GRAIN AND PRODUCE MARKET

Cables Are Disappointing, but Bull Leaders Have Control.

WORK HARD ON HOME AFFAIRS

Big Stocks Come Out During Morning, However, and Start Values Down Hill—Wheat and Corn Open Well.

OMAHA, December 30, 1907.

Cables are disappointing, but bull leaders seem to have the market well in hand and worked hard on the home situation.

Big stocks of grain came out during the morning, however, and started values down.

Wheat opens strong despite the weak cables. Commission houses bought at the start, while the crowd were inclined to the selling side.

Later some heavy lines came out and played strong against the bulls. May wheat opened $1.00¼ and closed at $1.00⅛.

Corn opened in good position with a good genera: trade at the start and values were run up sharply. Later profit taking developed and took the edge of the market.

May corn opened at 54⅝c and closed at 54½c.

Oats started with values strong and some higher.

There was scattered commission house buying, with offerings again high. There was some profit taken on May option.

May oats opened at 34½c and closed at 34c.

Primary wheat receipts were 891,000 bu. and shipments were 238,000 bu., against receipts last year of 1,170,000 bu. and shipments of 369,000 bu.

Corn receipts were 707,000 bu. and shipments were 410,000 bu., against receipts last year of 1,123,000 bu. and shipments of 414,000 bu.

Clearances were 27,000 bu. of corn, 1,000 bu. of oats and wheat and flour equal to 46,000 bu.

Liverpool closed ⅛d higher on wheat and ½d higher on corn.

Local range of options:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Ye'y.
Wheat—					
Dec.	97½	97½	96½	96½	90⅞
May	1 00⅝	1 00⅝	1 00⅝	1 00⅝	1 00⅞
July	95½	95½	95½	95½	95⅛
Corn—					
Dec.	55½	55½	55½	55½	54
May	54⅝	54⅝	54⅝	54⅝	54⅝
July	55½	55½	55½	55½	55⅝
Oats—					
Dec.	35½	35½	35½	35½	32½
May	34½	34½	34	34	34⅝
July	34⅝	34⅝	34	34	34½

Omaha Cash Prices.

WHEAT—No. 1 hard, 97½@97½c; No. 1 hard, per 100, 4 bard, 95@96c; No. 2 spring, 96@98c.

CORN—No. 2, 55@55½c; No. 4, 53c; No. 3 yellow, 55@55½c; No. 3 white, 55@55½c.

OATS—No. 2 mixed, 34@34½c; No. 3 white, 34@34½c; No. 4 white, 34c; standard, 34@34½c.

RYE—No. 2, 78@79c; No. 3, 76@77c.

Carlot Receipts.

	Wheat.	Corn.	Oats
Chicago	42	281	209
Minneapolis	307	...	...
Omaha	22	55	36
Duluth	94	...	...

CHICAGO GRAIN AND PROVISIONS

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

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—The price of wheat for May delivery broke more than three cents today because of heavy selling by holders. The net decline for the day was 2⅝@2¾c. Corn was down ⅝@⅞c. Oats were ⅛c lower. Provisions were unchanged to 5c lower.

The wheat market was erratic early in the day, but later became extremely weak. The dominating influence was selling of the May option by large holders, the total sales of one former bull leader being estimated all the way from 1,000,000 to 7,000,000 bushels. News was generally unfavorable to the bulls. Liverpool cables were barely steady; the visible statistics for the week were about 1,000,000 bushels more than expected; the visible supply increased 1,362,000 bushels against an increase of 801,000 bushels for the same time last year, the amount on passage increased 1,192,000 bushels, and the weather in Argentina was favorable to harvesting. Early in the day the price of May was bid up to $1.06 by shorts. The decline caused by the heavy realizing sales was not checked until May had dropped to $1.00⅝. The market closed weak. May opened ⅛c to ¼c lower at $1.05⅞ to $1.07⅝, advanced to $1.08 and declined to $1.00⅝. The close was at $1.00⅞@1.01. Clearances of wheat and flour were equal to 73,000 bushels. Primary receipts were 891,000 bushels, against 1,170,000 bushels on the same day last year. Minneapolis, Duluth and Chicago receipts of 442 cars against 679 cars last week and 871 cars a year ago.

The readjustment of prices of the December delivery, with thoughts of cash grain, brought about a break of 9½c in the price of December corn, today. Other deliveries were heavily affected by the drop in December, which was from 69½c to 55½c. The market was weak in the latter part of the season. Early in the day sentiment was bolstered because of firm cables and wet weather in the corn belt. The market closed weak. May corn opened ⅛c to ¼c higher, at 55½c to 55c, advanced to 55⅝c, and then declined to 55c. The close was at 55⅛@55½c. Local receipts were 223 cars, with 9 of contract grade.

The oats market opened firm, but declined with wheat and corn. Trading was light. May oats opened ⅛c to ¼c higher at 34½c to 34¾c, sold off to 33¾c, and closed at ¼c. Local receipts were 219 cars.

Provisions opened firm because of the advance in the price of live hogs. Later hogs declined and provisions fell off. At the close May pork was off 5c, at $11.12½. Lard and ribs were each unchanged, at $7.35 and $7.37, respectively.

Estimated receipts for tomorrow: Wheat, 41 cars; corn, 264 cars; oats, 229 cars; hogs, 14,000 head.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Ye'y.
Wheat—					
Dec.	1 00⅝	1 02⅛	99⅝	99⅝	1 00⅞
May	1 07½	1 08	1 00⅝	1 00⅞	1 07⅞
July	1 00⅝			1 01	
Corn—					
Dec.	69⅝	69⅝	55⅝	55⅝	57⅝
May	55½	55⅝	55	55⅛	55⅝
July	56⅝	56⅝	55	55⅛	56⅝
Oats—					
Dec.	35⅝	35⅝	35⅝	35⅝	32⅝
May	34⅝	34⅝	34	34	34⅝
July	34⅝	34⅝	34	34	34⅝
Pork—					
Jan.	11 90	11 90	11 65	11 65	11 37½
May	11 20	11 20	11 12½	11 12½	11 17½
Lard—					
Jan.	7 37½	7 37½	7 35	7 35	7 07½
May	7 40	7 40½	7 35	7 35	7 15
Ribs—					
Jan.	6 12½	6 15	6 07½	6 07½	6 70
May	7 20	7 17½	7 10	7 10	7 20

*No. 1. †No. 2. ‡No. 3. §No. 4. ‖No. 2 Northwestern. ¶No. 2 northern.

FLOUR—Steady.

WHEAT—No. 2 spring, $1.00@1.02; No. 3, 90@97c; No. 2 red, 99½@1.01½.

CORN—No. 2, 55@55½c; No. 3 yellow, 55@55½c; No. 3 yellow, 55@55½c.

OATS—No. 2 white, 35½@36c; No. 3 white, 34½@35½c.

RYE—No. 2, 79c.

BARLEY—Fair to choice malting, 68@80c.

SEEDS—No. 1 northwestern, $1.17; prime timothy, $4.00@4.05; clover, contract grades, $14.75.

PROVISIONS—Short ribs (loose), $8.30@8.40; mess pork, bbl., $12.00@12.12½; lard, per 100 lbs., $7.40@7.50; short clear sides (boxed), $8.00@8.12½.

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls.	21,100	13,700
Wheat, bu.	79,100	89,900
Corn, bu.	222,700	127,100
Oats, bu.	227,600	90,700
Rye, bu.	13,600	...
Barley, bu.	49,500	10,900

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was steady; creameries, 19@28c; dairies, 19@28c. Eggs, steady; at mark, cases included, 23@28c; firsts, 28c; prime firsts, 32c; extras, 36c. Cheese, steady at 13@13½c.

St. Louis General Market.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 30.—WHEAT—Lower; track, No. 2 red cash, $1.02@1.03; No. 1 hard, $1.02@1.03; May, $1.04@1.06⅝; July, $1.00⅝@1.01.

CORN—Lower; track, No. 2 cash, 61@61½c; May, 56⅝c; July, 57½c; No. 2 white, 62@62½c.

OATS—Lower; track, No. 2 cash, 40½c; May, 36c; No. 2 white, 41½c.

FLOUR—Dull; red winter patents, $4.65@4.80; extra fancy and straight, $4.35@4.50; clear, $3.30@3.60.

SEED—Timothy, steady; $3.00@4.10.

CORNMEAL—Steady; $3.80.

BRAN—Steady; sacked east track, $1.00@1.05.

HAY—Steady; timothy, $8.50@12.00; prairie, $8.00@12.00.

IRON COTTON TIES—$1.10.

BAGGING—5½c.

HEMP TWINE—9c.

PROVISIONS—Pork, steady; jobbing, $11.25. Lard, lower; prime steam, $7.30. Dry salt meats, steady; boxed extra shorts, 8.37½; clear ribs, $8.55; short clears, $8.75. Bacon, steady; boxed extra short, $8.25; clear ribs, $8.12½; short clears, $8.62½.

POULTRY—Higher; chickens, 9@12c; springs, 10@12½c; turkeys, 12c.

BUTTER—Steady; creamery, 19@29½c.

CHEESE—8@9½c.

EGGS—Dull at 20c, case count.

Following were the receipts and shipments of flour and grain:

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls.	4,000	3,000
Wheat, bu.	21,000	20,000
Corn, bu.	122,000	57,000
Oats, bu.	241,000	47,000

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKET

Features of Trading and Prices on Leading Commodities.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—FLOUR—Receipts, 17,845 bbls.; exports, 21,028 bbls. Market dull, but firm. Minnesota patents, $5.25@5.70; winter straights, $4.60@4.70; Minnesota bakers, $4.20@4.00; winter grades, extras, $3.70@4.15; winter patents, $5.60@5.85; winter low grades, $3.60@3.90; Rye flour, quiet; fair to good, $4.00@4.15; choice to fancy, $4.20@4.35. Buckwheat flour, steady, $2.00 per 100 pounds.

CORNMEAL — Firm; fine white and yellow, $3.25@3.40; coarse, $3.20@3.40.

RYE—Dull; No. 2 western, 82c f. o. b. New York.

WHEAT—Receipts, 206,000 bu.; exports, 37,421 bu. Spot market weak. No. 2 red, $1.08⅝, elevator, and $1.09⅝, f. o. b. afloat; No. 1 northern Duluth, $1.17½, f. o. b. afloat; No. 2 hard winter, $1.16, f. o. b. afloat. There was a small trade in wheat today, following enormous selling for the leading bull at Chicago. Prices here broke 5c a bushel, partly on bearish Liverpool Argentina news, and closed weak at 7½@8c net decline. December closed at $1.07⅝, May, $1.11⅛@1.10⅞, closed at $1.11⅛, July, $1.04@1.05⅛, closed at $1.04⅝.

CORN—Receipts, 48,275 bu.; exports, 138 bu. Spot market easier; No. 2, 70c, elevator, and 67½c, f. o. b. afloat; No. 2 white, 67½c and No. 2 yellow, nominal, f. o. b. afloat. Option market was steady at first on bad weather reports, but eventually weakened with wheat, closing ⅝c lower, except December, which was up ⅛c on manipulation. December, 70⅞@70c, closed at 70c; May, 67⅝@67½c, closed at 67½c.

OATS—Receipts, 79,300 bu.; exports, 4,020 bu. Spot market steady; mixed oats, 28 to 32 pounds, 54c; natural white, 30 to 32 pounds, 57@57½c; clipped white, 30 to 32 pounds, 58@60c.

HAY—Quiet; good to choice, $1.00@1.05.

HOPS—Quiet; state, common to choice, 1907, 19@21c; 1906, 16@20c; Pacific coast, 1906, 19@22c; 1905, 16@20c.

HIDES—Quiet; Bogota, 18½c; Central America, 19½c.

LEATHER—Quiet, 24@27c.

PROVISIONS—Beef, steady; family, $15.00@16.00; mess, $11.50@12.00; packet, $12.00@12.50; extra India mess, $22.00@26. Cut meats, steady; pickled bellies, 10 lbs. average, 8@8½c. Lard, steady; western prime, $8.00@8.15; refined, steady; continent, $8.50; South American, $9.25; compound, 6½@7½c. Pork, easy; family, $21.00@24.00; short clear, $19.75@21.50; mess, $18.00@19.50.

TALLOW—Firm; city, 5½c; country, 5½@5½c.

RICE—Steady; domestic, fair to extra, 5¼@6½c; Japan, nominal.

BUTTER—Steady; creamery extras, 29@30c; thirds and firsts, 24@28c; western factory, common to first, 18@26c; imitation creamery, fine, 20@22c.

CHEESE—Quiet; state, full creamery, small colored and white fine, 15½c; same large colored, fine, 15½c; white, 15½c; same good to prime, 14@15c; same late made best 13½@14c; same common to fair, 9@12c.

EGGS—Firmer; western firsts, 35c; seconds, 27@28c.

POULTRY—Dressed irregular; western chickens, 12@18c; turkeys, 8@18c; fowls, 10@11c.

WEATHER IN THE GRAIN BELT

Fair and Warmer for the Last Day in Year.

OMAHA, Dec. 30, 1907.

The disturbance that caused the unsettled weather in the central valleys during Sunday has moved eastward and has developed into a well defined storm area that now overlies the country east of the Mississippi river, with its center over the lower lakes. This disturbance is followed by an area of high pressure, with clearing weather that overlies the country west of the Mississippi river to the mountains. This high pressure is accompanied by a very decided fall in temperature, and the weather is much colder throughout the Missouri valley and west this morning. The outlook is for fair in this vicinity tonight and Tuesday, with warmer Tuesday.

Omaha record of temperature and precipitation compared with the corresponding day of the last three years:

	1907.	1906.	1905.	1904.
Maximum temperature	12	39	23	32
Minimum temperature	12	19	20	30
Precipitation	.02	.10	.00	.00

Normal temperature for today, 23 degrees.

Deficiency in precipitation since March 1, 7.36 inches.

Deficiency corresponding period in 1906, 4.34 inches.

Deficiency corresponding period in 1905, 2.76 inches.

L. A. WELSH, Local Forecaster.

Kansas City Grain and Provisions.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 30.—WHEAT—Market is lower; May, 99½c; July, 95½c; cash No. 2 hard, 97@98½c; No. 3, 96@97c; No. 2 red, 99@99½c; No. 3, 96@97c.

CORN—Lower; May, 55½c; July, 55½c; cash No. 2 mixed, 55@55½c; No. 3, 55@55½c; No. 2 white, 55@55½c; No. 3, 55@55½c.

OATS—Unchanged; No. 2 white, 40c; No. 3 mixed, 40½c.

RYE—99@99c.

HAY—Steady; choice timothy, $11.50@12.00; choice prairie, $9.00@9.50.

BUTTER—Unchanged to higher; creamery, 28@29c; packing, 18c.

EGGS—Steady; extras, 27c; firsts, 25½c.

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Wheat, bu.	116,000	54,000
Corn, bu.	1,041,000	122,000
Oats, bu.	12,000	8,000

Kansas City grain options:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
May	74⅝	74⅝	73⅝	73⅝
July	67½	67½	66½	66½
Corn—				
May	55½@55½	55½	54½	55½
July	56	56	55½	55½

Minneapolis Grain Market.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Dec. 30.—WHEAT—May, $1.12½; July, $1.02@1.02½; No. 1 hard, $1.10@1.10½; No. 1 northern, $1.09@1.10½; No. 2 northern, $1.06@1.08½.

FLOUR—First patents, $5.00@5.10; second patents, $4.60@4.70; first clears, $4.20@4.40; second clears, $3.10@3.20.

FLAX—To arrive, No. 1, $1.14½.

BRAN—In bulk, $20.00@20.00.

Liverpool Grain Market.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 30.—WHEAT—Spot, firm; No. 2 red western winter, 7s 6½d. Futures, quiet; March, 7s 3½d; May, 7s 3½d.

CORN—Spot, firm; prime mixed, American new, 5s 6d; prime American old mixed, 5s 6d. Futures, firm; January, 5s 6½d.

HOPS—In London (Pacific coast), quiet, £2@3 10s.

Visible Supply of Grain.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—The visible supply of grain Saturday, December 28, as compiled by the New York Produce exchange, was as follows: Wheat, 46,921,000 bu.; increase, 998,000 bu. Oats, 7,296,000 bu.; decrease, 127,000 bu. Rye, 1,021,000 bu.; decrease, 21,000 bu. Barley, 5,870,000 bu.; decrease, 12,000 bu.

Milwaukee Grain Market.

MILWAUKEE, Dec. 30.—WHEAT—Lower; No. 1 northern, $1.08@1.11; No. 2 northern, $1.05@1.09½; May, $1.05 asked.

BARLEY—Firm; No. 2, $1.00; sample, 65@97c.

CORN—Firm; No. 3 cash, 61@62½c.

Duluth Grain Market.

DULUTH, Minn., Dec. 30.—WHEAT—No. 1 northern, $1.07⅝; No. 2 northern, $1.05½; December, $1.06⅝; May, $1.12½; July, $1.12⅝.

Toledo Seed Market.

TOLEDO, O., Dec. 30.—SEED—Clover, cash, $7.75; December, $7.75; March, $7.65; Timothy, prime, $3.35. Alsike, prime, $9.50.

New York Mining Stocks.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—Closing quotations on mining stocks were:

Adams Con.	1	Little Chief	9½
*Alice	200	Ontario	30
Brunsw	3	Ophir	115
*Brunswick Con.	40	Phoenix	08
Comstock Tunnel	175	Savage	15
Con. Cal. & Va.	1 35	Sierra Nevada	38
Horn Silver	75	Small Hopes	20
Iron Silver	70	Standard	2 20
Leadville Con.	4		

*Offered.

Treasury Statement.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—Today's statement of the treasury balance in the general fund, exclusive of the $150,000,000 gold reserve, shows: Available cash balance, $87,745,000; gold coin and bullion, $61,067,000; gold certificates, $62,802,000.

Bank Clearings.

OMAHA, Dec. 30.—Bank clearings for today were $3,700,000, and for the corresponding date last year, $3,000,000.

NEW YORK STOCKS AND BONDS

Market's Activity Under Restraint of Seasonable Circumstances.

PRICES ARE GENERALLY HIGHER

Money Situation Complicated by Call for Ten Per Cent of Government Deposits and Year-End Settlements.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—The eventful financial year drew towards its close with activity in stocks today under the restraint of seasonable circumstances. Call money rates went higher, but the advance was not violent, as had been feared. The extent of the actual calling of loans seemed to be small. No effective obstacle was interposed to the marking up process which was being pursued in the interest of the year-end showing in balance sheets and investment holdings of institutions. A complicating factor in the money market was the notice from the secretary of the treasury to the national banks in New York that they would be expected to pay over 10 per cent of the government deposits held in daily installments covering the next ten days, the first payment having been made on Saturday. This means a daily requirement of from $90,000 to $100,000. The government deposits in New York banks standing at some $24,000,000. The condition of the treasury working balance, which had run down to the vanishing point, seems to have left the secretary no alternative to the drawing on depositories for cash, although the apparent exception of banks outside of New York from the demand was the occasion of some comment.

There is a growth of confidence in the rate of improvement in the money situation which is to be expected after New Year. The London financial world was strongly impressed by the absence of outside competition for the weekly gold arrivals, which all went to the Bank of England at a reduced price. Discounts receded sharply in London and an early reduction in the Bank of England official rate is considered assured. Berlin also marked down its discount rate, and there was a violent decline in the sterling rate at Paris. This series of events was due as much as anything to the rapid decline towards extinction of the premium of the currency in New York. The action of the day's full look market gave some feeling of assurance that even the temporary needs of the yearly settlements might be passed without notable disturbance of the money rate. The 45 per cent rate of the last week of last year and the 125 per cent rate in the previous year's closing week supplied precedents on which unpleasant anticipations have been based, the more so in view of the $120,000,000 gold still existing in New York based upon a reserve in spite of last week's extensive recuperation. Today the opening 20 per cent rate was the highest. The rate of recuperation serves to quiet anxiety over the provision which will be necessary for mercantile obligations within the next month. The falling off in sales of merchandise and the slowness of collections is abundantly testified to by all signs, but there is expert authority in New York for the opinion that the commercial credit situation offers no cause for anxiety. An incident of the day was some increased offerings of funds in the time money market, although the increase was not sufficient to alter materially the almost dormant state of that department. Railroad traffic officials were quite candid in admitting that the decline in traffic had exceeded their expectations and that they could not perceive any sign of any immediate resumption of activity there. Former reports of traffic congestion are changed in some cases to complaints of idle car congestion. Intimations go with these returns of declining traffic of plans for economies in proportion, the inference following of large reduction demand or equipment facilities by the railroad companies. The day's gains were fully retained at the opening.

Bonds were firm. Total sales par value, $2,722,000. United States 2s declined ½ per cent on call.

Number of sales and quotations on stocks were as follows:

	Sales.	High.	Low.	Close.
Adams Express	10	50	50	50
Amalgamated Copper	71,000	67⅝	67⅛	67⅝
Am. C. & F.	400	31⅝	30⅝	31⅝
Am. C. & F. pfd.	...	...	...	92
Am. Cotton Oil	...	...	...	45
Am. Cotton Oil pfd.	...	...	...	90
American Express	...	...	...	149
Am. H. & L. pfd.	200	34⅝	34⅝	34⅝
American Ice Securities	2,500	34⅝	34⅝	34⅝
Am. Linseed Oil	...	...	...	18
Am. Linseed Oil pfd.	...	...	...	40
Am. Locomotive	200	55½	55½	55½
Am. Locomotive pfd. ex-div	...	...	...	116
Am. S. & R.	14,100	73⅝	71⅝	72⅝
Am. S. & R. pfd.	400	95⅝	95⅝	95
Am. Sugar Refining	1,000	136⅝	135⅝	136⅝
Am. Tobacco pfd. ctfs	...	...	...	77⅝
Anaconda Mining Co.	300	38⅝	38⅝	38⅝
Atchison	2,600	37⅝	37⅝	37⅝
Atchison pfd.	200	98⅝	98⅝	98⅝
Atlantic Coast Line	200	125	125	125
Baltimore & Ohio	700	87⅝	87⅝	87⅝
Bal. & Ohio pfd.	...	...	...	92
Brooklyn Rapid Tr.	3,100	39⅝	39⅝	39⅝
Canadian Pacific	1,400	154⅝	151⅝	154⅝
Central of N. J.	...	...	...	350
Chesapeake & Ohio	300	37⅝	37⅝	37⅝
Chicago Gt. W.	400	9⅝	9⅝	9⅝
Chicago & N. W.	400	157	156⅝	156⅝
Chicago, M. & St. P.	1,000	164⅝	164⅝	164
Chicago, T. & T. pfd.	...	...	...	93
C., C., C. & St. L.	100	91	91	91
Colorado F. & I.	...	...	...	35
Colorado & So.	1,000	51	51	51
Colo. & So. 1st pfd.	100	91	91	91
Colo. & So. 2d pfd.	100	42	42	42
Consolidated Gas	100	150	150	150
Corn Products, ctfs	100	11	11	11
Corn Products pfd. ctfs	...	...	...	75
Delaware & Hudson	700	147	146⅝	146⅝
Del., L. & W.	300	...	...	450
Denver & R. G.	600	31	29⅝	29⅝
D. & R. G. pfd.	...	...	...	91
Distillery Securities	300	19⅝	19	19⅝
Erie	300	29⅝	29	29⅝
Erie 1st pfd.	300	40⅝	39	39
Erie 2d pfd.	100	34⅝	34⅝	34⅝
General Electric	...	...	...	151
Illinois Central	200	152	152	152
International Paper	600	19	18⅝	18⅝
Int. Paper pfd.	400	74⅝	73	74
Int. Pump	1,000	39⅝	38	38
Int. Pump pfd.	100	91⅝	91⅝	91⅝
Iowa Central	...	...	...	30
Iowa Central pfd.	...	...	...	70
Kansas City So.	100	25⅝	25⅝	25⅝
K. C. So. pfd.	...	...	...	65
Louisville & N.	200	151	151	151
Manhattan Consol.	1,300	98	97⅝	98
Minn. & St. L.	200	32⅝	32⅝	32⅝
M., S. P. & S. S. M.	100	169⅝	169⅝	169⅝
M., S. P. & S. S. M. pfd.	200	128	128	128
Missouri Pacific	200	67⅝	67⅝	67⅝
Missouri, K. & T.	1,800	32⅝	32	32⅝
M., K. & T. pfd.	...	...	...	70
National Lead	300	49⅝	49⅝	49⅝
N. R. R. of M. pfd.	...	...	...	75
New York Central	1,700	93⅝	93⅝	93⅝
N. Y., O. & W.	200	42	42	42
Norfolk & W.	600	91	90⅝	90⅝
N. & W. pfd.	...	...	...	90
North American	700	44	43	43⅝
Pacific Mail	...	...	...	29
Pennsylvania	12,900	101	100⅝	100⅝
People's Gas	400	99⅝	99⅝	99⅝
P., C., C. & St. L.	...	...	...	110
Pressed Steel Car	100	39⅝	39⅝	39⅝
Pullman S. C. pfd.	...	...	...	97
Pullman Palace Car	...	...	...	208
Reading	108,600	96⅝	94⅝	95⅝
Reading 1st pfd.	...	...	...	86
Reading 2d pfd.	200	79	79	79
Republic Steel	100	34⅝	34⅝	34⅝
Republic Steel pfd.	100	95⅝	95⅝	95⅝
Rock Island Co.	100	27⅝	27⅝	27⅝
Rock Island Co. pfd.	400	39⅝	39⅝	39⅝
St. L. & S. F. 2d pfd.	...	...	...	70
St. Louis S. W.	...	...	...	29
St. L. S. W. pfd.	...	...	...	59
Southern Pacific	4,100	75	74	74⅝
So. Pacific pfd.	1,300	124	124⅝	124⅝
So. Railway	...	...	...	35
So. Railway pfd.	100	95⅝	95⅝	95
Tennessee Coal, Iron & R.	...	...	...	73
Texas & Pacific	...	...	...	30
T., St. L. & W.	...	...	...	18
T., St. L. & W. pfd.	1,300	35⅝	35	35⅝
Union Pacific	15,400	174⅝	171⅝	174⅝
Union Pacific pfd.	100	87	87	87
U. S. Express	...	...	...	40
U. S. Realty	...	...	...	90
U. S. Rubber	100	35⅝	35⅝	35⅝
U. S. Rubber pfd.	100	79⅝	79⅝	79⅝
U. S. Steel	12,300	27⅝	26⅝	27
U. S. Steel pfd.	1,900	96⅝	96⅝	96⅝
Va.-Carolina Chemical	...	...	...	16⅝
Va.-Caro. Chem. pfd.	...	...	...	87
Wabash	700	19⅝	19	19⅝
Wabash pfd.	100	31	31	31⅝
Wells-Fargo Ex., offered	...	...	...	250
Westinghouse Electric	200	49⅝	49	49
Western Union	700	91	90⅝	90⅝
Wheeling & L. E.	100	7⅝	7⅝	7⅝
Wisconsin Central	400	27⅝	26⅝	26⅝
Wis. Central pfd.	300	85	85	85
Northern Pacific	21,400	159⅝	158⅝	159⅝
Great Northern pfd.	4,000	157⅝	156⅝	157⅝
Interborough-Met.	200	19⅝	19⅝	19⅝
Int.-Met. pfd.	2,200	57⅝	56⅝	57⅝
Central Leather	100	28	28⅝	28⅝
Central Leather pfd.	...	...	...	91
Sloss-Sheffield Steel	...	...	...	55⅝

Total sales for the day, 771,900 shares.

Foreign Financial.

LONDON, Dec. 30.—Money was in strong demand on the market today. Discounts were weaker on the favorable outlook and the securing by the Bank of England of nearly $2,000,000 in gold. The chief reason for the hopefulness and cheerfulness that prevailed on the stock exchange was the absence of any American demand for gold, which enabled the Bank of England to secure the whole amount at a reduced price. The absence of foreign competition was considered the most satisfactory feature since the beginning of the American crisis. With the better New York bank statement came a stronger hope that conditions in the United States would soon return to normal and permit of a reduction in the bank's rate of discount, which has burdened trade as well as speculation. Although there was not much business on the exchange, Britishers led by consols, advanced well, while the continental exchanges supported the speculation among foreigners. Americans went well ahead of parity, receiving fair support from New York in the afternoon. They closed firm near the best prices of the day. The settlement of contracts of the last settlement of the year also had a favorable effect on the market.

PARIS, Dec. 30.—Trading on the Bourse today was firm and prices were higher.

BERLIN, Dec. 30.—Trading on the Bourse today was inactive, but the general tendency was better.

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—MONEY—On call, firm, at 20 per cent; ruling rate, 20 per cent; closing, offered at 20 per cent. Time loans, strong; sixty days, 8 to 10 per cent; ninety days, 9 per cent; six months, 6 to 8 per cent.

PRIME MERCANTILE PAPER—6@6½ per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Weak, with actual basis in bankers' bills at $4.84@4.84⅝ for demand and $4.79 for sixty-day bills. Commercial bills, $4.77.

SILVER—Bar, 59½c; Mexican dollars, 45½c.

BONDS—Government, easy; railroad, firm.

Closing quotations on bonds were as follows:

U. S. ref. 2s reg.	100⅝	L. & N. uni. 4s	97⅝
do coupon	101	*Man. c. g. 4s	110
U. S. 3s reg.	108⅝	Met. Central 4s	78⅝
do coupon	109⅝	do 1st con. 4s	94⅝
U. S. 4s reg.	113	*Mich. C. & St. L. 4s	97
do coupon	113	N. Y. C. & H. R. 3½s	91
Ann. Trans. 4s	103	N. Y. C. & St. L. 4s	100
do 4s	104⅝	N. Y. N. H. & H. 4s	77⅝
Atchison gen. 4s	100⅝	N. Y. O. & W. 4s	90⅝
*do adj. 4s	93⅝	*N. P. C. & St. L. 4s	113
Atlantic C. L. 4s	97	*do Pacific 4s	100⅝
Bal. & Ohio 4s	96⅝	do 3s	69⅝
do 3½s	92	*N. & W. c. 4s	92
Brk. R. T. c. 4s	80⅝	O. S. L. ctfs. 4s	94⅝
Central of Ga. 5s	98	Penn. conv. 3½s	92
*do 5s inc.	93	Reading gen. 4s	91
*do 2d inc.	42	St. L. & I. M. c. 5s	104⅝
*do 4s inc.	38	St. L. & S. F. fg. 4s	75⅝
Ches. & Ohio 4½s	95⅝	St. L. & S. W. c. 4s	84
Chicago & A. 3½s	94⅝	Seaboard A. L. 4s	80⅝
C., B. & Q. 4s	101⅝	*do Pacific 4s	82
C., B. & P. 4s	102	So. Ry. 5s	98
do con. 5s	107⅝	Tenn. new S. 3s	107⅝
*CCC. & St. L. gen. 4s	97	St. Railway 5s	94⅝
Colo. Ind. 5s, ser. A.	48	T., St. L. & W. 4s	69⅝
*Colo. Mid. 4s	38	Union Pacific 4s	101
Colo. & So. 4s	93⅝	U. P. conv. 4s	97⅝
Colo 5s	100⅝	U. S. Steel 5s	101⅝
D. & R. G. 4s	91	Wabash 1s	74⅝
Distillery Sec. 5s	93	*do deb. B	44
Erie g. 1. 4s	80⅝	Western Md. 4s	86
*do gen. 4s	73	W. & L. E. 4s	91
Hock. Val. 4½s	99	*W. Central 4s	97⅝
Japan 4s	89	Atchison cv. 4s	97
do 4½s ctfs.	87⅝	Int. Met. 4½s	75⅝
do 3d series	87⅝	do 1st & ctfs.	90⅝

*Bid. **Offered.

Boston Stocks and Bonds.

BOSTON, Dec. 30.—Call loans, 6@12 per cent; time loans, 6@8 per cent. Official closing on stocks and bonds:

Atchison adj. 4s	92	Amalgamated	67
do 4s	99⅝	Atlantic	34
Bos. Central 4s	78	Brighton	9⅝
Atchison	37⅝	Cal. & Hecla	640
do pfd.	98⅝	Central	25
Boston & Albany	261	Copper Range	57⅝
**Boston & Maine	234	Daly West	17⅝
Boston Elevated	138	Franklin	8
Boston & Lowell	217	Granby	75
Boston & Maine	240	Isle Royale	35⅝
N. Y., N. H. & H.	197	Mass. Mining	7⅝
**Fitchburg pfd.	93	Michigan	9
Union Pacific	174⅝	Mohawk	67⅝
Ann. Arbor Com.	38⅝