and Fancy Produce.

EGGS—Strictly fresh stock, 14@15c.

BUTTER—Packing stock, rolls, 11c; packing stock, tubs, 9@10c; fair to good country, 13@14c; choice to fancy country, 15@16c.

VEAL—Choice fat, 70 to 100 lbs., are quoted at 6@7c; large and coarse, 4@6c.

CHEESE—Domestic brick, 11½c; Edam, per doz., $9.50; Club House, 1-lb. jars, per doz., $3.50; Limberger, fancy, per lb., 11½c; Roquefort, ½lb. jars, per doz.; $3.60; Young Americas, 11½c; Twins, fancy, 11c.

POULTRY—Dressed—Chickens, 6½@7c; ducks, choice, 9@10c; turkeys, choice, 10@11c; geese, 7@8c.

HAY—Upland, $5.50; midland, $5; lowland, $4.50; rye straw, $4; color makes the price on hay; light bales sell the best. Only top grades bring top prices.

BROOM CORN—Extremely slow sale; new crop, delivered on track in country, choice green self-working carpet, per lb., 2½c; choice green, running to hurl, 2¼c; common, 1½c.

GAME—Jack snipe, 75c@$1.00; golden plover, $1.25; jack rabbits, per doz., $1.75@2.00; small rabbits, 75c@$1.00; mallard ducks, $3.50@3.75; redheads, $2.75@4.00; canvasback ducks, $5.00@5.00; teal, blue wing, $2.00@2.25; teal, green wing, $1.75@2.00; mixed ducks, $1.75@2.25; Canada geese, $2.00@2.50; small geese, $4.50@5.00; brants, $3.50; squirrels, per doz., 60@75c.

PIGEONS—Live, very slow; dead pigeons not wanted.

VEGETABLES.

CAULIFLOWER—Per crate, $2.75@3.00, or $1.50 @1.75 per doz.

CABBAGE—California stock, per lb., 2c.

MUSHROOMS—Per 1½-lb. box, 60@75c.

POTATOES—Fancy native stock, 20c; from store in small lots, 30@35c; Colorado stock, 50@55c.

ONIONS—Per, bu., 30c.

BEANS—Hand picked navy, per bu., $1.50.

SWEET POTATOES—Choice stock, $2.75 per bbl.

CELERY—California, per doz., 90c; Colorado, 55@60c; Kalamazoo, 35c.

LIMA BEANS—Per lb., 5c.

WATER CRESS—Per 16-qt. case, $1.50@1.75.

SCOTCH PEAS—In sacks, per bu., $1.00.

FRUITS.

MEXICAN STRAWBERRIES—Per qt., 35c.

APPLES—Fancy New York, $3.25@3.50; choice western, $2.50@3.00; Utah apples, per box, $1.50.

CALIFORNIA QUINCES—None.

OREGON PEARS—None.

CRANBERRIES—Jersey, $8.75; Cape Cod, $10; McFarlin's, $10.

MALAGA GRAPES—Per 60-lb. bbl., $6; per 65 to 70 lbs., gross, $7.00@7.50.

TROPICAL FRUITS.

ORANGES—California budded seedlings, regular sizes, $3.00@3.25; 250 to 288 sizes, $2.75@3.00; navels, $3.75@4.00; large sizes, $3.25@3.50.

LEMONS—California, per box, $3.75@4.50; Messinas, $4.00@4.50.

BANANAS—Choice large stock, per bunch, $2.00 @2.25; medium sized bunches, $1.75@2.00.

MISCELLANEOUS.

OYSTERS—Mediums, 15c; standards, 20c; extra selects, 25c; Branca & Co. selects, 27c; New York counts, 30c; standard bulk, per gal., $1.10.

HONEY—Fancy white, per lb., 15c.

MAPLE SYRUP—Five-gal. cans, each, $2.75; gal. cans, per doz., $12; ½-gal. cans, $6.25; quart cans, $3.75.

CIDER—Pure juice, per half bbl., $3; per bbl., $4.75.

SAUER KRAUT—Per bbl., $3.75; half bbl., $2.25.

NUTS—New crop, California, 10-lb. boxes, per lb., 10c; imported fancy, 30-lb. boxes, 15c; choice, 10-lb. boxes, 11½@12c.

DATES—New Persian, 60-lb. boxes, per lb., 5½c; fancy, 10-lb. boxes, per lb., 9c.

MAPLE SUGAR—Choice, per lb., 9@10c.

PRESERVES—Assorted, 2-lb. pails, each $1.40.

COCOANUTS—Per 100, $4.50; each, 5c.

NUTS—Almonds, California, per lb., medium size, 10c; Tarragona almonds, per lb., large, 12½c; Brazils, per lb., 8c; English walnuts, per lb., fancy soft shell, 12c; standards, 11@11½c; filberts, per lb., 10c; pecans, polished medium, 10c; large, 12c; peanuts, raw, 5½c; roasted, 7@7½c; hickory nuts, small, per bu., $1.75; hickory nuts, large, per bu., $1.50; black walnuts, per bbl., $2.

DRESSED MEATS.

BEEF—Good western steers, 400 to 600 lbs., 5½@6c; good cows and heifers, 4¾@5c; medium cows and heifers, 4@4½c; good fresh fat cows, 3½@3¾c; good hindquarters cows and heifers, 6@6½c; cow rounds, 5c; cow chucks, 3½c; steer chucks, 4@4½c; beef tenderloins, fresh, 20c; frozen, 17c; beef rolls, boneless, 8½c; sirloin butts, boneless, 8½c; loin backs, 6½c; cow ribs, No. 3, 6@7c; cow loins, No. 3, 7½@8½c.

MUTTON—Dressed mutton, 6c; racks, 9c; legs, 7½c; saddles, 7½c; stews, 3c.

PORK—Dressed hogs, 4¾c; pork loins, 6c; spare ribs, 5½c; pork shoulders, 4½c; pork shoulders, skinned, 4¾c; pork trimmings, 4c; tenderloins, 13c; pigs' feet, cleaned, per doz., 35c.

FURS.

	No. 1 Lge.	No. 1 Md'm	No. 1 Sm'l	2	3
BEAR—					
Black	$20@25	$ 15 00	$ 8@10	$10@12	$ 5 00
Black Yearlings..	12@15	10 00	7 00	7 00	3 00
Black Cubs.....	6@ 8	5@ 6	4 00	5 00	2 00
Black Montana & Mountain	18@22	14 00	10 00	10 00	4 00
Black Montana Yearlings	12 00	8 00	5 00	5 00	2 50
Black Montana Cubs	6 50	4 50	3 00	4 00	2 00
Silver Tip.....	20 00	12 00	8 00	9 00	4 00
Silver Tip Trigs.	11 00	8 00	5 00	5 00	2 50
Silver Tip Cubs..	6 00	4 50	3 00	3 00	1 50
Brown	20@25	16 00	12 00	12 00	5 00
Yearlings	1 00@1	8 00	5 00	8 00	4 00
Cubs	10@1 50	6 00	3 00	4 00	2 00
Badger	8 00	6 00	50	50	50
Fisher	8 00	6 00	4 00	4 00	2 00
FOX—					
Silver (according to beauty).....	100 00	60 00	40 00	20 00	10 00
Silver Pale (accord'g to bea'y)	50 00	30 00	20 00	15 00	6 00
Cross	2 00	2 00	2 00	1 50	1 00
Red	1 50	1 25	1 00	75	25
Gray	75	50	40	35	15
Kit	50	40	30	20	10
Lynx	2 00	2 00	1 50	1 25	50
Marten	2 00	1 50	1 00	50	50
Mink	80@85	60	45	25	10
Mink Dark	85	65	45	20	10
Mountain Lion (perfect head and feet).....	10@ 2				
Otter	8 00	6@ 7	5 00	4 00	2 00
Otter Pale.....	7 00	5 00	4 00	3 00	1 50
Raccoon	60@70	50	35	20	10
Raccoon, Black (as to beauty)..	50@ 2				
SKUNK—					
Black, cased.....	1 25	75	50	50	25
Short striped.....	1 00	70	45	40	20
Narrow striped.....	60	40	25	20	10
Broad striped.....	20@25				
Wolverine	4 00	3 00	2 00	2 00	1 00
Wolf Mountain.....	3 00	2 00	1 50	75	40
Wolf Prairie.....	65@90	60	40	20	10
Beaver, per skin..	5@ 8	4 50	2 00	4 00	2 00
Beaver Kits.....	2 00	1 50	75	50	25
MUSKRATS—					
Spring					
Winter	8@10	9	7		
Fall		7	6		
Kits		3	3		

HIDES AND TALLOW.

HIDES— No. 1 green hides, 4½c; No. 2 green hides, 3½c; No. 1 green salted hides, 6c; No. 2 green salted hides, 5c; No. 1 green salted hides, 25 to 40 lbs., 5c; No. 2 green salted hides, 25 to 40 lbs., 4c; No. 1 veal calf, 8 to 15 lbs., 6c; No. 2 veal calf, 8 to 15 lbs., 5c; No. 1 dry flint hides, 8@10c; No. 2 dry flint hides, 6@7c; No. 1 dry salted hides, 7c; part cured hides, ½c per lb. less than fully cured.

SHEEP PELTS—Green salted, each 25@60c; green salted shearlings (short wooled early skins), each 15c; dry shearlings (short wooled early skins), No. 1, each, 10c; dry shearlings (short wooled early skins), No. 1, each, 5c; dry flint Kansas and Nebraska butcher wool pelts, per lb., actual weight, 5@6c; dry flint Kansas and Nebraska Murrain wool pelts, per lb., actual weight, 4@5c; dry flint Colorado butcher wool pelts, per lb., actual weight, 4@6½c; dry flint Colorado Murrain wool pelts, per lb., actual weight, 4@5c; dry pieces and bucks, actual weight, 4@5c; feet cut off, as it is useless to pay freight on them.

TALLOW AND GREASE—Tallow, No. 1, 3½c; tallow, No. 2, 3c; grease, white A, 3½c; grease, white B, 3c; grease, yellow, 2½c; grease, dark, 2c; old butter, 2@2½c; beeswax, prime, 15@22c; rough tallow, 1½c.

BONES—In car lots weighed and delivered in Chicago: Dry buffalo, per ton, $12.00@14.00; dry country, bleached per ton, $10.00@12.00; dry country, damp and meaty, per ton, $6.00@8.00.

WOOL—Unwashed, fine heavy, 6@7c; fine light, 8@9c; quarter blood, 10@12c; seedy, burry and cheppy, 8@9c; cotted and broken, coarse, 7@8c; cotted and broken, fine, 8@9c. Fleece washed—Medium, 15@18c; fine, 14@16c; tub washed, 16@18c; black, 8c; bucks, 6c; tag locks, 2@3c; dead pulled, 5@6c.

Coffee Market.

NEW YORK, Jan. 15.—COFFEE—Options opened steady at 5 to 10 points advance on falling off in Brazilian receipts. Buying for European and local account caused firmness early, but later the market ruled weaker. Later Europe was selling late months on account of big crop outlook. Closed steady at net decline of 5 to 15 points; sales, 7,750 bags, including, March, $12.25@12.50. Spot coffee, Rio, quiet; No. 7, 14c. Mild, quiet; Cordova, 17.00@18.00; sales, 500 bags Rio, No. 7, spot, private terms; 2,500 bags Maracaibo, 100 bags Savanilla, 500 bags Central American, p. t.; 600 mats interior spot, at 25c. Warehouse deliveries from New York yesterday, 4,684 bags; New York stock today, 260,190 bags; United States stock, 359,576 bags; afloat for the United States, 234,000 bags; total visible for the United States, 593,576 bags, against 509,727 bags last year.

SANTOS, Jan. 15.—Quiet; good average Santos, 15; receipts, 8,000 bags; stock, 435,000 bags.

HAMBURG, Jan. 15.—Quiet and unchanged; sales, 4,000 bags.

HAVRE, Jan. 15.—Closed unchanged to ⅛f net advance; sales, 20,000 bags.

RIO, Jan. 15.—Quiet; No. 7 Rio, 13.95; exchange, 9 3-16d; receipts, 2,000 bags; cleared for the United States, 6,000 bags; for Europe, none; stock, 249,000 bags.

Liverpool Markets.

LIVERPOOL, Jan. 15.—WHEAT—Spot steady; demand poor; No. 2 red winter, 5s 4d; No. 2 red spring, stocks exhausted. No. 1 hard Manitoba, 5s 4½d; No. 1 California, 5s 5½d. Futures opened easy and unchanged and closed quiet, with near positions 1d lower and distant positions ¼@⅝d lower; business about equally distributed; January, 5s 4d; February, 5s 4¼d; March, 5s 4⅜d; April, 5s 5d; June, 5s 5¼d.

CORN—Spot steady; American mixed new, 4s 2½d. Futures opened dull at unchanged prices; closed steady, with May ¼d higher and other months unchanged from yesterday's closing prices; business heaviest on middle positions; January, 3s 2¼d; February, 3s 2¼d; March, 3s 2½d; April, 3s 2¾d; June, 3s 3d.

FLOUR—Steady; demand fair; freely supplied; St. Louis fancy winter, 7s.

PROVISIONS—Bacon, steady; demand, fair; Cumberland cut, 28 to 30 lbs., 29s 6d; short ribs, 28 lbs., 28s; long clear, light, 35 to 45 lbs., 27s 6d; long clear, heavy, 35 lbs., 27s; short clear backs, light, 18 lbs., 27s 6d; short clear middles, heavy, 35 lbs., 28s 6d; clear bellies, 14 to 16 lbs., 31s. Shoulders, square, 12 to 13 lbs., 27s. Hams, short cut, 14 to 16 lbs., 40s. Tallow, fine North American, 27s. Beef, extra India mess, 75s; prime mess, 58s 9d. Pork, prime mess, fine western, 50s; prime mess, medium, 45s. Lard, quiet; prime western, 27s 9d; refined, in pails, 28s 6d.

CHEESE—Firm; demand, good; finest American white, 45s 6d; finest American, colored, 45s 6d.

BUTTER—Finest United States, 96s; good, 60s.

OILS—Turpentine spirits, 21s 6d. Cotton seed oil, Liverpool refined, 17s. Linseed oil, 28s 3d. Petroleum, refined, 5½d. Rosin, common, 4s 9d.

BEEF—EXTRA INDIA BEEF—Forequarters, 3½d; hindquarters, 5½d.

BLEACHING POWDER—Hardwood, f. o. b., Liverpool, 17.

HOPS—At London (Pacific coast), £2 5s.

WOOL MARKET REVIEW.

Prices Steady and Firm Though Trade is Quiet.

BOSTON, Jan. 15.—The American Wool and Cotton Reporter will say tomorrow of the wool trade: Sales in the three principal markets have amounted to 5,618,300 lbs., of which 2,445,000 were domestic and 2,573,300 foreign wool. Sales since January 1, 1896, have amounted to 15,704,600 lbs. The gist of the several cables received at 2 p. m. on Tuesday indicated that extreme December London prices were being firmly maintained. Though our markets have been for most of the period rather quiet, prices have been steady and firm. At some points a very fair amount of business was transacted on Thursday and Friday. Except for territorial and capes there has been the average inquiry. In Boston the sales of the week have amounted to 2,164,000 lbs.—1,526,000 lbs. domestic and 638,000 lbs. foreign. The sales since January 1, 1896, will aggregate 7,164,800 lbs. Domestic fleeces are receiving a good degree of attention; so practically is Australian, although with the strengthening of prices, perhaps, they are not worked off quite so easily.

LONDON, Jan. 15.—At the London wool sales 7,737 bales were offered, of which 700 were withdrawn. A better selection was offered, of which a large quantity suitable for American buyers was a feature of the sales. The heavy purchases for this quarter have absorbed practically all deep shifty wools. South Australia and Victoria merinos ruled 5@10 per cent over the December sales, and fully 2,000 bales have been taken so far. The tendency for this class of wool is distinctly upward. Scoured sold well and also all cross breeds and Cape of Good Hope and Natal wools. Following are the sales in detail: New South Wales, 514 bales; scoured, 9½d@1s 6½d; greasy, 7¾d@1s 8d. Victoria, 2,271 bales; scoured, 9½d@1s 6d; greasy, 7½@11d. South Australia, 2,191 bales; greasy, 8@10½d. Swan River, 211 bales; greasy, 7¾@6½d. New Zealand, 1,089 bales; scoured, 7¾d@1s 2½d; greasy, 4½@11d. Cape of Good Hope and Natal, 945 bales; scoured, 10½d@1s 5d; greasy, 5¼@7¾d.

St. Louis General Market.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 15.—FLOUR—Dull and easier; patents, $3.30@3.40; extra fancy, $3.10@3.20; fancy, $2.75@2.85; choice, $2.50@2.60.

WHEAT—Rather strong in continuation of yesterday's reaction, closing ¼@⅜c above yesterday for futures; spot, lower; No. 2 red, cash, 62⅝@62¾c; No. 2 hard, 55c; January, 55½c; May, 59½c.

CORN—With a good demand and short covering the buying was keen enough to advance prices for futures; later relapsed somewhat from the early advance, but closed ¼@½c above yesterday. Spot, higher; No. 2 mixed, cash and January, 25c; May, 25¼@25⅜c.

OATS—Strong and higher for futures in sympathy with wheat and corn. Spot, higher and in demand; No. 2 cash and January, 17¾c; May, 20c.

RYE—Quiet at 36c.

CORN MEAL—$1.30@1.35.

BRAN—Quiet and steady at 42@43c for sacked, east track.

FLAX SEED—Quotable at 86c.

TIMOTHY SEED—$3.10@3.40.

HAY—Timothy, weaker and heavy receipts at $7.50@14.00; prairie, steady at $7.50@10.50, this side.

POULTRY—Quiet; turkeys, 7½@8c; chickens, 5½@7c; ducks, 8@8½c; geese, 5½@6c.

BUTTER—Creamery, 20@24c; dairy, 12@20c.

EGGS—Firm at 14c.

WHISKY—$1.22.

METALS—Lead, stronger; $2.77½@2.80. Spelter, salable at $3.75, and none obtainable at that.

PROVISIONS—Pork, higher; standard mess, jobbing, new, $10; old, $9.50. Lard, higher; prime, $5.70; choice, $5.85. Bacon, boxed shoulders, $5.37½; longs, $5.50; ribs, $5.62½; shorts, $5.75. Dry salt meats, boxed shoulders, $4.50; longs, $4.75; ribs, $4.87½; shorts, $5.

RECEIPTS—Flour, 5,000 bbls.; wheat, 36,000 bu.; corn, 33,000 bu.; oats, 18,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Flour, 10,000 bbls.; wheat, 37,000 bu.; corn, 36,000 bu.; oats, 26,000 bu.

Cotton Market.

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 15.—COTTON—Easy; middling, 7 13-16c; low middling, 7 9-16c; good ordinary, 7¼c; net receipts, 3,783 bales; gross receipts, 4,031 bales; exports to Great Britain, 12,706 bales; coastwise, 2,621 bales; sales, 3,050 bales; stock, 209,741 bales.

NEW YORK, Jan. 15.—COTTON—Quiet; middling, 8 3-16c; net receipts, none; gross receipts, 1,837 bales; exports, to the continent, 1,215 bales; forwarded, 479 bales; sales, 815 bales; spinners, 115 bales; stock, 191,815 bales. Cotton futures closed barely steady; sales, 189,300 bales: January, $7.80; February, $7.81; March, $7.88; April, $7.92; May, $7.96; June, $8; July, $8.02; August, $8.07; September, $7.80; October, $7.72; November, $7.67.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 15.—COTTON—Dull; 1-16c lower; middling, 7 2-16c; receipts, 1,382 bales; shipments, 1,006 bales; stock, 76,779 bales.

Toledo Grain Market.

TOLEDO, Jan. 15.—WHEAT—Higher; No. 2 cash and January, 67c; May, 69c.

CORN—Higher; steady; No. 2 mixed, 27½c; No. 3 mixed, 26½c; May, 29½c.

OATS—Quiet; No. 2 mixed, 19c bid; No. 2 white, 20½c; May, 20½c.

RYE—Dull; No. 2 cash, 38c.

CLOVER SEED—Active; steady; prime cash, January and March, $4.42½.

RECEIPTS—Wheat, 6,500 bu.; corn, 32,500 bu.; clover seed, 250 bags.

SHIPMENTS—Flour, 1,000 bbls.; wheat, 5,000 bu.; corn, 11,500 bu.; oats, 1,000 bu.; clover seed, 520 bags.

Peoria Markets.

PEORIA, Jan. 15.—CORN—Active and higher; new No. 2, 24½c; new No. 3, 24c.

OATS—Firm and steady; No. 2 white, 18@18½c; No. 3 white, 17¼@17½c.

RYE—Firm; No. 2, 36½@37½c.

WHISKY—Steady; finished goods, on the basis of $1.22 for high wines.

RECEIPTS—Corn, 146,000 bu.; oats, 61,000 bu.; rye, none; whisky, 75 gal.; wheat, 22,200 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Corn, 51,950 bu.; oats, 53,350 bu.; rye, none; whisy, 598 gal.; wheat, 19,900 bu.

Dry Goods Market.

NEW YORK, Jan. 15.—The moderate improvement in the general demand that has been noted in previous reports continued on an increasing scale, and it is steadily reinforced by the arrival of many buyers. Printing cloths started at 3c, but very dull.

FALL RIVER, Mass., Jan. 15.—Print cloths very dull at 3c.

Sugar Market.

NEW YORK, Jan. 15.—SUGAR—Raw, steady; fair refining, 3⅜c; centrifugal, 96 test, 3⅝c; refined, steady, but quiet; standard "A," 4⅜c; cut loaf, 5½c; granulated, 4⅜c.

LONDON, Jan. 15.—SUGAR—Cane, firm; centrifugal, Java, 12s 10½d; Muscovado, fair refining, 10s 9d; beet, firmer; January, 11s; February, 11s.

Minneapolis Wheat.

MINNEAPOLIS, Jan. 15.—WHEAT—Strong; January, 54⅝c; May, 56c. On track, No. 1 hard, 55⅝c; No. 1 northern, 54⅝c; No. 2 northern, 53⅝c.

FLOUR—Dull; first patents, $3.00@3.40; domestic bakers, $2.50; export bakers, $2.00@2.25.

'Frisco Wheat Quotations.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 15.—WHEAT—Quiet; December, $1.12½; May, $1.07⅝.

STOCKS AND BONDS.

Bond Syndicate Dissolution Had No Effect in the Street.

NEW YORK, Jan. 15.—Wall street was agreeably surprised today to find the formal announcement of the dissolution of the world famous government bond syndicate was not followed by any sensational developments. The knowledge that the new government loan would, in the event of necessity, command the support of the members of the syndicate, either individually or as a combined force, caused the news to be received with equanimity. The volume of business was light, and the market displayed a waiting tendency. This condition may be set down to the uncertainty that prevails in financial circles as to the probable course of the money market in the event of indiscriminate withdrawals of gold from the banks on the subsequent to pay for delivery of the new government bonds. As to the loan itself, no doubt is expressed as to its being fully subscribed, or even largely oversubscribed, and the increased competition for the bonds, which will be apparent to the members of the syndicate as individual bidders, is expected to result in very satisfactory prices to the Treasury department. The market, after an early show of strength, in which the granger and Rubber shares were quite prominent, developed a sagging tendency, due to the doubts entertained in some circles as to the way the market would take the news of the syndicate withdrawal.

Sugar was attacked and yielded 1⅜ per cent. Losses in the general market, however, did not exceed 1 per cent, covering Manhattan, Tennessee Coal, New Jersey Central, Kansas & Texas preferred and the grangers. Around delivery hour an inquiry arose for the industrial stocks, and especially for Leather preferred, which scored a net gain of 2⅞ per cent. The advance in this stock was attributed to the covering of short contracts. It develops that it has been decided to reduce the executive committee from nine to five members, the step to go into effect at the annual meeting in February. There is good authority for the statement that the payment of a scrip dividend will not receive any consideration whatever. Furthermore, when the returns for the year are carefully collected, there may be a fighting chance for the declaration of the regular quarterly dividend of 2 per cent on the preferred stock. The company is opening tanneries gradually, and officers say the business is improving, both here and in Europe, although the export demand is still light. Sugar and Chicago Gas rose ⅜ and 1⅜ per cent respectively above the low points.

The railroad shares made small fractional gains. The closing was firm at unimportant net changes. A decidedly strong tone was apparent in the bond market. The business, though moderate, was well distributed. Transactions aggregated $1,498,000. The leaders in the improvement were: Louisville, St. Louis & Texas consols 5s and trust receipts, 4 per cent; Oregon Navigation firsts, 3⅛ per cent, and Ohio Southern firsts, 3⅛ per cent. Prices of government bonds were irregular at the opening, but stiffened subsequently. The sales footed up $40,000.

Evening Post's London financial cablegram: The stock markets were active and buoyant today, investment stock leading on cheap money. Consols sold at 107⅛. English railways were especially strong on the beginning of the dividend announcements, which are favorable. The demand for South American governments and South American railroads continues. The issue of a Chilian loan of £2,000,000 is expected soon. Americans were distinctly better. Bears are covering. Regarded from the investment point of view, the opinion here is still against Americans, but the opinions consider that, given a calm in politics, the size of the new American loan, if successful, affords a strong bull point for speculation at present prices. Eries were good on reports that the stock of the reorganized company will be issued the middle of February. The strong rise in Australian mines continues. The Paris and Berlin markets were strong, but the former shows no signs of a return to the recent activ