GRAIN AND PRODUCE MARKET

Wheat Sales of Fair Size, but Only on Professional Account.

CORN REMAINS STATIONARY

Yellow Cereal is Not Affected by Market Rumors and Oats Are Unchanged to Fractions of a Cent Higher.

OMAHA, Dec. 12, 1914.

The volume of trade in wheat yesterday was of a fair size, but it was entirely on professional account. The cash transactions were 20,000 bushels and 20,000 bushels to go out via the gulf. Toledo reported 100,000 bushels for a test weight taken by experts, and vessel room was chartered at Chicago for 1,500,000 bushels wheat to load and hold at 2c to the Chicago river and 1½c at south Chicago.

Little attention was given in the corn crowd to reports of foot and mouth disease in Illinois, as corn closed unchanged to a small fraction higher.

Oats were unchanged to ⅛c higher. The market was without any feature to speak of.

The hog receipts were considerably in excess of expectations, and this, together with the price issues of ½@¼c at the yards caused a bearish feeling to pervade the provision situation. Packers were the leading sellers, and the early decline was accompanied with good buying on the part of commission houses. One of the leading bear concerns in the trade was a conspicuous buyer of January and May lard. Cash trade was rather quiet.

Wheat was ⅛@¼c higher.

Oats were unchanged to ⅛@¼c higher.

Corn was ⅛@¼c higher.

Clearances: Wheat and flour equal to 1,536,000 bu., corn, 44,000 bu. and oats, 239,000 bu.

Liverpool closed with corn ⅛d higher.

Primary wheat receipts were 1,447,000 bu. and shipments of 881,000 bu., against receipts of 898,000 bu. and shipments of 599,000 bu. last year.

Primary corn receipts were 1,123,000 bu. and shipments of 961,000 bu., against receipts of 445,000 bu. and shipments of 331,000 bu. last year.

Primary oats receipts were 735,000 bu. and shipments of 818,000 bu., against receipts of 521,000 bu. and shipments of 881,000 bu. last year.

CAR LOT RECEIPTS

	Wheat.	Corn.	Oats.
Chicago	124	458	124
Minneapolis	551	...	...
Duluth	112	...	...
Omaha	119	57	32
Kansas City	142	34	13
St. Louis	86	15	49
Winnipeg	436	...	...

These sales were reported today: Wheat—No. 2 hard winter: 3 cars, $1.10¼; 6 cars, $1.10. No. 3 hard winter: 6 cars, $1.10; 4 cars, $1.09¾; 5 cars, $1.09½; 5 cars, $1.09¼. No. 4 hard winter: 1 car, $1.08½; 1 car, $1.08. No. 4 spring: 1 car (smutty), $1.07. No. 3 mixed: 1 car, $1.09¾; 1 car, $1.09. No. 2 durum: 2 cars, $1.26. No. 3 durum: 1 car, $1.24. No grade: 1 car, $1.05. Rye—No. 2: 1 car, $1.04¾. No. 3: 1 car, $1.02¾. Barley—No. 4: 1 car, 63c. Corn—No. 3 white: 1 car, 60½c; 1 car, 60¼c. No. 6 white: 1 car, 60c. No. 3 yellow: 1 car, 60c. No. 3 yellow: 3 cars, 69¾c. No. 4 yellow: 1 car, 59½c. No. 1 mixed: 1 car, 59¾c. No. 3 mixed: 7 cars, 59c. No. 4 mixed: 7 cars, 58¾c. No. 5 mixed: 1 car, 58½c. Oats—Standard: 1 car, 45½c. No. 3 white: 9 cars, 45c. No. 4 white: 8 cars, 44½c. No. 3 mixed: 1 car, 44c. No grade: 1 car, 43½c; 2 cars, 43½c.

Omaha Cash Prices—Wheat: No. 3 hard, $1.09½@1.11; No. 3 hard, $1.08½@1.10; No. 4 hard, $1.02@1.08½; No. 2 spring, $1.10@1.11; No. 3 spring, $1.09@1.10; No. 4 spring, $1.00½@1.08½; No. 2 durum, $1.25@1.26; No. 3 durum, $1.24@1.25. Corn: No. 1 white, 60½@61c; No. 2 white, 60½@60¾c; No. 3 white, 60¼@60½c; No. 4 white, 60@60¼c; No. 5 white, 59¾@60c; No. 6 white, 59½@59¾c; No. 1 yellow, 60@60½c; No. 2 yellow, 59¾@60c; No. 3 yellow, 59½@59¾c; No. 4 yellow, 59¼@59½c; No. 5 yellow, 59@59¼c; No. 6 yellow, 58@59¼c; No. 1 mixed, 59¾@59¾c; No. 2 mixed, 58¾@59c; No. 3 mixed, 58½@58¾c; No. 4 mixed, 58¼@58½c; No. 5 mixed, 58@58¼c; No. 6 mixed, 58@58¼c. Oats: No. 3 white, 45½@45¾c; standard, 45@45½c; No. 3 white, 44¾@45c; No. 4 white, 44½@44¾c. Barley: Malting, 60@66c; No. 1 feed, 59@60c. Rye: No. 2, $1.03½@1.04¼; No. 3, $1.02@1.02¼.

CHICAGO GRAIN AND PROVISIONS

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

CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—Record breaking sales here for export gave a decided upward swing today to the price of wheat. The market, after being on the upgrade from the outset, closed strong, 1¾@1¾c to 1⅞c above last night. Other leading staples too all made a net gain—corn 3/8 to ½c, oats ½c, and provisions 2½ cents to 10c. Most of the European purchases here were credited to Greece, which was to have taken 1,500,000 bushels. Export sales in Chicago made the total more than 2,000,000 bushels, and there were additional transactions with foreigners at Omaha and elsewhere.

Speculative trade broadened out gradually in consequence, so that the feeling at the end of the session might almost be classed as buoyant.

Suspension of import duties in Australia helped the wheat bulls early before the news was generally known that buying for shipment to Greece had reached an extraordinary total. Besides the crop movement throughout the west showed a material falling off compared with the previous week. At Chicago, especially, the arrivals were diminished nearly one-half, and it was expected the United States visible supply statement Monday would exhibit a fairly substantial decrease, as against the figures of a year ago.

Corn ranged higher in sympathy with wheat, and because of the lightness of county offerings. A good shipping demand was reported both from the seaboard and the west. Oats were mainly influenced by the action of other cereals. Trade was small, chiefly local.

Belief that a break in hog values would check receipts tended to bring about higher prices for provisions. The advance was rendered more emphatic by the bulge in grain.

Grain prices furnished by Logan & Bryan, office 315 South Sixteenth street:

Article	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Ye'y.
Wheat					
Dec.	1 16⅝	1 18⅛	1 16⅝	1 18⅛	1 16¼
May.	1 20⅝	1 22¼	1 20⅝	1 22¼	1 20⅝
Corn					
Dec.	62⅞	63⅝	62⅞	63½	62⅝
May.	69	69½	69	69⅝	69
Oats					
Dec.	47⅛	47⅝	47⅛	47⅝	47⅛
May.	51½	51⅞	51½	51⅞	51½
Pork					
Jan.	.....	18 02½	18 00	18 02½	17 82½
May.	18 47½	18 52½	18 47½	18 50	18 40
Lard					
Jan.	9 72½	9 75	9 72½	9 75	9 72½
May.	.....	10 05	10 00	10 02½	9 97½
Ribs					
Jan.	9 75	9 80	9 75	9 77½	9 75
May.	10 10	10 12½	10 10	10 12½	10 07½

EGGS—Higher; receipts 3,158 cases; at mark, cases included, 26@35½c; ordinary firsts, 23@26c; firsts, 34c.

POULTRY—Alive, lower; springs, 11½c; fowls, 12@13½c; turkeys, 16c.

BUTTER—Steady; creamery, 24@32c.

POTATOES—Steady; receipts, 18 cars; Michigan and Wisconsin, red, 35@40c; Michigan and Wisconsin, white, 35@42c.

OMAHA GENERAL MARKET

BUTTER—No. 1, 1-lb cartons, 32c; No. 2, 1-lb. tubs, 31c.

CHEESE—Imported Swiss, 38c; American Swiss, 28c; block Swiss, 22c; twins, 16c; daisies, 16½c; triplets, 16½c; Young Americas, 18½c; blue label brick, 21c; limburger, 2-lb., 20c; 1-lb., 20c; New York white, 14c; imported French Roquefort, 60c.

BEEF CUTS—No. 1 ribs, 13c; No. 2, 10c; No. 3, 11½c. No. 1 loins, 19½c; No. 2, 16½c; No. 3, 13c. No. 1 chucks, 10½c; No. 2, 8½c; No. 3, 8c. No. 1 rounds, 13c; No. 2, 12c; No. 3, 11½c. No. 1 plates, 9½c; No. 2, 8½c; No. 3, 8c.

FISH—Trout, 14c; large crappies, 15c; salmon, 25c; halibut, 11½c; channel catfish, 18c; pike, 16c; pickerel, 10c.

POULTRY—Broilers, 17½c; spring chickens, 15c; hens, 12@15c; cocks, 8c; ducks, 16c; geese, 8c; turkeys, 18c; pigeons, per doz., 90c; ducks, full feathered, 19c; geese, full feathered, 8c; squabs, No. 1, $1.50; No. 2, 75c.

Market quotations furnished by Gilinski Fruit company:

FRUITS—Oranges, extra fancy Washington Navels, 96s, 112s and 126s, $2.75 per box; extra fancy Washington Navels, 150s, 176s, 200s and 216s, $2.60 per box. Lemons, fancy Sunkist, 300s and 360s, $6.50 per box; choice Red Ball, 300s and 360s, $5.00 per box. Grapefruit, 36s, 64s and 80s, $3.75 per box. Apples, extra fancy Washington White Winter Pearmaines, $2.00 per box; fancy Washington White Winter Pearmaines, $1.75 per box; extra fancy Washington Wheesaps, $1.75 per box; extra fancy Washington Spitzenburgs, $1.60 per box; Oregon Spitzenburgs, $1.35 per box; Oregon Baldwins, $1.50 per box; Colorado (unwrapped) Jonathans, $1.35 per box; Washington extra heavy and fancy Hoovers, $1.60 per box; choice Colorado Jonathans, $1.10 per box; fancy Colorado Wealthys, $1.10 per box; fancy Colorado McMahons, $1.10 per box; fancy Colorado Utters, $1.10 per box; fancy Colorado Maiden Blush, $1.15 per box; Idaho fancy Grimes Golden, $1.30 per box; Idaho choice Grimes Golden, $1.25 per box; Washington fancy Grimes Golden, $1.50 per box; Idaho fancy Jonathans, $1.35 per box; Idaho fancy Fultons, $1.35 per box; Idaho fancy Strawberry, $1.35 per box; Idaho fancy Wolf River, $1.35 per box; Washington Wagners, $1.35 per box; New York Baldwins, $3.00 per bbl.; New York Greenings, $3.50 per bbl.. Grapes, California Emperors, $3.50 per box; California Emperors, $1.75 per crate; choice Malagas, $4.00 per keg; extra choice Malagas, $5.50 per keg; fancy Malagas, $6.50 per keg; extra fancy Malagas, $8.00. Pears, Anjou, $2.50 per box; Jersey, $2.25 per box; Sheldon, $2.50 per box; Lecrence, $3.00 per box; Bosco, $2.50 per box; Easter, $2.25 per box. Bananas, $1.75@3.50 per bunch.

VEGETABLES—Cauliflower, $3.00 per crate. Cucumbers, $1.50 per box. Celery, Jumbo, 75c doz.; Michigan, 35c doz. Lettuce, head, $1.00 per doz.; leaf, 40c doz. Onions, yellow, 2c per lb.; red, 3c per lb.; white, 3½c per lb.; shallots, 50c doz. Cabbage, 1½c per lb. Peppers, 50c per basket. Tomatoes, $1.75 per crate. Radishes, 50c per doz. Horseradish, $1.65 per case. Garlic, Italian, 20c per lb. Potatoes, Idaho, 70c per bu.; Red River Ohios, 65c per bu.; Minnesota Whites, 60c per bu. Sweet potatoes, Kansas, $2.25@2.50 per bbl.; Jerseys, $1.75 per hamper; Delawares, $1.35 per hamper. Squash, 1½c per lb. Pumpkin, 1½c per lb.

MISCELLANEOUS—Nuts, No. 1 California walnuts, 15c per lb.; filberts, 12½c per lb.; filberts, Long Naples, 15c per lb.; pecans, 12½c per lb.; pecans, Jumbo, 18c per lb.; Brazils, 11@11½c per lb.; almonds, 20c per lb. Popcorn, shelled, 5c per lb.; crackerjack, $3.50 per case; half case, $1.75; checkers, $3.50 per case; half case, $1.75. Dates, Dromedary, $3.00 per box; Anchor, $3.25 per box; Sugar Walnut, $4.00 per case; Hallowi, 8c per lb. Limes, $1.75 per box. Honey, $3.75 per case. Figs, 12 12-oz. pkgs., 85c per box; 50 5-oz. pkgs., $2.00 per box; seven-crown imported, 18c per lb. Cider, per keg, $3.00; per half bbl., $5.00; New York, per keg, $3.50; per half bbl., $6.00. Cocoanuts, $3.15 per sack; per doz., 75c. Casaba Gems, $1.75@2.00 per crate.

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKET

Quotations of the Day on Various Commodities.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—FLOUR—Quiet.

WHEAT—Spot firm; No. 2 red and No. 2 hard, $1.25¼, all rail, c. i. f. track, export; No. 1 northern, Duluth, $1.27½, and No. 1 northern, Manitoba, $1.31, c. i. f. Buffalo, to arrive. Futures market without transactions. December, $1.25; May, $1.30⅝.

CORN—Spot, weak; No. 2 yellow, 72½c, c. i. f. to arrive; Argentine prime, 72c, nominal, delivered.

OATS—Spot, firm; standard, 54c; No. 3 white, 53c; fancy clipped white, 55c.

HOPS—Steady; state, common to choice, 1914 crop, 22@26c; 1913 crop, nominal; Pacific coast, 1914 crop, 19@14c; 1913 crop, 8@10c.

HIDES—Firm; Bogota, 29@30c; Central America, 22c.

WOOL—Firm; domestic fleece, XX Ohio, 39@40c.

HAY—Steady; prime, $1.07½; No. 1, $1.02½@1.05; No. 2, 95c@$1.00; No. 3, 85@90c; shipping, 75@80c.

LEATHER—Firm; hemlock, firsts, 31@32c; seconds, 30@31c.

PROVISIONS—Pork, steady; mess, $20.00@21.00; family, $24.00@26.00; short clears, $21.50@25.00. Beef, steady; mess, $21.00@22.00; family, $24.00@25.00. Lard, firm, middle west, $10.00@10.10.

TALLOW—Quiet; city, 6½@6¾c; country, 6¼@6½c.

BUTTER—Steady; receipts, 3,038 tubs; creamery extras (92 score), 32@33½c; creamery (higher scoring), 34c; firsts, 29@32c; seconds, 25@28c; process extras, 31@32c; ladies, current make, firsts, 29@30c; seconds, 26c; packing stock, current make, No. 2, 21@21½c.

CHEESE—Steady; receipts, 1,012 boxes; state whole milk held specials, white, 16c; state whole milk, held, colored, 16c; state whole milk, held, average fancy, 15½@15¾c; state whole milk, fresh specials, white, 15½@15¾c; state whole milk, held, colored, 15¾c; state whole milk, fresh, average fancy, 14¾@15c; skims, 3½@13½c.

EGGS—Firm; receipts, 5,031 cases; fresh gathered, extra fine, 43@44c; extra firsts, 41@42c; firsts, 38@40c; seconds, 32@36c; state, Pennsylvania and nearby henery whites, 50@56c; state, Pennsylvania and nearby gathered whites, 40@55c; state, Pennsylvania and nearby henery browns, 44@46c; state, Pennsylvania and nearby gathered browns and mixed colors, 38@46c.

POULTRY—Live, steady; western chickens, 13@13½c; fowls, 13@14c; turkeys, 19@18c. Dressed, quiet; western roasting chickens, 16@19c; fresh fowls, 12½@17½c; turkeys, 13@21c.

Kansas City Grain and Provisions.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 12.—WHEAT—No. 2 hard, $1.10½@1.11½; No. 2 red, $1.10@1.10½; December, $1.10½; May, $1.14¾.

CORN—No. 2 mixed, 62½c; No. 2 white, 63½@63c; December, 60½c; May, 67¾c.

OATS—No. 2 white, 46½c; No. 2 mixed, 42½@44c.

BUTTER—Creamery, 31c; firsts, 29c; seconds, 26c; packing stock, 30½c.

EGGS—Firsts, 28½c; seconds, 22c.

POULTRY—Hens, 11c; roosters, 10c; turkeys, 15c.

Minneapolis Grain Market.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Dec. 12.—WHEAT—December, $1.14¾; May, $1.18¾; No. 1 hard, $1.20; No. 1 northern, $1.16½@1.19; No. 2 northern, $1.12½@1.17.

FLOUR—Unchanged.

CORN—No. 3 yellow, 59@59c.

OATS—No. 3 white, 45½@46¼c.

FLAX—$1.50½@1.53½.

BARLEY—56@63c.

RICE—$1.00@1.05.

BRAN—$22.00.

Liverpool Grain Market.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 12.—WHEAT—Spot, quiet; No. 1 Manitoba, 10s 2d; No. 2, 9s 11½d; No. 3, 9s 8½d; No. 2 hard winter, 9s 8½d. Futures, dull; December, 9s 6½d.

CORN—Spot, quiet; American mixed, new, 6s 1½d. Futures, strong; December, 5s 11¾d; January, 5s.

St. Louis Grain Market.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 12.—WHEAT—No. 2 red, $1.15@1.16; No. 2 hard, $1.15½@1.16½; December, $1.14½; May, $1.19⅝@1.19¾.

CORN—No. 2, 64c; No. 2 white, 66c; December, 63½c; May, 69⅝@69¾c.

OATS—No. 2, 46c; No. 2 white, 48½c.

Coffee Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—COFFEE—The market for coffee futures opened at an advance of 10 to 12 points today, owing to the continued firmness of Brazil, and a little European buying in the absence of ready sellers. There appeared to be very little demand, however, and the market eased off later under scattering liquidation, which may have been partly inspired by the larger Brazilian receipts. The close was net 2 points lower to 8 points higher. Sales, 5,250 bags. December, 6.45c; January, 6.52c; February, 6.55c; March, 6.65c; April, 6.75c; May, 6.85c; June, 6.75c; July, 7.00c; August, 7.02c; September, 7.70c; October, 7.71c; November, 7.83c.

Spot coffee, steady; Rio No. 7, 7¾c; Santos No. 4, 10½c.

Omaha Hay Market.

PRAIRIE HAY—Choice upland, $10.50, extra choice, $11.00; No. 1, $9.50@10.00; No. 2, $8.00@9.50; No. 3, $5.00@8.00. Choice midland, $10.00; extra choice, $10.50; No. 1, $9.00@9.50; No. 2, $8.00@9.00; No. 3, $5.00@8.00. Choice lowland, $8.50; No. 1, $7.50@8.00; No. 2, $6.00@7.00; No. 3, $5.00@6.00. Straw: Choice wheat, $5.50; choice oat or rye, $5.00@5.50. Alfalfa: Choice peagreen, fine stems and leafy, $11.00@12.00; No. 1, $11.00@12.00; No. 2, $10.50@11.50; No. 3, $8.50@10.50.

Wool Market.

LONDON, Dec. 12.—The wool offerings today amounted to 9,300 bales, and included a larger selection of cross breds. There was a brisk sale to the home trade at firm prices. Scoured victorians realized 27 pence. Bids for merinos were considerably under sellers' limits; consequently withdrawals were frequent.

Evaporated Apples and Dried Fruits

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—EVAPORATED APPLES—Quiet.

DRIED FRUITS—Prunes, steady; apricots and peaches, firmer; raisins, steady.

Cotton Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—COTTON—Futures closed very steady; December, 6.80c; January, 6.98c; March, 7.19c; May, 7.36c; July, 7.51c; October, 7.46c.

Metal Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—METALS—Copper: Firm; electrolytic, $13.12½@13.25; casting, $12.87½@12.90. Iron, unchanged.

OMAHA LIVE STOCK MARKET

Cattle of All Kinds Ten to Fifteen Higher for Week.

HOGS TEN UP FROM LAST WEEK

Fat Sheep and Lambs Improve Latter Half of the Week—Now Steady with the Close of Last Week.

SOUTH OMAHA, Dec. 12, 1914.

Receipts were:	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
Official Monday	6,460	8,265	7,629
Official Tuesday	4,843	5,801	5,713
Official Wednesday	8,989	8,633	7,502
Official Thursday	3,328	4,049	9,7[illegible]
Official Friday	1,850	3,603	5,820
Estimate Saturday	228	2,530	1,229
Six days this week	19,697	33,218	35,618
Same days last week	20,276	60,648	40,567
Same days 2 wks. ago	15,141	37,553	45,741
Same days 3 wks. ago	13,930	33,841	62,342
Same days 4 wks. ago	20,220	41,122	62,919
Same days last year	17,670	53,933	38,946

The following table shows the receipts of cattle, hogs and sheep at the South Omaha live stock market for the year to date, as compared with last year:

	1914.	1913.	Dec.
Cattle	888,998	926,422	28,204
Hogs	2,122,759	2,421,075	298,316
Sheep	3,027,578	3,124,108	96,530

The following table shows the average price for hogs at the South Omaha live stock market for the last few days, with comparisons:

Date.	1914.	1913.	1912.	1911.	1910.	1909.	1908.
Nov. 22	*	7 57	7 69	6 18	6 89	7 88	*
Nov. 23	7 60	*	7 67	6 28	6 93	7 89	5 27
Nov. 24	7 49½	7 61	*	6 24	**	7 87	5 76
Nov. 25	7 51½	7 50	7 59	6 19	6 77	**	5 62
Nov. 26	7 55	7 44	7 47	*	6 89	8 04	**
Nov. 27	7 55½	**	7 48	6 12	*	8 04	5 54
Nov. 28	7 41½	7 47	**	6 00	6 89	*	5 57
Nov. 29	*	7 51	7 65	6 01	7 07	8 09	*
Nov. 30	7 16½	*	7 70	**	7 00	8 12	5 68
Dec. 1	6 94½	7 58	7 74	6 04	7 87	7 73	*
Dec. 2	6 81½	7 40	7 57	6 01	7 12	8 05	5 75
Dec. 3	6 74½	7 42	7 54	*	7 13	8 03	5 65
Dec. 4	6 75	7 34	7 55	6 02	*	8 03	5 59
Dec. 5	6 73½	7 41	7 64	5 93	7 26	*	5 58
Dec. 6	*	7 20	*	6 22	5 49	7 67	5 31
Dec. 7	6 66½	7 09	8 71	6 43	8 47	7 64	5 16
Dec. 8	6 82½	7 57	*	5 97	7 23	8 22	5 42
Dec. 9	6 91	7 44	7 66	6 01	7 45	8 30	5 48
Dec. 10	6 82½	7 44	7 54	*	7 58	8 32	5 53
Dec. 11	6 77½	7 38	7 31	5 97	*	8 26	5 41
Dec. 12	6 85½	7 40	7 18	5 90	7 58	*	5 32

*Sunday. **Holiday.

Receipts and disposition of live stock at the Union Stock Yards, South Omaha, Neb., for twenty-four hours ending at 3 o'clock, p. m.

RECEIPTS.

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.	H'r's.
C., M. & St. P.	5	...	..	..
Missouri Pacific	1	...	..	..
Union Pacific	1	5	..	..
C. & N.-W., east	2	..	..	..
C. & N.-W., west	7	9	..	1
C., St. P., M. & O.	3	..	..	..
C., B. & Q., east	4	..	..	..
C., B. & Q., west	9	..	..	1
C., R. I. & P., east	3	..	..	..
C., R. I. & P., west	1	..	..	..
Chicago Gt. West	3	..	..	..
Total receipts	7	42	5	2

DISPOSITION.

	Hogs.	Sheep.
Morris & Co.	324	...
Swift and Company	409	...
Cudahy Packing company	690	916
Armour & Co.	514	299
Total disposition	2,037	1,215

CATTLE—There were not enough cattle here to cut any figure on the market. The feeling for the day, however, was steady. Receipts for the week foot up 19,697 head, being slightly smaller than last week's heavy run and larger than for the corresponding week last year by 2,200 head.

The market on beef steers, cows and heifers advanced sharply during the middle of the week in spite of the large receipts, but slipped back a little on Friday. Still at the close of the week the market on cornfed beeves and on the general run of fat cows and heifers is 10@15c higher than last week's close, or 25@35c higher than the extreme low time the middle of last week. A few Christmas cattle have been received this week and have sold higher than ever before in the history of the trade. It might be well for shippers to remember that the demand for short-fed beef steers is never very brisk during the month of December, when the consuming demand seems to call for a higher grade of beef.

Stock cattle and feeders moved more freely this week and they are 10@15c higher than a week ago, the market being in a good healthy condition.

Quotations on cattle: Prime yearlings, $9.75@10.75; good to choice corn-fed beeves, $8.75@10.00; fair to good corn-fed beeves, $8.20@8.75; common to fair corn-fed beeves, $7.00@8.20; good to choice range steers, $7.75@8.25; fair to good range steers, $7.25@7.75; common to fair range steers, $6.00@7.25; prime heifers, $7.50@8.50; good to choice heifers, $6.25@7.50; good to choice cows, $5.75@6.75; fair to good cows, $5.25@5.75; common to fair cows, $4.00@5.25; good to choice stockers and feeders, $7.75@8.25; fair to good stockers and feeders, $7.00@7.75; common to fair stockers and feeders, $6.00@7.00; good to choice heifers, $6.50@7.50; good to choice cows, $6.00@6.25; stock cows, $5.00@5.00; veal calves, $7.00@9.50; bulls, stags, etc., $5.25@7.10.

HOGS—With the lightest run of the week on hand trade opened out in fair shape and early sales were steady to strong with yesterday's average. Only a few scattering loads sold on this basis, for as the morning advanced prices strengthened up and the most of the sales showed a 5@10c advance, while the extreme close was a flat dime up. The market was fairly active after the first rounds and a clearance was made by 9:30. The general trade was 5@10c higher.

Bulk of the offerings moved at $8.50@8.90, with a sprinkling at $8.75 and a top of $7, equaling the best price that has been paid since December 1. For the week prices are fully 10c higher. With very moderate supplies throughout packers remained bearish most of the time, but on days when shippers were active prices strengthened up enough to more than offset such declines as the packers managed to get by with. Chicago is the only large market which has had anything like a good run during the week, and local kliers used the heavy runs and consequent breaks at that point as a club on this market. Since the flood of hogs that poured in at the Missouri river markets at the first of last week the opening of Iowa has failed to swell the supplies to any great extent. It is generally believed that farmers and stockmen think present prices entirely too low, and those who are able to hold onto their hogs are doing so.

Receipts were estimated at forty-one cars, or 2,500 head. The week's supply foots up 33,212 head, being over 37,000 smaller than last week and 30,500 short of the same week last year. The decrease for the year to date has almost reached the 200,000 mark, the figures showing a falling off of 298,316 head as compared with 1913.

Representative sales:

No.	Av.	Sh.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Sh.	Pr.
34	419	40	6 75	84	231	40	6 87½
14	249	220	6 77½	52	187	...	6 90
48	294	...	6 80	18	291	...	6 90
43	257	120	6 80	52	234	...	6 95
60	244	120	6 85	76	276	120	6 95
12	340	240	6 85	67	253	...	7 00
PIGS.							
11	76	...	5 00	22	97	...	6 35
12	120	...	6 50	68	140	...	6 60

SHEEP—Some 1,500 head of lambs showed up today, among them being four cars of Utah lambs, averaging sixty-five pounds, with one car out that also sold to a packer buyer at $7.60.

In spite of the lambs breaking badly both here and eastwhere, under the influence of heavy receipts at the opening of the week, prices at the close of the week are back to where they were a week ago. Since the big slump on Monday the receipts fell off considerably and this enabled sellers to recover practically all the loss. The bulk of the best killing lambs Friday sold at $8.25@8.50, the latter figure being the top for the week. Aged sheep have fared better than lambs in that the drop at the opening of the week was not as severe. They have been beeter sellers on most days, consequently the week closes with aged sheep showing an advance of fully 15@25c. Yesterday a range of $5.00@5.40 caught the bulk of the ewe sales, with some yearlings selling at $7.25@7.35. About a normal run of sheep and lambs is looked for next week.

The feeder situation showed little, if any, difference from one and two weeks ago, except for the fact that prices are strong to a shade higher than last week's close. The supply continues very meager, confined for the most part to the thin end of the wheatfield shipments from Idaho, and the demand is still good enough to take everything readily on the basis as already noted. The bulk of the feeding lambs this week moved at $7.60@7.65, with the long string at $7.65, and one or two cars of fleshy grades reaching $7.75. The popular range for feeding ewes was $4.60@4.80, with some selling up to $5.00.

Quotations on sheep and lambs: Lambs, good to choice, $8.25@8.50; lambs, fair to good, $8.00@8.25; feeders, fair to good, $7.50@7.75; yearlings, good to choice, $7.00@7.40; yearlings, fair to good, $6.75@7.00; yearlings, feeders, $5.50@6.10; wethers, fair to good, $5.60@6.70; wethers, feeders, $4.60@5.00; ewes, good to choice, $5.25@5.60; ewes, fair to good, $4.75@5.25; ewes, feeders, $4.00@5.00.

Representative sales:

No.	Av.	Price.
Representative sales:		
22 native lambs	71	8 00
7 native ewes	114	5 00
3 culls	93	4 00

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK MARKET

CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—CATTLE—Receipts, 300 head; market weak; native steers, $5.70@11.00; western, [illegible]; cows and heifers, 3.25@8.50; calves, $5.50@9.25.

HOGS—Receipts, 22,000 head; market weak; 5c to 10c lower; bulk of sales, $8.30@8.90; light, $8.50@8.95; mixed, 8.05@8.15; heavy, $8.00@8.15; rough, $8.00@8.15; pigs, $6.00@7.15.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Receipts, 1,000 head; market weak; sheep, $5.20@5.50; yearlings, $6.50@7.65; lambs, $6.50@8.40.

Kansas City Live Stock Market.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 12.—CATTLE—Receipts, 200 head; market steady; prime fed steers, $9.50@11.35; dressed beef steers, $7.25@9.25; western steers, $7.00@9.50; stockers and feeders, $6.00@8.25; bulls, $5.00@6.75; calves, $6.00@10.00.

HOGS—Receipts, 12,000 head; market lower; bulk of sales, $8.80@8.07; heavy, $8.85@7.00; packers and butchers, $8.90@7.05; light, $8.80@8.95; pigs, $6.25@6.75.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Receipts, none; market steady; lambs, $7.90@8.60; yearlings, $6.50@7.50; wethers, $5.25@6.25; ewes, $4.50@5.50.

St. Louis Live Stock Market.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 12.—CATTLE—Receipts, 700 head; market steady; native beef steers, $7.50@11.00; cows and heifers, $5.00@8.25; southern steers, $5.75@7.75; cows and heifers, $4.00@6.00; native calves, $4.00@9.25.

HOGS—Receipts, 4,000 head; market lower; pigs and lights, $5.75@7.10; mixed and butchers, $8.00@7.25; good heavy, $7.05@7.25.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Receipts, 400 head; market steady; native muttons, $4.75@6.75; lambs, $5.00@8.60; yearlings, $5.00@7.25.

St. Joseph Live Stock Market.

ST. JOSEPH, Dec. 12.—CATTLE—Receipts, 200 head. Market steady; steers, $7.00@10.15; cows and heifers, $4.50@9.00; calves, $5.50@9.00.

HOGS—Receipts, 5,000 head. Market steady at 5c to 10c lower; top, $7.10.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—No receipts. Market unchanged; lambs, $8.00@8.50.

Sioux City Live Stock Market.

SIOUX CITY, Ia., Dec. 12.—CATTLE—Receipts, 200 head.

HOGS—Receipts, 2,300 head; market steady; heavy, $6.17½@8.55; mixed, $6.75@6.77½; light, $6.70@6.75.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Receipts, 200 head; market steady; ewes, $4.00@6.25; lambs, $6.50@8.50.

Live Stock in Sight.

	Cattle	Hogs	Sheep
Kansas City	1,700	6,600	3,400
St. Louis	6,000	14,000	1,500
Sioux City	800	2,800	100
Chicago	4,000	45,000	15,000
South Omaha	1,600	4,000	6,000
Totals	21,800	72,400	26,000

DUN'S REVIEW OF TRADE

Prevailing Optimism Strengthened by Easier Money.

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—Dun's review tomorrow will say:

Much more is improvement in trade is made clear in the reports from all parts of the country, though the improvement is slow and irregular and the gains already attained inspire confidence in further expansion, with the advent of the new year. The prevailing optimism is strengthened by easier money and the notable improvement in the financial positions; also by the fact that while the present volume of business is much less than last year the corner has been turned, and the trend is now toward better conditions.

Bank exchanges for the week were $2,377,732,189, against $2,767,437,724 in the same week last year, and $3,265,556,619 in 1912.

Failures in the United States this week numbered 461 against 430 last year; in Canada seventy-nine, against forty-six last year.

Wheat exports were 7,094,500 bushels, against 5,049,683 last year.

Clearing House Bank Statement.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—The statement of the actual condition of clearing house banks and trust companies for the week shows that they hold $116,992,400 reserve in excess of legal requirements. This is a decrease of $2,473,230 from last week.

The statement follows:

Actual Condition.	Amount.	Increase.
Loans, etc.	$2,182,758,000	$2,559,000
Reserve, own vaults	233,559,000	*2,557,000
Reserve in federal reserve bank	93,842,000	*397,000
Reserve in other depositories	20,069,000	1,474,000
Net demand deposits	1,975,338,000	6,289,000
Net time deposits	91,509,000	1,166,000
Circulation	49,667,000	*5,149,000
Aggregate reserve	407,470,000	
Excess reserve	116,992,400	*2,475,000

*Decrease.

Summary of state banks and trust companies in Greater New York not included in clearing house statement:

	Amount.	Increase.
Loans, etc.	$560,056,700	$1,923,900
Specie	42,214,600	*71,700
Legal tenders	12,304,000	*55,100
Total deposits	636,963,900	*1,087,900
Banks' cash reserve in vaults	11,482,300	
Trust companies' cash reserve in vaults	42,986,300	

*Decrease.

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—MERCANTILE PAPER—4¼ per cent.

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