

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL

Universal Selling Places the Market in the Hands of the Bears.

PRICES OF GRAIN ARE PRESSED DOWN

Country Support is Lacking and Commission Houses Deluge the Pit with Orders—Cables the Only Bull Incentive.

CHICAGO. Dec. 11.—Universal selling in grain markets since the control of markets in the hands of the bears and practically routed the big bull campaign that has terrorized the market for the last week, followed by a slight rise in some of the spot prices, but the losses of today, with those of yesterday, aggregated too much and too fast to allow a recovery.

IRON.—Light, spot, \$1.50; No. 1 northern, \$1.50; No. 1 southern, \$1.50; No. 2 foundry, southern, \$1.50; No. 1 foundry, southern, soft, \$1.50; iron, \$1.50.

OMAHA WHOLESALE MARKET

Condition of Trade and Quotations on Staples and Fancy Produce

EGGS.—Receipts, light, fresh stock, 2c; LIVE POULTRY—Hens, 35¢; pigeons, 30¢; roosters, 38¢; turkeys, 75¢; ducks and geese, 35¢; spring chickens, per lb., 25¢.

DRESSED POULTRY.—Turkeys, 75¢; ducks and geese, 75¢; spring chickens, 50¢.

BUTTER.—Cattle, to fair, 13¢; choice dairy, in tubs, 15¢; choice, 12¢; medium, 11¢; buffaloes, 10¢; cattle, 12¢; cod liver, 12¢; herring, 10¢; mackerel, 10¢; herring, 10¢; butter, 10¢; shrimp, 10¢; herring, 10¢; pickled, 6¢; fresh mackerel, each, 20¢.

POULTRY.—Mediums, 10¢; standards, per can, 12¢; extra selects, per can, 20¢; New York counts, per can, 30¢; bulk Shredded, per gal., \$1.20; bulk extra selects, 16¢; bulk, New York counts, per gal., 35¢.

PIGEONS.—Live, per doz., 60¢.

VEAL.—CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS.

TREES.—4 to 6 feet, per doz., \$1.50; 6 to 8 feet, per doz., \$2.50; 8 to 10 feet, per doz., \$3.50; 10 to 12 feet, per doz., \$5.00; 12 feet, each, \$6.00.

EVERGREEN WREATHS.—In pine, 12 inches in diameter, per doz., \$1.50; holly wreaths, 12 inches in diameter, per doz., \$1.

HOLLY BRANCHES.—Per case of 50 lbs., \$1.50.

HORN.—Primary receipts, were \$800,000, but, compared with \$400,000, last year. Secondary clearances in wheat and flour were good.

Business.—In corn was less heavy than in wheat, but the tendency toward the bearish market was aided by the weakness in wheat, which opened 4¢ up to a shade lower at \$1.20 to \$1.25, and at once started on the downward trend. The corn options were present to help the slump.

Receipts.—Wheat, both northwestern and prairie. Clearances were steady, but a rapid run of fluctuations, but by noon prices had touched 3¢c, almost to 4¢c, and continued to fall until the close.

MAY.—Reacted slightly, but closed very weak, \$1.20 lower, at \$0.90¢. The market was still in a state of confusion, but the options were present to help the slump.

CORN.—New, 60¢; old, 60¢.

BRAN.—2¢.

VEGETABLES.

POTATOES.—Home grown, 3¢; northern, 11¢; Salt Lake, \$1.10; Colorado, \$1.10.

CARROTS.—Per bushel, 2¢.

TURMERS.—Per bushel, 5¢; turabagous, per lb., 12¢.

ONIONS.—Hothouse, per doz., 12¢; common, per crate, \$2.

LEAVES.—Kalamazoo, per bunch, 35¢; Nebraska, per bunch, 30¢; California, 40¢.

SWEET POTATOES.—Home grown, per lb., 2¢; genuine Virginia, per lb., 3¢.

CARAWHAGE.—Holland seed, crated, 14¢.

CAULIFLOWER.—Per crate, \$2.50.

ONIONS.—Home grown, per lb., 20¢; Spanish, per crate, \$2.

PARSLEY.—Per doz., 2¢.

PEPPERS.—Red, 12¢; green, 12¢.

FRUITS.—TROPICAL FRUITS.

ORANGES.—Florida, \$2.50; California, \$1.50; \$1.50; \$1.50; \$1.50.

LEMONS.—Fancy, \$1.50; choice, \$3.00.

PEARS.—Vinegar, \$2.50; Lawrence, \$2.50.

GRAPES.—Malaga, per kg., \$5.50; \$6.50.

CRANBERRIES.—Per box, \$1.50; \$1.50.

RAISINS.—Per box, \$1.50.

STRAWBERRIES.—Per box, \$1.50.

NAVY BEANS.—Per bushel, 2¢.

FRUITS.—APPLES—Ben Davis, 10¢; bbl., \$4.00; Winesaps, 10¢; Jonathan, 15¢; Bellflowers, per box, 15¢.

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