ECHOES FROM THE ANTE ROOM

News and Gossip of the Various Secret Orders.

THE ELK'S NEW QUARTERS.

A Female French Mason—Good Words For the A. F. & A. M.—General Pythian News—The A. O. U. W. —General Gossip.

The Elks' Opening.

The new club rooms of the local Elks' lodge were formally opened Friday night with a grand reception and banquet. The Bostonians were present as the honored guests of the evening, and at least 350 guests were present to receive them. The arrivals commenced as early as 8 o'clock and continued until after 9. At this hour dancing began and was continued until nearly midnight, when the following musical programme was rendered:

Octette.................."Night's Witchery'"
Apollo Club.
Violin solo......................Prof. Franko
Temple Quartette.......Breeze of the Night
Solo................"Let Me Dream Again."
Miss Mourio.
Solo......................."Stlelozi Dreams."
Nat M. Brigham.
Solo................"Tompkins' Wedding."
Tom. Carl.
Solo................"Last Rose of Summer."
Miss Marie Stone, accompanied by
Mr. McDonald.

The affair was most noteworthy from the fact that it was as brilliant an assemblage as ever gathered at any public reception in Omaha.

The new club rooms are simply magnificent and are ample for the accommodation of the order. The lodge room is a splendid apartment 50x30, and has three ante chambers together with toilet rooms. The floor of the main room is covered with brussels carpet of the finest make. The furniture is of antique oak with leather cushions on the chairs and sofas. The dining and billard rooms are splendidly furnished and the kitchen is equipped with all the needs of the most fastidious chef.

A French Female Mason.

Well-read Masons are familiar with the story of Mrs. Aldworth, the only female admitted into the mysteries of Freemasonry according to the York rite, says the Masonic Chronicle, and we now find that France can boast of another lady brother, duly initiated in a regularly constituted lodge. Madame de Xainfrailles, wife of the general of the same name, served as his aide-de-camp with such valor as to receive from Bonaparte, when first consul, a commission as major of cavalry.

The Lodge des Artistes, having announced the holding of a lodge of adoption, Madame de Xaintrailles received an invitation to be initiated as a woman. In those cases it was customary for the brethren to open and close their lodge before admission of the ladies. While the lodge was in session, the master was informed as to there being a superior officer in full uniform in the ante-chamber, presumptively as a visitor. The expert inquired as to whether the stranger possessed a diploma, whereupon the latter handed him the military commission. It was read in astonishment, whereupon Cuvelier, the master, a veteran of the army, proposed that, in view of her military services, Madame de Xaintrailles should be initiated into Masonry, as a man, should she so desire. Her answer was; "I have been a man for my country, and will be one for my brothers." She submitted to the ordeal, modified as the emergency demanded, and was proclaimed in her Masonic capacity, so that upon opening the lodge of adoption, the heroine preserved her place among the brethren.

IN REFERRING to "mixed funerals" Grand Master Darrah said in his address to the Grand Lodge that "a Masonic procession should be styled and guarded as much as a Lodge at labor--no one being permitted to either enter or retire from it without permission from the W. M. No Mason would think of admitting a profane to visit a lodge while at labor, much less permit one to take part in the ceremonies of conferring a degree. Yet a lodge would have as much right, legally, to admit a profane to visit as it would to admit him within a Masonic procession."

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IN A recent address P. G. M. Congdon, of New Jersey, said: "Man's greatest need on earth is friendship, constant, true and helpful. Masonry multiplies friendships. The quality of sweet friendship, like that of her sister, mercy, is not strained. It blesses him who gives and him who takes, and so on to the end. Let our aim and efforts ever be to establish and maintain true and abiding friendships, and life will teem with richer blessings."

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A LODGE medical director, in the St. Louis Globe-Democrat, says: "I feel it my duty to say of an examiner who recommends for lodge membership a man who dies within two years of admission of consumption (unless that disease follows a severe injury or an attack of some acute disease), that it is evident he has not given sufficient attention to the examination of the applicant, and his services as medical examiner should be discontinued. Every doctor of experience and learning should recognize in persons disposed to consumption or tuberculosis, appearances present in cases years before the disease develops itself--as follows: Long eyelids; a pale face; very sensitive, and coughing for slight causes; thin, slender hands, with clubended fingers and curved nails sharply defined; red lines of the gums, and when the body is made bare there will be found great leanness of the chest; hollowness of the subclavicular depressions; prominence of the scapulas; smallnass of the posterior-anterior diameter of the chest, and unusual width of the inter-costal spaces. This conformation should unerringly apprise the medical examiner of the distant approach of that dreaded disease--consumption."

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THE SUIT of S. E. Giardon and others against the supreme lodge of the Knights of Pythias, began last week in the courts of St. Louis. The plaintiff's husband, who died recently, was a member of the defendant organization, and held two insurance policies--one for $1,000 and the other for $2,000—which the society refuses to pay. The defense says that Mr. Giardon failed to pay his dues for a year, and also that he had been convicted of felony, but pardoned by Governor Crittenden, and that either of these causes was, according to the constitution of the order, sufficient to debar a beneficiary from collecting the policy. The facts appearing to be in accordance with the statements of the defendant, Judge Lubke, after the case was called, rendered an opinion which virtually prevented the plaintiffs from recovering in the premises and they took a nonsuit.

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UNION PACIFIC lodge A. O. U. W. has elected the following officers for the ensuing year: G. M. McBride, foreman; William Turner, overseer; G. B. Roberts, recorder; John McEwing, financier; Charles Johnson, receiver: A. G. Sabine, inside watchman; George Birchfield, outside watchman; trustee, William Turner.

It is expected that this lodge will hold a joint instalation of officers with Omaha lodge No. 18, but the feasability of having it made public is questioned owing to the fact that the elevator leading to the new hall in the Barker block will not be completed in time.

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THE IRON MOULDERS in their thirteenth annual ball given on Friday evening, as usual did themselves proud. Two hundred attended, twenty-eight numbers were danced, and the affair did not end until 3 o'clock. Supper was taken at the Hub. The music was furnished by Hofmann's orchestra.

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AMONG THE brilliant social events of the week was the Odd Fellows' ball Thursday evening at Masonic hall, given by the Patriarchs Militant of Ezra Millard Canton No. 1. Over a hundred couples were present, and everybody voted the affair a grand success. Preceding the dance the patriarchs in full uniform gave some fine evolutions. Captain N. B. Heim was master of ceremonies.

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A REUNION of the family of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Calhoun, of Marshalltown, was arranged to take place at the house of their son-in-law, C. D. Thompson, 2210 Capitol avenue. Mr. and Mrs. Calhoun and daughter, Lulu, arrived on the fast train Saturday morning. Their sons, Albert and Frank, of the Times force, Kansas City, arriving last evening, and Will, of Council Bluffs, is expected this evening. Their daughters, Mrs. Thomson, Miss Emma, Ella and Hattie Calhoun reside in Omaha. A pleasant time is expected. Mr. and Mrs. Calhoun will remain for ten days.

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LAST EVENING the entire force of employes of the Union sewing machine office, at 1609 Howard street, headed by Mr. J. A. Douglas, repaired to the residence of Mr. G. S. Smith, the general agent, whom they pleasantly surprised by the presentation of an elegant gold chain and medallion. This spontaneous outburst of appreciation was worthily bestowed. Mr. Smith has treated the employes of the office very handsomely during the past year, having offered a handsome premium to the most successful salesman. The occasion was one of enjoyment to all concerned. The names of the donors are as follows: J. A. Douglas, J. Levine, W. Hodges, P. A. Bond, Adolph Melchers, A. D. Lafayette, E. H. Hemming, G. C. Hurbet, H. H. Wissler, F. L. Whitney, T. C. Davis, which constitute the Union force under the management of Mr. Smith.

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AT A meeting of the A. O. U. W. of this city held December 5, appropriate resolutions were adopted on the deaths of John Cosgrove and James O'Boyle. Both were worthy men and excellent brothers and the memory of each is cherished by all who knew them.

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THE FOLLOWING are the new officer elected at Saline encampment, I. O. O. F.: Harry Hotchkiss, C. P.; M. V. Bain, H. P.; A. H. Masterman, S. W.; James Heaton, J. W.; R. C. Hazlett, scribe; Sam McClay, treasurer; F. F. Watkins, O. C. Bell, J. D. Hurd, trustees.

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A TELEGRAM to the Missouri Republican from Cincinnati says: Though the officers of the Knights of Pythias have been very reticent, it has become known that there is a possibility of trouble to come. It appears that some time ago Supreme Chancellor Howard Douglass instructed all grand lodges to change their constitutions, so as to be in accord with the supreme laws, and pointed out wherein there were discrepancies. As far as heard from all the states excepting Illinois, Nebraska, Delaware, Oregon and Pennsylvania had complied. To-day Illinois came in as requested. The supreme chancellor has issued a notice to the grand lodge of Pennsylvania, informing them that if his instructions are not complied with he will suspend that grand jurisdiction. In the case of Illinois, Supreme Chancellor Douglass had to face the very strong opposition in the grand lodge of both the supreme representatives, George W. Herman and C. E. Race, who, together with the grand keeper of records and seal, Henry B. Caldwell, cast their influence against the authority of the supreme chancellor. The grand chancellor took the loyal side, and has promulgated his order, complying fully with all the requirements of the supreme chancellor. Pennsylvania has refused, and, as before stated, has been given notice to obey or be suspended. This time, it is stated, they have to deal with a man with as much courage and pluck as was ever possessed bp Samuel Read or Henry Clay Berry."

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IN THIS issue is copied a telegram from Cincinnati to a St. Louis paper in regard to a difficulty among the Knights of Pythias. In this telegram among others is mentioned the jurisdiction of Nebraska as not complying with the instructions of the supreme chancellor in regard to grand lodges altering their laws so as to conform with the laws of the supreme lodge. The lateness of the hour at which this quotation is made prevents a thorough investigation of the facts. Unless the BEE is mistaken, the Nebraska grand lodge K. of P. at its October session in this city determined to alter its constitution in obedience to the suggestions of the supreme chancellor. At the same time the Nebraska body intimated that it yielded in no degree the justice of the position assumed by the promulgation of the objectionable rules. In view of these facts there is no danger of suspension of the Nebraska jurisdiction. Its grand body properly and gracefully acceded to the opinions of the head of the order and yet reserved the right to present certain corrections in the laws of the order to the supreme body in June next.

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A PETITION for the organization of Lucullus lodge, No. 93, K. of P., has received the approval of the grand chancellor, and the lodge will be instituted in Omaha soon after New Year by District Deputy Cole.

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PAST CHANCELLOR H. C. COLE, of Mt. Shasta lodge, No. 71, has been commissioned as district deputy grand chancellor for Douglas county and the appointment gives general satisfaction. Mr. Cole is a competent Pythian and well fitted for the position.

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OCCIDENTAL LODGE, No. 21, K. of P., of Columbus, is enjoying a season of prosperity. Special meetings are held every week for rank work and the lodge has recently fitted up a new hall in elegant shape.

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A VERY enjoyable meeting was that held recently by Mount Mina Lodge of Perfection, A. & A. S. A., Free Masons. A large number were in attendance among which were several prominent citizens of Lincoln, Lieutenant Dudly among the number. The degree was conferred upon two applicants after which the lodge went into "love feast session," in which those present enjoyed themselves to the utmost.

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SHELTON LODGE, No. 92, K. of P., of Shelton, Buffalo county, Neb., was instituted by O. L. Green, D. D. G. C., on December 1, with a membership of thirty members. F. E. Ellis, P. C.; J. S. Hedges, C. C.; Charles N. Kinney, V. C.; F. H. More, P.; S. H. Graves, K. R. S.; David Neeley, M. E.; F. D. More, M. F.; J. H. Heatherington, M. A.; C. S. Bailey, I. G.; James White, O. G.

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E. E. FRENCH, G. K. R. and S., of the K. of P., has sent out blanks for the semi-annual reports from lodges for the term ending December 31. All reports returned to the office of the G. K. R. and S. on or before January 30 will entitle lodges to a rebate of 10 per cent on amount of tax paid.

Diary of a Henpecked Husband.

Chicago Mail: Frederick A. Rowley filed a bill for divorce to-day against Florence, his wife. Frederick had a penchant for diaries, and when he was married to Florence at Indianapolis on the 24th of May, 1886, he invested in a beautiful book, on the white pages of which each evening he intended to write the story of marital bliss.

Some of these pages were submitted in the bill filed this morning, of which the following are samples:

"September 11, 1886.—Florence assaulted me with a large knife and threatened to kill me."

"September 15.—She beat me continually with whatever she could lay her hands on."

"October 15.—My wife flourished a revolver at me, threatening to bore me full of holes."

"November 15.—The woman assaulted me to-day with a hot flatiron. I was terribly bruised and burned."

"January 10, 1887.—My wife to-day resorted to that old chestnut, the umbrella. She pounded me with it, and demoralized the weapon."

"March 1, 1887.—Florence went on a high ald drunk to-day. She created a scene at a public hotel and I feel terribly disgraced."

September 25.—I thought that female had exhausted her ingenuity in beating me. But to-day she came up with a new device. She did me up with a cover for a soap dish. It was a bran new soap dish, and my head feels as if it had been drunk a week."

"October 3.—The old umbrella was resurrected again to-day, and made to do valuable service in thumping me, I can't stand this thing much longer."

Since the above affectionate events transpired Frederick was compelled to fly for his life. His bride has gone to Buffalo, and if he can get a divorce he will be happy.

A Kansas Paper Road.

TOPEKA, Dec. 24.—A charter was filed today with the secretary of state, for the incorporation of the Beloit & Nebraska railway company. Capital stock, $1,000,000. The estimated length of the road is sixty miles. The route is from Beloit, Kas. to the northern line of the state in Jewell or Smith counties, through the counties of Mitchell, Jewell and Smith.

SOCIETY IN THE GATE CITY.

The Record of a Week in Omaha Society.

SOME VERY PLEASANT EVENTS.

A Reunion—The Metropolitan Club—The Ladies Musicale Society—Events of the Future—General Local Gossip.

Birthday Party.

Miss Blanche Sorenson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Sorenson, entertained her friends at her home, 1918 Capitol avenue, Friday afternoon, the occasion being the celebration of her eleventh birthday. Mrs. Sorenson, assisted by Mrs. E. Rosewater, Mrs. James K. Chambers, Mrs. Edwin Davis, Mrs. Jay Northrop, Mrs. Wm. Manning, Mrs. Alex McKenzie, and Mrs. M. A. Brown, who superintended the reception, and made the little folks feel perfectly at home. Louise Hobbie, May Morse, and Myrtie Robinson gave some entertaining selections on the piano, the first named young lady exhibiting remarkable skill for one so young. Refreshments were served at 3:30, the tables presenting an attractive appearance. Some very elegant souvenirs were presented to Miss Blanche. Among those invited and present were the following: May Cowin, Edna Cowin, Clair Northrop, Grace Northrop, Mabel Brown, Tot Moore, Mamie Barton, Stella Burton, Grace Nichols, Blanche Rosewater, Francis Gilbert, Maud Kimball, Dovey Hoagland, Edith Smythe, Myrtie Robinson, Georgia Mitchell, Sadie Allen, May Mount, Bessie Deenbenn, Genta Yates, Louise Hobbie, Blanche Parker, Clara Creighton, Anna Creighton, Edith McKenzie, Gertie Gobel, May Morse, Florence Morse, Ethel Morse, Ruth McAusland, Bessie Peck, Helen Peck, Katie Havens, Grace Wilkins, Alice Wilkins, Grace Sorenson, Blanche Iler, Maud Iler, Blanch Esterbrook.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON Mrs. Joseph Garneau gave a reception assisted by her sister, Miss Carr, and the Misses Balcombe, Richardson and Yates. The attendance was large and the musical feature excellent.

Ladies' Musicale Society.

The musical event of the week was the meeting of the Ladies' Musicale society on Thursday afternoon. It was held at the home of Mrs. E. Rosewater, and was well received and heartily appreciated by those in attendance. The programme was as follows:

Bourree (suite Anglaise No. 2).........Bach
Sonata Appassionata, op. 57.......Beethoven
a, Allegro Assai,
b, Andante Con moto,
c, Allegro-Presto Finale.
Miss Lizzie Isaacs.
"Queen of the Earth"...............Pinsuti
Mr. France.
Etude de Concert (Elfenreigen) } ..Kroeger
Humoreske, No. 1, }
Rhapsodie d'Auvergne...........Saint Saens
Rigaudon.............................Raff
Miss Isaacs.
"The New Kingdom"..................Tours
Mr. France.
Fantasie Impromptu (C sh. minor), } Chopin
Grand Polonaise (A flat major,) }
Miss Isaacs.

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THE PARNELL CLUB held their sixth social dance at Cunningham's hall Wednesday evening. Two hundred persons were present, and the usual good time was enjoyed. Hofman's orchestra furnished the music for the club, as they have done at every one of their parties for over three years.

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THE WELCOME CLUB gave their second party at Metz' hall Wednesday evening. It was a pleasant affair.

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A PLEASANT impromptu party was given last Sunday evening by a number of the young people of the Metropolitan club. Miss Bettie Seligsohn presided as hostess, and was assisted by the Misses Ella Heller and Alice Lund. Music was furnished by the Musical union. Supper was served at 11:30. There were present the Misses Sarah Rosenberg, Rose Fisher, Addie Bloom, Tilly Sonnehill, Cora Bendit, Jennie New, Etta Newman, Bertha Alpiner, Clara Rindskopf, Rebecca Rosenfield, Minnie Rothschild, Alice Lund and Ella Heller; Messrs. Julius Meyer, Simon and Martin Oberfelder, Ike Schiff, Simon Fisher, H. H. Heympn, S. Rindskopf, L. Rothschild, Will Heller, John Lund, John Deiches and L. Heyman, M. Silberstein.

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THERE WAS a pleasant re-union of a number of the Monmouth college alumni of Omaha at the Millard Thursday evening. First a social session was held, which Rev. G. W. Hamilton, the college representative who was present, gave a pleasant address telling of the work now being done in the college. A number of toasts followed· Those present were Dr. S. K. Spaulding, Rev. E. B. Graham, Rev. J. N. Boyd and wife, Rev J. A. Henderson and wife, Judge McCulloch and wife, W. T. Graham and wife. Bruce McCulloch. G. G. Wallace, R. B. Wallace, E. E. Clippenger, Charles Westerfield, Misses Belle and M. McCulloch.

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THE PUPILS of Misses Valentine and Hamilton's rooms, of the Walnut Hill school, devoted Friday afternoon to a Dickens entertainment. The invitations, which were designed and executed by the pupils, were real works of art, being portraits in pencil, of Mr. Pickwick, Miss Fox, Sarah Gamp, Fagan, Joey Bagstock and many other well-known characters of Dicken's fancy.

The stage, which was erected for the occasion, though not elaborate in its settings, was tastefully adorned with pictures and curtains and placed the actors in full view of the large and appreciative audience. A commendable feature of the afternoon was the promptness with which scenes were arranged, there being no waits.

After the opening song Lulu McNaughton entertained thh audience with an essay on Charles Dickens, touching upon the leading characteristics of the great author. She was followed by three tiny girls, who recited the "Long Green." The Yorkshire school was represented in all its rags and tatters. Albert Moore made a heartless Mr. Squeers, striking the ragged boys with terror as he flourished his huge walking-stick.

Fred Van Horn, as Mr. Scrooge, told his ideas of Christmas in a spirited manner; refused his pleading nephew and abruptly dismissed the two benevolent gentlemen. After an essay on Daniel Quilp, the audience was presented with the amusing scene in which that most grotesque of characters surprises his friends, who are enjoying some comfort in the thought that he is drowned. Quilp appeared in the person of Frank Shoemaker, who deserves credit for the manner in which he crooked his legs, the position evidently not being a comfortable one for the youth. The programme proceeded with essays, singing, etc., until the closing exercise, which was a medley of some of the best known of the author's characters. Vivian Alvison, after introducing herself as Mrs. Rouncewell, read brief descriptions of the various characters, pausing for the appearance of each. Thus were presented-Nell and her grandfather, Florence and Paul, the severe Betsey Trotwood, Edith Dombey, Mrs. Jelbyby with her African affairs, Poor Joe in his rags, Barnaby Rudge in his wild costume and Dear Tiny Tim with his "God bless us everyone."

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THE PLEASANT HOURS social club will hold a reception at the Millard to-morrow night that promises to be a very delightful affair. Preparations have been made for the accommodation of one hundred couples. Franko's orchestra of fifteen pieces will furnish the music. Appended is the menu:

Demi Cup, Chicken, Consomme,
Hot Biscuits,
Game Salad, Chicken Croquetts,
Sweet breads and French Peas,
Block Ice Cream, Shell Ice Cream,
Cup Chocolate,
Cake, Fruit,
Cafe.

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LAST WEDNESDAY evening the Parnell social club gave the seventh of its series at A. O. H. hall, corner of Thirteenth and Jackson streets. The attendance of about one hundred couple danced to the music of Hoffman's orchestra. John Kervan officiated as master of ceremonies, assisted by the floor committee, John F. Rice, Morris Cain, W. H. Franklin, Louis Connelly. Reception committee, S. E. Collins, J. J. Lloyd, T. J. Conway, William Croft. Committee of arrangement, J. T. Fitzmorris, W. F. Ormsby.

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MISS BODKIN, a niece of Mr. Jacob Markel, will hold a reception at the Millard on Tuesday night, on which occasion the cream of the young people's society will be present. There will be sixty couples in attendance and the affair promises to be the leading event of the kind held this season. The parlors and reception rooms will be artistically and profusely decorated with rose buds and smilax. The dining [illegible] will be set apart for dancing and the floor will be covered with duck. Irvin's orchestra will furnish the music for the concert and dance. Following is the dancing programme: Waltz, ripple, lanciers, waltz, schottische, polka, lanciers, waltz, newport, polka, lanciers, mazourka, polka, medley. The menu will be:

[illegible] Salad.
Consomme of Game. Hot Biscuit.
Croquet Tarta.
Shell Ice Cream. Grapes. Cake.

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THE MANY friends of Miss Georgie Boulter will be surprised to hear of her intended departure to Chicago at the beginning of the year for the purpose of continuing her vocal studies under the direction of Prof. Phelps, known here favorably through Mrs. J. I. Clark and Mrs. Martin Cahn, his former pupils. Miss Boulter commenced her studies with Mrs. Strong nee Kate James of Council Bluffs, and for the past two years continuing her studies with Mrs. J. T. Clark. She has held the position of soprano in the St. Mary's avenue Congregational church for nearly two years where her services have been greatly appreciated.

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THE NORTH STAR social club gave a pleasant party Thursday night at Metz' hall. About twenty-five couple were present.

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THURSDAY EVENING Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Poppleton give a reception in honor of Miss Mary Poppleton.

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MRS. HOAGLAND will entertain the Park Avenue Euchre club Monday night.

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A PRIVATE masquerade was given Thursday evening by the Misses Dundy, daughters of Judge Dundy, and a most enjoyable time was had by those present.

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ON THURSDAY Mr. J. H. Spofford and Miss Agnes Carmichael were married.

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NEW YEAR'S EVE the Saratoga social club will give a party at 2708 Saunders street.

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THE THIRD meeting of the Whist club was held Monday evening at the residence of Mrs. D. H. Wheeler, jr.

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MONDAY EVENING Mr. C. S. Raymond will give a dinner to his employes.

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THURSDAY EVENING Mr. T. J. McLain and Miss Ida Falman were married at the First Presbyterian church. Rev. W. J. Harsha officiating.

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THIS MORNING Mr. J. B. Brown, of S. P. Morse & Co., will leave for the state of Maine where, it is rumored, he will take unto himself a bride.

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THE FOLLOWING young people have arrived from their schools, and will spend the holidays in Omaha: Miss Mary Poppleton, Miss Genie Kountz, Miss Laura Hoagland, Miss Betsie Yates, Messrs. Agustus and Charles Kountze, and the Messrs. Lyman, of Salt Lake City.

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MISS MARGARET THOMPSON, preceptress of Doane college at Crete, is spending the holiday season in this city, the guest of Mrs. H. H. Allen.

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THE PUPILS of the Lake school gave a highly entertaining and interesting entertainment at the school last Friday, the fifth and sixth grades, under the direction of Miss Bogan and Miss Whitmer, uniting. Those taking part acquitted themselves in admirable style.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

Minneapolis, Dec. 24. — Wheat — Receipts, 88 cars; shipments, 48 cars. A few samples offered and held ¼@1c higher than yesterday. Trading was very dull, millers refusing to pay the advance, they being the only buyers. Closed, in store: No. 1 hard, cash, 75¾c; February, 76c; May, 82c; No. 1 northern, cash, 75¾c; February, 76c; May, 80c; No. 2 northern, cash, February, 71c; May, 77c. On track: No. 1 hard, 77c; No. 1 northern, 77c; No. 2 northern, 72c.

Flour—Patents, sacks to ship, $4.10@4.25; bakers', $3.45@3.75.

West Lincoln Markets.

LINCOLN, Neb., Dec. 24.—[Special Telegram to the BEE.]—HOGS—Receipts, 500 head; all sold; prices 5c lower, ranging $4.60@5.35.

LIVE STOCK.

Union Stock Yards, Chicago, Dec. 24.—The Drovers' Journal reports:

Cattle—Receipts, 4,000; slow and 10@15c lower; shipping steers, $3.00@5.00; stockers and feeders, $1.25@3.20; cows, bulls and mixed, $1.25@2.085; Texas cattle, $1.75@3.10.

Hogs—Receipts, 16,000; the market was slow and 10c lower; mixed, $4.95@5.00; light, $4.80@5.20; skips, $3.00@4.65.

Sheep—Receipts, 1,000; strong; natives, common to good, $2.20@5.00; westerns, $3.50@4.00; Texans, $2.25@3.50; lambs, $4.50@6.00.

Kansas City, Dec. 24.—Cattle—Receipts, 1,300; shipments, 700; shipping steers weak and 5@10c lower; cows and butcher steers steady; good to choice corn-fed, $4.25@4.80; common to medium, $3.25@4.35; stockers, $2.00@2.65; feeding steers, $2.70@3.30; cows, $1.50@3.35.

Hogs—Receipts, 6,300; shipments, none; market irregular and 10@20c lower; common to choice, $4.75@535; skips and pigs, $2.00@4.60.

National Stock Yards, East St. Louis—Dec. 24. — Cattle — Receipts, 100; shipments, none; market steady and unchanged.

Hogs—Receipts, 1,300; shipments, none; market a shade easier; choice heavy and butchers' selections, $5.50@5.65; yorkers and packing, medium to choice, $5.15@5.55; medium to choice, $5.15@5.55; light grades, ordinary to good, $4.75@5.20.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK.

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—[Special Telegram to the BEE.]—CATTLE—The run was unusually heavy for Saturday, yet business was fairly active. The run, however, mainly centered on good and useful steers, such as shippers could use. This class sold nearly as well as Thursday and Friday, perhaps a shade lower on some of the more ordinary. Common and plain stock ruled 10@15c lower than yesterday, yet the general market closed fully 50@75c higher than last week. It is unusual to see a brisk and advancing cattle market during the week preceding Christmas, and this fact shows that the tendency is surely upward. It is more than likely, however, that the run will be heavy and prices lower the forepart of next week The general situation is strong, and looks favorable to purchasers of cattle on all breaks. Good steers, 1350 to 1500 lbs, $4.50@5.00; 1200 to 1350 lbs, $3.75@4.65; 950 to 1200 lbs, $3.00@4.25. Stockers and feeders, weaker, $1.75@3.20; cows, bulls and mixed, $1.25@2.85; Texas steers, $2.25@3.10; cows, $1.75@2.20.

HOGS—Trade slow with a down-turn of 5@10c, the general market closing dull, with a large number left in both commission men's and speculators' hands. A few fancy heavy made $5.60@5.70, but the great bulk of mixed and packing sorts sold within a range of $5.30@5.50. Light sorts $5.10@5.15; pigs, $4.85@5.05. Values have decreased 10@15c this week.

OMAHA LIVE STOCK.

Cattle.

The receipts of cattle were light and consisted chiefly of the same class of stock which has been received for some time past. There were no fine heavy cattle on the market, but there was one load which was above the average that sold for $4.40. The market was a little weak, bnt the stock which changed hands sold at prices which were about steady.

Hogs.

The receipts of hogs were moderate. The market opened 5@10c lower and remained nearly steady during the entire day. The top price on good hogs was $5.40. Prices on light hogs was somewhat lower. The market on the whole was rather weak.

Sheep.

There was nothing doing on the market.

Official Receipts.

Cattle	138
Hogs	5,376

Weekly Receipts.

Showing the number of head of stock re-

ceived for the past six days:

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep
Monday	263	3,164	83
Tuesday	625	9,022	204
Wednesday	294	4,240	104
Thursday	77	1,184	...
Friday	512	5,105	...
Saturday	138	5,376	...
Total	1,909	28,091	391

Prevailing Prices.

Showing the prevailing prices paid for live stock on the market:

Choice steers, 1300 to 1500 lbs	$4.00@4.50
Choice steers, 1100 to 1300 lbs	3.75@4.25
Fat little steers, 900 to 1050 lbs	3.50@3.65
Corn-fed range steers, 1200 to 1500	3.65@4.30
Good to choice corn-fed cows	2.30@2.60
Common to medium cows	1.75@2.00
Western cows	1.75@2.50
Good range feeders	2.30@2.65
Good native feeders, 900 lbs and upwards	2.50@3.00
Fair to medium native feeders, 900 lbs and upwards	2.25@2.50
Stockers, 400 to 700 lbs	2.10@2.60
Prime fat sheep	3.25@3.75
Good fat sheep, 90@100 lbs	3.00@3.75
Fair to medium sheep	2.25@3.00
Common sheep	1.50@2.00
Light and medium hogs	4.75@5.10
Good to choice heavy hogs	5.25@5.40
Good to choice mixed hogs	5.10@5.30

Representative Sales.

NATIVE STEERS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
39	1129	$3.10	28	1078	$3.65
7	1091	3.15	11	1306	4.00
103	1077	3.50	20	1219	4.00
18	1200	3.50	53	1253	4.30
COWS.					
3	1090	2.10	1	1230	3.00
1	1320	2.50			
BULLS.					
1	1950	2.50			
FEEDERS.					
10	993	2.75	1	870	2.90

HOGS.

No.	Av.	Shk.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Shk.	Pr.
60	181	400	$3.50	77	236	120	5.20
67	121	120	3.75	75	240	160	5.20
11	159	80	4.00	65	243	80	5.20
12	140	80	4.00	58	242	80	5.20
39	172	40	4.30	54	274	—	5.20
65	186	280	4.50	67	253	120	5.20
88	169	—	4.52½	70	276	360	5.20
95	165	—	4.60	62	296	80	5.25
87	184	120	4.60	67	232	40	5.25
80	183	40	4.75	63	276	120	5.25
74	202	200	4.75	63	293	280	5.25
82	199	120	4.75	73	277	80	5.25
80	180	—	4.90	64	244	160	5.25
85	216	240	4.95	61	292	200	5.27½
79	229	440	5.00	65	290	40	5.30
80	202	40	5.00	66	291	200	5.30
91	218	40	5.00	71	283	120	5.30
74	202	80	5.00	64	245	120	5.30
61	229	120	5.05	65	279	160	5.30
64	231	120	5.10	65	267	208	5.30
54	222	80	5.10	62	304	200	5.30
60	217	280	5.10	52	317	40	5.32½
67	252	40	5.10	62	301	80	5.35
73	225	160	5.10	60	279	160	5.35
97	240	320	5.10	64	266	80	5.35
69	249	80	5.15	55	222	120	5.35
65	266	—	5.15	51	336	160	5.35
62	290	160	5.15	61	305	120	5.37½
65	241	160	5.15	55	376	80	5.40
69	242	40	5.15	61	306	160	5.40
66	255	—	5.20	54	309	40	5.40
72	265	80	5.20	55	340	160	5.40
65	235	80	5.20	49	389	160	5.40
66	250	120	5.20	52	360	80	5.40

Live Stock Sold.

Showing the number of head of stock sold on the market yesterday:

CATTLE.

Scale No. 1 failed to get their tickets in the office last night, consequently no cattle sales are reported and all hog sales reported are from scale No. 2.

HOGS.

G. H. Hammond & Co	253
Anglo-American Packing Co	763
Armour & Cudahay	2,150
Swift Packing Co	127
Myerson & Buchanan	104
Stevenson, H. & Co	63
L. Kelly	95
Speculators	159
Total	3,784
Cars unsold	2

Shipments.

Cattle, 2 cars	Chicago
Sheep, 1 car	Chicago
Hogs, 2 cars	Chicago

Range of Prices.

Showing the extreme highest and lowest rates paid for leading grades of hogs on dates mentioned:

Date.	Heavy.	Mixed.	Light.
Dec. 16.	5 25 @5 42½	5 15 @5 25	4 40 @5 10
Dec. 17.	5 35 @5 50	5 25 @5 40	4 75 @5 20
Dec. 18.	Sunday.	Sunday.	Sunday.
Dec. 19.	5 35 @5 60	5 25 @5 50	4 50 @5 25
Dec. 20.	5 35 @5 60	5 25 @5 50	4 75 @5 15
Dec. 21.	5 35 @5 60	5 20 @5 45	4 75 @5 20
Dec. 22.	5 35 @5 55	5 15 @5 45	4 45 @5 25
Dec. 23.	5 30 @5 45	5 15 @5 25	4 85 @5 25
Dec. 14.	5 20 @5 40	5 10 @5 40	4 75 @5 15

Dockage and Commission.

Public inspectors dock pregnant sows 40 pounds, stags 80 pounds each.

Dead hogs, 80 lbs and over, $2.00 per cwt, less than 80 lbs, of no value.

Yardage: Cattle, 25c; hogs, 8c; sheep, 5c per head. Feed: Corn, $1 per bu; timothy hay, $30; prairie hay, $20 per ton.

Commissions: Cattle, 50c per head; calves and yearlings, $10 per car. Hogs and sheep: Single decks, $5; public inspection on hogs, 15c per car. All sales unless otherwise stated per 100 lbs live weight.

Live Stock Notes.

Hogs lower.

Cattle steady.

Christmas Monday.

No sheep on the market.

W. H. Roberts, of Faragut, sold hogs yesterday.

S. R. Illinger, of Inland, was on the market with hogs.

G. W. Lee, of Harvard, was on the market with hogs.

Slater & Frazier, of Wayne, disposed of a load of hogs.

J. P. Morton, of Tekamah, was on the market with cattle.

J. E. Hunt, of Papillion, marketed a load of stock yesterday.

Emley Bros., of Wisner, topped the market yesterday with hogs.

Charlie Struthers, of Ohiowa, topped the market with two loads of hogs.

A. M. Spooner, of Hooper, disposed of a load of 40 cent hogs on the market yesterday.

John Wiggins, of Columbus, looked over the market and then went home to eat turkey.

Finley McBeth, an extensive feeder from Griswold, Ia., was on the market yesterday looking over the ground with a view to shipping in some fat cattle.

The head hog war is not over with yet, as yesterday's action on the part of the buyers would indicate. The Union Rendering company advanced the price to $2 per cwt. early. McManus & Co. succeeded in purchasing 175 head at $1.75, however.

OMAHA WHOLESALE MARKETS

Produce, Fruits, Etc.

The following are the prices at which round lots of produce are sold on this market. Fruits or other lines of goods requiring extra labor of packing cannot always be supplied on outside orders at the same prices quoted the local trade.

BUTTER — Receipts are fair, and while stocks are not accumulating, they are heavier than is usual at this season of the year. We quote prices unchanged. Creamery, solid packed, is quoted at 22@24c; choice dairy, 17@19c; medium, 15@17c; low grades, 10@12c.

EGGS—No change is noted in this line except that sales of strictly fresh have been made at 23c, and in some cases at 24c. Quotations are 21@22c for fresh and 17c for limed.

CHEESE—Steady and in moderate demand, with prices quoted unchanged. Fancy full cream cheddars, single, 12c; full cream twins, 12¾@3c; young Americas, 13c; brick cheese, 100 lbs in case, 15c; Limburger, 100 lbs in case, 13c. In less quanties, 14@14½c; Swiss domestic, 16@18c.

POULTRY—The market is firm at former quotations, with turkeys for to-day scarce and in good demand. At noon there were few, if any, on sale, and those that came on hand after that hour sold at 11c and even 12c, but we cannot mark those as quotations. A few really heavy chickens sold at 5c, but quotations are given as unchanged. We quote Dressed chickens, 6@7c per pound. Turkeys, 7@9c. Ducks, 7@9c. Geese, 8@10c.

GAME—Is becoming scarce, and prices are firm with an upward tendency at former quotations. Prairie chickens, $4.00@4.25; mallard ducks, $2.25; quail, $1.20@1.40; teal and mixed ducks, $1.50@1.75; snipe, $1.25; jack rabbits, $3.00@3.75 per dozen; small rabbits, $1.00 per doz; deer, 6@8c; antelope, 7@9c; deer saddles, 9@11c; antelope, 12@14c; geese, $3.00@4.00

BEANS—Are in light supply and prices firmer at former quotations. Good stock, $2.00@2.30; fair to good, $1.60@1.80, and California beans at $2.25@2.40.

SAUER KRAUT—An advance is expected in this line and local firms already report sales 25c higher than the quotations we now give. Choice, per bbl of 36 gal, $8.85@9.00; ½ bbl, $4.85@5.00 $11.00 per bbl of 50 gal.

SWEET POTATOES—Prices are steady and quoted at 2@2½c per lb with some fine at 3c.

POTATOES—Supply light, demand prices advancing. We now quote $1.00@1.10 for Utah and Colo-rado stock and choice home grown at 80@85c; common grades at 60@70c.

CRANBERRIES—Bell & Cherry, $9.50@10.00; Bell & Bugle, $10.50@11.00; Cape Cods, $11.00@11.50.

CALIFORNIA FRUITS—Pears, $2.50@2.75; extra fine, $3.00.

GRAPES—Malagas, $6.50@7.00 per bbl., with some extra fine sold at $7.50@8.00.

CARROTS—Are in better supply at $2.25@2.50 per barrel.

CABBAGE—Is still in fair demand and finds ready sale at $1.00 per dozen. California cabbage easier at 2½@3c per lb.

PARSNIPS—New stock is quoted at $2.50 per barrel.

APPLES—Finer qualities are held back, but for ordinary grades prices are unchanged. We quote: Eastern fruit, $3.25@3.50; fair to choice stock, $3.50@3.75; fancy stock $3.75@4.00.

ONIONS—Home grown steady at 75@85c; Spanish onions, per 50-lb crate, $1.50@1.75

OYSTERS—Plain standard, 25c; plain selects, 30c; standard, 30c; extra selects, 35c; New York counts, 40c. Bulk oysters, counts, $1.35 per 100; selects, $2.00 per gal; standard, $1.25 per gal.

CAULIFLOWER—Good stock $2.60@2.80.

CELERY—Choice celery, 35@45c per dozen; fancy, 45@50c.

CIDER-Choice Michigan cider, $6.00@6.50 per bbl. of 32 gal.

QUINCES—Choice California quinces, $2.00@2.25 per box.

ORANGES—Prices are firmer than a day or two ago, and quotations are given unchanged, though a few sales of the finer quality of Floridas have been made at the outside figures, we quote Louisiana oranges at $4.00@4.22 per box, and Florida at $4.25@4.75.

LEMONS — Messina lemons, $5.50@6.00; Malaga, $5.00; extra Maori are out of the market.

BANANAS—Are becoming scarce and in fair demand. Choice bananas, $2.75@3.50; medium buches, $2.00@3.00; common, $1.50@2.00.

HONEY—Good choice honey in 1-lb frames, 18@20c; canned honey, 10@12c per lb.

POPCORN—Choice rice corn 3@3½c per lb; other kinds, 2@2½c per lb.

NUTS—Peanuts, 7@7½c, raw; Brazil nuts, 13c; almonds, Tarragona, 22c; English walnuts, 15@18c; filberts, 12c; Italian chestnuts, 15c.

Grocers' List.

PROVISIONS—Hams, 11@11⅜c; breakfast bacon, 11@11¼c; bacon sides, 9@9¼c; dry salt, 8½@8¾c; shoulders, 6½@7c; dried beef

REFINED LARD—Tierce, 7¾c; 40-lb square cans, 7⅞c; 50-lb. round, 7⅞c; 20-lb. round, 7⅞c; 10-lb. pails, 8¼c; 5-lb. pails, 8⅜c; 2-lb. pails, 8½c.

SUGAR—Granulated, 7⅜@7½c; conf. A, 7⅛@¼7c; white extra C, 6½@6¾c; extra C, 6⅜@6½c; yellow C, 5½@5⅝c; cut loaf, 8@8¼c; powdered, 8@8¼c; New Orleans, 5¼@5½c.

BROOMS—Extra 4-tie, $2.60; No. 1, $2.00; No. 2, $1.75; heavy stable, $4.00.

CANDY—Mixed, 9@11c; stick, 8¾@9½c.

SYRUP—No. 70, 4-gallon kegs, $1.50@1.55; New Orleans, per gallon, 38@46c; maple syrup, half bbls, "old time," per gallon, 80c; 1-gallon cans, per doz, $10.50; half gallon cans, per doz, $6.25; quart cans, $3.25.

STARCH—Mirror gloss, 5¾c; Gsaves' corn, 6¼c; Oswego gloss, 7c; Oswego corn, 7c.

HOLLAND HERRINGS—73@76c per keg.

CRACKERS—Garneau's soda, butter and picnic, 5c; creams, 7c; ginger snaps, 8c; city soda, 8c.

WOODENWARE—Two-hoop pails, per doz., $1.45; three-hoop pails, $1,70; No. 1 tub, $6.50; No. 2 tub, $5.50; No. 3 tub, $4.50; washboards, $1.40@2.75; assorted bowls, $2-25; Fo. 1 churns, $9.00; No. 2 churns, $8-00, No. 3churns, $7.00.

PICKLES—Medium in bbls., $7.00; do in half bbls., $4.00; small, in bbls., $8.00; do in half bbls., $4.50; gerkins, in bbls., $9.00; do in half bbls., $5.00.

COFFEE—Ordinary grades, 20@20½c; fair, 20½@21c; prime, 21@22c; fancy green and yellow, 23@25c; old government Java, 28@30c; interior Java, 25@28c; Mocha, 28@30c; Arbuckle's roasted, 24¾c; McLaughlin's XXXX, 24¾c; Dilworth's, 24¼c; Red Cross, 24¼c.

TOBACCO—Lorillard's Climax, 44c; Splendid, 43c; Mechanic's Delight, 41c; Leggett & Meyer's star, 44c; Cornerstone, 38c; Drummond's Horse Shoe, 44c; J. T., 40c; Sorg's Spearhead, 44c; Catlin's meerschaum, 31c; Catlin's old style, 23c.

CANNED GOODS—Oysters, standard, per case, $3.20@3.30; strawberries, 2-lb per case, $3.00@3.10; raspberries, 2-lb, pnr case, $3.00@3.10; California pears, per case, $4.70@4.80; apricots, per case, $4.30@4.35; peaches, per case, $5.80@$.85; white cherries, per case, $6.00; plums, per case, $4.00@4.10; blueberries, per case, $2.30@2.40; egg plums, 2-lb, per case, $2.50; pineapples, 2-lb, per case, $3.20@5.75; 1-lb salmon, per doz, $1.75@1.90; 2-lb gooseberries, per case, $3.25@3.35; 2-lb string beans, per case, $1.75@1.80; 2-lb Lima beans, per case, $1.60@1.65; 2-lb marrowfat peas, $2.60@2.70; 2-lb early June peas, per case, $2.85; 3-lb tomatoes, $2.50; 2-lb corn, $2.30@2.40.

JELLIES—30-lb pails, $1.65@1.75.

TEAS—Japans, 20@55c; gunpowder, 20@60c; Young Hyson, 25@55c; Oolong, 20@65c.

DRIED FRUITS—Apples, new, ¼s, 7@7¼c; evaporated 50-lb ring, 9¾@10c; raspberries, evaporated, 27@28c; blackberries, evaporated, 9¾@10c; pitted cherries, 20@21c; peaches, new, 8@8½c; evaporated, peeled peaches, 29@30c; evaporated, unpared, 18@20c; new currants, 7@7½c; prunes, 4⅝@4¾c; citron, 25c; raisins, London layers $2.40@2.45; California loose muscatels, $2.00@2.10; new Valencia, 8¼@8½c.

ROPE—Seven-sixteenths, 10¾@11.

Dry Goods.

DUCK—West Point 29 in. 8 oz, 10½c; West Point 29 in. 10 oz. 12½c; West Point 19 in. 12 oz, 15c; West Point 40 in. 11 oz, 16c. Checks—Caledonia X, 9½c; Caledonia XX, 10½c; Economy, 9½c; Otis, 9½c.

KENTUCKY JEANS—Memorial, 15c; Canton, 18c; Durham, 27½c; Hercules, 18c; Leamington, 22½c; Cottswold, 25c.

CRASH—Stevens' B, 6c; bleached, 7c; Stevens' A, 7½c; bleached, 8½c; Stevens' P, 8½c; bleached, 9½c; Stevens' N, 9½c; bleached, 10½c; Stevens' S R T, 12½c.

MISCELLANEOUS—Table oil cloth, $2.85, plain Holland, 8½c to 9c; Dado Holland; 12½c.

CAMBRICS—Slater, 4½c; Woods, 4½c; Standard, 4½c; Peacock, 4½c.

COMFORTERS—$6.60@35.00.

BLANKETS—White, $1.00@7.50; colored $1.10@8.00.

BLEACHED SHEETING—Berkeley cambric, No. 60, 9½c; Best Yet, 4-4, 6½c; butter cloth OO, 4¼c; Cabot, 7½c; Farwell, 8c; Fruit of Loom, 9c; Greene G, 6c; Hope, 7¾c; King Phillip cambric, 11c; Lonsdale, 11½c; Lonsdale, 8¾c; New Qork mills, 10½c; Pepperell 42 inch, 10½c; Pepperell, 46 inch, 11½c; Pepperell 6-4, 15c; Pepperell, 8-4 20c; Pepperell, 9-4, 22c; Pepperell, 10-4, 24c; Canton 4-4, 8¼c; Canton, 4-4, 9½c; Triumph, 6c; Wamsutta, 11c; Valley, 5c.

FLANNELS—Plaid—Raftsman, 20c; Goshen, 32½c; Clear Lake, 32½c; Maple City, 36½c. White—G H No. 2, ¾, 21c; G H No. 1, ¾, 27½c; B H No. 2, ¾, 22½c; B H No. 1, ¾, 30c; Quechee No. 1, ¾, 42c; Quechee No. 2, ¾, 37½c; Quechee No. 3, ¾, 32½c; Anawan, 13½c; Windsor, 22½c. Red—C 24-inch, 15½c; E, 24-inch, 21c; GG, 24-inch, 18c; H A F, ¾, 25c; J R F, ¾, 27½c; G, ¾, 35c.

PRINTS — SOLID COLORS — Atlanta, 5½c; Slater, 5c; Berlin Oil, 6½c; Garner Oil, 6@7c. PINK AND ROBES—Richmond, 6c; Allen, 6c; Riverpoint, 5c; Steel River, 6c; Richmond, 6c; Pacific, 6½c. INDIGO BLUE—Washington, 6c; Century Indigo blue prints, 10c; American, 6½c; Arnold, 6½c; Arnold B, 10½c; Arnold A, 12c; Arnold Gold Seal, 10½c. DRESS—Charter Oak, 4½c; Ramapo, 3½c; Lodi, 4½c; Allen, 5½c; Richmond, 5½c; Windsor, 6c; Eddystone, 6c; Pacific, 6c.

COTTON FLANNELS—10 per cent trade discount—LL, 6¾c; CC, 7½c; SS, 8½c; Nameless, 5½c; No. 5, 6c; EE, 9½c; GG, 10½c; XX, 12c; OO, 14c; NN, 16c; RX, 18c; R, 20c; No. 10, 8½c; 40, 10½c; 60, 12½c; 80, 15c; 30, colored, 10c; 50, colored, 12c; 70, colored, 15c; Bristol, 13½c; Union Pacific, 18c.

CARPET WARP—Bibb white, 18½c; colored 20½c.

BROWN SHEETING—Atlanta A, 4-4, 7½c; Atlantic H, 4-4, 7c; Atlantic D, 4-4, 6½c; Atlentic P, 4-4, 5¾c; Aurora LL 4-4, 5½c; Aurora C, 4-4, 4½c; Crown XXX, 4-4, 6¾c Hoosier LL, 4-4, 5¾c; Indian Head, 4-4, 7½c Lawrence LL, 4-4, 5¾c; Old Dominion, 4-4

5¼c; Pepperell R, 4-4, 6⅝c; Pepperell O, 4-4, 6c; Pepperell, 8-4, 18c; Pepperell, 9-4, 20c; Pepperell, 10-4, 22c; Utica C, 4-4, 4⅝c; Wachusett, 4-4, 7c; Aurora, R, 4-4, 6¼c; Aurora B, 4-4, 6c.

BATTS—Standard, 8c; Gem, 10½c; Beauty, 12½c; Boone, 14c; B, cased, $6.50.

GINGHAM—Plunckett checks, 7¼c; Whittenton, 7¼c; York, 7¼c; Normandi dress, 8½c; Calcutta dress, 8½c; Whittenton dress, 9c; Renfrew dress, 9@12½c.

TICKS—Lewiston, 30-in., 12½c; Lewiston, 32-in., 13½c; York, 32-in., 14c; Swift river, 7½c; Thorndike, OO, 8¼c; Thorndike, EF, 8½c; Thorndike, 120, 9½c; Thorndike, XXX, 15c; Cordis, No. 5, 9½c; Cordis, No. 4, 11c.

DENIMS—Amoskeag, 9-oz., 16c; Everett, 7-oz., 13c; York, 7-oz, 13c; Haymaker, 8¼c; Jaffrey, XX, 11½c; Jaffrey, XXX, 12½c; Beaver Creek, AA, 12c; Beaver Creek, BB, 11c; Beaver Creek, CC, 10c.

General Markets.

FLAX SEED—Unchanged at $1.10 per bushel.

GRAIN—Wheat, No. 2, 60c; rye, 45@50c; oats, 29c; corn, old, 38@40c; new, 35@38c; barley is scarce and quoted at 45@60c, according to quality.

FLOUR AND FEED—The market as a rule is steady; prices are unchanged. The following are current prices: Minneapolis patents, $2.60@2.75 per cwt; Kansas and Missouri winter fancy patents, $2.45@2.60; Nebraska patents, $2.25@2.40; rye flour, $1.75@1.90 per cwt; rye, Graham, $1.40 per cwt; New York buckwheat, $7.00; Excelsior, $6.00, ready raised, $5.00 per case; wheat, Graham, $1.75 per cwt; cornmeal, yellow, $1.00 per cwt; cornmeal, white, $1.00@1.10 per cwt; hominy, ton; bran, $14.00@15.00 per ton; screenings $12.00@14.00 per ton.

HAY—Prices are steady as follows: Common coarse hay, $7.00@7.50 per ton; upland prairie, $7.75@8.00; straw, $6.50.

COAL—Prices remain firm and unchanged. We quote: Egg, $10.50; nut, $10.50; range, $10.50; walnut block, $4.25; Iowa lump, $3.75; Iowa nut, $3.00; Illinois, $4.50@5.00.

HIDES—Market very dull and weak. Green butcher's, 5@5½c; green cured, 6@6½c; dry flint, 9c; dry salt, 8c; green calf skins, 7c; damaged hides, two-thirds price. Tallow—3¼c. Grease—Prime white, 3c; yellow, 3c; brown, 1½c. Sheep pelts, 25@60c.

FURS—Are depressed and dull, with No. 4 skins almost unsalable. Quotations are now as follows: Raccoon, 10@60c; mink, 15@40c; musk rat, fall, 2@5c; stripped skunk, 5@25c; mountain wolf, No. 1, $1.50@2.50; No. 2, prairie, 75@90c; No. 2, 25@40c; beaver, No. 1, per lb, $2.00@3.00; No. 2, $1.00@1.25; otter, $1.00@6.00; dry deer skins, 20@35c per lb; dry antelope, elk, moose, etc., 15@25c

DRUGS—Ammonia carb 14c, camphor refined 28c, copperas 1¼c, cream tartar 42c, cream tartar powdered 20@50c, India Madras 75c, morphia sulph $3.50. Soda bi. carb 60c, Venice turpentine 40c. Gum opium $4.65, quicksilver 75c, quinine, German per oz, 48c. Wax, yellow pure 32c.

OILS—Carbon, 12@25c; linseed, boiled, 56c; linseed, raw, 53c; castor, No. 1, $1.20; No. 2, $1.12; sperm whale, 90c; fish, bank 35c; neatsfoot extra, 55c; neatsfoot No. 1, 50c; gasoline, 74 degrees, 15c; W. S. lard, 65c; No. 1 lard, 50c; No. 2 lard, 50c; W. Va. zero, 14c; W. Va. summer, 12c; golden No. 1, 40c; golden No. 2, 25c; whale, 20c; naptha 1 degree, 14c.

PAINTS—White lead, pure, 6½c; white lead, fancy, 6½c; putty, 3c; Paris white, 3c; Whitiny, common, 2½c; red lead, 7c.

WINDOW GLASS—Single, 70c per cent; double, 70 and 10 per cent discount.

LEATHER—Oak soles, 35@37c; hemlock slaughter sole, 26@29c; hemlock dry sole, 21@27c; hemlock kip, 65@90c; A. & B. runner kip, 50@70c; A. hemlock calf, 90c@1.05; A. A. hemlock calf, "backs," 75c; hemlock upper, 19@24c; English grain upper, 25c; hemlock grain upper, 21@24; Tampico B. L. Morroco, 29@33c; Tampico pebble, O. D. Mo., 29@32c Curacoa B. G. Mo., 35c; Simon O. D. Mo., $2.75@3.00; Dangola kid, 30@35c; X. M. Kangaroo, 40c; American calf kid, 32c; Griesen kids, $3.00@3.50; French calf kids, $3.25; oak kip skins, 80@$1.00; oak calf skins, $1.00@1.25; French calf skins, $1.25@2.00; French kip skins, $1.10@1.50; Russitt linings, $6.00@6.50 per doz; pink cream and white linings, $7.50@10.00 per doz; colored toppings, $9.00@11.00.

SPIRITS—Cologne spirits, 188 proof, $1.10; do, 101 proof, $1.12; spirits, second quality, 101 proof, $1.10; do, 188 proof, $1.09. Alcohol, 188 proof, $2.10 per wine gallon. Redistilled whiskies, $1.00@1.50. Gin, blended, $1.50@2.00; Kentucky bourbons, $2.00@6.00; Kentucky and Pennsylvania ryes, $2.00@6.50; Golden Sheaf bourbon and rye whiskies, $1.50@3.00. Brandies, imported, $5.00@8.50; domestic, $1.30@3.00. Gins, imported, $4.50@6.00; domestic, $1.25@3.00. Champagnes, imported, per case, $28.00@33.00; American, per case, $10.00@16.00.

HEAVY HARDWARE—The following price are standard: Iron, rate, $2.70; plow steel, special cast, 4½c; crucible steel, 6¾c; cast tools, do, 12@15c; wagon spokes, per set, $2.00@5.50; hubs, per set, $1.50; felloes, sawed dry, $1.50; tongues, each, 75c; axles, each, 75c; square nuts, per lb, 6@13c; coil chain, per lb, 6½@13c; malleable, 8@10c; iron wedges, 6c; crowbars, 6c; harrow teeth, 4c; spring steel, 4@5c; Burden's horse shoes, $4.75; Burden's mule shoes, $5.75; barbed wire, in car lots, $4.00 per 100 lbs; iron nails, rates, 10 to 50, $2.40; steel nails, $2.50.

Dry Lumber.

DIMENSIONS AND TIMBERS.

	2, 14 & 16 ft.	18 ft.	20 ft.	22 ft.	24 ft.
2x4	17 50	20 00	21 00	22 00	22 00
2x6	17 50	20 00	21 00	23 00	23 00
2x8	17 50	20 00	21 00	22 00	22 00
2x10	17 50	20 00	21 00	23 00	23 00
2x12	18 25	20 00	21 00	24 00	24 00
4x4—8x8	18 50	19 50	20 50	23 00	23 00

BOARDS.

No. 1 com, s 1 s.	$18.50	No. 3 com, s 1 s.	$15.50
No. 2 com, s 1 s.	17.00	No. 4 com, s 1 s.	13.50

FENCING.

No. 1, 4 & 6 in 12 & 14 ft., rough	$19 50
No. 1, “ “ 16 “	19 50
No. 2, “ 12 14 “	16 50
No. 2, “ “ 16 “	18 00

SIDING.

A, 12, 14, & 16 ft.	21.50	C, 12, 14 & 16 ft	$15.50
B, “ “	20.50	D, “ “	12.50

FLOORING.

A 6 in White Pine	$35.50
B 6 in “ “	33.50
C 6 in “ “	30.00
D 6 in “ “	21.50
E 6 in “ “ (Sel. Fencing)	19.00

6 in. Drop Siding 50c per M. extra.

CEILING AND PARTITION.

2d com ¾ in White Pine Ceiling	$34.00
“ “ “ “	28.00
Clear ¾ in Norway “ “	16.00
2nd com. ⅜ in “ “ “	14.00

STOCKBOARDS.

A 12 inch s 1 s	$15.50
B 12 “	39.20
C 12 “	30.00
D 12 “	23.00
No. 1, com, 12 in s 1 s, 12 ft	20.50
“ “ “ 14 ft	19.00
“ “ “ 16 ft	18.50
“ “ “ 10, 18, 20 ft	21.50
No. 2, “ “	19.00
“ “ “ 12 & 14 ft	18.50
“ “ “ 16 ft	17.50

12 in Grooved roofing, $1 per M. more than 12 n Stock Boards same length.

0 in. Grooved Roofing same price as 12 in. Stock Boards.

SHIP LAP.

No. 1 Plain 8 and 10 in	$19.00
No. 2 “ “ “	17.50
No. 1, O G, 8 in	19.50

FINISHING.

1st and 2nd, clear, 1, 1¼ inch, s 2 s	$51.00
“ “ “ 1½, 2	51.00
3d, clear, 1 inch, s 2 s	44.50
“ 1¼, 1½, 2 inch	46.00
A, select, 1 inch, s 2 s	40.00
A, “ 1¼, 1½, 2 inch, s 2 s	44.00
B, “ 1 inch, s 2 s	30.00
B, “ 1¼, 1½, 2 inch, s 2 s	37.00

SOUTHERN YELLOW PINE.

Com. 4 inch Flooring	$17.50
Star “ “	21.50
1st and 2d clear 4 inch Flooring	23.00

Six-inch 50c less.

Clear ⅝ inch Ceiling	21.50
Clear ¾ inch Partition	25.00

Clear ⅝ inch, Partition $2 above ⅝ icnh Ceiling.

Clear Finish, 1 and 1¼ inch, s 2 s	$30.00
Clear Finish, 1½ and 2 inch, s 2 s	30.00
Clear Corrugated Ceiling, 4 inch	25.50
Clear Yellow Pine Casing and Base	27.00

POPLAR LUMBER.

Cl. Poplar Bx. Bds. ⅝ in., s 2 s	$35.00
“ “ ½ in. Panel, s 2 s	27.00
“ “ Corrugated Ceiling, ⅝	28.50

BATTENS, WELL TUBING, PICKETS.

O. G. Batts, 2½ in. 65c; ½x3, s 1 s. 40c; 3 in. Well Tubing, D. & M. and Bev., $23.00; Pickets, D. & H. Flat, $20.50; D. H. Sq., $21.50.

SHINGLES, LATH.

XX clear, $.10; extra "A", $2.85; "A" standard No. 5, No. 1, $1.45; lath, $2.55.

POSTS.

White Cedar, 6 in., ¼ s. 12½c; 9 in. qrs, 11½c; white cedar, 5½ in. ½ s. 11½c; 8 in. qrs, 10c; white cedar, 4 in. round, 16½c; Tennessee red cedar, split, 14c; split oak, 10c; 6 in., 7 in and 8 in. (⅝ each) 8 ft., round W. C. posts.

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