

HOLIDAY QUIET APPROACHES

Business Feels the Influence of the Christmas Season.

INTRINSIC FIRMNESS, HOWEVER, IS SHOWN

President's Message Wisely Devoid of Radical Elements and So Does Not Affect Business Circles—Foreign Trade Balance Encouraging.

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—Henry Clews, head of the banking house of Henry Clews & Co., writes of the situation on Wall street as follows:

As December advances the dullness in Wall street... becomes more apparent. Holiday interruptions, the making up of yearly accounts, the settlement of annual balances and the restoration of operations for the ordinary disbursement of earnings upon investments—each has its influence at the moment in postponing transactions. At present, therefore, and perhaps until close upon the end of the month, business may be expected to remain quiet.

The week was made important by the virtual completion of the peace treaty with Spain which yields to the United States the concessions so brilliantly won in our contest on land and water.

Another important event was the meeting of congress, which brought out the president's message, which was certainly, to say the least, a very conservative document.

Bright Outlook for New Year. The new year now near at hand will present a more brilliant outlook than almost any previous one.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—The monthly statements of imports into the United States for the month of November made by the bureau of statistics show that during that month the imports of wool amounted to \$487,384, as against \$1,052,384 for November, 1897.

Statement of Bank of Spain. MAJORCA, Dec. 11.—The Bank of Spain report for the week ended yesterday shows: Gold in hand, unchanged; silver in hand, increase 7,562,000 pesetas; notes in circulation, decrease 954,000 pesetas.

OMAHA GENERAL MARKET. Condition of Trade and Quotations on Staple and Fancy Produce.

EGGS—Good stock, 20c. BUTTER—Creamery, 10c; separator, 2c; gathered creamery, 20c.

POLTRY—Hens, live, 4c; dressed, 5c; old roosters, live, 3c; dressed, 4c; spring chickens, live, 5c; dressed, 6c; ducks, live, 5c; dressed, 6c; geese, live, 4c; dressed, 5c; turkeys, live, 7c; dressed, 8c.

GAME—Teal, blue wing, 17c; green wing, 15c; mixed, 16c; prairie chickens, 12c; quail, per doz, \$1.00; jack rabbits, 50c; quail, per doz, 40c.

ONIONS—Per bush, 40c. BEANS—Hand-picked, navy, per bu, \$1.30. PEAS—Choice stock, 40c; sacked, 40c; poorer stock, 40c.

CHRISTMAS TREES—Trees, 4-5 feet, per doz, \$2.50; 5-6 feet, 3.50; 6-7 feet, 4.50; 7-8 feet, 5.50; 8-9 feet, 6.50; 9-10 feet, 7.50; 10-11 feet, 8.50; 11-12 feet, 9.50; 12-13 feet, 10.50; 13-14 feet, 11.50; 14-15 feet, 12.50; 15-16 feet, 13.50; 16-17 feet, 14.50; 17-18 feet, 15.50; 18-19 feet, 16.50; 19-20 feet, 17.50.

FRUITS. Apples—Western Pa., Davis, Genions, 10c; Baldwin, 10c; Jonathan, 10c; Red Baldwins, 10c; Greenings and others, choice, per box, \$1.75.

GRAPEFRUITS—Per box, \$1.50. CATAPAWPS, per basket, 1c. RASPBERRIES—Per bush, \$1.50. QUINCES—Per bush, \$1.50.

WHEAT—No. 1, 1.10; No. 2, 1.05; No. 3, 1.00; No. 4, 0.95; No. 5, 0.90; No. 6, 0.85; No. 7, 0.80; No. 8, 0.75; No. 9, 0.70; No. 10, 0.65; No. 11, 0.60; No. 12, 0.55; No. 13, 0.50; No. 14, 0.45; No. 15, 0.40; No. 16, 0.35; No. 17, 0.30; No. 18, 0.25; No. 19, 0.20; No. 20, 0.15.

WHEAT—Firm; spot and month, 71c; No. 1, 72c; No. 2, 71c; No. 3, 70c; No. 4, 69c; No. 5, 68c; No. 6, 67c; No. 7, 66c; No. 8, 65c; No. 9, 64c; No. 10, 63c; No. 11, 62c; No. 12, 61c; No. 13, 60c; No. 14, 59c; No. 15, 58c; No. 16, 57c; No. 17, 56c; No. 18, 55c; No. 19, 54c; No. 20, 53c.

OMAHA LIVE STOCK MARKET

Cattle Trade Closes the Week in Very Good Condition.

LIGHT RECEIPTS AND GOOD DEMAND

Business Generally Satisfactory and Experience Unfavorable—Another 8100 Run of Hogs Finds Request Equal to Supply.

SOUTH OMAHA, Dec. 10. Receipts today... 8100 hogs... 1.20... 1.25... 1.30... 1.35... 1.40... 1.45... 1.50... 1.55... 1.60... 1.65... 1.70... 1.75... 1.80... 1.85... 1.90... 1.95... 2.00... 2.05... 2.10... 2.15... 2.20... 2.25... 2.30... 2.35... 2.40... 2.45... 2.50... 2.55... 2.60... 2.65... 2.70... 2.75... 2.80... 2.85... 2.90... 2.95... 3.00... 3.05... 3.10... 3.15... 3.20... 3.25... 3.30... 3.35... 3.40... 3.45... 3.50... 3.55... 3.60... 3.65... 3.70... 3.75... 3.80... 3.85... 3.90... 3.95... 4.00... 4.05... 4.10... 4.15... 4.20... 4.25... 4.30... 4.35... 4.40... 4.45... 4.50... 4.55... 4.60... 4.65... 4.70... 4.75... 4.80... 4.85... 4.90... 4.95... 5.00... 5.05... 5.10... 5.15... 5.20... 5.25... 5.30... 5.35... 5.40... 5.45... 5.50... 5.55... 5.60... 5.65... 5.70... 5.75... 5.80... 5.85... 5.90... 5.95... 6.00... 6.05... 6.10... 6.15... 6.20... 6.25... 6.30... 6.35... 6.40... 6.45... 6.50... 6.55... 6.60... 6.65... 6.70... 6.75... 6.80... 6.85... 6.90... 6.95... 7.00... 7.05... 7.10... 7.15... 7.20... 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