COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL

Decline of Tuesday Partly Regained, May Wheat Closing Firm.

LIVERPOOL A STRENGTHENING FACTOR

Shorts Ready to Cover on Short Provocation—Unseasonable Weather Aids Corn, Which Closes 3-8c Higher.

CHICAGO, Jan. 17.—Light domestic receipts and the small decline at Liverpool in the face of the heavy slump here yesterday resulted in a firm wheat market today, May closing ½@⅜c improved. Unseasonable weather gave backbone to corn, May closing ¼@⅜c over yesterday. Oats at the close were ⅛@¼c higher and provisions a shade lower.

After the deluge of liquidation which marked the two preceding sessions of the Board of Trade the opening of today found a crowd of shorts ready to cover on slight provocation. There was a general feeling, too, that a decline of 2½c would in the natural course of things be partly regained. The relatively small loss at Liverpool, compared with 1⅜@1½c loss here yesterday, combined with light northwest receipts, therefore constituted a sufficient excuse for buying by shorts. May opened ⅛c over yesterday, with trade active. The outside demand was small, but the local buying pressure was sufficient to influence an advance, May ascending to 66c. At this point the market met free selling against calls. Against this, together with a rumor of a British victory in South Africa, caused a reaction, May selling off to 65⅝@65¾c. The market steadied on buying against puts and again advanced, a fresh demand having arisen, carrying May to 66@66⅛c. The close was firm, May ½@⅝c over yesterday at 65⅞c. Though quiet at times trade generally was active.

Corn was firm all day, supported by firm cables, unseasonably wet weather and light country offerings. The shipping demand was as good as it was earlier in the week. At its best the price for May was up ⅜@½c from yesterday, but profit-taking dulled the edge of the gain. Liverpool reported a strong spot demand, but cash business here failed to derive any strength from the firmness of futures. Receipts here were 237 cars. May ranged from 33½c to 33⅞c, closing ¼@⅜c over yesterday at 33⅝c.

Oats were strong, but the other grain markets were firm. The volume of business was fair. Shippers worked 50,000 bu. to the seaboard, but the demand from this quarter was poor. Receipts here were 132 cars. May sold from 24c to 24⅛c, closing ⅛@¼c up at 24@24⅛c.

Provisions opened with a show of strength on hog receipts a bit under expectations and firm prices at the yards, and as offerings were light and corn strong an advance followed. Liberal profit-taking later influenced a decline, which reduced the price to about yesterday's figures. The volume of trade was not large, but was generally active. May pork sold from $10.85 to $11.07½ and closed a shade lower at $10.92½@10.95; May lard from $5.97½ to $6.07½, closing unchanged at $6.02½, and May ribs from $5.75 to $5.85, with the close a shade down at $5.77½@5.80.

Estimated receipts tomorrow: Wheat, 25 cars; corn, 325 cars; oats, 150 cars; hogs, 37,000 head.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yes'y.
*Wheat—					
Jan.	62½	62¾	62⅜	62½@⅝	62⅛
May	65⅝@⅞	66@66⅛	65⅝@½	65⅞	65½@⅝
July	66¼	66⅝	66¼@⅜	66½@⅝	66
*Corn—					
Jan.	31⅛@¼	31¼	31⅛@¼	31¼	31
May	33½@¾	33⅞	33½	33⅝	33¼@⅜
July	34⅜@½	34½	34⅛	34¼	34
*Oats—					
Jan.	......	......	......	22½	22½
May	24	24⅛	24	24@24⅛	23⅞
Pork—					
Jan.	10 65	10 70	10 65	10 70	10 72½
May	11 00	11 07½	10 85	10 97½	10 95
Lard—					
Jan.	5 82½	5 92½	5 82½	5 85	6 02½
May	6 05	6 07½	5 97½	6 02½	6 02½
Ribs—					
Jan.	5 72½	5 75	5 67½	5 70	5 70
May	5 80	5 85	5 75	5 80	5 80

*No. 2.

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Easy; winter patents, $3.40@3.50; straights, $3.00@3.20; clear, $2.90@3.10; spring specials, $3.80@3.90; patents, $3.30@3.50; straights, $2.65@3.00; bakers, $2.20@2.50.

WHEAT—No. 3 spring, 60@62½c; No. 2 red, 65½@66c.

CORN—No. 2, 31⅝@33¾c; No. 2 yellow, 32c.

OATS—No. 2, 23¾@23½c; No. 2 white, 25¾@26c; No. 3 white, 25¼@26c.

RYE—No. 2, 52@54c.

BARLEY—No. 2, 38@41c.

SEEDS—No. 1 flaxseed and northwest, $1.50. Prime timothy, $2.60. Clover, contract grade, $8.35@8.40.

PROVISIONS—Mess pork, per bbl., $9.35@10.72½. Lard, per 100 lbs., $5.82½@5.90. Short ribs sides (loose), $5.55@5.85. Dry salted shoulders (boxed), $5.50@5.75. Short clear sides (boxed), $5.95@6.00.

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

SUGARS—Unchanged; cut loaf, $5.70; granulated, $5.18.

Following are the receipts and shipments for today:

Articles.	Receipts.	Shipm'ts.
Flour, bbls.	63,000	40,000
Wheat, bu.	63,000	46,000
Corn, bu.	434,000	137,000
Oats, bu.	436,000	198,000
Rye, bu.	14,000	7,000
Barley, bu.	123,000	24,000

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was weak; creameries, 19@24½c; dairies, 18@22c. Cheese, firm at 12@12¾c. Eggs, steady; fresh, 16@17c.

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKET.

Quotations for the Day on Various Commodities.

NEW YORK, Jan. 17.—FLOUR—Receipts, 25,810 bbls.; exports, 3,507 bbls.; market active and steady at previous prices. Winter straights, $3.30@3.40; Minnesota patents, $3.75@3.95; winter extras, $2.55@2.85; Minnesota bakers, $2.75@3.00; winter patents, $3.60@3.75; winter low grades, $2.25@2.40. Rye flour, weak; fair to good, $3.15@3.25; choice to fancy, $3.30@3.50. Buckwheat flour, weak at $2.00@2.15.

CORNMEAL—Quiet; yellow western, 80c; city, 78c; Brandywine, $2.20@2.30.

RYE—Easy; No. 2 western, 60½c, f. o. b. afloat; state, 55@56c; c. i. f., New York, car lots.

BARLEY—Easy; feeding, 50@53c; malting, 43½@47½c.

BARLEY MALT—Quiet; western, 55@65c.

WHEAT—Receipts, 85,600 bu.; exports, 8,371 bu. Spot, firm; No. 2 red, 73⅝c, f. o. b., afloat, prompt; No. 1 northern, Duluth, 76⅞c, f. o. b., afloat, prompt; No. 1 hard, Duluth, 79⅝c, f. o. b., afloat, prompt; No. 2 red, 71⅞c, elevator. Options opened firmer on better cables, moderate foreign buying and strength in corn and provisions. Later in the day, however, realizing brought a setback, followed by a final rally on covering. Closed firm, ⅛@⅜c advance. March, 73@73¾c, closed at 73¾c; May, 71 13-16@72 11-16c, closed at 72½c; July, 72¼c, closed at 72¼c.

CORN—Receipts, 87,750 bu.; exports, 68,069 bu. Spot, firm; No. 2, 41½c, f. o. b., and 41c, elevator. Options opened stronger on unfavorable weather news, light receipts, good western demand and higher cables. After a late decline under realizing the market rallied with wheat and closed firm, ¼c advance. May closed at 39⅝c.

OATS—Receipts, 182,000 bu.; exports, 35,676 bu. Spot, steady; No. 2, 29½c; No. 3, 29c; No. 2 white, 32c; No. 3 white, 31½c; track mixed western, 29½@31c; track white, 31½@35c. Options, quiet and featureless.

HAY—Firm; shipping, 72½@80c; good to choice, 80@87½c.

HOPS—Quiet; state, common to choice, 1896 crop, 6c; 1898 crop, 7@9c; 1899 crop, 12@14c; Pacific coast, 1896 crop, 4@6c; 1898 crop, 7@9c; 1899 crop, 12@14c.

HIDES—Firm; Galveston, 20 to 25 lbs., 19½c; Texas dry, 24 to 30 lbs., 14½c; California, 21 to 25 lbs., 21½c.

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

PROVISIONS—Beef, steady; family, $12.00@12.30; mess, $12.50; beef hams, $22.50@23.00; Indian mess, $21.00@23.00. Cut meats, firm; pickled bellies, $5.12½@7.00; pickled shoulders, $5.75@6.00; pickled hams, $8.50@9.25. Lard, easy; western steam closed at $6.25; January, $6.30, nominal; refined, easy; continent, $6.50; South America, $6.65. Pork, firm; mess, $11.00; short clear, $11.50@12.50; family, $12.25@12.75. Tallow, steady; city, 5⅛c; country, 5⅛@5⅝c.

RICE—Steady; domestic, fair to extra, 4@6½c; Japan, 4⅝@5c.

FREIGHTS—To Liverpool, dull; cotton by steam, 25c, nominal; grain by steam, 3¾@3½d.

MOLASSES—Higher; New Orleans, open kettle, good to choice, 44@55c.

PEANUTS—Steady; fancy hand picked, 4@4¼c.

METALS—The day's doings in the metal market were not of a startling nature, nor were price changes particularly important. Tin settled back slightly, following a decline abroad and withdrawal of buyers. The other departments were without new feature. At the close pig iron warrants were dull; lake copper, unchanged at $16.50; tin, quiet with $26.50 bid and $27.00 asked; lead, quiet at $4.70 bid and $4.75 asked; spelter, steady at $4.45 bid and $4.55 asked. 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, weak at 15c.

DRESSED POULTRY—Choice to fancy turkeys, 11c; ducks, 9c; geese, 9c; spring chickens, 7@7½c; hens, 6½@7c; roosters, 4@5c.

LIVE POULTRY—Hens, 5¼@6c; spring chickens, 6½c; old and staggy roosters, 3c; ducks, 6c; geese, 6½c; turkeys, 8c.

BUTTER—Common to fair, 17c; 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., $1.25; extra selects, per can, 30c; extra selects, per gal., $1.60@1.75; New York counts, per can, 37c; 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.

SPINACH—Per box, $1.

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.

ONIONS—Retail, yellow, 70c, red, 85c.

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

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

MUSHROOMS—Per lb. box, 50c.

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

FRUITS.

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

GRAPES—Catawbas, per small basket, 15c; Malaga grapes, per bbl., $7.00@9.00.

CRANBERRIES—Bell and Bugle, per bbl. $7; Jerseys, $6.75.

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., $1.25; shellbarks, $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., 9@10c.

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. 17.—WHEAT—Higher; No. 2 red cash, elevator, 66⅞c; track, 70@70⅛c; January, 66⅞c; May, 68⅛@68⅛c; July, 65⅞c; No. 2 hard, 64@65c. Receipts, 689 bu.

CORN—Higher; No. 2 cash, 31½c; track, 32⅛c; January, 31½c; May, 32⅝c.

OATS—Quiet; No. 2 cash, 24c; track, 24½@24¾c; January, 24c; May, 24⅝@24⅞c; No. 2 white, 26c.

RYE—Easy at 52c.

FLOUR—Dull and barely steady; patents, $3.40@3.50; extra fancy, $3.10@3.15; clear, $2.75@2.90.

SEEDS—Timothy, $2.00@2.35. Flaxseed, quiet at $1.48.

CORNMEAL—Steady at $1.70@1.75.

BRAN—Firm; sacked, east track, 67@67½c.

HAY—Steady; timothy, $9.50@12.00; prairie, $8.00.

METALS—Lead, quiet at $4.62½@4.65. Spelter, firmer at $4.37½.

POULTRY—Steady; chickens, turkeys and ducks, 7½c; geese, 5@5½c.

WHISKY—Steady at $1.23½.

COTTONTIES—$1.10.

BAGGING—5¾@6¼c.

HEMP TWINE—5c.

PROVISIONS—Dry salt boxed meats, extra shorts, $5.87½; clear ribs, $6; clear sides, $6.12½. Bacon, extra shorts, $6.37½; clear ribs, $6.50; clear sides, $6.62½. Pork, steady; jobbing, old, $10.25; new, $11.87½. Lard, quiet; prime steam, $5.67½; choice, $5.70.

RECEIPTS—Flour, 4,000 bbls.; wheat, 9,000 bu.; corn, 30,000 bu.; oats, 58,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Flour, 7,000 bbls.; wheat, 13,000 bu.; corn, 50,000 bu.; oats, 36,000 bu.

Butter, Egg and Cheese Market.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 17.—BUTTER—Dull and ½c lower; fancy western creamery, 24c; fancy western prints, 25c.

EGGS—Firm; fresh nearby, 19c; fresh western, 19c; fresh southwestern, 18c; fresh southern, 18c.

CHEESE—Quiet but firm.

NEW YORK, Jan. 17.—BUTTER—Receipts, 4,855 pkgs.; steady; June creamery, 20@23½c; western creamery, 21@25c; factory, 17@22c.

CHEESE—Receipts, 1,437 pkgs.; firm; fall made, fancy, large and small, 12¾@13c; large late made, 11¾@12c; small, late made, 12@12¼c.

EGGS—Receipts, 6,761 pkgs.; firm; western, 20c, loss off; western, ungraded, at mark, 14@18c.

KANSAS CITY, Jan. 17. — BUTTER — Creamery, 20@23c; dairy, 18c.

EGGS—Liberal receipts do not seem to be checked by lower prices; market weak; fresh Missouri and Kansas stock, ½c lower, firsts selling at 13c, cases returned; storage, also lower at 8@10c.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 17.—BUTTER—Weak; creameries, 19@24½c; dairies, 18@22c.

EGGS—Steady; fresh, 16@17c.

CHICAGO, Jan. 17.—BUTTER—Steady; creamery, 20@25c; dairy, 16@20c.

Kansas City Grain and Provisions.

KANSAS CITY, Jan. 17.—WHEAT—May, 62½c; cash, No. 2 hard, 62c; No. 3, 57@61c; No. 2 red, 70@71c; No. 3, 65@69c. Receipts, 25 cars.

CORN—May, 30½c; cash, No. 2 mixed, 29¾c; No. 2 white, 30¾@31c; No. 3, 30½c.

OATS—No. 2 white, 24½c.

RYE—No. 2, 50c.

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

RECEIPTS—Wheat, 15,000 bu.; corn, 20,100 bu.; oats, 2,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Wheat, 18,600 bu.; corn, 5,200 bu.; oats, 2,000 bu.

Liverpool Grain and Provisions.

LIVERPOOL, Jan. 17.—WHEAT—Spot, No. 1 northern, spring, dull, 5s 10½d; futures steady.

CORN—Spot, American mixed, new, steady, 3s 5½d; American mixed, old, steady, 3s 5¾d; futures, steady; January, 3s 5¾d; February, 3s 5¾d; March, 3s 5¾d.

PROVISIONS—Lard, American, refined, in pails, steady, 32s; prime western, steady, 30s 6d. Bacon, dull, 33s 6d. Shoulders, steady, 34s. Tallow, firm, 27s 9d.

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

Minneapolis Wheat and Flour.

MINNEAPOLIS, Jan. 17.—WHEAT—In store: No. 1 northern, January, 62c; May, 63⅞@63⅝c; July, 64½@64⅝c. On track: No. 1 hard, 64c; No. 1 northern, 62½c; No. 2 northern, 60c.

FLOUR—First patents, $3.30@3.40; second patents, $3.10@3.20; first clear, $2.10@2.20.

BRAN—In bulk, $11.25@11.50.

Toledo Market.

TOLEDO, O., Jan. 17.—WHEAT—Higher and firm; No. 2, cash, 67⅜c; May, 70⅜c.

CORN—Steady; No. 2 mixed, 32c.

OATS—Dull; No. 2 mixed, 24c.

RYE—No market.

CLOVERSEED—Dull and higher; prime cash, old, $4.90; January, new, $5.75; March, $5.80 bid.

Milwaukee Grain Market.

MILWAUKEE, Jan. 17. — WHEAT — Steady; No. 1 northern, 64@65c; No. 2 northern, 62½@63½c.

RYE—Quiet; No. 1, 55½c.

BARLEY—Steady; No. 2, 45@46c; sample, 41@42½c.

Peoria Market.

PEORIA, Jan. 17.—CORN—Higher; new No. 3, 31c.

OATS—Higher; No. 3 white, 24@24¼c.

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

Duluth Wheat Market.

DULUTH, Jan. 17.—WHEAT—No. 1 hard, cash, 64⅝c; No. 1 northern, cash, 62⅞c; May, 65⅝c; July, 66⅝c; No. 2 northern, 60⅝c; No. 1 spring, 60⅞c.

Wool Market.

BOSTON, Jan. 17.—The American Wool and Cotton Reporter will say tomorrow: The wool market is still quiet, although the volume of business transacted during the last week has slightly exceeded that of the previous week and during the last two or three days especially some of the manufacturers have manifested a little more interest in the market. But they are not free purchasers of wool by any means, and the entire week's business foots up a total of less than 3,000,000 lbs. As a result of the dullness experienced since the beginning of last December there has been more pressure to sell, and as a matter of fact it has been possible to purchase wool in a few instances on terms slightly below what it had been previously selling for. In other cases, however, wool has sold at as high prices as were obtained during the recent boom. The London sales, which opened on Tuesday, were a disappointment, as merinos experienced a decline of 5 per cent and cross-breds were slightly weaker. The sales of the week in Boston amounted to 2,667,000 lbs. domestic and 285,000 lbs. foreign, making a total of 2,965,000 lbs., against a total of 2,695,500 lbs. for the corresponding week last year. The sales since January 1 amount to 8,035,600 lbs., against 9,692,000 lbs. for the corresponding time last year.

MOVEMENTS OF STOCKS AND BONDS.

Market Dull, But Undertone of Small Buying Shows Improvement.

NEW YORK, Jan. 17.—The stock market continued dull and without much life, but there was an unmistakable undertone of strength and character of the small buying demand showed a substantial improvement. Dealings in the highly speculative industrials still predominated, but the proportions of the dealings in them were not so excessive. There was a notable movement in the leather stocks early in the day, but it was not well sustained. Third Avenue suffered a violent decline of 6¼ points, but recovered 3¼. Otherwise the group manifested strength under the influence of the covering by the outstanding short interest, who were influenced by the general strength of the market.

Reports of a military success for the British made the London market strong and the strength was reflected here. The upward course of sterling exchange and exchange on Paris served somewhat to neutralize this influence in spite of the continued fall in the English discount rate. The decided improvement in the buying of railroads was conspicuous in the grangers, Southern Pacific and Baltimore & Ohio, though the latter stock met free offerings to realize. The railroad list generally was benefited sympathetically by this strength. The St. Paul statement for the second week in January encouraged buying in view of the increase of $311,555 over last year's earnings, which in turn had been greater than the year before by $144,350. The supplementary report of the Baltimore & Ohio for the six months ending December 31, 1899, was an influence of strength, with its estimate of a surplus over interest and rentals for that period of $3,201,513. Statements on authority of the account of the Southern Pacific stock by Union Pacific interests helped the market for railroads.

The increased grain movement, a good export demand for wheat and the continued increase in the money supply were all factors of strength. So also was the statement of the country's foreign trade for December. The preliminary statement of agricultural exports had shown a decrease from last December of $23,212,368, and as the total exports for the month showed a decrease from December, 1898, of only $14,565,431, the difference is attributed to increase in the exports of manufactured product to the amount of $11,646,937. Taking the calendar year as a whole, the decline in the excess of merchandise exports is about offset by the decline in excess of gold imports, leaving the favorable balance of trade about the same as the year before.

The market for bonds was not active, but very firm. Total sales, par value, $1,225,000. United States 4s advanced ⅛ in the bid price.

The Commercial Advertiser's London financial cablegram says: The markets here today were strong on closing of bear commitments. Consols spurted 1 1-16, influenced by cheap money and the assumption that news from the Transvaal in the immediate future will be favorable; otherwise the markets were idle and of hard tone.

London bought Americans on a small scale. As anticipated yesterday, gold was engaged today for India, £256,000 being taken, while £100,000 was "embarked" for currency commission. For an unstated destination £50,000 was engaged. The bank got £5,000 in eagles. The week's influx of gold was £5,000. More shipments to India are certain; that country is trying to secure the gold it requires from Australia, but the exchange market indicates that London must bear the whole burden. Money continues superabundant at the rates prevailing during the last few days and bills are still easy. Continental exchange was as follows: Paris, 25.25; Berlin, 20.50½. There was some profit taken in the silver market, but prices are not expected to go lower at present.

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

Atchison	19⅝	Texas & Pacific	15¼
do pfd	60⅛	Union Pacific	46¾
Baltimore & O.	58⅛	do pfd	74⅞
Canadian Pac.	92½	Wabash	7
Canada So.	49	do pfd	20¼
Ches. & Ohio	30	Wheel. & L. E.	9½
Chicago G. W.	12½	do 2d pfd	27
C., B. & Q.	121¾	Wis. Central	18
Chi., Ind. & L.	15	Adams Ex	114
do pfd	45	American Ex	143
Chi. & E. Ill.	85	U. S. Ex	47
Chicago & N. W.	160¼	Wells-Fargo Ex	122
C., R. I. & P.	107⅞	Amer. Cot. Oil	32⅞
C. C. C. & St. L.	60⅞	do pfd	92
Colorado So.	5⅝	Amer. Malting	5½
do 1st pfd	43	do pfd	27
do 2d pfd	14½	Amer. S. & R.	37½
Del. & Hudson	115	do pfd	88½
Del. L. & W.	174	Amer. Spirits	2⅛
Denver & R. G.	17¾	do pfd	17
do pfd	68¾	Amer. Steel H.	41
Erie	11	do pfd	81
do 1st pfd	32¾	Amer. S. & W.	46¾
Gt. Nor. pfd	166	do pfd	89¾
Hocking Coal	14	Amer. Tin Plate	29
Hocking Valley	31	do pfd	81
Illinois Central	112	Amer. Tobacco	99⅝
Iowa Central	11⅞	do pfd	133
do pfd	49	Anac. Min. Co.	39¼
K. C., P. & G.	8¼	Brooklyn R. T.	69⅝
Lake Erie & W.	22	Colo. Fue. & I.	14¼
do pfd	83¾	Con. Tobacco	32½
Lake Shore	194	do pfd	83
L. & N.	90¾	Federal Steel	50
Manhattan L.	92¾	do pfd	73
Met. St. Ry.	164⅞	Gen. Electric	121
Mex. Central	10⅝	Glucose Sugar	50
Minn. & St. L.	50	do pfd	97
do pfd	90	Inter. Paper	23
Missouri Pac.	40	do pfd	66¾
Mobile & Ohio	40	Laclede Gas	79¾
Mis., K. & T.	10	National Biscuit	36
do pfd	32¾	do pfd	90½
N. J. Central	115	National Lead	25½
N. Y. Central	134¼	do pfd	105
Norfolk & W.	25	National Steel	41
do pfd	69¼	do pfd	92
No. Pacific	51¾	N. Y. Air Brake	130
do pfd	74⅛	No. American	14¼
Ontario & W.	21½	Pacific Coast	51¼
Ore. Ry. & Nav.	42	do 1st pfd	84
do pfd	76	do 2d pfd	63
Pennsylvania	128¾	Pacific Mail	43½
Reading	17½	People's Gas	103¼
do 1st pfd	49⅝	Pressed S. Car	58
do 2d pfd	26½	do pfd	88
Rio G. W.	39	Pullman P. Car	188
do pfd	80½	Standard R. & T.	9
St. L. & S. F.	9¼	Sugar	118¾
do 1st pfd	68	do pfd	113
do 2d pfd	32	Tenn. Coal & I.	81½
St. L. Southw.	10	U. S. Leather	17⅝
do pfd	25	do pfd	75¾
St. Paul	117¾	U. S. Rubber	40¾
do pfd	169	do pfd	101
St. P. & Omaha	116	Western Union	86¾
So. Pacific	37½	Republic I. & S.	20
So. Railway	11⅝	do pfd	65
do pfd	54	P. C. C. & St. L.	78

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, Jan. 17.—MONEY—On call, easier at 2@4 per cent; last loan, 2½ per cent; prime mercantile paper, 5@6 per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Strong, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.87¼@4.87¾ for demand and at $4.83¾@4.83⅞ for sixty days; posted rates, $4.84½ and $4.88.

SILVER—Certificates, 59@60c; bar, 59¼c; Mexican dollars, 47⅛c.

BONDS—Governments, firm; state, easier; railroad, firm.

The following are the closing quotations on bonds:

U. S. 2s, reg.	102¼	N. Y. C. 1s	108⅝
do 3s, reg.	109⅝	N. J. C. gen. 5s	118
do coupon	110½	N. Carolina 6s	127
do new 4s, reg.	133	do 4s	105
do coupon	134	Nor. Pac. 1s	115
do old 4s, reg.	111¼	No. Pacific 3s	66
do coupon	114½	do 4s	103½
do 5s, reg.	112	N. Y. C. & St. L. 4s	105
do coupon	113¾	N. & W. con. 4s	93¼
D. of C. 3 65s	119	do gen. 6s	129½
Atchison gen. 4s	99⅝	Ore. Nav. 1s	110
do adj. 4s	79¾	do 4s	101½
Canada So. 2s	107¼	Ore. S. L. 6s	129½
Ches. & O. 4½s	96¾	do consol 5s	110½
do 5s	115	Reading gen. 4s	83⅝
C. & N. W. c. 7s	138	Rio G. W. 1s	95½
do S. F. deb. 5s	119	St. L. & I. M. c. 5s	110¾
Chicago Ter. 4s	95	St. L. & S. F. g. 6s	119
D. & R. G. 1s	102	St. Paul consols	166
do 4s	98	St. P. C. & P. 1s	118½
*E. T. V. & G. 1s	101¼	do 5s	118⅝
Erie gen. 4s	69⅝	So. Railway 5s	107
F. W. & D. C. 1s	74½	S. R. & T. 6s	81
*Gen. Elec. 5s	117	Tenn. n. s. 3s	94
G. H. & S. A. 6s	108	Texas & Pac. 1s	112
do 2s	106	do 2s	54
H. & T. C. 5s	110	Union Pacific 4s	103⅝
do con. 6s	110	Wabash 1s	111½
Ia. Central 1s	110	do 2s	100¼
K. C. P. & G. 1s	68	West Shore 4s	112¾
La. new c. 4s	105	Wis. Central 1s	90
L. & N. uni. 4s	98½	Va. Centuries	85¼
M., K. & T. 2s	68¼	do deferred	5
do 4s	89½	So. Pacific 4s	82
Colo. So. 4s	85		

*Offered.

Foreign Financial.

LONDON, Jan. 17.—The market for American securities opened firm, with prices above parity level and continued so throughout the session. Business was limited to professional traders and was of a moderate character. Spanish is closed at 68⅝c. The amount of bullion withdrawn from the Bank of England on balance today was £501,000. The sum of £100,000 gold was transferred to the Indian currency account. Gold premiums: Buenos Ayres, 129.50; Madrid, 28.25; Rome, 7.17½; bar gold, 77s 9½d. Indian council bills were allotted today at 1s 4 15-32d.

PARIS, Jan. 17.—Prices started firm on the bourse today, afterward became easier owing to uncertainty of the fate of General Buller's force in South Africa and toward the close became steadier. Spanish 4s and Brazilian securities were maintained; Rio Tintos fluctuated, but closed firm; Kaffirs closed strong on London advices. Three per cent rentes, 100f 5c for the account; Spanish 4s closed at 68½.

BERLIN, Jan. 17.—Prices were dull at the opening of the bourse today, owing to the absence of war news, but closed firmer on the expected imminent liberation by the British authorities of the seized German Bundesrath. Exchange on London, 20 marks 50½ pfgs. for checks; private rate of discount, 4½ per cent.

Boston Mining Stocks.

BOSTON, Jan. 17.—Call loans, 5@6 per cent; time loans, 5@6 per cent. Official closing quotations of stocks, bonds and mining shares:

A., T. & S. F.	19⅞	W's. Central	18
do pfd	60⅛	Dom. Coal	41
Amer. Sugar	118⅝	do pfd	115
do pfd	113	Adventure	6
Bell Telephone	330	Allouez Mg. Co.	2
Boston & Alb'y	240	Atlantic	24½
Boston Elevated	95½	Boston & Mont.	260
Boston & Me.	198	Butte & Boston	45
C., B. & Q.	121⅛	Cal. & Hecla	740
Gen. Electric	122½	Centennial	17
do pfd	136	Franklin	14
Federal Steel	50	Humboldt	1
do pfd	71	Osceola	66½
Mex. Central	10⅞	Parrot	40
Mich. Telephone	100	Quincy	145
Old Colony	202	Santa Fe Cop.	5¼
Old Dominion	18½	Tamarack	177
Union Pacific	46⅞	Winona	14½
Union Land	3	Wolverines	40
West End	92	Utah	27
West. Electric	49½		

New York Mining Stocks.

NEW YORK, Jan. 17.—The following are the official closing quotations for mining shares:

Chollar	27	Ontario	800
Crown Point	10	Ophir	64
Con. Cal. & Va.	130	Plymouth	8
Deadwood	55	Quicksilver	150
Gould & Curry	22	do pfd	750
Hale & Norcross	35	Sierra Nevada	37
Homestake	5000	Standard	260
Iron Silver	54	Union Con.	23
Mexican	27	Yellow Jacket	18

London Stock Quotations.

LONDON, Jan. 17.—1 p. m.—Closing:

Consols, money	100 15-16	N. Y. Central	137½
Consols, acct	101	Pennsylvania	66¾
Canadian Pac.	95½	Reading	9⅜
Erie	12½	No. Pacific pfd.	75½
do 1st pfd.	34	Atchison	20⅝
Illinois Central	115½	Louisville	82¼
Union Pac. pfd.	76⅝	Grand Trunk	7
St. P. common	123½	Anaconda	8¼

BAR SILVER—27 5-16d per ounce.

MONEY—1½ per cent. The rate of discount in the open market for short bills, 3¼@3⅝ per cent; for three months' bills, 3⅝@3 13-16 per cent.

Bank Clearings.

BOSTON, Jan. 17.—Clearings, $23,252,689; balances, $1,551,474.

NEW YORK, Jan. 17.—Clearings, $173,245,315; balances, $8,470,849.

CHICAGO, Jan. 17.—Clearings, $24,061,835; balances, $1,775,822. Posted exchange, $4.84@4.88. New York exchange, 50c premium.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 17.—Clearings, $5,831,012; balances, $631,385. Money, 5@7 per cent. New York exchange, 50c premium bid, 75c premium asked.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 17.—Clearings, $17,826,519; balances, $2,305,781.

BALTIMORE, Jan. 17.—Clearings, $3,404,869; balances, $467,259.

Condition of the Treasury.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—Today's statement of the condition of the treasury shows: Available cash balance, $282,782,293; gold reserve, $222,962,390.

Cotton Market.

NEW YORK, Jan. 17.—COTTON—Futures closed steady; January, $7.36; February, $7.32; March, $7.35; April, $7.36; May, $7.38; June, $7.38; July, $7.40; August, $7.38; September, $6.89; October, $6.75; November, $6.71; December, $6.70. Spot closed quiet and steady and 1-16c higher; middling uplands, 7 11-16c; middling gulf, 7 15-16c; sales, 190 bales.

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 17. — COTTON — Steady; sales, 3,550 bales; ordinary, 6⅛c; good ordinary, 6⅝c; low middling, 7⅛c; middling, 7⅝c; good middling, 7 9-16c; middling, 7⅝c; receipts, 1,255 bales; stock, 405,591 bales. Futures, steady; January, $7.17 bid; February, $7.17@7.19; March, $7.19@7.20; April, $7.20@7.22; May, $7.21@7.22; January, $7.22@7.23; July, $7.25@7.26; August, $7.08@7.10; September, $6.69@6.71; October, $6.53@6.55.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 17. — COTTON — Unchanged; sales, none; middling, 7 7-16c; receipts, 2,470 bales; shipments, 2,793 bales; stock, 98,727 bales.

GALVESTON, Jan. 17.—COTTON—Steady at 7 5-16c.

LIVERPOOL, Jan. 17.—Southern, fair demand; prices unchanged; American middling, 4⅛d; sales were 10,000 bales, of which 5,000 bales were for speculation and export and included 9,000 bales American; receipts, 12,600 bales, all American. Futures opened easy at the decline and closed steady at the advance; American, l. m. c., January, 4 22-64d, sellers; January and February, 4 18-64@4 19-64d, sellers; February and March, 4 15-64d, buyers; March and April, 4 12-64d, buyers; April and May, 4 9-64d, sellers; May and June, 4 6-64d, buyers; June and July, 4 4-64d, buyers; July and August, 4 2-64d, buyers; August and September, 3 60-64@3 61-64d, buyers; September and October, 3 52-64@3 53-64d, sellers; October and November, 3 44-64@3 47-64d, sellers.

London Wool Auction.

LONDON, Jan. 17.—The offerings at the wool acution sales today numbered 14,916 bales, consisting chiefly of good greasy. There was a better demand, but many withdrawals were noted, operators showing some hesitation and holders asking firm rates. Yesterday's withdrawals totalled 2,000 bales and today's were almost as much. Scoureds were in fair demand at 7½ per cent below the December rates. American representatives bought greasy merinos actively and also greasy crossbreds at yesterday's prices. Cape of Good Hope and Natal stock was in good supply, but not a great quantity was sold, even at a decline of 7½ per cent. Following are the sales: New South Wales, 1,700 bales; scoured, 1s ½d@2s 4½d; greasy, 8½d@1s 4d. Queensland, 400 bales; scoured, none; greasy, 11½d@1s 3d. Victoria, 3,000 bales; scoured, 2s@2s ½d; greasy, 7¾d@1s 5½d. South Australia, 4,400 bales; scoured, none; greasy, 7d@1s 3d. West Australia, 1,800 bales; scoured, none; greasy, 8d@1s 1d. New Zealand, 1,200 bales; scoured, 7½d@2s; greasy, 6¼@11d. Cape of Good Hope and Natal, 2,200 bales; scoured, 1s 1½d@2s 2¾d; greasy, 8½@11½d.

Dry Goods Market.

NEW YORK, Jan. 17.—No material change in the market for staple cotton goods. Improvement in the demand this week is maintained, but the aggregate business is still moderate. The tone of the market is unchanged and prices are steady at first prices in brown, bleached and coarse-colored cottons; prints, quiet but steady; no change in the gingham situation; printing cloths are without business in regulars and odds, quiet and prices unchanged; woolen and worsted dress goods strong; some lines of cheviots advanced 10 per cent and higher prices pending for cashmeres; silks firm and occasionally 5 per cent higher.

Coffee Market.

NEW YORK, Jan. 17.—COFFEE—The market for coffee futures opened steady, 5@10 points higher, and advanced 5@10 points on firmer cables, fairly active buying, smaller receipts and large warehouse deliveries. There were reactionary periods. The general ruling of the market was firm. Closing firm, 5@15 points net advance. Total sales, 35,250 bags, including: January, $6.90; March, $6.95@7.05; May, $7.10@7.15; June, $7.15; July, $7.15@7.20; August, $7.25; September, $7.25; October, $7.25@7.35; November, $7.30; December, $7.35@7.45. Spot, Rio, steady; No. 7, invoice, $8.25; No. 7, jobbing, $8.75. Mild, steady; Cordova, $8.75@12.75.

Sugar Market.

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 17.—SUGAR—Strong, open kettle, 3⅝@4 1-16c; open kettle, centrifugal, 3⅞@4 5-16c; centrifugal, plantation granulated, 4⅝c; whites, 4⅜@4⅝c; yellows, 4⅛@4⅜c; seconds, 2⅝@4c.

MOLASSES—Quiet; open kettle, 32@40c; centrifugal, 8@36c; syrup, 38c.

NEW YORK, Jan. 17.—SUGAR—Raw, strong; fair refining, 3⅞c bid; centrifugal, 96 test, 4 5-16c bid; molasses sugar, 3⅝c bid; refined, firm; crushed, 5.45c; powdered, 5.15c; granulated, 5.05c.

Oil Market.

LONDON, Jan. 17.—OILS—Calcutta linseed, spot, 48s 6d; linseed, 23s 9d. Turpentine spirits, 38s 6d.

LIVERPOOL, Jan. 17.—OILS—Cottonseed, Hull refined, January-April, strong at 21s 6d. Turpentine spirits, firm at 40s.

NEW YORK, Jan. 17.—OILS—Cottonseed, unsettled; prime crude, 33c; yellow, 35@37c. Petroleum, steady. Turpentine, steady.

California Dried Fruits.

NEW YORK, Jan. 17.—CALIFORNIA DRIED FRUITS—Quiet and steady. Evaporated apples were moderately active and steady; other grades slow; state, common, 6½@8c; prime, 6¾@7¼c; choice, 7¾@8¼c; fancy, 8@9c. Prunes, 3½@8c, as to size and quality. Apricots, Royal, 13@15c; Moor Park, 15@18c. Peaches, peeled, 20@23c; unpeeled, 7½@10c.

OMAHA LIVE STOCK MARKET

Pretty Fair Receipts of All Kinds of Live Stock.

CATTLE AS A RULE ARE RATHER WEAK

Hogs Sell a Little Lower Again Today, and Trade in Consequence is Far from Active—Sheep and Lambs Strong and Active.

SOUTH OMAHA, Jan. 17.

Receipts were:	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
Official Monday	2,173	5,457	4,019
Official Tuesday	3,187	8,881	2,341
Official Wednesday	2,899	11,231	2,142
Three days this week	8,259	25,569	8,502
Same day last week	9,461	24,993	8,341
Same days week before	7,193	19,577	6,119
Same three weeks ago	4,261	11,283	3,558

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

	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 18	5 16
Jan. 3	4 26	3 51	3 48	*	3 46	4 08	5 05
Jan. 4	4 27	3 44	3 44	3 25	3 51	4 11	5 10
Jan. 5	4 30	3 44	3 42	3 21	*	4 16	5 15
Jan. 6	4 35	3 48	3 39	3 23	3 73	*	5 07
Jan. 7	*	3 42	3 40	3 18	3 48	4 10	*
Jan. 8	4 34	*	3 43	3 12	3 48	4 09	5 07
Jan. 9	4 38	3 45	*	3 14	3 50	4 11	5 15
Jan. 10	4 35	3 50	3 43	*	3 54	4 09	5 17
Jan. 11	4 41	3 55	3 39	3 07	3 51	4 08	5 10
Jan. 12	4 49	3 60	3 47	3 14	*	4 07	5 23
Jan. 13	4 53	3 55	3 49	3 09	3 47	*	5 11
Jan. 14	*	3 50	3 49	3 19	3 53	4 11	*
Jan. 15	4 58	*	3 47	3 24	3 59	4 11	5 10
Jan. 16	4 52	3 52	*	3 22	3 60	3 88	5 23
Jan. 17	4 45	3 54	3 49	*	3 72	3 87	5 19

* Indicates Sunday.

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.	8	13	..	..
Mo. Pacific Ry.	11	..	..	..
Union Pac. System	29	31	6	4
C. & N. W. Ry.	5	7	..	..
F., E. & M. V. R. R.	27	35	..	..
C., St. P., M. & O. Ry.	15	8	1	..
B. & M. R. R. R.	21	35	1	1
C., B. & Q. Ry.	7	19	..	..
K. C. & St. J.	1	3	..	..
C., R. I. & P. Ry., E.	4	2	2	..
C., R. I. & P. Ry., W.	3	..	..	..
Illinois Central	..	1	..	..
Total receipts	125	157	10	5

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

Buyers.	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sh'p.
Omaha Packing Co.	358	1,235	....
G. H. Hammond Co.	175	1,882	....
Swift and Company	239	1,744	1,394
Cudahy Packing Co.	847	2,144	249
Armour & Co.	130	2,718	495
Omaha P. Co., K. C.	86	....	....
Cudahy P. Co., K. C.	190	....	....
G. H. Hammond Co., K. C.	....	588	....
Armour & Co., S. City.	....	918	....
Vansant & Co.	6	....	....
Lobman & Co.	51	....	....
Hill & Huntzinger	28	....	....
Benton & Underwood	9	....	....
Huston & Co.	35	....	....
Livingstone & Schaller	145	....	....
Hamilton & Rothschild	156	....	....
L. F. Husz	17	....	....
Cary, B. & H.	195	....	....
Bennett	53	....	....
Other buyers	143	....	10
Totals	2,926	11,199	2,152

CATTLE—The market was in very much the same condition as yesterday, that is slow and weak, the general tendency being lower on all kinds of killing cattle. Chicago reported the market at that point as weak to 10c lower and sellers at this point were not slow to take advantage of the opportunity to pound prices.

The market on beef steers was slow and weak to 10c lower, the same as yesterday. It was late before buyers got down to business and still later before sellers had unloaded. The market is uneven and unsatisfactory, a good many sellers characterizing it as "rotten." It would be safe to say that the general market for the week is 10@15c lower. Some would say more than that in extreme cases, while on the other hand some sales of cattle that just happened to suit buyers might not show that much difference.

Cows and heifers were also weak to 10c lower and for the two days it is safe to say that they are 10@15c lower. The feeling appears to be very weak on all kinds, even the best, though as a matter of course the common to medium kinds are the worst sufferers. Fat bulls are also lower, but stocker bulls remain about stationary in price. Veal calves sold in the same notches as yesterday.

Stockers and feeders were in light supply and the market was fully steady on that kind of cattle. Buyers seemed to want the few here and for the most part they cleaned up everything in good season. A bunch that came in late met with ready sale at what looked like good, steady prices. Good feeders are in active demand and the only trouble is that are so hard to get while there seems to be an abundance of common to medium stuff. Quite a good many of the warmed up cattle shipped in for beef are being sold for feeders and taken back into the country to be finished. Representative sales:

BEEF STEERS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
1	790	4 00	42	1059	4 65
48	894	4 10	22	1095	4 65
1	1020	$4 15	9	1105	4 65
18	1219	4 25	14	1154	4 70
16	1020	4 25	16	1083	4 70
2	1150	4 35	36	1233	4 70
10	1085	4 35	10	1018	4 70
34	921	4 40	20	1277	4 75
20	1039	4 40	19	1081	4 75
9	1043	4 40	42	1246	4 75
2	930	4 40	9	1216	4 75
5	1100	4 45	17	1154	4 75
1	1000	4 50	31	1155	4 80
4	1075	4 50	2	1185	5 00
8	1131	4 60	9	1225	5 20
16	1087	4 60	19	1416	5 30

HEIFERS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
1	530	2 25	6	803	3 70
1	650	3 00	1	950	3 75
21	774	3 65	3	900	3 80
2	1020	3 75	12	951	3 95
20	1020	3 80	17	1037	4 00
1	550	3 90	2	1050	4 15
7	804	3 90	1	1190	4 15
1	901	4 10	20	789	4 20
26	960	4 15	1	1300	4 20

COWS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
1	1030	2 00	4	1215	3 25
1	840	2 00	9	1035	3 25
1	880	2 25	1	1370	3 30
1	890	2 25	7	1068	3 30
2	885	2 40	6	1125	3 35
5	981	2 40	5	1014	3 35
1	730	2 50	11	1130	3 40
1	700	2 50	13	1186	3 40
1	930	2 50	1	1240	3 40
1	1120	2 50	2	1090	3 40
1	740	2 65	14	1139	3 45
1	1010	2 65	3	860	3 45
1	1120	2 65	9	846	3 45
4	1025	2 70	7	1102	3 45
2	1065	2 70	10	1036	3 50
2	1100	2 70	9	1225	3 50
5	960	2 75	2	1090	3 50
5	1054	2 75	15	1194	3 50
1	1090	2 75	1	1220	3 50
1	1260	2 75	1	1280	3 50
1	1240	2 75	1	1180	3 50
1	1160	2 75	3	1176	3 50
1	1010	2 75	1	1200	3 50
1	960	2 75	4	1142	3 50
8	1168	2 90	1	1280	3 50
1	950	2 90	21	1047	3 55
1	1360	2 90	20	1550	3 60
2	950	2 90	24	873	3 65
4	1085	3 00	12	1050	3 70
2	1085	3 00	7	1094	3 70
1	964	3 00	21	1161	3 70
10	1128	3 00	17	1197	3 75
6	968	3 10	1	900	3 75
1	1066	3 10	19	1015	3 75
1	1070	3 10	1	1320	3 75
12	1068	3 15	9	1064	3 75
5	998	3 15	10	1050	3 75
2	1500	3 15	25	1067	3 75
2	1135	3 15	14	919	3 80
1	960	3 15	8	1338	3 80
6	1062	3 15	1	1060	3 85
9	1197	3 20	1	1050	3 85
4	962	3 20	7	962	3 85
13	1132	3 20	37	1240	3 85
15	1072	3 25	1	1670	3 90
1	1080	3 25	7	1022	3 90
1	1080	3 25	2	1325	3 90
2	1065	3 25	11	1192	3 90
1	1130	3 25	2	1244	3 90
2	1130	3 25	17	1027	3 90
1	950	3 25	23	1053	4 00
1	1360	3 25	39	1011	4 15
1	1270	3 25	2	1290	4 15
1	1150	3 25	2	1290	4 15
1	960	3 25	1	400	4 75

COWS AND HEIFERS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
16	1040	3 75	12	955	3 90
14	951	3 75	13	934	4 10
41	982	3 80	6	1218	4 15
17	995	3 80			

BULLS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
1	850	2 65	2	1410	3 65
1	1960	3 00	1	1560	3 50
1	1380	3 15	1	1600	3 50
1	1450	3 15	1	1530	3 50
5	1172	3 20	1	1530	3 70
1	1200	3 25	2	1280	3 75
1	1360	3 35	5	1632	3 85
1	1370	3 35	1	1520	3 50
1	950	3 20	2	1290	3 65
1	1160	3 35	1	1610	3 75
3	1576	3 40	1	1720	3 75
1	1190	3 40	2	1390	3 75
1	920	3 50	2	1303	3 75
1	1730	3 65	1	1236	3 75

STOCKERS AND FEEDERS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
1	750	2 85	2	855	4 25
1	560	3 00	1	530	4 25
1	656	3 75	17	801	4 30
1	700	3 75	3	890	4 35
2	520	3 75	15	1083	4 35
1	1000	3 50	5	990	4 40
4	625	3 75	14	967	4 45
3	616	3 60	9	860	4 50
4	522	3 75	21	915	4 50
1	927	3 75	75	840	4 50
3	840	3 75	5	721	4 55
20	788	3 85	1	958	4 55
17	800	3 90	16	766	4 55
2	665	4 00	1	935	4 60
3	535	4 10	11	869	4 60
2	895	4 00	1	960	4 60
1	700	4 05	2	560	4 60
1	450	4 00	2	690	4 70
27	680	4 00	2	785	4 70
31	927	4 10	5	498	4 75
1	1000	4 15	2	400	5 25

CALVES.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
3	307	5 80	1	128	6 75
2	225	6 25	3	150	6 75
1	130	6 50	1	120	7 00

STAGS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
1	1620	4 00	1	1070	4 80

STOCK CALVES.

No.	Av.	Pr.
1	320	4 25

STOCK COWS AND HEIFERS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
9	972	2 90	1	531	3 75
5	826	3 10	22	720	3 90
3	1105	3 10	1	830	3 90
50	867	3 15	1	150	4 00
1	670	3 25	1	610	4 00
2	1075	3 25	15	401	4 25
2	850	3 30	1	930	4 25
1	770	3 30	2	380	4 90
9	675	3 40	31	413	5 25
2	445	3 40	1	230	5 25
8	635	3 60	1	360	5 50
1	520	3 65			

HOGS—There was a good liberal run of hogs today. Of the number reported in Armour had eight cars from Sioux City, but on the other hand there were nine loads carried over from yesterday.

The market was just about 5c lower than the good time yesterday. It was not very active at the decline as sellers were all holding on pretty firmly and bound to get the most out of the hogs possible. The general run of the hogs sold at $4.47½, with a few of the better kinds at $4.50 and some choice heavy and butcher weights at $4.55. Light mixed and rough loads sold down to $4.45 and pigs at $3.90. The long string went at $4.47½, while yesterday half of all the hogs sold at $4.52½.

It will be noted from the table of average prices that the decline of yesterday and today wipes out all the gain made on Saturday and Monday and leaves the market a shade lower than it was on Friday of last week. Values, however, are still 12½c higher than a week ago. Representative sales:

No.	Av.	Sh.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Sh.	Pr.
67	237	80	4 40	69	231	...	4 47½
95	192	40	4 45	66	255	240	4 47½
82	191	40	4 45	72	216	40	4 47½
69	256	80	4 45	57	293	160	4 47½
49	211	80	4 45	60	237	...	4 47½
79	228	80	4 45	79	217	...	4 47½
80	220	160	4 45	68	235	120	4 47½
75	216	80	4 45	45	295	40	4 47½
71	247	120	4 45	65	248	...	4 47½
63	203	80	4 45	64	274	40	4 47½
108	182	...	4 45	148	317	160	4 47½
52	299	120	4 47½	66	267	80	4 47½
73	247	80	4 47½	77	260	80	4 47½
58	225	40	4 47½	55	248	40	4 47½
80	217	...	4 47½	59	293	...	4 47½
67	245	160	4 47½	52	336	...	4 47½
65	280	80	4 47½	65	246	40	4 47½
52	314	...	4 47½	75	259	400	4 47½
48	366	80	4 47½	28	300	...	4 47½
71	247	...	4 47½	67	240	40	4 47½
24	252	...	4 47½	77	221	...	4 47½
52	288	80	4 47½	53	268	160	4 47½
79	264	80	4 47½	75	187	...	4 50
61	221	80	4 47½	53	248	...	4 50
63	276	120	4 47½	60	282	80	4 50
75	245	80	4 47½	81	202	40	4 50
75	188	...	4 47½	57	348	...	4 50
71	250	120	4 47½	68	226	...	4 50
51	271	40	4 47½	64	219	160	4 50
47	350	80	4 47½	73	258	80	4 50
76	230	200	4 47½	23	273	...	4 50
54	283	80	4 47½	95	227	160	4 50
46	279	120	4 47½	71	245	160	4 50
82	238	40	4 47½	67	232	...	4 50
85	197	...	4 47½	62	292	160	4 50
47	245	140	4 47½	44	236	...	4 50
61	306	80	4 47½	75	256	...	4 50
65	277	120	4 47½	25	386	...	4 50
73	207	80	4 47½	61	249	...	4 50
94	229	160	4 47½	73	225	80	4 50
76	287	240	4 47½	56	341	40	4 50
39	259	80	4 47½	59	239	80	4 50
10	352	...	4 47½	75	222	80	4 50
12	225	...	4 47½	88	201	...	4 50
59	328	...	4 47½	68	321	160	4 50
77	204	...	4 47½	51	353	...	4 50
14	193	...	4 47½	50	226	...	4 50
62	259	40	4 47½	69	216	40	4 50
69	215	...	4 47½	65	243	...	4 50
77	199	80	4 47½	59	294	...	4 50
70	228	...	4 47½	62	285	40	4 50
83	207	...	4 47½	11	214	...	4 50
60	262	80	4 47½	71	263	80	4 50
90	228	...	4 47½	70	305	160	4 50
85	256	160	4 47½	44	342	160	4 50
48	370	80	4 47½	44	324	80	4 50
71	240	...	4 47½	65	262	...	4 50
73	245	120	4 47½	60	255	...	4 50
84	219	120	4 47½	73	254	40	4 50
40	310	120	4 47½	51	384	...	4 50
55	332	80	4 47½	71	248	...	4 50
66	262	40	4 47½	82	247	40	4 50
78	221	40	4 47½	73	254	80	4 50
41	259	...	4 47½	82	234	...	4 50
52	307	80	4 47½	67	245	80	4 50
67	270	120	4 47½	69	235	...	4 50
61	225	...	4 47½	61	282	40	4 50
48	255	...	4 47½	64	269	80	4 50
67	242	120	4 47½	59	250	80	4 50
59	255	200	4 47½	65	264	...	4 50
69	225	80	4 47½	74	221	...	4 50
78	221	40	4 47½	12	285	...	4 52½
63	266	40	4 47½	10	310	...	4 52½
50	301	200	4 47½	62	253	40	4 52½
69	267	120	4 47½	65	273	...	4 55
73	266	80	4 47½	44	381	...	4 55

SHEEP—There was a fair showing of both sheep and lambs this morning though no great number of any one kind. The packers seemed to be in need of supplies and were all out early so that everything was sold and weighed up at an early hour. The prices paid were strong as compared with yesterday and the condition of the trade might best be described at strong to 10c higher. Fair to good western lambs brought $5.65@5.70, right good wethers, $5.90 and native $6.00; good, but heavy wethers, $4.65 and old fed ewes, $4.15.

Quotations: Good to choice fed yearlings, $4.65@4.85; Mexican yearlings, $4.75@5.00; good to choice wethers, $4.40@4.60; good to choice fed ewes, $4.15@4.30; fair to good few ewes, $4.00@4.10; good to choice native lambs, $5.75@6.00; good to choice fed westerns lambs, $5.70@5.90; fair to good few western lambs, $5.25@5.60; 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, $4.44@4.25; feeder ewes, $2.25@3.00.

95 ewes	98	$4 00
241 ewes	109	4 15
46 ewes	124	4 25
250 ewes	99	4 30
249 Colorado ewes	101	4 35
221 wethers	123	4 65
6 yearlings	93	4 75
250 lambs	72	5 65
247 lambs	77	5 70
493 western lambs	78	5 90
44 lambs	84	6 00

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Choice Steers Steady, Others 15 to 20c Lower Than Monday.

CHICAGO, Jan. 17.—CATTLE—Choice fat steers steady, others 15@20c below Monday's prices; Texans, 5@10c lower; cow market and canners, 10@15c lower; feeders steady; good to choice, $5.10@6.50; poor to medium, $4.00@4.80; mixed stockers, $3.25@3.80; selected feeders, $4.25@4.75; good to choice cows, $3.40@4.50; heifers, $3.30@4.60; canners, $2.20@2.90; bulls, $2.60@4.40; calves, $4.50@7.40; fed Texas beeves, $4.10@5.60.

HOGS—Fairly active and a shade higher; top, $4.75; fair clearances; mixed and butchers, $4.45@4.70; good to choice heavy, $4.60@4.75; rough heavy, $4.45@4.55; light, $4.40@4.60; bulk of sales, $4.55@4.65.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Active and firm; native wethers, $4.40@4.85; lambs, $4.50@6.25; western wethers, $4.30@4.75; western lambs, $5.25@6.20.

Receipts: Cattle, 18,000 head; hogs, 36,000 head; sheep, 15,000 head.

New York Live Stock.

NEW YORK, Jan. 17.—BEEVES—Receipts, 3,526 head; sixty-four cars on sale; slow; steers, 10@15c off; five cars unsold; good bulls steady, others weak; fat cows, 10c higher, other, steady; steers, $4.50@5.65; oxen and stags, $3.70@5.35; bulls, $2.80@4.10; cows, $1.90@4.25; fat heifers, $4.75@5.00; shipments, 20 cattle, 50 sheep and 2,100 quarters of beef; none tomorrow.

CALVES—Receipts, 1,279 head; choice, firm, others steady; veals, $5.00@8.25; choice, $8.37½@8.50; little calves, $4.50; southern, $3.25.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Receipts, 7,319 head; twenty-seven cars on sale; firm; sheep, $3.00@5.00; export wethers, $5.00@5.25; lambs, $5.50@6.70; culls, $4.00@5.00.

HOGS—Receipts, 6,189 head; one car on sale; steady at $4.75@4.85 for prime hogs; western pigs, $4.90@4.70; state pigs $4.85@4.90.

St. Louis Live Stock.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 17.—CATTLE—Receipts, 2,300 head, including 300 Texans; market slow and weak; native shipping and export steers, $4.75@6.50; dressed beef and butcher steers, $4.30@5.25; steers under 1,000 lbs., $3.50@4.50; stockers and feeders, $3.40@4.45; cows and heifers, $2.60@4.75; canners, $1.50@3.00; bulls, $2.75@3.75; Texas and Indian steers, $2.90@4.60; cows and heifers, $2.65@3.50.

HOGS—Receipts, 10,200 head; market strong to 5c higher; pigs and lights, $4.40@4.50; packers, $4.45@4.60; butchers, $4.60@4.70.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Receipts, 800 head; market steady to strong; native muttons, $4.00@4.75; lambs, $5.00@6.25; culls and bucks, $2.50@3.50; stockers, $3.30.

Kansas City Live Stock.

KANSAS CITY, Jan. 17.—CATTLE—Receipts, 5,300 natives, 800 Texans; market slow, ranging steady to 15c lower; no choice steers offered; medium native steers, $4.50@5.75; lightweights, $4.50@5.00; stockers and feeders, $3.50@5.00; butchers' cows and heifers, $3.00@4.50; canners, $2.50@3.00; fed westerns, $3.50@5.00; western feeders, $3.50@4.25; half-fed Texans, $3.70@4.00.

HOGS—Receipts, 17,000 head; market opened slow, 2½c lower, closed active, with loss recovered; heavy, $4.55@4.65; mixed, $4.50@4.60; light, $4.35@4.50; pigs, $4.00@4.25.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Receipts, 1,800 head; excellent demand; lambs, $5.00@6.00; muttons, $4.50@4.00; stockers and feeders, $3.75@4.75; culls, $2.60@3.50.

St. Joseph Live Stock.

SOUTH ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Jan. 17.—(Special.)—The Journal quotes:

CATTLE—Receipts, 200 head; market weak to 10c lower; quality very common; natives, $3.80@5.50; Texas and westerns, $3.10@5.50; cows and heifers, $2.25@4.40; bulls and stags, $2.25@4.65; yearlings and calves, $4.00@5.00; stockers and feeders, $3.35@4.60; veals, $4.50@7.00.

HOGS—Receipts, 6,900 head; market steady; all grades, $4.45@4.65; bulk of sales, $4.52½@4.60.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Receipts, 500 head; market strong; Texas lambs, $5.50; native lambs, $6.

Stock in Sight.

Following are the receipts at the four principal western markets for January 17:

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
South Omaha	2,899	11,231	2,142
Chicago	18,000	36,000	15,000
Kansas City	6,000	17,000	1,800
St. Louis	2,200	10,200	800
Totals	29,099	75,131	19,742

SWELLEST REGIMENT.

But it Did Hard Work in Cuba When the Time Came.

The Twenty-first was the swellest of the regiments gathered at Tampa in the spring of 1898, relates the New York Herald. It was called "The President's Own," because it had been made much of by President McKinley when he stayed in the summer of 1897 at the Hotel Champlain, which overlooked the home post of the Twenty-first at Plattsburg. This post had long been considered one of the "softest snaps" in the army. The regiment possessed the best regimental band in the corps. Its idolized colonel had just been made one of the new brigadier generals. Its camp on Tampa Heights was spick and span, its uniforms were immaculate and its officers were at all times the best dressed men in Tampa.

The officer then in command of the Twenty-first, Lieutenant Colonel Chambers McKibben, came in for much good-natured teasing. He was considered almost a martinet about his personal attire and military discipline and etiquette. One evening, however, early in May, Colonel McKibben was in a bad temper. He was on the examining board for the promotion of officers and had been hard at work for several days on the field examinations and he was tired out.

The change from his comfortable house at Plattsburg to the camp had given him a very bad cold, of which, as an old campaigner, he was thoroughly ashamed. What had upset him most was news that every one of the regiments on the Heights had been brigaded for the expedition to Cuba with one exception—that exception was his own, the Twenty-first. That, he was afraid, could mean but one thing, that the Twenty-first would not be allowed to go. One of the colonels, with a uniform faded with prairie suns, had even dared to suggest to him that the "President's Own" was to be kept as a kind of showy home guard for the president in Washington. Colonel McKibben's feeling for the president on that May afternoon was not, perhaps, what it had been the summer before, for now the itch of fighting was upon him again.

Tired and half sick as he was he ordered his horse saddled at once and when asked by one of his officers what he meant to do he thundered out:

"I am going to find out what this means before I sleep tonight. I am going straight up to the hotel to see General Shafter and beg him to let the regiment go to Cuba with the first expedition and if we can't go—well, I shall go, if I have to resign my commission and go as my own orderly."

He did go to Cuba with the first expedition, commanding his regiment, and every one knows what a record he made and what a magnificent charge the Twenty-first made at San Juan. Lieutenant Colonel McKibben was promoted immediately afterward to a brigadier generalship for bravery and gallantry on the field. A few days later he rode into Santiago with the single star of a brigadier general cut out of tin and pinned on the shoulders of his blue flannel shirt, as the first United States military governor of the captured city.

WOMEN IN PERSIA.

No Words for Wife and Home in that Language.

Life is sad in Persia, especially the woman's life. The law of Islam allows each man to have four wives. His wives he may divorce at will. Our word "bosh" is the Turkish word by which a Moslem divorces his wife. It doesn't count if he says it only once or twice, but if said the third time the woman must go, and there is no recourse, writes Robert E. Speer in Frank Leslie's Popular Monthly. There are no words for wife and home in Persia. There are no homes and few wives. It is curious to hear a handsome woman say: "I have told my husband if he marries another wife I shall poison him, and I intend to do it." Or to ask a woman about her home life and get the answer, "Love my husband? Oh, yes, I love him. I love him as much as a sieve holds water."

In the cities the Moslem women—and all but about 60,000 or so of the 4,000,000 women of the land are Moslems—never appear in public save dressed in black and heavily veiled, the eyes looking out through a small meshed space of the veil. Custom, fear of men, and not modesty, impose this dress. The poorer women or the women in the villages wear no veils, or throw the veils back and leave their faces uncovered, unless now and then in a coquettish way they draw a fold of the dress across the mouth.

The Fire Worshipers, or Guebres, are but few in Persia now, though it is the land of their origin, but their women can be picked out at once in Teheran, or in the few cities where they are found, by their dress. Outside of Teheran is the Tower of Silence, where, believing neither in cremation nor in burial, the Fire Worshipers expose their dead. From the hillside it looks out in solemn stillness over the broad, dead plain, even as the dead of this dying people look up in solemn stillness from their ghastly burial place to the unanswering sky.

Bryan Applauds Blackburn's Victory.

FRANKFORT, Ky., Jan. 17.—The legislature met in joint session at noon today to make a final comparison of the journals of the two houses in the matter of electing a United States senator. The journals showed that J. C. S. Blackburn had received seventy-seven votes to fifty-three for Bradley. Speaker Trimble declared Blackburn duly elected to succeed William Lindsay. W. J. Bryan was present and applauded the announcement. Senator-elect Blackburn made a brief speech of acceptance.

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