GRAIN AND PRODUCE MARKET

Government Final Report Disappoints Wall Street Wheat Pool.

CORN CROP SECOND LARGEST RAISED

Northwestern Wheat is Light and Milling Value Reduced—Oats Crop is Also Very Heavy.

OMAHA, Dec. 29, 1904.

The government final estimate of crops for 1904, acreage and farm value is larger for wheat than is said to have been expected by the Wall street long interest, but generally speaking it seems to have been about what the trade was expecting. Wheat was off a little today as a result of the report.

The total wheat crop is given as 552,398,517 bushels. This yield is 85,000,000 bushels less than 1903, and the greatest expectation has been for a crop of about 525,000,000 bushels. But the exportation this year is 56,000,000 bushels less than in 1903. The winter wheat acreage was figured at 38,865,855 and the product at 332,925,346 bushels. The farm value of this was $238,611,872. The spring wheat acreage was 17,309,020 and the production 219,464,171 bushels, with a farm value of $184,878,501. The report allows the northwest spring wheat is nine pounds light of sixty pounds. The crop of 229,000,000 bushels is credited to Wisconsin, 9,000,000; Iowa, 11,000,000; Colorado, 6,000,000; Washington, 27,000,000, and other states 6,500,000. This leaves 151,000,000 bushels for the three northwest states. The nine pounds, or 15 per cent, deducted from the milling capacity of this wheat equals 22,000,000 bushels, leaving the northwest 129,000,000 bushels.

The corn report shows a crop of 2,467,480,584 bushels. The acreage is 92,250,581, and the farm value $1,087,461,449. The corn statistics make a larger crop by about 14,000,000 bushels than the trade was led to expect by the November report. It is the second largest corn crop ever raised. The oat figures give the crop as 964,550,552 bushels and the acreage as 35,542,603.

This is said to be one of the hardest years ever experienced to tell what the wheat market will do. The export seems to have little effect on the market and the small stocks make manipulation easy. London cash market was up 2 cents on the government final report. Chicago, Duluth and Minneapolis received 151 cars against 636 for last year. It is predicted Canadian wheat will be imported and the duty paid and the wheat used to mix with the low grade stuff at a profit. Bradstreet gives an increase east of the Rockies of 190,000 bushels and a decrease in Europe and afloat of 900,000 bushels, making a total decrease of 710,000 bushels. The corn increase is 2,900,000 bushels and the oat decrease is 907,000 bushels. The corn men are disappointed by the larger shipments from Argentine.

Omaha Cash Market.

WHEAT—No. 2 hard, $1.04; No. 3 hard, $1.02; No. 4 hard, 85@95c; No. 2 spring, $1.04.

CORN—No. 2, 38c; No. 3, 38½c; No. 4, 37½@38c; no grade, 33@37c; No. 2 yellow, 37c; No. 3 yellow, 38½c; No. 2 white, 39c; No. 3 white, 38½c.

OATS—No. 2 mixed, 28½c; No. 3 mixed, 27½@28c; No. 4 mixed, 26@27c; No. 2 white, 29c; No. 3 white, 28½c; No. 4 white, 27½@28c; standard, 28½c.

Omaha Cash Prices.

Wheat—No. 2, 1 car at $1.02.
Rye—No. 2, 1 car at 71c.

Carlot Receipts.

	Wheat.	Corn.	Oats.
Chicago	14	435	48
Kansas City	66	98	7
Minneapolis	77		
Duluth	59		
St. Louis	32	19	24
Omaha	37	119	13

CHICAGO GRAIN AND PROVISIONS

Features of the Trading and Closing Prices on Board of Trade.

CHICAGO, Dec. 29.—The unexpected decrease in the world's available stock strengthened the wheat market today. Light primary receipts furnished additional support. At the close May wheat was up ⅝c; corn and oats are unchanged; provisions are off 2½c to 7½c.

Strength in wheat developed late in the day. The government report giving final figures on the crop of 1904 was considerable of a disappointment to the bull leaders and in consequence, when trading began, the pit was flooded with selling orders. Those who had bought confidently yesterday on the expectation that the report would be bullish were anxious sellers. Predictions had been freely made that the official figures would not show over 500,000,000 bushels as the total yield of wheat grown in the United States during 1904. It was a distinct surprise to many operators that the government experts estimated the total at 552,000,000 bushels. The reception given the report was manifested by sharp initial declines. May was off ¾c to 1⅛c, at $1.12¼@1.12½. Before any support came to the market the price had touched $1.12¼. A break of a penny at Liverpool had a weakening influence in prices here. The market soon recovered a portion of the early loss, however, on moderate covering by shorts. There was also some buying on an Argentina cable claiming that new crop arrivals were of poor quality. Extremely light receipts in the northwest, although due mainly to bad weather and abandonment of trains, had a steadying influence on the market. In addition the cash situation showed signs of improvement. Bradstreet's estimate of a decrease of 710,000 bu. in the world's visible supply instead of an increase anticipated was a decisive factor contributing to bullish sentiment. There was a sharp advance late in the day as a result of excellent demand. One of the bull leaders was a conspicuous buyer. May sold up to $1.14⅝. The market held firm the remainder of the session, the close being almost at the highest point reached. Final figures for May were $1.14⅝. Clearances of wheat and flour were equal to 90,000 bu. Primary receipts were 366,300 bu., compared with 1,044,300 bu. a year ago. Minneapolis, Duluth and Chicago reported receipts at 151 cars, against 586 cars last week and 616 cars a year ago.

Weakness of wheat had some effect on the corn market early in the day. Later, however, the undertone became somewhat firmer owing to small estimated receipts for tomorrow. Scalpers were the principal sellers. Offerings were taken mainly by commission houses. May opened unchanged to ⅛c lower, at 45¼@45⅜c, sold between 45⅜c and 45⅛@45⅛c and closed at 45⅛c. Local receipts were 435 cars, none of contract grade.

Trading in oats was of a scalping character, and prices showed only slight fluctuations. May opened unchanged to ⅛c lower at 31⅝@31⅞c, held within the opening range, closing at 31½c. Local receipts were 48 cars.

At the opening sentiment in the provision market was quite firm as a result of decreased receipts of hogs. Packers took advantage of the firmness and sold enough to cause prices to drop a little during the latter part of the session. At the close May pork was off 5@7½c, at $12.80. Lard was down 7½c, at $7.02½@7.05. Ribs were 2½c lower, at $6.67½c.

Estimated receipts for tomorrow: Wheat, 20 cars; corn, 242 cars; oats, 31 cars; hogs, 17,000 head.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Ye'sy.
*Wheat					
Dec.	1 11⅛@ 1 11⅛	1 13	1 11¼	1 12⅞@ 1 12¾	1 12⅞
May	1 12¼@ 1 12⅛	1 14⅝	1 12¼	1 14⅝	1 14
July	98⅛@⅞	99	98⅛	99	98⅞@99
*Corn					
Dec.	45⅝	45⅝	45⅝	45⅝	45⅝
May	45⅛@⅜	45⅝@½	45⅛	45⅝	45⅛
July	45⅛	45⅝	45⅛	45⅝@⅝	45⅝
*Oats					
Dec.	29⅝	29⅝	29⅝	29⅝	29⅝
May	31⅝@⅞	31⅞	31⅝	31⅞	31⅛
July	31⅛@¼	31⅛@¼	31⅛@¼	31⅛@¼	31⅛@¼
Pork—					
Jan.	12 55	12 55	12 67½	12 67½	12 55
May	12 67½	12 67½	12 77½	12 80	12 67½
Lard—					
Jan.	6 85	6 85	6 77½	6 77½	6 85
May	7 12½	7 12½	7 02½	7 05	7 12½
Ribs—					
Jan.	6 45	6 45	6 40	6 40	6 45
May	6 70	6 70	6 65	6 67½	6 70

*No 2.

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Steady; winter patents, $5.10@5.30; straights, $4.80@5.00; spring patents, $5.00@5.50; straights, $4.50@4.80; bakers', $2.70@3.80.

WHEAT—No. 2 spring, $1.08@1.15; No. 3, 96c@$1.12; No. 2 red, $1.15⅛@1.17½.

CORN—No. 2, 45½c; No. 2 yellow, 45½c.

OATS—No. 2, 29⅝c; No. 2 white, 31½@32c; No. 3 white, 30½@31½c.

RYE—No. 2, 74½c.

SEED—No. 1 flax, $1.16½; No. 1 northwestern, $1.22; prime timothy, $2.72½; clover, contract grade, $12.75.

PROVISIONS—Mess pork, per bbl., $11.95@11.97. Lard, per 100 lbs., $6.77½. Short ribs sides (loose), $6.12½@6.37½; short clear sides (boxed), $6.62½@6.75.

Receipts and shipments for the day were as follows:

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls	22,000	42,000
Wheat, bu	162,000	6,000
Corn, bu	865,400	720,000
Oats, bu	179,800	135,500
Rye, bu	18,200	9,200
Barley, bu	205,000	47,000

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was firm; creameries, 17@23c; dairies, 16@24c. Eggs, firm; at mark, cases included, 20@23c; firsts, 23c; prime firsts, 25c; extras, 27c. Cheese, steady, 11@12c.

BARLEY—Good feeding, 27@30c; fair to choice malting, 40@48c.

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKET

Quotations of the Day on Various Commodities.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—FLOUR—Receipts, 10,400 bbls.; held higher; trade quiet; Minnesota patents, $5.85@6.20; Minnesota bakers, $4.00@4.25; winter patents, $5.85; winter straights, $5.25@5.40; winter extras, $3.55@4.30; winter low grades, $3.40@4.10. Rye flour, quiet; fair to good, $4.00@4.20; choice to fancy, $4.25@5.00. Buckwheat flour, dull, $2.10@2.20.

CORNMEAL—Steady; fine white and yellow, $1.20@1.30; coarse, $1.20@1.25; kiln dried, $2.00@2.10.

BARLEY—Quiet; feeding, 46½c, c. i. f. New York; malting, 46@51c, c. i. f. Buffalo.

WHEAT—Receipts, 5,200 bu. Spot, firm; No. 2 red, nominal elevator; No. 2 red, $1.12½ f. o. b. afloat; No. 1 northern, Duluth, $1.25½ f. o. b. afloat; No. 1 hard, Manitoba, $1.08 f. o. b. afloat. The wheat talent all went short on the government report at the opening and were forced in later by the Wall street bull interests. Bullish figures on stocks also affected the market and final prices showed ⅛@⅞c net advance; July, $1.02⅝@1.02⅞, closed at $1.02⅞. December, $1.13⅛@1.12⅞, closed at $1.12⅞.

CORN—Receipts, 126,350 bu. Market opening up and were forced in later by the Wall street bull interests. Bullish figures on stocks also affected the market and final prices showed ⅛@⅞c net advance; July, $1.02⅝@1.02⅞, closed at $1.02⅞. December, $1.13⅛@1.12⅞, closed at $1.12⅞.

CORN—Receipts, 126,350 bu. Market opening dull; cash, No. 2, 57½c; No. 2 yellow, 58½c; No. 2 white, 57½c. Option market was weak; May closed at 51½c and December at 50c.

OATS—Receipts, 44,000 bu.; exports, 12,277 bu. Mixed oats, 26 to 32 lbs., 30½@33½c; natural white, 30@30½c; clipped white, 36 to 40 lbs., 33½@40½c.

HAY—Steady; shipping, 60@65c; good to choice, 77½@80c.

HOPS—Quiet; state, common to choice, 1904 crop, 26@27c; 1903 crop, 30@33c; olds, 14@16c; Pacific coast, 1904 crop, 26@30c; 1903 crop, 30@33c; olds, 14@16c.

HIDES—Steady; Galveston, 20 to 25 lbs., 18c; California, 21 to 25 lbs., 19c; Texas dry, 24 to 30 lbs., 14½c.

LEATHER—Firm; acid, 24@26c.

PROVISIONS—Beef, steady; family, $11.00@12.00; mess, $9.00@9.50; beef hams, $22.00@23.50; packet, $10.50@11.00; city extra India mess, $14.50@16.50. Cut meats, dull; pickled bellies, $6.75@7.50; pickled shoulders, $6.75; pickled hams, $8. Lard, easy; western steamed, $7.10; refined, easy; continent, $7.30. South America, $7.80; compound, $5.12½@5.50. Pork, steady; family, $14.00@14.50; short clear, $12.75@16.25; mess, $12.00@12.75.

TALLOW—Quiet; city, 4⅝c; country, 4⅝@5c.

RICE—Firm; domestic, fair to extra, 2⅞@5¼c; Japan, nominal.

BUTTER—Firm; street price, extra creamery, 28@29½c; official prices, creamery, common to extra, 16@26c; creamery, held, common to extra, 16@26c; state dairy, common to extra, 16@22c; western factory, common to choice, 14@17c; western imitation creamery, common to choice, 13@22c.

CHEESE—Steady; New York full creams, fancy, 12¼c; choice, 11¾@12¼c; fair to good, 11@11½c.

EGGS—Strong; western fancy selected, 28c; western firsts, 27c.

POULTRY—Alive, firm; western chickens, 10c; fowls, 11½c; turkeys, 12@13c; dressed, firmer; western chickens, 10@15c; fowls, 10@11c; turkeys, 17@19c.

St. Louis Grain and Provisions.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 29.—WHEAT—Higher after sharp declines; No. 2 red, cash, elevator, $1.17¼; track, $1.17@1.17½; May, $1.17¾; July, 99½c; No. 2 hard, $1.12½.

CORN—Firm; No. 2 cash, 45c; track, 44½c; May, 45⅝c; July, 45⅝c.

OATS—Firm; No. 2 cash, 31c; track, 31¾c; May, 31½c; No. 2 white, 33c.

FLOUR—Dull; red winter patents, $5.30@5.50; special brands, $5.05@5.25; fancy, $4.85@5.00; clear, $4.25@4.50.

CORNMEAL—Steady, $2.40.

BRAN—Firm; sacked, east track, 90c.

HAY—Steady; timothy, $6.00@9.00; prairie, $6.00@9.00.

IRON COTTON TIES—93c.

BAGGING—7½c.

HEMP TWINE—6½c.

PROVISIONS—Pork, lower; jobbing, $11.50. Lard, lower; prime steamed, $6.45. Dry salted meats, steady; boxed extra shorts, $6.50; clear ribs, $7.00; short clears, $7.50. Bacon, lower; boxed extra shorts, 8½c.

POULTRY—Turkeys, higher; chickens and springs, 8c; turkeys, 15c; ducks, 9c; geese, 7c.

BUTTER—Firm; creamery, 20@28½c; dairy, 15@23c.

EGGS—Higher; 21c, case count.

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls	4,000	12,000
Wheat, bu	33,000	13,000
Corn, bu	20,000	31,000
Oats, bu	24,000	27,000

Kansas City Grain and Provisions.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 29.—WHEAT—Steady; December, $1.04¾; May, $1.06⅛@1.06¼; July, 90⅞@91c; cash, No. 2 hard, $1.06@1.08; No. 3, $1.02¼@1.06; No. 4, 95c@$1.03½; No. 2 red, $1.09@1.11; No. 3, $1.05@1.09; No. 4, 95c@$1.05. Receipts, 40 cars.

CORN—Steady; December, 40⅞c; May, 42⅝c; July, 42⅝@42½c; cash, No. 2 mixed, 41⅝@42c; No. 3, 41½@41⅝c; No. 2 white, 42c; No. 3, 41½c.

OATS—Steady; No. 2 white, 31½@31½c; No. 2 mixed, 31c.

HAY—Steady; choice timothy, $9.00@9.75; choice prairie, $7.75@8.00.

RYE—Steady at 75c.

EGGS—Steady; Missouri and Kansas, new No. 2 whitewood cases included, 23c per dozen; case count, 22½c per dozen; cases returned, 9c per dozen less.

BUTTER—Creamery, 21@23c; dairy, 17c.

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Wheat, bu	32,000	28,000
Corn, bu	48,000	100,800
Oats, bu	4,000	2,000

Available Supply of Grain.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Special cable and telegraphic communications received by Bradstreet's show the following changes in available supplies as compared with last account:

Wheat, United States and Canada, east of the Rockies, increase, 180,000 bu.; afloat for and in Europe, decrease, 900,000 bu.; total supply, decrease, 700,000 bu.

Corn, United States and Canada, east of the Rockies, increase, 2,900,000 bu.

Oats, United States and Canada, east of the Rockies, decrease, 907,000 bu.

The leading increases reported this week are 119,000 bu. at Ogdensburg, 96,000 bu. at Cleveland, 75,000 bu. at Rochester and 50,000 bu. at the Milwaukee private elevators.

The leading decreases include 776,000 bu. in Manitoba, an estimate of 500,000 bu. at northwestern interior elevators, 175,000 bu. at Port Huron and 62,000 bu. at Depot Harbor.

Philadelphia Produce Market.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 29.—BUTTER—Firm, good demand; extra western creamery, 29½c; nearby prints, 32c.

EGGS—Firm; nearby fresh, 32c, at mark; western fresh, 31@32c, at mark.

CHEESE—Steady; New York full creams, fancy, 12¼c; choice, 11¾@12c; fair to good, 11@11½c.

Liverpool Grain Market.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 29.—WHEAT—Spot, nominal; futures, steady; December, nominal; March, 6s 1½d; May, 6s 1½d.

CORN—Spot, quiet; American mixed, new, 4s 6½d; American mixed, old, 4s 10½d. Futures, quiet; January, 4s 3½d; March, 4s 3½d.

Treasury Statement.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—Today's statement of the treasury balances in the general fund, exclusive of the gold reserve in the division of redemption, shows the available cash balances, $141,888,585. Gold, $80,982,861.

Milwaukee Grain Market.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Dec. 29.—WHEAT—Easy; No. 1 northern, $1.13@1.14; No. 2, $1.16. Rye, steady; No. 1, 77½c. Barley, steady; No. 2, $2.33.

CORN—Easier; No. 3, 43c; May, 45⅛@45½c.

Minneapolis Grain Market.

MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 29.—WHEAT—May, $1.16; July, $1.14½; No. 1 hard, $1.16; No. 1 northern, $1.14½; No. 2 northern, $1.06.

FLOUR—First patents, $5.10@5.20; second, $5.00; first clears, $4.30@4.50.

Duluth Grain Market.

DULUTH, Dec. 29.—WHEAT—No. 1, $1.12⅝; No. 2, $1.06⅝; on track, No. 1 northern, $1.12.

OATS—28½c.

Toledo Seed Market.

TOLEDO—Dec. 29.—SEEDS—Clover, cash and December, $12.25; February, $12.35; March, $6.20½; prime timothy, $1.30.

Peoria Market.

PEORIA, Dec. 29.—CORN—Higher; No. 2, 43c; No. 4, 42c; no grade, 41c.

Cotton Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—COTTON—Spot closed quiet, 15 points lower; middling uplands, 6.85c; middling gulf, 7.10c; sales, none.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 29.—COTTON—Spot, easy; sales, 4,800 bales; ordinary, 4c; low middling, 6 15-16c; good middling, 6⅝c; middling fair, 7⅛c. Receipts, 12,703 bales; stock, 445,935 bales.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 29.—COTTON—Spot in fair demand, prices 29 points lower; American middling fair 3.976; good middling, 3.736; middling, 3.62d; low middling, 3.16d; good ordinary, 3.26d; ordinary, 3.21d. The sales of the day were 10,000 bales, of which 1,000 were for speculation and export, and included 8,400 bales American.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 29.—COTTON—Dull, ⅛c lower; middling, 6⅞c. Sales, none; receipts, 700 bales; shipments, 307 bales; stock, 25 and 378 bales.

NEW YORK STOCKS AND BONDS

Values Again Advance Without Any Sign of Speculative Excitement.

HIGH MARK FOR NORTHERN SECURITIES

Southern Pacific and Other Transcontinental Shares Advance Several Points—Close is Strong with Buoyant Feeling.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—There was another pretty comprehensive advance in prices of stocks today and the movement was without any signs of speculative excitement or the reactionary consequences which usually follow traders' buying for a turn. There was a plainly perceived scarcity of stocks and the buying was therefore easily effective in lifting prices. The buying, while without animation, was persistent at all price levels and the advance in prices which resulted met with no important obstacle in the way of selling orders.

The tone of the money market was pronounced "very easy" today which is a condition unprecedented of late years with only two business days remaining to the end of the year. This condition forms the broad underlying basis for the strength of securities on which is founded the expectation that an active rush of capital into securities will be precipitated when funds begin to accumulate again in New York early in the new year. The uniformly favorable tenor of industrial and commercial news offers no incentive for selling. The New England textile industry, which has been depressed through the period of general expansion of industry, was the subject of reports today pointing to an early ending of the strikes amongst its laborers. A strengthening influence on the Pennsylvania group was the increase of yesterday in the dividend of the Pennsylvania company which caused hope of an indulgent policy towards stockholders of all the subsidiary companies of that great system. The great increase in Reading's net earnings for November was the incitement to raise the price of that stock and Erie. There were rumors that Missouri, Kansas & Texas was about to be placed on the dividend list. Reports were current that the long-expected Southern Pacific refunding would be undertaken at an early date, and this, coupled with the aggressive rise in Northern Securities on the news that a new holding company is the ground for advancing the Pacific and transcontinental group in concert.

Amalgamated Copper was buoyant under the joint influence of a marking up of crude copper and the making of a deposition in Butte by Mr. Heinze that negotiations had been in progress between himself and Amalgamated Copper interests. These and other specific influences radiated a sentiment for the advance through the list and in the late dealings the market took on a semblance of buoyancy and closed strong. Bonds were firm. Total sales, par value, $6,855,000. United States 2s and old 4s advanced ¼ per cent on call.

The following were the quotations on the New York Stock exchange:

Atchison	Sales. 15,900	High. 84¾	Low. 83⅞	Close. 84⅛
do pfd	14,000	101⅞	101	101⅞
At. Coast Line	800	124½	124	124½
Baltimore & Ohio	45,600	104½	102½	104⅜
do pfd				95½
Canadian Pacific	13,400	134⅝	133¼	134¼
Central of N. J.				196
Ches. & Ohio	7,500	48	48⅛	48⅞
Chicago & Alton	800	42½	42	42
do pfd	100	83	83	80
Chicago Gt. West	11,600	22½	22⅛	23
Chicago & N. W.	2,000	208⅝	207	208
C., M. & St. P.	18,600	174	172⅝	173⅝
Chicago Term. & T.	100	12½	12½	12½
do pfd	1,400	24	23½	23⅞
C., C., C. & St. L.				91
Colorado Southern	2,200	23⅞	23½	23½
do 1s pfd	600	62	61⅞	62½
do 2d pfd	1,200	37¼	36⅝	37
Del. & Hudson	3,400	186	185⅝	185⅞
D., L. & W.	1,000	365½	364	230
Denver & Rio G.	400	33	32½	32½
do pfd	300	86⅝	86⅝	86½
Erie	32,100	38⅞	38⅛	38⅞
do 1st pfd	4,800	75⅝	75⅛	75⅝
do 2d pfd	2,600	66½	65⅞	66½
Hocking Valley	200	91½	91	91
do pfd	300	93	92	92
Illinois Central	9,100	157⅝	156⅝	157½
Iowa Central	600	31⅞	29½	31¼
do pfd	1,600	57½	56⅝	56⅞
K. C. Southern	700	28⅞	28¼	28½
do pfd	2,700	58	57⅝	58⅝
Louisville & Nash.	6,400	141½	140½	141½
Manhattan L.	1,000	165¼	164⅝	164⅝
Metropolitan Sec.	4,300	81½	80	80⅝
Met. Street Ry.	8,500	122½	121¼	122
Mexican Central	12,300	22⅝	21⅝	22¼
Minn. & St. Louis				76
M., St. P. & S. S. M.	1,600	90⅝	90	90⅝
do pfd	200	147⅝	147⅝	147⅝
Missouri Pacific	13,400	108⅛	107⅝	107⅞
M., K. & T.	7,900	33⅛	32⅝	33
do pfd	4,900	64⅝	63⅝	64½
N. R. R. of Mex. pfd	200	40	40	40
N. Y. Central	16,500	146	143⅝	144⅝
N. Y., O. & W.	6,400	41⅞	41¼	41⅝
Norfolk & Western	12,200	80¼	79¼	80⅛
do pfd	100	95	95	90
Pennsylvania	89,500	139¼	138½	139¼
P., C., C. & St. L.	800	78⅞	77⅞	77⅞
Reading	55,800	80⅞	78⅝	80⅛
do 1st pfd	200	91½	91	91
do 2d pfd	1,700	85	84½	84½
Rock Island Co.	24,900	37⅛	36⅝	36⅞
do pfd	800	85	84⅝	84½
St. L. & S. F. 2d pfd	9,200	70½	67⅞	70½
St. Louis S. W.	900	26⅛	26	26⅛
do pfd	1,800	59⅝	58	57
Southern Pacific	29,500	66	65½	65⅞
Southern Railway	16,400	35⅝	35¼	35½
do pfd	400	97½	96⅞	96⅞
Texas & Pacific	2,800	35⅝	35¼	35⅝
T., St. L. & W.	900	27⅞	26⅞	26⅞
do pfd	2,700	55	54	54⅞
Union Pacific	79,100	114⅞	112½	114⅝
do pfd	900	97⅝	97	97¼
Wabash	2,200	23½	22	22
do pfd	2,600	44½	43½	43½
W. & L. E.	900	19⅝	19⅛	19½
Wisconsin Central	1,900	23	22⅝	22⅝
do pfd	600	46⅝	46	46
Adams Ex.				240
American Ex.	200	209	208⅝	209
United States Ex.				130
Wells-Fargo Ex.				240
Amal. Copper	113,600	73⅞	70	73⅝
Am. Car & Foundry	2,600	37⅝	34⅞	35
do pfd	1,000	94⅝	94	94⅝
Am. Cotton Oil	300	37⅝	37⅝	37⅝
do pfd				95
Am. Ice	800	6½	6½	6½
do pfd	800	37⅞	36⅝	37
Am. Linseed Oil				15½
do pfd				37
Am. Locomotive	6,400	36⅝	35⅝	35⅝
do pfd	1,200	104⅝	103⅝	104½
Am. Smelt. & Refng.	5,300	83½	82	83⅞
do pfd	200	112	112	112
Am. Sugar Refng.	6,800	144⅝	141⅝	142
Am. Tobacco, pfd cert	1,900	94½	93⅝	93⅝
Anaconda M. Co.	5,700	115	106	115
Brooklyn R. T.	16,700	69⅝	67	69⅝
Colo. Fuel & Iron	14,800	49⅝	48⅝	49⅝
Consolidated Gas	2,200	204	202	203
Corn Products	300	7½	7½	7½
do pfd	800	78⅝	78⅛	78
Distillers' Securities	200	40½	40½	39⅝
General Electric	300	187	186⅝	186⅝
International Paper	100	24	24	23½
do pfd	200	77	77	77
International Pump				31
do pfd				91
National Lead	3,500	25	24½	25
North American	500	102	101½	101
Pacific Mail	2,700	46	44	45½
People's Gas	9,300	109⅝	107⅝	108
Pressed Steel Car	700	40⅝	40	40
do pfd	200	90⅝	90⅝	90⅝
Pullman Palace Car				236
Republic Steel	6,800	17½	17⅛	17⅛
do pfd	1,000	79⅝	79⅛	79
Rubber Goods	1,700	28	27⅝	27⅝
do pfd	300	95	94⅝	95
Tenn. Coal & Iron	5,000	74	72	73⅝
U. S. Leather	3,800	15	14⅝	14⅝
do pfd	2,900	102½	101⅝	101⅝
U. S. Realty				78
U. S. Rubber	6,500	54⅝	53⅝	54½
do pfd	4,000	100	97	98½
U. S. Steel	88,800	31½	30⅝	31½
do pfd	204,700	95	94⅛	94⅞
Va.-Carolina Chem.	1,300	41⅞	41½	41
do pfd	1,300	113	112	112½
Westinghouse Elec.	800	180⅝	180	180
Western Union	1,300	93⅝	93	93⅛

Total sales for the day, 1,026,200 shares.

London Stock Market.

LONDON, Dec. 29.—Closing quotations on stocks and bonds:

Consols, money	88⅝	N. Y. Central	146½
do account	88 7-16	Norfolk & W.	81⅝
Atchisons	84⅝	do pfd	82
Atchison	90½	Ontario & W.	43½
do pfd	100⅝	Pennsylvania	71⅝
Baltimore & Ohio	105⅝	Rand Mines	11⅝
Canadian Pacific	137	Reading	47
Ches. & Ohio	48⅝	do 1st pfd	66½
Chicago Gt. W.	23½	do 2d pfd	62
C., M. & St. P.	177½	Southern Railway	36⅝
DeBeers	18	do pfd	95
Denver & R. G.	33½	Southern Pacific	65⅝
do pfd	85½	Union Pacific	115⅝
Erie	38⅝	do pfd	99
do 1st pfd	77	U. S. Steel	31½
do 2d pfd	67	do pfd	94⅝
Illinois Central	161	Wabash	23
Louis. & Nash.	143	do pfd	47
M., K. & T.	33⅝	Spanish 4s	89⅝
do pfd	64⅝		

SILVER—Bar, firm, 28¼d per ounce.

MONEY—2¾@3 per cent.

The rate of discount in the open market for short bills is 2⅝@2 15-16 per cent; for three months' bills, 2 11-16@2⅝ per cent.

Statement of Bank of England.

LONDON, Dec. 29.—The weekly statement of the Bank of England shows the following changes: Total reserve, increased £482,000; circulation, decreased £290,000; bullion, decreased £295,755; other securities, increased £5,302,000; other deposits, increased £5,202,000; public deposits, increased £513,000; notes reserve, increased £518,000; government securities unchanged.

The proportion of the bank's reserve to liability is 27.71 per cent; last week it was 41.36 per cent.

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—MONEY—On call, steady at 2¼@2½ per cent; closing bid, 2½ per cent; offered at 2¾ per cent; time loans, very easy; sixty days and ninety days, 2¾@3¼ per cent; six months, 3¼@3½ per cent.

PRIME MERCANTILE PAPER—4@4½ per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Easier, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.87150@4.8720 for demand and at $4.84800@4.8405 for sixty-day bills; posted rates, $4.85½@4.86; commercial bills, $4.84⅝.

SILVER—Bar, 63½c; Mexican dollars, 48½c.

BONDS—Government, firm; railroad, firm.

The following are the quotations on stocks and bonds:

U. S. ref. 2s, reg.	104½	*Rocking Val. 4½s	97
do coupon	104⅝	Japan 6s, ctfs.	95⅝
do 3s, reg.	109½	L. & N. uni. 4s	104⅝
do coupon	109½	Manhattan C. & 4s	106⅝
do new 4s, reg.	139⅝	Mex. Central 4s	77
do coupon	140⅝	do 1st inc.	28⅝
do old 4s, reg.	106⅝	*Minn. & St. L. 4s	101
do coupon	106⅝	M., K. & T. 4s	96⅝
Am. Tob. 6s, ctfs.	71⅝	do 2s	66⅝
do 4s, ctfs.	110	*N. R. R. of M. c. 4s	81⅝
Atchison gen. 4s	103⅝	*N. Y. C. g. 3½s	101⅝
do adj. 4s	94⅝	No. Pacific 4s	116
Atlantic C. L. 4s	100⅝	do 3s	75⅝
Bal. & Ohio 4s	102⅝	N. & W. c. 4s	101⅝
do 3½s	93⅝	do S. L. c. 4s	97⅝
Central of Ga. 5s	112⅝	Penn. conv. 3½s	102⅝
do 1st inc.	94⅝	Reading gen. 4s	109⅝
do 2d inc.	72⅝	St. L. & I. M. r. 5s	117
Ches. & Ohio 4½s	100	St. L. & S. F. fg. 4s	91
Chicago & A. 3½s	82⅝	St. L. S. W. c. 4s	81⅝
C., B. & Q. n. 4s	100⅝	Seaboard A. L. 4s	76
C., R. I. & P. 4s	82⅝	So. Pacific 4s	94⅝
do col. 5s	88⅝	So. Railway 5s	121
CCC. & St. L. g. 4s	101⅝	Texas & P. 1s	120
*Chicago Ter. 4s	88	T., St. L. & W. 4s	83⅝
*Colo. Midland 4s	76⅝	Union Pacific 4s	104⅝
Colo. & So. 4s	92	do conv. 4s	114⅝
*Cuba 5s, ctfs.	102⅝	U. S. Steel 2d 5s	92⅝
D. & R. G. 4s	103⅝	Wabash 1s	118
Distillers' sec. 5s	75	do deb. B	66⅝
Erie prior lien 4s	102⅝	Western Md. 4s	93
do gen. 4s	83	W. & L. E. 4s	84
F. W. & D. C. 1s	108⅝	Wis. Central 4s	91

*Bid.

Boston Stock Market.

BOSTON, Dec. 29.—Call loans, 3@4 per cent; time loans, 3⅝