# CONDITION OF OMAHA'S TRADE

Weather Too Warm and Spring-Like to Please Retailers.

COLD OR STORMY WEATHER WOULD HELP

**Jobbers Talk Encouragingly of Future of Trade—Would Not Surprise Anyone if This Proved a Record-Breaking Season.**

The last week did not bring about any very important changes in the business situation at this point. The warm weather is greatly interfering with the movement of all kinds of winter weight clothing and jobbers report trade in those lines very light. Retailers out through the country also say that the demand for winter goods is light for this season of the year and consequently they are not sending in the usual number of duplicate orders. The time when spring business will be the most important factor is fast approaching, however, and jobbers and retailers are both confident that then they will have plenty to do. Many local jobbers say they never had a better line of advance orders for spring goods at this time of year and for that reason are looking for a nice run of business. The markets were unusually steady last week, almost no changes of importance being reported. The tendency on practically all lines, however, is upward rather than downward and predictions are being freely made that higher prices will rule in the near future. Local retailers found trade rather quiet last week in comparison to the rush of the holidays, but at the same time there was a very fair demand for this time of the year and no complaints were heard.

**Good Grocery Demand.**

Wholesale grocers report the new year as starting out in very good shape. One jobber said he had to work his men two nights last week to keep from running behind, which is something rather unusual at this time of the year. It seems that retailers' stocks are pretty well broken up by the Christmas trade, as the orders coming in at the present time are for practically every line that grocers carry. The market is very firm all along the line and several classes of goods have advanced since the first of the year. Sugar is a little higher than it was a week ago, the advance being quoted at 5@20c per 100 pounds, according to the grade. Beans have again advanced, the amount this time being 10c per bushel. There is no change to report in either canned goods or dried fruits, although the markets are very firm and indications are thought to be favorable for higher prices. The coffee market is still advancing and is on the average about 1½c higher than it was three weeks ago. Some lines have not gone up that much, but other grades have advanced fully 4c. There is no change in teas, though the market is very strong and higher prices are being looked for, especially on the new crop. Quite a number of articles in the woodenware line have been advanced recently.

**Starting the Year Right.**

Hardware jobbers say they have also made a good beginning, as trade with them was unusually heavy for the first week of the year. There seems to be no reason for retailers ordering more stock at this time, except that their trade demands it, so the conclusion is that retailers are doing a nice business. Every one is predicting a prosperous season, as there is apparently no reason why trade should not be good. There is plenty of money in the country for making improvements, which of necessity will create a demand for hardware. Then, too, the market is in such a healthy condition that retailers do not hesitate about buying liberally. Jobbers, then, are full of confidence for the future and say they would not be surprised if even last year's record were broken.

**Look for Big Demand.**

The demand for dry goods last week was not very heavy. Orders, of course, are coming in all the time, especially for some lines that were depleted by the Christmas trade, but at the same time the number of duplicate orders received is hardly as large as it should be. The warm weather is the only excuse given. Spring goods, however, are selling rapidly and an immense demand is looked for later in the season. Jobbers are already getting their spring lines in shape, ready for inspection, and a large assortment is promised. There were no very important changes in the market last week, although there was the same stiffening process which has been going on for many months past.

**Liberal Orders for Shoes.**

Boot and shoe men are also doing a little complaining about what they call the unseasonable weather. Rubbers and arctics, they say, are not in demand at all and heavy shoes are even superfluous. As long as the ground remains dry and the weather warm the people will not invest much money in footwear, but will get along with what they happen to have. For that reason very few duplicate orders are being received and none are expected until the weather changes. Spring business, however, is in good shape and traveling men are landing more orders every day, so no complaining is heard on that score. Collections are in good shape and prospects for future business favorable, immediate business being the only thing lacking.

The hide mrket is about ½c lower than it was a week ago. Receipts are quite liberal, with indications favorable for their remaining so.

**Fruit and Produce.**

Fruit and produce men had another quiet time last week. The city trade was light and the same may be said of the shipping demand. It is thought, however, that this is merely a temporary condition and a marked improvement is looked for in the near future. The egg market is hardly as firm as it was a week ago, owing partly to increased receipts. Poultry, on the other hand, is firm and the demand fairly good. Receipts last week were only moderate, so the market was in good shape. Live turkeys, however, were not in very good demand. Butter is just about the same as it was a week ago.

There is very little of interest to be said about the trade in fruits and vegetables. Prices are practically the same as they were at last report and the demand none too good. A few fresh vegetables are now on the market and sell quite freely. New beets are quoted at 75c per dozen bunches, lettuce and radishes at 40c per dozen bunches. There is also some fancy head lettuce on the market, which is quoted at $5 per barrel.

Reports from the east develop a scarcity in oysters, owing to a cold snap which has frozen up the mouths of the creeks and small rivers, where many of the oysters are obtained. Even should the weather moderate immediately dealers say it will take at least two weeks for the market to get back into normal condition. Because of the scarcity bulk standards were advanced to $1.50 and extra selects to $1.75@2.00.

There is no change in the game market, except rabbits, which dealers say are so plentiful that they cannot dispose of them at any price.

**NEW YORK GENERAL MARKET.**

**Quotations for the Day on Various Commodities.**

NEW YORK, Jan. 6.—FLOUR—Receipts, 17,881 bbls.; exports, 15,002 bbls.; quiet and steady; Minnesota patents, $3.85@4.05; Minnesota bakers, $2.85@3.10; winter patents, $3.60@3.85; winter straights, $3.40@3.45; winter extras, $2.55@2.90; winter low grades, $2.25@2.40. Rye flour, firm; fair to good, $3.15@3.30; choice to fancy, $3.35@3.60. Buckwheat flour, steady at $2.10@2.25.

CORNMEAL—Steady; yellow western, 80c; city, 78c; Brandywine, $2.25@2.30.

RYE—Quiet; No. 2 western, 60⅝c, f. o. b., afloat; state, 56c, c. i. f., New York car lots.

BARLEY—Quiet; feeding, 43½@44½c, c. i. f., New York; malting, 49@54c, c. i. f., New York.

BARLEY MALT—Dull; western, 55@65c.

WHEAT—Receipts, 79,600 bu.; exports, 44,-741 bu. Spot, steady; No. 2 red, 75c, f. o. b., afloat, prompt; No. 2 red, 72⅝c, elevator. Options opened steady, but promptly sold off under bear pressure at the west, lower cables, further local unloading and free sales for short account. Bullish Ohio crop news and a break in consols had little or no effect. Later the market was dull, closing weak at ⅛@⅜c net decline. March, 75½@76½c, closed, 75½c; May, 74 7-16@74⅝c, closed, 74½c; July, 74¼@74 9-16c; closed, 74⅜c.

CORN—Receipts, 24,375 bu.; exports, 80,-988 bu. Spot, steady; No. 2, 40⅛c, f. o. b., afloat, 39⅛c elevator. Options opened steady with wheat and later sustained by moderate covering on yesterday's good export demand and liberal seaboard clearances. Closed steady and unchanged; May, 38⅝@39c; closed, 38⅞c.

OATS—Receipts, 93,000 bu.; exports, 1,395 bu. Spot, firmer; No. 2, 29¼c; No. 3, 29½c; No. 2 white, 31¾c; No. 2 white, 31¼c; track mixed western, 29@30½c; track white, 31@35c. Options, quiet.

HAY—Firm; shipping, 70@80c; good to choice, 80@87½c.

HOPS—Quiet; state, common to good, 1896 crop, 6c; 1898 crop, 7@9c; 1899 crop, 12@14c; Pacific coast, 1898 crop, 6c; 1898 crop, 7@9c; 1899 crop, 12@14c.

HIDES—Firm; Galveston, 20 to 25 lbs., 19½c; Texas dry, 20 to 30 lbs., 14½c; California, 21 to 25 lbs., 21½c.

LEATHER—Steady; hemlock sole, Buenos Ayres, light to heavy weights, 25@25½c; acid, 25@25½c.

PROVISIONS—Beef, steady; family, $12.50@13.00; mess, $10.50. Beef hams, $22.50@23.00; packet, $11.50@12.00; city extra India mess, $21.00@23.00. Cut meats, quiet; pickled bellies, 5¾@5½c; pickled shoulders, 5¾c; pickled hams, 8½@9c. Lard, easy; western steam closed, $6.12½; January, $6.12½, nominal. Refined, quiet; continent, $6.30; South America, $6.60; compound, $5.62½@5.75. Pork, quiet; mess, $10.25@10.75; short clear, $11.25@12.00; family, $12.00@12.50. Tallow, firm; city, 5¼c bid; country, 5¼@5⅝c.

RICE—Steady; domestic, fair to extra, 4@6½c; Japan, 4⅞@5c.

MOLASSES—Firm; New Orleans open kettle, good to choice, 32@40c.

FREIGHTS—To Liverpool, dull; cotton by steam, 25c, nominal; grain by steam, 2@3¼d.

METALS—The brokers' price for lead is $4.45 and for copper $16.50.

**OMAHA GENERAL MARKET.**

**Condition of Trade and Quotations on Staple and Fancy Produce.**

EGGS—Receipts light; fresh stock, 15c.

DRESSED POULTRY—Choice to fancy turkeys, 10c; ducks, 8c; geese, 8@8½c; spring chickens, 7@7½c; hens, 6½@7c; roosters, 4@5c.

LIVE POULTRY—Hens, 5c; spring chickens, 5½c; old and staggy roosters, 3c; ducks, 5½c; geese, 6½c; turkeys, 7c.

BUTTER—Common to fair, 16½c; choice, 18@19c; separator, 26c; gathered creamery, 22@23c.

PIGEONS—Live, per doz., 75c.

VEALS—Choice, 9c.

GAME—Ducks, mallards, $3.00@3.25; blue wing teal, $1.75; green wing teal, $1.25@1.50; mixed ducks, $1.50@2.00.

OYSTERS—Medium, per can, 18c; standard, per can, 22c; bulk standard, per gal., $1.50; extra selects, per can, 30c; extra selects, per gal., $1.75@2.00; New York counts, per can, 35c; New York counts, per 100, $1.25.

HAY—Upland, choice, $6.50; midland, choice, $6; lowland, choice, $5; rye straw, choice, $5.50; No. 3 corn, 27c; No. 3 white oats, 22½c; cracked corn, per ton, $12; corn and oats, chopped, per ton, $12.50; bran, per ton, $13; shorts, per ton, $14.

VEGETABLES.

NEW BEETS—Per doz. bunches, 75c.

RADISHES—Per doz. bunches, 40c.

LETTUCE—Per doz. bunches, 40c; fancy head lettuce, per bbl., $5.

SWEET POTATOES—Per bbl., Illinois, $3; Jerseys, $5; large bbls., Kansas, $2.75.

POTATOES—Per bu., choice, 30@40c.

CABBAGE—Per lb., 1½c; Holland seed, 1¾@2c.

CAULIFLOWER—Per crate, $2.50.

CRANBERRIES—Bell and Bugle, per bbl. $6.75; Jerseys, $6.25.

ONIONS—Retail way, yellow, 65c; red, 75@85c.

CELERY—Per doz., 25@30c; California, per bunch, 45@75c.

TURNIPS—Rutabagas, per lb., 1¼c; Canadian, 1½@1¾c.

MUSHROOMS—Per lb. box, 50c.

TOMATOES—Florida, per 6-basket crate, $4.50@5.00.

FRUITS.

APPLES—Choice western shipping stock, $3.00@3.50; New York stock, $3.75@4.00.

GRAPES—Catawbas, per small basket, 18c; Malaga grapes, per bbl., $7.00@9.00.

TROPICAL FRUITS.

ORANGES—Mexican, per box, $3; California navels, per box, $3.50@3.75; California seedlings, per box, $2.75@3.00.

LEMONS—California fancy, $3.75; choice California, $3.50; Messina, $4.

MISCELLANEOUS.

HONEY—Per 24-section case, $3.25.

NUTS—Hickory nuts, large, per bu., $1; shellbarks, $1.25@1.35.

FIGS—California layers, per 10-lb. box, $1; California carton, per 10-lb. box, $1.10; imported figs, per lb., 13c.

DATES—60-lb. boxes, 5½@6c per lb.

MAPLE SUGAR—Per lb., 9c.

HIDES, TALLOW ETC.

HIDES—No. 1 green hides, 8c; No. 2 green hides, 7c; No. 1 salted hides, 9½c; No. 2 salted hides, 8½c; No. 1 veal calf, 8 to 12 lbs., 9c; No. 2 veal calf, 12 to 15 lbs., 8c.

TALLOW, GREASE, ETC.—Tallow, No. 1, 4c; No. 2, 3¾c; rough, 2c; white grease, 2¾@3¼c; yellow and brown grease, 2½@3c.

**St. Louis Grain and Provisions.**

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 5.—WHEAT—Lower; No. 2 red, cash, elevator, 69c; track, 72c; January, 65⅝c; May, 70⅝c; July, 68⅝c; No. 2 hard, 66@67½c; receipts, 8,944 bushels.

CORN—Steady; No. 2 cash, 30c; track, 31½@31½c; January, 30c; May, 31⅝c.

OATS—Lower; No. 2 cash, 24c; track, 24½c; January, 24c; May, 24⅜c; No. 2 white, 25¾@26c.

RYE—Easier at 52½c.

FLOUR—Dull and unchanged; patents, $3.45@3.55; extra fancy, $3.10@3.15; clear, $2.75@2.90.

SEEDS—Timothy, $2.00@2.25; flax, higher, $1.48.

CORNMEAL—$1.70@1.75.

BRAN—Sacked, east track, 64c.

HAY—Timothy, $8.50@12.00; prairie, firm, $7.25@8.50.

WHISKY—Steady, $1.23½.

COTTONTIES—$1.20.

BAGGING—5¾@6½c.

HEMP TWINE—9c.

PROVISIONS—Dry salt mixed meats, extra shorts, $5.62½; clear ribs, $5.75; clear sides, $5.87½. Bacon, extra shorts, $6.12½; clear ribs, $6.25; clear sides, $6.37½. Pork, steady; jobbing, $9.75, old; $11.25, new. Lard, nominal; prime steam, $5.60; choice, $5.65.

METALS—Lead, firm at $4.67½. Spelter, dull at $4.25.

POULTRY—Dull; chickens and ducks, 6½c; turkeys, 7c; geese, 5c.

RECEIPTS—Flour, 6,000 bbls.; wheat, 9,000 bu.; corn, 51,000 bu.; oats, 35,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Flour, 8,000 bbls.; wheat, 43,000 bu.; corn, 78,000 bu.; oats, 49,000 bu.

**Butter, Egg and Cheese Market.**

NEW YORK, Jan. 6.—BUTTER—Strong; western creamery, 25@30c; factory, 17@22½c; June creamery, 24@28c; imitation creamery, 19@26c; state dairy, 20@28c; state creamery, 25@30c.

CHEESE—Firm; fall made fancy, small, 12¾@13c; fall made fancy, large, 12¾@13c; large late made, 12@12¼c; small late made, 11¾@12c.

EGGS—Weak; state and Pennsylvania, 25@26c; western, ungraded, at mark, 16@22c; western, 24@25c, loss off.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 6.—BUTTER—Firm; fancy western creamery, 29c; fancy western prints, 30c.

EGGS—Dull, unchanged; fresh nearby, 20c; fresh western, 20c; fresh southwestern, 19c; fresh southern, 18c.

CHEESE—Unchanged.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 6.—EGGS—Steady at 17½c.

BUTTER—Steady; creamery, 14@28c; dairy, 19@23c.

CHICAGO, Jan. 6.—BUTTER—Firm; creameries, 22@29c; dairies, 17@25c.

EGGS—Firm; fresh, 20c.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Jan. 6.—BUTTER—Creamery, 22@25c; dairy, 17c.

EGGS—Firm; fresh Missouri and Kansas stock, firsts, 16c, cases returned; storage, 10@12c.

**Liverpool Grain and Provisions.**

LIVERPOOL, Jan. 6.—WHEAT—Spot, dull; No. 1 California, 6s 3d; No. 2 western winter, 5s 1d; No. 1 northern spring, 6s 1½d.

CORN—Spot, quiet; American mixed, new, 3s 6½d; American mixed, old, 3s 6¼d; futures steady; January, 3s 5⅝d; February, 3s 5⅝d; March, 3s 5⅜d.

PEAS—Canadian, 5s 5d.

FLOUR—St. Louis fancy winter, firm, 7s.

HOPS—At London, Pacific coast, firm, £3 10s@£4 10s.

PROVISIONS—Beef, steady; extra India mess, 82s 6d; prime mess, 76s 3d. Pork, steady; prime mess, western, 57s 6d. Hams, short cut, 14 to 16 lbs., firm, 45s. Bacon, firm; Cumberland cut, 28 to 30 lbs., 33s 6d; short ribs, 18 to 22 lbs., 34s; long clear middles, light, 30 to 35 lbs., 36s 4d; long clear middles, heavy, 35 to 40 lbs., 34s; short clear backs, 16 to 18 lbs., 33s 6d; clear bellies, 14 to 16 lbs., 36s. Shoulders, square, 12 to 14 lbs., firm, 24s 6d. Lard, prime western, in tierces, dull, 30s; American refined, in pails, steady, 31s 9d. Tallow, firm; prime city, 26s 9d; Australian, in London, 27s.

BUTTER—Finest United States, 95s; good, 75s.

CHEESE—Firm; American, finest white, 57s; American, finest colored, 59s.

**Minneapolis Wheat and Flour.**

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Jan. 6.—WHEAT—In store: No. 1 northern, 64⅝c; May, 65⅞c; July, 66⅞@67c. On track: No. 1 hard, 66c; No. 1 northern, 64⅝c; No. 2 northern, 61⅝c.

FLOUR—First patents, $3.25@3.45; second patents, $3.15@3.25; first clear, $2.15@2.25.

BRAN—In bulk, $11.00@12.25.

**Milwaukee Grain Market.**

MILWAUKEE, Jan. 6.—WHEAT—Dull; No. 1 northern, 66½c; No. 2 northern, 64c.

RYE—No. 1, 55@55½c.

BARLEY—Weak; No. 2, 45c; sample, 36@43c.

**Duluth Wheat Market.**

DULUTH, Minn., Jan. 6.—WHEAT—No. 1 hard, cash, 66⅝c; No. 1 northern, cash, 64⅝c; May, 67⅝c; July, 68½c bid; No. 2 northern, 62⅝c; No. 3 spring, 58⅝c.

# COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL

Poor Export Demand, Liberal Receipts and Easy Cables Depress Wheat.

CORN AND OATS BOTH CLOSE LOWER

**Dullness Characterizes the Session in the Wheat Pit—Provisions Regain on Early Loss, Closing Stronger.**

CHICAGO, Jan. 6.—Liberal receipts, the poor export demand and rather easy cables combined to weaken wheat today, May closing ¼@⅜c under yesterday. Corn closed a shade and oats ⅛c lower. Provisions unchanged to 7½c higher.

May wheat opened at 68¾@69c, a shade over yesterday's close, the steadiness, which was lost almost immediately, being accounted for by unseasonably moist weather in the middle west and the fact that Liverpool decline was less than the loss here yesterday. Longs, however, discouraged by the poor export business an the large stocks, particularly in the northwest, began selling at the opening and kept it up throughout the session, with their ranks reinforced by most of the scalping fraternity. The buying was nearly all against puts. Dullness characterized the session. May sank to 68⅜c, but near the close advanced on buying against privileges and closed weak, ¼@⅜c under yesterday at 68½@68⅝c.

Primary receipts were 512,411 bushels, compared with 755,588 last year. Minneapolis and Duluth reported 459 cars, against 368 last week and 518 a year ago. Receipts here were 42 cars, 10 of contract grade. Atlantic port clearances of wheat were 283,831 bushels, of flour 31,333 barrels. New York reported only 5 loads taken for export.

Corn was easy with wheat, but outside this influence was little cause for depression, and though the tendency was downward the decline was trifling. Business was dull. Considering the good roads country offerings were small. Selling was scattered. Receipts here were 446 cars. May ranged from 32¾@32⅞c to 33c, closing a shade under yesterday at 32⅞c. Stocks here will increase about 1,000,000 bushels.

The usual Saturday dullness dozed in the oats pit. Fluctuations were very narrow and if the market can be said to have had any tendency it was downward in sympathy with wheat, the influence of which caused a bit of liquidation. Receipts here were 158 cars. May ranged from 23¾c to 23⅞c, closing rather easy, ⅛c down at 23¾c.

Provisions, after a period of despondency over receipts of hogs, which were somewhat larger than expected, steadied later and held to the close. The opening was at a shade less and this was followed by some realizing, depressing the market, which was rather active throughout, still further. At the decline support was received and the early loss was recovered. May pork ranged from $10.70 to $10.85, closing 7½c over yesterday at $10.85; May lard from $5.87½ to $5.92½@5.95, with the close a shade under yesterday at $5.92½@5.95, and May ribs $5.67½@5.72½@5.75, closing unchanged at $5.72½@5.75.

Estimated receipts Monday: Wheat, 40 cars; corn, 430 cars; oats, 180 cars; hogs, 44,000 head.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

| Articles. | Open. | High. | Low. | Close. | Yes'y. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Wheat— | | | | | |
| Jan. | 65¼ | 65¼ | 65⅛ | 65⅛ | 65⅛ |
| May | 68¾@69 | 69 | 68⅜ | 68½@⅝ | 68⅞ |
| July | 69⅜@½ | 69½ | 68¾@⅞ | 68⅞@69 | 69⅜ |
| *Corn— | | | | | |
| Jan. | 30¼ | 30¼@⅜ | 30¼ | 30¼@⅜ | 30¼ |
| May | 32⅞@33 | 33 | 32¾@⅞ | 32⅞ | 32⅞@33 |
| July | 33⅝ | 33⅝ | 33½@⅝ | 33½@⅝ | 33⅝ |
| *Oats— | | | | | |
| Jan. | 22 | 22 | 22 | 22 | 22 |
| May | 23⅞ | 23⅞ | 23¾ | 23¾ | 23⅞ |
| Pork— | | | | | |
| Jan. | ..... | ..... | ..... | 10 55 | 10 47½ |
| May | 10 75 | 10 85 | 10 70 | 10 85 | 10 77½ |
| Lard— | | | | | |
| Jan. | ..... | ..... | ..... | 5 80 | 5 80 |
| May | 5 92½ | 5 95 | 5 87½ | 5 95 | 5 95 |
| Ribs— | | | | | |
| Jan. | 5 62½ | 5 62½ | 5 60 | 5 60 | 5 62½ |
| May | 5 70 | 5 75 | 5 67½ | 5 75 | 5 75 |

*No. 2.

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Steady; winter patents, $3.40@3.50; straights, $3.00@3.20; clear, $2.90@3.10; spring specials, $3.90@4.00; spring patents, $3.30@3.50; straights, $2.65@3.00; bakers, $1.90@2.50.

WHEAT—No. 3 spring, 62¾@66c; No. 2 red, 67½@68½c.

CORN—No. 2, 30⅜c; No. 2 yellow, 31c.

OATS—No. 2, 22¾@23¼c; No. 2 white, 25¼@25½c; No. 3 white, 24⅜@25¼c.

RYE—No. 2, 52⅝c.

BARLEY—No. 2, 38@42c.

SEEDS—No. 1 flaxseed and northwest, $1.51½. Prime timothy, $2.35. Clover, contract grade, $8.10.

PROVISIONS—Mess pork, per bbl., $9.25@10.60. Lard, per 100 lbs., $5.65@5.82½. Short ribs sides (loose), $5.50@5.75. Dry salted shoulders (boxed), $5.50@5.75; short clear sides (boxed), $5.75@5.80.

WHISKY—Distillers' finished goods, on basis high wines, per gal., $1.23½.

SUGARS—Cut loaf, $5.70; granulated, $5.18.

Following are the receipts and shipments for today:

| Articles. | Receipts. | Shipm'ts. |
|---|---|---|
| Flour, bbls. | 38,000 | 33,000 |
| Wheat, bu. | 51,000 | 135,000 |
| Corn, bu. | 438,000 | 91,000 |
| Oats, bu. | 251,000 | 144,000 |
| Rye, bu. | 3,000 | 4,000 |
| Barley, bu. | 52,000 | 38,000 |

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was firm; creameries, 22@29c; dairies, 17@25c. Cheese, firm at 12@12¾c. Eggs, firm; fresh, 20c.

**MOVEMENTS OF STOCKS AND BONDS.**

**Liquidation for Berlin Account Affects Stock Market Badly.**

NEW YORK, Jan. 6.—The stock market suffered today from continuation of the liquidation for Berlin account. The volume of this selling in New York was not formidable, but the sentimental effect of it was decisive in driving prices downward throughout the list and discouraging buying of stocks. The further sharp decline in interest rates in Berlin and London precluded the explanation of money stringency to account for the selling, and made it appear that its motive was political. The friction between Germany and Great Britain over seizures of German mail steamers was not alone as an explanation for the reported movements of Russian troops toward the frontiers of Afghanistan, arousing the apprehension of further embarrassments for Great Britain. A leading authority on the sterling exchange market recorded his opinion that as long as the Transvaal war continued gold would continue to go out from New York. The Board of Trade's returns of Great Britain's foreign trade for December, showing a decrease of over $23,000,000 in imports and an increase of $5,300,000 in exports, taken in connection with the heavy selling of securities in New York for London account, go to explain London's continued control over the international exchange and ability to draw gold at will. The lightness of the outward movement of cotton from this country also keeps up the rate of sterling exchange.

While the selling for foreign account was being executed there was no disposition to keep prices above the London parity and pressure against some leading industrials, especially Sugar, was added. With the cessation of the London selling and the appearance of the bank statement there was an improvement in sentiment. The market partly recovered and the closing was firm and even on a good volume of business.

The fact that the surplus was maintained and even slightly increased in face of the gold export movement and a loan expansion of $4,107,400 afforded much encouragement over the domestic money situation. The stock market moved in an irregular manner all week and the motives of the operations have not been by any means clear. The confusion is largely due to the fact that professional operators were closing up contracts to which they had committed themselves in expectation of the week's events. Such a movement naturally tends to nullify the influence of the actual event when it occurs. Thus, one of the rules in Stock exchange speculation is to buy in anticipation of the early January demand caused by released dividends and interest money seeking investment. Last week's strength in stocks was due very largely to this anticipatory buying, and the corollary of this buying would be selling to take profits this week, when the dividend money began to be disbursed. But while one set of professional speculators is seeking to profit by the buying of what Wall street regards as the outside public, there is always another set aiming to make profit out of the first set themselves.

This week's events prove that very heavy lines of short contracts were put out last week on the theory that the anticipatory demand for stocks would prove to have outrun the real demand this week and the attempts to realize would break the market and offer opportunity to cover at a profit. This element had on their side the argument that the recovery of prices from the level of the December panic had already outrun the usual rebound after such disturbances and that a reaction was due from the selling of stocks bought in the panic. The short sellers argued also that the money market would not show immediate relief after January 1 and that the return of disbursements to the market would be retarded. Such speculative commitments must be taken into account to explain the apparent contradictions in price movements on new developments. The event proved that the shorts miscalculated the extent of the new investment demand and the relief already afforded to the money market by last month's drastic liquidations. Their operations were mostly in the mercurial industrial specialties, notably Sugar, and the demand to cover shorts has caused some excited advances and feverish fluctuations this week in that department of the list.

In the railroad list for the most part changes were small, though business was active and well distributed. There was considerable selling to take profits by last week's professional buyers and there was a steady stream of liquidation for foreign account until the latter part of the week. This was attributed to Berlin account and was not fully explained.

The Berlin money quotations did not show a condition of stringency sufficient to force large liquidation and alarming rumors of political complications between Great Britain and Germany were deprecated at official sources, but the home demand for securities proved sufficient to absorb offerings and sustain the level of prices. The trunk line group was notably strong, led by New York Central.

Speculative sentiment is not very clearly formulated as to the prospect for values. Investment considerations rule for the most part and buying orders of this character come in on any reaction and serve as a support. On any considerable advance in prices they show a falling off. The high prices ruling throughout the industrial and commercial world cause some questioning in Wall street, where the recent sharp lesson from the consequence of price inflation has been taken to heart. The growth of the proportion of operating expenses of railroads by reason of high-priced material in the monthly returns published is impressive. The effects to ensue from the advances in railroad rates now going into force on the volume of railroad traffic will be keenly studied in the light of complaints by shipping interests. The well filled order books in the departments of industry give fresh confidence in the continuation of prosperous conditions, but the future demonstration of the possibility of profitable consumption of high-priced products is awaited as an index of the duration of the period of prosperity.

The bond market has been less active than stocks, the level of prices on present returns offering fewer attractions than in stocks. United States 3s, old 4s, new 4s and 5s advanced ½ in the bid price.

The Commercial Advertiser's London financial cablegram says: There was heavy renewal today of the Berlin liquidation accompanied by political rumors in connection with the seizure of German vessels bound for Delagoa bay and the Russian movement of troops in Afghanistan. Nothing authentic was given out. Americans suffered most. The London market was dead, simply allowing foreign sales to depress prices. The Bank of England bought £150,000 gold in eagles and £11,000 in German coin. Money was superabundant and bills were idle. The Board of Trade returns for December show imports down 10.2, but an increase for the year of 3.1. Exports for the month are up 2 and for the year increased 9.4, the latter figure excluding shipbuilding.

The following are the quotations for the leading stocks on the New York exchange today:

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Atchison | 19⅛ | Texas & Pacific | 15 |
| do pfd | 60⅝ | Union Pacific | 46⅝ |
| Baltimore & O. | 56⅝ | do pfd | 74⅝ |
| Canadian Pac. | 91 | Wabash | 7⅝ |
| Canada So. | 49 | do pfd | 21 |
| Ches. & Ohio | 30⅛ | Wheel. & L. E. | 9⅝ |
| Chicago G. W. | 12⅝ | do pfd | 27⅝ |
| C., B. & Q. | 121¾ | Wis. Central | 19⅛ |
| Chi., Ind. & L. | 15 | Adams Ex. | 111 |
| do pfd | 47 | American Ex. | 142 |
| Chi. & E. Ill. | 90 | U. S. Ex. | 45 |
| Chicago & N. W. | 162 | Wells-Fargo Ex. | 120 |
| C., R. I. & P. | 106 | Amer. Cot. Oil | 33¾ |
| C. C. C. & St. L. | 63⅞ | do pfd | 90 |
| Colorado So. | 5½ | Amer. Malting | 7½ |
| do 1st pfd | 40 | do pfd | 29 |
| do 2d pfd | 14½ | Amer. S. & R. | 36½ |
| Del. & Hudson | 114¼ | do pfd | 88 |
| Del. L. & W. | 176 | Amer. Spirits | 2½ |
| Denver & R. G. | 17⅛ | do pfd | 17 |
| do pfd | 67 | Amer. Steel H. | 42⅝ |
| Erie | 11 | do pfd | 87½ |
| do 1st pfd | 32 | Amer. S. & W. | 46⅞ |
| Gt. Nor. pfd | 170 | do pfd | 92 |
| Hocking Coal | 15 | Amer. Tin Plate | 31¼ |
| Hocking Valley | 31 | do pfd | 80½ |
| Illinois Central | 111¾ | Amer. Tobacco | 102¾ |
| Iowa Central | 12⅛ | do pfd | 135 |
| do pfd | 50 | Anac. Min. Co. | 39 |
| K. C., P. & G. | 8¾ | Brooklyn R. T. | 72 |
| Lake Erie & W. | 23½ | Colo. Fuel & I. | 42⅞ |
| do pfd | 84 | Con. Tobacco | 33 |
| Lake Shore | 200 | do pfd | 83⅝ |
| L. & N. | 78¼ | Federal Steel | 52 |
| Manhattan L. | 95⅛ | do pfd | 73¾ |
| Met. St. Ry. | 175¼ | Gen. Electric | 121½ |
| Mex. Central | 11⅛ | Glucose Sugar | 50½ |
| Minn. & St. L. | 59 | do pfd | 95 |
| do pfd | 89½ | Inter. Paper | 23¾ |
| Missouri Pacific | 10⅝ | do pfd | 67 |
| Mobile & Ohio | 39½ | Laclede Gas | 73¾ |
| Mis., K. & T. | 9⅝ | National Biscuit | 36 |
| do pfd | 32¼ | do pfd | 86 |
| N. J. Central | 115 | National Lead | 26 |
| N. Y. Central | 136 | do pfd | 105 |
| Norfolk & W. | 23⅝ | National Steel | 42½ |
| do pfd | 68 | do pfd | 92 |
| No. Pacific | 52⅝ | N. Y. Air Brake | 122 |
| do pfd | 73¾ | No. American | 14¾ |
| Ontario & W. | 21¾ | Pacific Coast | 57½ |
| Ore. Ry. & Nav. | 42 | do 1st pfd | 84 |
| do pfd | 76 | do 2d pfd | 64½ |
| Pennsylvania | 131½ | Pacific Mail | 44⅝ |
| Reading | 17⅞ | People's Gas | 103⅞ |
| do 1st pfd | 51½ | Pressed S. Car | 55½ |
| do 2d pfd | 27½ | do pfd | 85 |
| Rio G. W. | 35 | Pullman P. Car | 187 |
| do pfd | 81 | Standard R. & T. | 9 |
| St. L. & S. F. | 9⅛ | Sugar | 130⅜ |
| do 1st pfd | 68 | do pfd | 110 |
| do 2d pfd | 33 | Tenn. Coal & I. | 84¾ |
| St. L. Southw. | 10¼ | U. S. Leather | 16⅛ |
| do pfd | 24½ | do pfd | 74¾ |
| St. Paul | 117⅝ | U. S. Rubber | 42 |
| do pfd | 172 | do pfd | 104 |
| St. P. & Omaha | 118 | Western Union | 87 |
| So. Pacific | 36⅝ | Republic I. & S. | 21¾ |
| So. Railway | 11⅝ | do pfd | 66 |
| do pfd | 53⅛ | P. C. C. & St. L. | 79¼ |

**New York Money Market.**

NEW YORK, Jan. 6.—MONEY—On call, easier at 3 per cent; prime mercantile paper, 6 per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.87⅝ for demand and $4.83¼ for sixty days; posted rates, $4.88¼@4.88½, and $4.88.

SILVER—Certificates, 58½@59½c; bar, 59c; Mexican dollars, 48½c.

BONDS—State bonds, steady; railroad bonds, easier; U. S. 2s, reg., 102½; 3s, reg., 109⅞; coupon, 110⅝; new 4s, reg. and coupon, 134¼; old 4s, reg. and coupon, 114½; 5s, reg. and coupon, 113¾.

The following are the closing quotations on bonds:

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| U. S. 2s, reg. | 102½ | N. Y. C. 1s | 108½ |
| do 3s, reg. | 109⅞ | N. J. C. gen. 5s | 118¼ |
| do coupon | 110⅝ | N. Carolina 6s | 127 |
| do new 4s, reg. | 134¼ | do 4s | 106 |
| do coupon | 134¼ | Nor. Pac. 1s | 110 |
| do old 4s, reg. | 111⅛ | No. Pacific 3s | 65½ |
| do coupon | 114½ | do 4s | 103½ |
| do 5s, reg. | 113¾ | N.Y.C. & St.L.4s | 104⅛ |
| do coupon | 113¾ | N. & W. gen. 4s | 92⅞ |
| D. of C. 3 65s | 119 | do gen. 6s | 129 |
| Atchison gen. 4s | 99⅝ | Ore. Nav. 1s | 110 |
| do adj. 4s | 79½ | do 4s | 101⅛ |
| Canada So. 2s | 108 | Ore. S. L. 6s | 130 |
| C. & O. 4½s | 96½ | do consol 5s | 110½ |
| Ches. & O. 5s | 115 | Reading gen. 4s | 84 |
| C. & N. con. 7s | 139 | Rio G. W. 1s | 95 |
| do S. F. deb. 5s | 118½ | St.L. & I.M. c.5s | 110 |
| Chicago Ter. 4s | 91 | St. L. & S.F. g.6s | 120 |
| D. & R. G. 1s | 102½ | St. Paul consols | 167½ |
| do 4s | 97½ | St. P., C. & P.1s | 118 |
| E. T., V. & G.1s | 101 | do 5s | 118¼ |
| Erie gen. 4s | 68¼ | So. Railway 5s | 108¾ |
| F. W. & D. C.1s | 73½ | S. R. & T. 6s | 80¼ |
| Gen. Electric 5s | 119 | Tenn. n. s. 3s | 91 |
| G. H. & S. A. 6s | 108 | Texas & Pac. 1s | 111½ |
| do 2s | 105 | do 2s | 54 |
| H. & T. C. 5s | 109¾ | Union Pacific 4s | 102¼ |
| do con. 6s | 111¼ | Wabash 1s | 113⅞ |
| Ia. Central 1s | 111½ | do 2s | 99 |
| K. C., P. & G. 1s | 68 | West Shore 4s | 110½ |
| La. n. con. 4s | 106¼ | Wis. Central 1s | 89⅝ |
| L. & N. uni. 4s | 96¾ | Va. Centuries | 85 |
| So. Pacific 4s | 81 | do deferred | 5 |
| M., K. & T. 2s | 67¾ | Colo. So. 4s | 83 |
| do 4s | 89⅜ | So. Pacific 4s | 81 |

**New York Mining Stocks.**

NEW YORK, Jan. 6.—The following are the official closing quotations for mining shares:

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Chollar | 16 | Ontario | 735 |
| Crown Point | 10 | Ophir | 64 |
| Con. Cal. & Va. | 145 | Plymouth | 8 |
| Deadwood | 50 | Quicksilver | 175 |
| Gould & Currie | 18 | do pfd | 800 |
| Hale & Norcross | 35 | Sierra Nevada | 41 |
| Homestake | 6500 | Standard | 240 |
| Iron Silver | 54 | Union Con. | 24 |
| Mexican | 28 | Yellow Jacket | 18 |

**London Stock Quotations.**

LONDON, Jan. 6.—4 p. m.—Closing:

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cons., money | 98 13-16 | N. Y. Central | 139⅝ |
| Cons., acct. | 98 15-16 | Pennsylvania | 67½ |
| Canadian Pac. | 93¼ | Reading | 9¼ |
| Erie | 11½ | No. Pacific pfd. | 74⅞ |
| do 1st pfd | 33 | Atchison | 19⅝ |
| Illinois Central | 114¾ | Louisville | 80¾ |
| Union Pac. pfd. | 76¼ | Anaconda | 6⅞ |
| St. P. common | 120⅝ | Grand Trunk | 7⅞ |

BAR SILVER—Firm at 27⅛d per ounce.

MONEY—3 per cent.

The rate of discount in the open market for short bills, 4½ per cent; for three months' bills, 4½@4¾ per cent.

**Wool Market.**

NEW YORK, Jan. 6.—WOOL—Dull; domestic fleece, 21@26c; Texas, 14@17c.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 6.—WOOL—Dull and firm but unchanged.

# OMAHA LIVE STOCK MARKET

Very Light Receipts of Cattle and No Marked Changes in Prices.

DEMAND FOR HOGS IN EXCESS OF SUPPLY

**Trade Active and Everything Sells in Good Season—Market Closes Stronger Than at the Opening—Good Demand for Sheep.**

SOUTH OMAHA, Jan. 6.

| Receipts were: | Cattle. | Hogs. | Sheep. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Official Monday | 1,494 | 2,070 | 349 |
| Official Tuesday | 2,647 | 2,806 | 2,931 |
| Official Wednesday | 2,962 | 5,701 | 2,346 |
| Official Thursday | 2,728 | 8,437 | 3,084 |
| Official Friday | 1,859 | 8,004 | 1,521 |
| Official Saturday | 268 | 7,950 | 1,616 |
| Total this week | 11,958 | 34,968 | 12,340 |
| Week ending Dec. 30 | 7,736 | 27,268 | 10,008 |
| Week ending Dec. 23 | 10,503 | 54,948 | 7,150 |
| Week ending Dec. 16 | 15,028 | 47,229 | 12,687 |

Average price paid for hogs for the last several days with comparisons:

| | 1899. | 1898. | 1897. | 1896. | 1895. | 1894. | 1893. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Dec. 15 | 3 [illegible] | [illegible] | 3 24 | 3 11 | * | 4 09 | 5 35 |
| Dec. 16 | 4 01 | 3 30 | 3 29 | 3 17 | 3 37 | * | 4 92 |
| Dec. 17 | * | 3 26 | 3 31 | 3 17 | 3 40 | 4 13 | * |
| Dec. 18 | 3 98 | * | 3 31 | 3 16 | 3 36 | 4 13 | 4 90 |
| Dec. 19 | 3 92 | 3 28 | * | 3 18 | 3 31 | 4 07 | 4 87 |
| Dec. 20 | 3 94 | 3 28 | 3 33 | * | 3 24 | 4 11 | 4 73 |
| Dec. 21 | 4 01 | 3 32 | 3 28 | 3 17 | 3 27 | 4 15 | 4 74 |
| Dec. 22 | 4 02 | 3 34 | 3 24 | 3 14 | * | 4 14 | 4 90 |
| Dec. 23 | 4 04 | 3 37 | 3 21 | 3 17 | 3 27 | * | 4 98 |
| Dec. 24 | * | 3 47 | 3 26 | 3 19 | 3 31 | 4 13 | * |
| Dec. 25 | ** | ** | ** | ** | ** | ** | ** |
| Dec. 26 | 4 17 | 3 50 | * | 3 20 | 3 30 | 4 17 | 5 11 |
| Dec. 27 | 4 09 | 3 44 | 3 26 | * | 3 38 | 4 13 | 5 10 |
| Dec. 28 | 4 14 | 3 48 | 3 32 | 3 21 | 3 36 | 4 10 | 5 11 |
| Dec. 29 | 4 16 | 3 45 | 3 30 | 3 18 | * | 4 13 | 5 07 |
| Dec. 30 | 4 14 | 3 45 | 3 31 | 3 15 | 3 41 | * | 5 14 |
| Dec. 31 | * | 3 51 | 3 25 | 3 17 | 3 39 | 4 23 | * |
| | 1900. | 1899. | 1898. | 1897. | 1896. | 1895. | 1894. |
| Jan. 1 | 4 21 | * | 3 42 | 3 18 | 3 40 | 4 22 | 5 12 |
| Jan. 2 | 4 33 | 3 57 | * | 3 17 | 3 43 | 4 16 | 5 16 |
| Jan. 3 | 4 29 | 3 57 | 3 48 | * | 3 46 | 4 08 | 5 05 |
| Jan. 4 | 4 27 | 3 44 | 3 41 | 3 25 | 3 51 | 4 11 | 5 10 |
| Jan. 5 | 4 37 | 3 47 | 3 38 | 3 27 | * | 4 16 | 5 15 |
| Jan. 6 | 4 35 | 3 48 | 3 39 | 3 29 | 3 53 | * | 5 07 |

* Indicates Sunday. ** Holiday.

The official number of cars of stock brought in today by each road was:

| | Cattle. | Hogs. | Sh'p. | H'r's. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| C., M. & St. P. Ry. | .. | 9 | ... | .. |
| O. & St. L. Ry. | .. | 2 | ... | .. |
| Missouri Pacific Ry. | 4 | .. | ... | .. |
| Union Pacific | 2 | 24 | ... | 10 |
| C. & N. W. Ry. | .. | 8 | ... | .. |
| F., E. & M. V. R. R. | .. | 22 | ... | .. |
| C., St. P., M. & O. | 1 | 9 | ... | .. |
| B. & M. R. R. R. | 1 | 30 | ... | .. |
| C., B. & Q. Ry. | 1 | 12 | ... | .. |
| C., R. I. & Pa., east | .. | 3 | ... | .. |
| C., R. I. & P., west | .. | 1 | ... | .. |
| Total receipts | 9 | 120 | ... | 10 |

The disposition of the day's receipts was as follows, each buyer purchasing the number of head indicated:

| Buyers. | Cattle. | Hogs. | Sheep. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Omaha Packing Co. | .. | 1,010 | ... |
| G. H. Hammond Co. | 16 | 1,104 | ... |
| Swift & Company | .. | 1,558 | ... |
| Cudahy Packing Co. | 96 | 2,049 | 870 |
| Armour & Co. | 17 | 1,979 | ... |
| Omaha Packing Co. | 91 | ..... | ... |
| R. Becker & Degan | 5 | ..... | ... |
| Armour, Sioux City | .. | 191 | ... |
| Other buyers | 34 | ..... | ... |
| Totals | 259 | 7,891 | 870 |

CATTLE—There were no fresh receipts of cattle today to speak of. Not a single load of steers was reported on the market and only five loads of cows and heifers. There were a few dds and ends of feeders and four loads direct to packers, which were not offered for sale. The few cattle on sale sold in about yesterday's notches and the market was without change of importance.

The best cornfed steers have sold at about steady prices this week, and the demand has been good and the market as a rule active on that kind. The offerings of really desirable cattle have been light, and only one bunch was received during the week good enough to bring $6.00. On the other hand, the market on the common to medium kinds has been slow and the tendency has been lower, the loss for the week on that kind amounting to 10@15c, some would say 10@20c. Shippers must bear in mind that common and half fat cattle sell very uneven, that is, when buyers just happen to have use for a few they will pay pretty good prices, and again, cattle of the same kind will not bring nearly as much just because no one happens to have a place for them.

Cows and heifers declined considerably during the last few days, and for the week it is safe to quote the market 15@25c lower. Even good heifers sold lower, but as a matter of course the decline was the heaviest on the less desirable stuff. Canners have declined 25@40c on account of a change in the manner of selling. It has been customary to sell the most of the common canners at this point subject to inspection by the government officers at the packing houses. In case the carcass was condemned the shipper lost it. Under the new rule the stuff is sold on its merits for what it is supposed to be worth, and if the government condemns it the buyer is the loser.

Stockers and feeders have been in active demand all the week, and as the supply has been small the market has gradually firmed up and at the close of the week it is as high as it ever was, or higher. The country has seemed to want feeders regardless of price and have paid extremely high prices. Representative sales:

COWS.

| No. | Av. | Pr. | No. | Av. | Pr. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 710 | 1 50 | 1 | 1040 | 3 25 |
| 1 | 750 | 1 50 | 1 | 1150 | 3 25 |
| 1 | 1030 | 1 50 | 1 | 1020 | 3 25 |
| 1 | 1090 | 1 60 | 1 | 1000 | 3 30 |
| 1 | 830 | 1 60 | 1 | 1110 | 3 30 |
| 1 | 750 | 1 60 | 3 | 1213 | 3 30 |
| 1 | 1041 | 2 25 | 1 | 1160 | 3 40 |
| 1 | 940 | 2 50 | 3 | 1056 | 3 45 |
| 1 | 1060 | 2 50 | 2 | 1025 | 3 50 |
| 5 | 1058 | 2 60 | 1 | 980 | 3 50 |
| 1 | 1000 | 2 75 | 2 | 1150 | 3 50 |
| 2 | 930 | 2 75 | 1 | 780 | 3 60 |
| 1 | 1150 | 2 75 | 15 | 1153 | 3 75 |
| 1 | 830 | 2 75 | 2 | 1365 | 3 80 |
| 8 | 1097 | 2 75 | 5 | 1192 | 3 80 |
| 5 | 1096 | 3 00 | 2 | 1365 | 3 95 |
| 1 | 800 | 3 15 | 3 | 1033 | 4 00 |
| 2 | 1170 | 3 15 | | | |

HEIFERS.

| No. | Av. | Pr. | No. | Av. | Pr. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 730 | 4 00 | 7 | 930 | 4 10 |
| 25 | 1006 | 4 00 | | | |

BULLS.

| No. | Av. | Pr. | No. | Av. | Pr. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 1220 | 3 00 | 1 | 1200 | 3 40 |
| 1 | 900 | 3 25 | | | |

CALVES.

| No. | Av. | Pr. | No. | Av. | Pr. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2 | 120 | 6 25 | 1 | 140 | 6 50 |

STAGS.

| No. | Av. | Pr. |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | 1430 | 3 85 |

STOCK COWS AND HEIFERS.

| No. | Av. | Pr. | No. | Av. | Pr. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 449 | 3 60 | 2 | 650 | 3 75 |

STOCK CALVES.

| No. | Av. | Pr. | No. | Av. | Pr. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 270 | 3 00 | 8 | 381 | 4 85 |

STOCKERS AND FEEDERS.

| No. | Av. | Pr. | No. | Av. | Pr. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 400 | 2 85 | 4 | 784 | 4 20 |
| 1 | 410 | 4 00 | 1 | 670 | 4 40 |
| 1 | 450 | 4 00 | 2 | 590 | 4 50 |
| 1 | 620 | 4 00 | | | |

HOGS—For the last day of the week there was a large run of hogs, but as it turned out there were not enough to fill all the orders and some of the buyers complained that they did not get as many as they wanted. The demand at this point seems to be in excess of the receipts just at present.

The market opened 2½@5c lower this morning under the influence of the lower advices from other selling points. The trade was active at the decline noted, so that the hogs were all sold in good season. Toward the close, as it became apparent that there were not hogs enough to go the rounds, at least no surplus, the market firmed up and closed a little stronger than it opened. As to prices, pigs sold at $3.95. Some rough mixed loads, consisting of big heavy packers and small pigs sold at $4.25. Some few rough mixed loads brought $4.30@4.32½, but the great bulk of all the good loads went at $4.35, as against $4.35@4.37½ yesterday. Some of the better loads sold at $4.37½, with a top at $4.40. The top yesterday, it will be remembered, was $4.45.

While there have been ups and downs the general tendency of the hog market this week has been higher and a considerable advance has been scored. The week started out with an advance of 5@7½c and on Tuesday 12½c was put on. On Wednesday and Thursday the market reacted, there being a loss for the two days of a big 5c. On Friday the market boomed again, and though there was a slight loss on the last day of the week, the week closed with values 22½c higher. The table of average prices will show the average fluctuation from day to day as well as comparisons with previous years. Representative sales:

| No. | Av. | Sh. | Pr. | No. | Av. | Sh. | Pr. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 19 | 110 | ... | 3 75 | 39 | 296 | 240 | 4 35 |
| 128 | 81 | ... | 3 95 | 49 | 262 | 80 | 4 35 |
| 97 | 174 | 40 | 4 20 | 71 | 257 | 120 | 4 35 |
| 65 | 262 | 160 | 4 30 | 52 | 296 | ... | 4 35 |
| 56 | 185 | ... | 4 30 | 52 | 345 | 200 | 4 35 |
| 69 | 192 | ... | 4 30 | 77 | 245 | 80 | 4 35 |
| 78 | 207 | 120 | 4 30 | 60 | 276 | ... | 4 35 |
| 85 | 240 | 80 | 4 32½ | 52 | 313 | 120 | 4 35 |
| 34 | 320 | 80 | 4 32½ | 52 | 285 | 160 | 4 35 |
| 51 | 295 | 240 | 4 32½ | 65 | 258 | ... | 4 35 |
| 68 | 241 | 160 | 4 32½ | 56 | 249 | 40 | 4 35 |
| 85 | 198 | 40 | 4 32½ | 58 | 277 | ... | 4 35 |
| 66 | 189 | ... | 4 32½ | 53 | 261 | 80 | 4 35 |
| 54 | 253 | 80 | 4 32½ | 61 | 280 | 160 | 4 35 |
| 148 | 209 | ... | 4 32½ | 60 | 284 | 80 | 4 35 |
| 68 | 277 | 320 | 4 32½ | 62 | 257 | 160 | 4 35 |
| 80 | 220 | 120 | 4 32½ | 56 | 276 | 80 | 4 35 |
| 68 | 232 | 160 | 4 32½ | 76 | 283 | 120 | 4 35 |
| 68 | 227 | 80 | 4 32½ | 61 | 277 | 80 | 4 35 |
| 79 | 233 | 200 | 4 32½ | 58 | 296 | 40 | 4 35 |
| 62 | 280 | 40 | 4 32½ | 39 | 265 | 80 | 4 35 |
| 67 | 237 | 120 | 4 32½ | 81 | 257 | 160 | 4 35 |
| 59 | 262 | 160 | 4 32½ | 82 | 232 | 40 | 4 35 |
| 67 | 257 | ... | 4 35 | 67 | 273 | 80 | 4 35 |
| 54 | 314 | 80 | 4 35 | 48 | 247 | 120 | 4 35 |
| 45 | 309 | 160 | 4 35 | 60 | 294 | 40 | 4 35 |
| 62 | 273 | ... | 4 35 | 62 | 282 | ... | 4 35 |
| 47 | 318 | 120 | 4 35 | 45 | 258 | 80 | 4 35 |
| 78 | 257 | 80 | 4 35 | 61 | 280 | 80 | 4 35 |
| 65 | 250 | 80 | 4 35 | 60 | 274 | 120 | 4 35 |
| 64 | 273 | 120 | 4 35 | 56 | 241 | 200 | 4 35 |
| 48 | 264 | 80 | 4 35 | 70 | 246 | ... | 4 35 |
| 66 | 252 | ... | 4 35 | 67 | 247 | ... | 4 35 |
| 53 | 322 | 40 | 4 35 | 41 | 331 | ... | 4 35 |
| 53 | 234 | 40 | 4 35 | 75 | 247 | 40 | 4 37½ |
| 69 | 260 | 160 | 4 35 | 81 | 251 | ... | 4 37½ |
| 63 | 251 | 80 | 4 35 | 82 | 220 | 40 | 4 37½ |
| 44 | 325 | 80 | 4 35 | 61 | 270 | 120 | 4 37½ |
| 74 | 217 | ... | 4 35 | 67 | 222 | ... | 4 37½ |
| 79 | 240 | ... | 4 35 | 65 | 284 | 40 | 4 37½ |
| 66 | 284 | 120 | 4 35 | 48 | 377 | ... | 4 37½ |
| 51 | 277 | 80 | 4 35 | 59 | 281 | 40 | 4 37½ |
| 66 | 272 | 40 | 4 35 | 73 | 271 | 40 | 4 37½ |
| 79 | 254 | 320 | 4 35 | 69 | 260 | ... | 4 37½ |
| 71 | 277 | ... | 4 35 | 80 | 244 | ... | 4 37½ |
| 57 | 287 | 120 | 4 35 | 56 | 302 | ... | 4 37½ |
| 70 | 256 | 80 | 4 35 | 59 | 286 | 160 | 4 37½ |
| 60 | 293 | 80 | 4 35 | 70 | 258 | 80 | 4 37½ |
| 76 | 185 | ... | 4 35 | 58 | 300 | 80 | 4 37½ |
| 63 | 232 | ... | 4 35 | 61 | 228 | 120 | 4 37½ |
| 75 | 246 | ... | 4 35 | 69 | 252 | ... | 4 37½ |
| 62 | 249 | 40 | 4 35 | 44 | 415 | 80 | 4 37½ |
| 47 | 359 | 40 | 4 35 | 56 | 281 | ... | 4 37½ |
| 66 | 307 | 40 | 4 35 | 90 | 223 | 80 | 4 37½ |
| 55 | 242 | 120 | 4 35 | 79 | 261 | 120 | 4 37½ |
| 69 | 285 | 80 | 4 35 | 58 | 267 | ... | 4 40 |
| 142 | 305 | 240 | 4 35 | 54 | 339 | 160 | 4 40 |

SHEEP—There was quite a bunch of sheep driven in from near-by points, though no carloads were reported received. The market was in good shape and everything changed hands early in the morning. A bunch of the J. J. Hurt yearlings, good stuff, sold some days ago, were weighed up at $4.62½, and a bunch of fair wethers sold at $4.52½. Some pretty fair ewes brought $4.25.

The sheep market has been in good shape for the sellers this week, as the tendency of values has been steadily upwards. The demand has been good and the supply moderate, so that it has been no trouble for receivers to keep the supply well cleaned up. In fact on most days of the week the pens were cleared at a very early hour in the morning. The total advance for the week can safely be placed at 25@30c. Some yearlings actually sold 30c higher than the same kind brought the week before.

Quotations: Good to choice fed yearlings, $4.50@4.90; good to choice wethers, $4.40@4.65; good to choice fed ewes, $4.00@4.25; fair to good fed ewes, $3.50@3.90; good to choice native lambs, $5.50@5.90; good to choice fed western lambs, $5.50@5.75; fair to good fed western lambs, $5.00@5.40; feeder wethers, $3.75@3.90; feeder yearlings, $4.00@4.25; good to choice feeder lambs, $4.25@4.60; fair to good feeding lambs, $4.00@4.25; feeder ewes, $2.25@3.00. Representative sales:

| No. | | Av. | Pr. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 10 | western ewes | 112 | $3 00 |
| 202 | western ewes | 111 | 4 25 |
| 245 | western wethers | 107 | 4 52½ |
| 401 | western yearlings | 98 | 4 62½ |

**CHICAGO LIVE STOCK MARKET.**

**Prices Average Higher for the Week in Cattle, Hogs Steady.**

CHICAGO, Jan. 6.—With a gain of 8,500 head in the week's receipts prices averaged higher; good to choice, $5.35@5.60; poor to medium, $4.20@5.20; mixed stockers, $3.00@3.75; selected feeders, $4.20@4.90; good to choice cows, $3.00@4.90; heifers, $3.50@5.00; canners, $2.25@3.00; bulls, $2.60@4.95; calves, $4.00@7.50; fed Texas beeves, $4.10@5.20.

HOGS—Steady, closing a shade stronger; top, $4.52½; good clearance; mixed and butchers, $4.25@4.45; good to choice heavy, $4.40@4.50; rough heavy, $4.20@4.35; light, $4.20@4.42½; bulk of sales, $4.37½@4.45.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Steady; good clearance; native wethers, $4.40@5.05; lambs, $4.50@6.25; western wethers, $4.25@4.75; western lambs, $5.50@6.25.

RECEIPTS—Cattle, 4,000 head; hogs, 26,000 head; sheep, 2,000 head.

**Kansas City Live Stock.**

KANSAS CITY, Jan. 6.—CATTLE—Receipts, 300 head; supply too light to make a market and prices largely nominal; heavy native steers, $5.25@6.15; lightweights, $4.50@5.70; stockers and feeders, $3.25@5.25; butchers' cows and heifers, $3.10@4.50; canners, $2.50@3.10; fed westerns, $4.00@5.40; western feeders, $3.60@4.50; Texans, $3.50@4.45.

HOGS—Receipts, 7,670 head; market trifle slow, averaging about steady; average for week, about 12½c lower; heavy and mixed, $4.35@4.42½; light, $4.25@4.37½; pigs, $3.85@4.00.

SHEEP—Receipts for week, 13,000 head; demand for killing has exceeded supply, prices today ruling 15c higher than on the corresponding day last week; lambs, $5.00@5.75; muttons, $4.25@4.75; stockers and feeders, $3.00@4.90; bulls, $2.00@3.00.

**St. Louis Live Stock.**

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 6.—CATTLE—Receipts, 300 head, including 200 head Texans; market steady; native shipping and export steers, $5.00@5.50; dressed beef and butchers' steers, $4.00@5.50; steers under 1,000 lbs., $3.25@5.25; stockers and feeders, $2.50@4.65; cows and heifers, $2.00@5.00; canners, $1.50@3.00; bulls, $2.50@4.25; Texas and Indian steers, $3.60@4.85; cows and heifers, $2.75@3.75.

HOGS—Receipts, 5,600 head; market 5@10c lower; pigs and lights, $4.30@4.40; packers, $4.35@4.45; butchers, $4.45@4.52½.

SHEEP—Receipts, 100 head; market steady; native muttons, $4.25@5.60; lambs, $5.50@6.10; culls and bucks, $2.25@3.25.

**New York Live Stock.**

NEW YORK, Jan. 6.—BEEVES—Receipts, 44 head; very little trading; steady; exports, 665 head cattle, 130 head sheep and 1,800 quarters of beef.

CALVES—Receipts, 62 head; very little doing; veals, nominally steady; common barnyard calves, $3.25; car westerns unsold.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Receipts, 2,422 head; steady; sheep, poor to fair, $2.50@4.25; lambs, $6.25@6.70; Canadian lambs, $6.50; culls, $4.00@4.50.

HOGS—Receipts, 6,063 head; half a car on sale; nominally steady.

**St. Joseph Live Stock.**

SOUTH ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Jan. 6.—(Special.)—The Journal quotes:

CATTLE—Receipts, 200 head; market nominal; demand strong for all kinds.

HOGS—Receipts, 7,500 head; market easy to 5c lower; all grades, $4.30@4.42½; bulk of sales, $4.32½@4.37½.

SHEEP—Receipts, none; demand strong; 15@25c higher for the week.

**Stock in Sight.**

Following are the receipts at the four principal western markets for January 6:

| | Cattle. | Hogs. | Sheep. |
|---|---|---|---|
| South Omaha | 268 | 7,950 | 1,616 |
| Chicago | 4,000 | 26,000 | 2,000 |
| Kansas City | 300 | 7,670 | 13,000 |
| St. Louis | 300 | 5,600 | 100 |
| Totals | 4,868 | 47,220 | 16,716 |

**Toledo Market.**

TOLEDO, O., Jan. 6.—WHEAT—Dull, lower; No. 2 cash, 69½c; May, 72¾c bid.

CORN—Lower, steady; No. 2 mixed, 32c.

OATS—Dull, steady; No. 2 mixed, 24c.

RYE—Neglected.

SEEDS—Clover, active, lower; prime cash, old, $4.90 asked; January, new, $5.65; March, $5.72½ bid.

**Coffee Market.**

NEW YORK, Jan. 6.—COFFEE—Futures opened barely steady, with prices unchanged to 5 points lower, but steadied soon after the opening and ruled fairly active and firm despite large receipts at Rio and Santos and an absence of vigorous speculative support. Selling was checked only by evidence of pronounced strength and large demand in spot coffee department. The market closed quiet, with June 5 points lower and other months unchanged to 5 points higher. Coffee option sales, 21,-500 bags, including: January, $6.20; March, $6.40@6.45; May, $6.50@6.60; July, $6.65; August, $6.65@6.75; September, $6.75@6.80. Spot, Rio, strong; No. 7, invoice, 7 5-16c; No. 7, jobbing, 7 13-16c. Mild, firm.

**Kansas City Grain and Provisions.**

KANSAS CITY, Jan. 6.—WHEAT—May, 65c; cash, No. 2 hard, 62½@63c; No. 3, 57@62½c; No. 2 red, 69@70c; No. 3, 60@67c; receipts, 46 cars.

CORN—May, 29⅝c; cash, No. 2 mixed, 28⅝@28¾c; No. 2 white, 29c; No. 3, 28½@28⅝c.

OATS—No. 2 white, 24@24½c.

RYE—No. 2, 48c.

HAY—Choice timothy, $9.00@9.50; choice prairie, $7.00@7.50.

RECEIPTS—Wheat, 27,600 bu.; corn, 22,100 bu.; oats, 11,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Wheat, 12,000 bu.; corn, 28,-600 bu.; oats, 5,000 bu.

**Sugar Market.**

NEW YORK, Jan. 6.—SUGAR—Raw, firm; fair refining, 3 13-16c; centrifugal, 96 test, 4⅜c; molasses sugar, 3 9-16c; refined, steady; mould A, $5.20; standard A, $4.75; confectioners' A, $4.75; cut loaf, $5.35; crushed, $5.35; powdered, $5.05; granulated $4.95; cubes, $5.10.

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 6.—SUGAR—Quiet; open kettle, 3⅝@4 1-16c; open kettle, centrifugal, 3⅝@4½c; centrifugal, plantation granulated, 4 1-16c; whites, 4⅛@4⅜c; yellow, 3¾@4½c; seconds, 2¾@4 1-16c.

MOLASSES—Quiet; open kettle, 37@49c; centrifugal, 8@23c.

**California Dried Fruits.**

NEW YORK, Jan. 6.—CALIFORNIA DRIED FRUITS—Evaporated apples, quiet and steady; California fruits steady. State evaporated apples, common, 6@6¾c; prime 6¾@7c; choice, 7¾@8c; fancy, 8½@9c. California dried prunes, 3½@8c per lb., as to size and quality. Apricots, Royal, 13@15c; Moor Park, 15@17c. Peaches, peeled, 20@22c; unpeeled, 7½@10c.

**Peoria Market.**

PEORIA, Jan. 6.—CORN—Steady; new, No. 2, 30c.

OATS—Firm; No. 3 white, 23¼@23½c. No. 3 white oats, 24⅛@25c.

WHISKY—Firm at $1.23½, on basis of finished goods.

**Boston Stock Quotations.**

BOSTON, Jan. 6.—Call loans, 6@7 per cent; time loans, 6@7 per cent. Official closing quotations of stocks, bonds and mining shares:

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| A., T. & S. F. | 19⅝ | Westingh. Elec. | 46½ |
| do pfd | 61⅛ | Wis. Central | 19½ |
| Amer. Sugar | 131½ | Dom. Coal | 45 |
| do pfd | 115 | do pfd | 115 |
| Bell Telephone | 311 | Atchison 4s | 98 |
| Boston & Alb'y | 242 | Adventure | 6 |
| Boston Elevated | 98¼ | Allouez Min. Co. | 3 |
| Boston & Me. | 202 | Atlantic | 25 |
| C., B. & Q. | 122 | Boston & Mont. | 283 |
| Ed. Elec. Ill. | 205 | Butte & Boston | 59 |
| Gen. Electric | 122 | Calumet & Hec. | 752 |
| do pfd | 137 | Centennial | 18½ |
| Federal Steel | 51½ | Franklin | 14½ |
| do pfd | 74 | Humboldt | 1 |
| Mex. Central | 11¼ | Osceola | 73 |
| Mich. Telephone | 100 | *Parrot | 42¼ |
| Old Dominion | 212 | Santa Fe Cop. | 6½ |
| Rubber | 41 | Tamarack | 185 |
| Union Pacific | 46⅞ | Winona | 4½ |
| Union Land | 3¼ | Wolverines | 40 |
| West End | 92½ | Utah | 29 |
| do pfd | 111 | | |

*Ex-dividend.

**New York Exports and Imports.**

NEW YORK, Jan. 6.—Imports of specie this week were $9,762 gold and $40,260 silver. Exports of gold and silver from this port to all countries for this week aggregate $829,951 silver bars and coin, and $2,687,931 gold. The imports of dry goods and merchandise at the port of New York for this week were valued at $10,258,913.

**Weekly Bank Statement.**

NEW YORK, Jan. 6.—The weekly bank statement shows the following changes: Surplus reserve, increase $589,650; loans, increase, $4,107,600; specie, increase, $501,800; legal tender, increase, $2,311,400; deposits, increase, $8,906,200; circulation, increase, $191,-400. The banks now hold $11,757,725 in excess of the legal requirements.

**Condition of the Treasury.**

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.—Today's statement of the condition of the treasury shows: Available cash balance, $282,905,790; gold reserve, $225,375,471.

**Bank Clearings.**

NEW YORK, Jan. 6.—Bank clearings, $233,302,100; balances, $9,430,881.

BOSTON, Jan. 6.—Clearings, $25,379,088; balances, $3,175,522.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 6.—Clearings, $4,742,639; balances, $619,324; money, 4@8 per cent; New York exchange, 50c premium bid, 75c premium asked.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 6.—Clearings, $14,-790,451; balances, $1,600,830. For the week: Clearings, $96,072,076; balances, $12,009,665.

BALTIMORE, Jan. 6.—Clearings, $3,255,141; balances, $565,955.

CHICAGO, Jan. 6.—Clearings, $21,909,971; balances, $2,080,081; posted exchange, $4,83½@4.88½; New York exchange, 15c premium.


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