THE SPECULATIVE MARKETS.

Wild Fluctuations and Much Excitement Witnessed in Wheat.

THE WAR CLOUDS IN EUROPE.

They Have a Stimulating Effect—A Bearish Sentiment Prevails in the Corn Pit—Oats Rule Dull —Quotations.

CHICAGO PRODUCE MARKET.

CHICAGO, April 20.—[Special Telegram to the BEE.]—The wheat market fluctuated less wildly to-day, but there was a fair range—enough to make speculation profitable if speculators' conclusions were right. There was also plenty of excitement soon after the opening, when one of the persistent sellers of the last few days began to cover his big line of short wheat. Things were very unsettled before the opening. Early in the morning for instance, 83c had been paid for May wheat on the open board, but on the regular board first sales were at 82c and there was some decline from that price almost immediately. The noticeable sellers were the commission houses who had been buying for several days and had handsome profits for their customers. This realizing by the longs served to make the crowd feel rather bearish and make the market easier for a little while, but when it was seen that a prominent short was covering, the price was run up on him ⅛c or more very rapidly. The bullish influences to-day were just the same as for a week past; chiefly the damage to the winter wheat, next a late season for seeding spring wheat, and a shade of encouragement for holders in the possibility of foreign political complications looking towards war. There was nothing new, however, in any of these things to-day, and the argument of short sellers was that the top had been reached, and that a reaction was inevitable unless more stimulating news should come. May wheat opened at 82c, sold down to 81⅝c, up to 82⅜c, down to 81⅛@81⅝c, up to 81⅞c, down to 81⅜@81½c, then up to 82⅛c, held between that price and 81⅞c for some time, then fell back to 81⅝@81⅞c, advanced to and closed at 1 o'clock at 82c. June wheat opened at 83⅛c, sold at 83⅜c and down to 82½c, closing at 1 o'clock at 83@83⅛c.

The speculative corn market lacked interest. The local crowd seemed to be bearish, and after the first batch of buying orders had been filled, gradually sold the market down, and without any great trade or quick fluctuations at any time. The receipts were not as large as expected, but the grading was much better. The estimates for to-morrow are large. The bears are looking for greatly increased receipts soon and better grading because of shipments of country cribbers to fill May sales which they have made. They talk lower prices, but short sellers of corn have had several hard "twists" lately and they have become cautious. Raids in the corn pit are not fashionable of late. May corn opened at 56c, sold down to 55⅝c, back to 56c, down to 55¼c, to 55⅜c, down to 55¼@55⅜c, up to 55⅞c, and closed at 1 o'clock at 55⅛c. June corn opened at 55c, sold at 55⅛c, then down to 54⅜c, and closed with that price bid at 1 o'clock.

There was only a dull speculative trade in oats, with a decline in price in sympathy with the easier corn market. May oats opened at 32⅜c, sold at 32½c, down to and closing at 31⅞c. June oats opened at 32½c, sold down to 31⅞c, and closed at 32c. July oats sold down from 32⅜c to 32c, and August oats from 28⅞c to 28⅝c.

Provisions commanded a fair general support, but trading was featureless and devoid of special activity. Yet there was no developed inclination to bear prices, and the fluctuations in the market were confined to comparatively narrow limits. Short ribs were sold in a moderate way by foreign houses, while in lard one or two well known shorts bought with a little freedom. Pork was slow. Products, as a rule, reacted a trifle from yesterday's advance and in short ribs a decline was suffered of 5@7½c, and in pork of 7½c. Lard was unchanged to 2½c easier.

AFTERNOON SESSION—Wheat lower. May opened at 81⅞c, fell to 81⅝c, up to 81⅞@81⅝c, fell off, closing at 81⅞@81⅛c. June closed at 82¼c, July at 83⅛c, December at about 85⅛c. Corn broke sharply. May opened at 55⅛c, eased off and near the close fell to 54⅜@55c, closing at 54⅜c. June closed at 54c. July fell to 54⅛c, with some sales just as the bell rang at 54c. Oats easier. Pork was a shade stronger, but quiet. May closed at $14.15@14.17½; June at $14.22½, July at $14.32½. Lard averaged 2½c higher, closing at $8.00 for May, $8.05 bid for June, $8.10 for July and $8.12½ for August. Short ribs were a shade better, closing for May at $7.32½, $7.40 for June, $7.47½ for July and $7.57½ for August.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK.

CHICAGO, April 20.—[Special Telegram to the BEE.]—CATTLE—Trade was fair, with little or no change in values as compared with yesterday. The demand, as is usual at this season of the year, centered on nice light "handy" cattle of 1,200 and around there, and such sold up as high as any day this week. Then again there was a class of rather coarse but good and useful, averaging up in 1,400, that were not selling up to yesterday's averages. Common and medium steers sold at about the same as heretofore. Steers, 1350 to 1500 lbs, $4.40@5.05; 1200 to 1350 lbs, $3.90@4.50; 950 to 1200 lbs, $3.60@4.10; stockers and feeders, $2.40@3.60. Cows, bulls and mixed, $1.75@3.50; bulk, $2.50@2.85; Texas steers, $3.25@4.00.

HOGS—Business was again brisk, with an upturn of 5@10c at the opening, yet closing a shade easier after everything had been sold once so that values finally ruled about the same as at the extreme close yesterday. The best heavy made $5.70@5.75, one or two lots selling at $5.77½@5.80. Butcher weights, that is averages of about 230 lbs, closely assorted, made $5.60@5.62½, and the bulk of the mixed made $5.50, some common $5.40@5.45. Assorted light of 160 to 175 lbs, made $5.45@5.55.

FINANCIAL.

NEW YORK, April 20.—[Special Telegram to the BEE.]—STOCKS—The stock market was moderately active but unsettled. General conditions have not changed any of late and the feeling was mostly bullish, the street being filled with vague bull rumors about the formation of pools in various specialties. Bull leaders went around the room bidding up one or other of the stocks and met with little opposition from the bears. The bull pool was said to have taken hold of Missouri Pacific and it advanced 1⅝ points but broke ⅝. Western Union was also on the bull card and appreciated ⅝. It was said that the Reading's earnings for March did not show as much decrease as expected but were offset by the shrinkage in expenses. The St. Paul pool, of which so much has been said of late, were reported to have sold out. They originally intended to buy 20,000 shares from 70 down, but found the market so weak that 40,000 shares were taken. They unloaded on the recent bulge and cleared up $43,000. The Lackawanna pool sold all the market would take and were regarded well out. New England again mystified operators and instead of continuing on the upward path, dropped 1 point. Northern Pacific and the Oregons were less active and fluctuated within a small range. The bears are not having an easy time of it, and were forced to cover and in so doing helped to advance prices. Reading developed surprising strength and the last hour moved upward at a rate that made operators who had been playing for a break change their course. The strong feeling continued until the close when last sales were at almost the outside figures on a majority of stocks and showed a gain of ⅛@1½. Missouri Pacific having the lead. Louisville & Nashville proved the exception and closed ⅜ point lower. The stubbornness displayed during the past four days makes the bears rather skeptical. Commission men report more orders from parties who have not been in the market for over a year, and the impression prevailed that the market was to have a genuine bull turn. At the close it was reported that Reading bonds had been placed in London. The total sales were 280,271 shares against 310,805 shares yesterday.

GOVERNMENTS.—Government bonds were quiet but steady.

YESTERDAY'S QUOTATIONS.

U. S. 4s registered	124¾	C. & N. W.	108⅛
U. S. 4s coupon	124¾	do preferred	142
U. S. 4½s registered	107¼	N. Y. Central	105¼
U. S 4½s coupon	107⅛	O. R. N.	90⅛
Pacific 6s of '95	121½	P. T.	22
Canada Southern	50⅜	Pacific Mail	33⅜
Central Pacific	29⅛	O. D. & E.	19¼
Chicago & Alton	135	Pullman Palace Car	142
C., B. & Q.	119¾	Reading	60⅛
D., L. & W.	128⅜	Rock Island	110⅛
D. & R. G.	18½	St. L. & S. F.	26⅛
Erie	25	do preferred	67
do preferred	57	C., M. & St. Paul	72⅞
Illinois Central	119¾	do preferred	112⅞
I., B. & W.	12	St. P. & O.	37⅞
K. & T.	12	do preferred	106⅞
Lake Shore	90	Texas Pacific	25¼
L. & N.	55¼	Union Pacific	53⅜
Michigan Central	79⅛	W., St. L. & P.	13
Missouri Pacific	74	do preferred	23½
Missouri Pacific	23¾	W. U. Telegraph	75⅛
do preferred	47½		

MONEY ON CALL—Easy at 2@3 per cent; last loan 2 per cent; closed offered at 3 per cent.

PRIME MERCANTILE PAPER—5@7 per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Quiet and firm at $4.86 for 60 day bills; $4.87¾ for demand.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

Chicago, April 20.—Following are the 2:30 closing prices:

Flour—Firm; winter wheat, in sacks, $2.50@3.60; in bbls, $2.75@4.25; spring wheat, in sacks, $1.75@3.75; in bbls, $3.40@4.40; rye flour, in sacks, $2.70@2.90; in bbls, $2.90@3.10.

Wheat—Active but unsettled; opened easier and ¼@⅜c lower, and after fluctuating closed ⅜@⅜c below yesterday; cash, 80⅝c; May, 81 7-16c; June, 82½c.

Corn—Moderately active, fluctuations being within ⅞c range, closing at ¾@1¼c under yesterday's closing; cash, 54¼c; May, 55c; June, 54c.

Oats—Dull and easier; May, 31⅞c.

Rye—Quiet at 63c.

Barley—Quiet at 77½@78c.

Prime Timothy—$2.60.

Flax-seed—$1.45.

Whisky—$1.15.

Pork—Moderately active, with slight change in figures; May, $14.17½; June, $14.22½.

Lard—Active but steady at a slight reduction; May, $8.00; June. $8.05@8.07½.

Dry Salted Meats—Shoulders, $5.75@6.00; short clear, $7.50@7.55; short ribs, $7.32½.

Butter—Unchanged; creamery, 20@25c; dairy, 20@24c.

Cheese—Unchanged; full cream cheddars, 10¼@10½c; flats, 10½@10¾c; young Americas, 11@12c.

Eggs—Unchanged; fresh, 12½@13c.

Hides—Unchanged; green hides 4½c; heavy green salted, 5½c; light green salted, 6c; salted bull, 4½c; green bull, 3½c; green salted calf, 8c; dry flint and dry calf, 12@13c; dry salted, 10c; deacons, 30c each.

Tallow—Unchanged; country, 4¾@5c; No. 2, 4¼c; cake, 4¾@5c per lb.

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls	25,000	20,000
Wheat bu	20,000	14,000
Corn, bu	82,000	42,000
Oats, bu	118,000	58,000
Rye, bu	2,000	.....
Barley, bu	17,000	18,000

St. Louis, April 20.—Wheat—Unsettled; cash, 85¼@86¼c; May, 85½c.

Corn—Firm; cash, 51¼@51⅜c; May, 51⅞c.

Oats—Easy; cash, 33c; May, 31¼c.

Pork—$14.50.

Lard—$7.50.

Whisky—$1.09.

Butter—Firm; creamery, 20@25c; dairy, 18@23c.

Afternoon Board—Wheat—Lower; May, 85c; June, 85¼c bid; July, 83⅜c bid.

Corn—Weak; May, 51⅛c, nominal; July, 50⅛c asked. Oats—Irregular; May, 31⅛c, nominal; June, 32c.

Cincinnati, April 20.—Wheat—Quiet; No. 2 red, 88c.

Corn—Active; No. 2 mixed, 57@57⅛c.

Oats—Firm; No. 2 mixed, 34@34⅛c.

Rye—Firm; No. 2, 72c.

Provisions—Steady and unchanged.

Whisky—Firm at $1.09.

Milwaukee, April 20.—Wheat—Weak; cash, 79c; May, 79⅛c; June, 80⅛c.

Corn—Dull; No. 3 53c.

Oats—Easy; No 2 white, 34⅜c.

Rye—Higher; No. 1, 62⅛c.

Barley—Steadier; No. 2, 72⅛c.

Provisions—Firm; pork, April, $14.25.

Minneapolis, April 20.—Wheat—Receipts, 251 cars; shipments, 44 cars; market more active, prices ranging a fraction above yesterday. Closing—In store: No. 1 hard, April, 80⅛c; May, 80⅜c; July, 81⅜c. No. 1 northern, April, 78⅛c; May, 78⅜c; July, 79⅛c. No. 2 northern, April, 76⅛c; May, 76⅜c; July, 77⅜c. On track—No. 1 hard, 81⅛c; No. 1 northern, 79@80c; No. 2 northern, 77@78c.

Flour—Firm; patents, in sacks to ship in car lots, $4.20@4.40; in barrels, $4.40@4.55.

New York, April 20.—Wheat—Receipts, 1,100; exports, none; cash grades ¼@½c lower and dull; options irregular, opening heavy, declined ⅜@⅝c, then recovered ¼@½c, then weakened, settled back to near bottom and closed steady; ungraded red, 89½@98⅛c, latter fancy for milling; No. 2 red, 93⅞@94⅛c in store and elevator, 95⅜@96¼c delivered, 95⅛c f. o. b. for choice, May closing at 93⅛c.

Corn—Receipts, 35,500; exports, 500; spot dull; options easier but very dull, declining ⅛@⅜c, closing at near bottom; ungraded, 67@68⅛c; No. 3, 65@65⅛c, May closing at 63⅜c.

Oats—Receipts, 68,000; exports, 400; shade lower and dull; mixed western, 38@40c; white western, 42@46c.

Coffee—Spot, fair; Rio firm at $14.25; options higher and strong; sales, 47,000 bags; April, $11.00; May, $10.60@10.90; June, $10.25@10.65; July, $9.80@10.30; August, $9.65@9.90; September, $9.65@9.95.

Petroleum—United closed steady at 84⅛c.

Eggs—Stronger with fair demand; western, 14¼@14½c.

Pork—Firm and fairly active; mess quoted at $15.00@15.25 for new; $14.50@14.75 for old.

Lard—Declined 5@6 points, closing steady; western steam, spot, $8.30@8.32½.

Butter—Steady; fine grades in demand; western, 16@27c.

Cheese—Weak; western flat, 11⅝@12c.

Kansas City, April 20.—Wheat—Strong; No. 2 soft, cash, 82c asked; May, 80½c bid, 82c asked.

Corn—Strong; No. 2, cash, 46½c; May, 46c bid, 46⅛c asked; June, 47c bid, 47⅛c asked.

Oats—No. 2, cash, no bids nor offerings; May, 31⅛c asked.

New Orleans, April 20.—Corn—Unsettled and generally higher; mixed, 63@64c; yellow, 64@65c; white, 65c.

Oats—Easier at 31½@32c.

Corn Meal—Quiet at $2.80.

Hog Products—Steady with fair demand. Pork—$14.87½. Lard—$7.25.

Bulk Meats—Shoulders, $6.20; long clear, $7.60; clear rib, $7.62½.

Liverpool, April 20.—Wheat—Quiet; holders offer moderately.

Corn—Dull and lower; new mixed western, 5s 3d per cental.

LIVE STOCK.

Chicago, April 20.—The Drovers' Journal reports as follows:

Cattle—Receipts, 9,000; market weak; steers, $3.60@5.25; stockers and feeders, $2.40@3.60; cows, bulls and mixed, $1.75@2.50; Texas steers, $3.25@4.00.

Hogs—Receipts, 16,000; market strong and a shade higher; mixed, $5.35@5.65; heavy, $5.50@5.77½; light, $5.25@5.50; skips, $3.50@5.10.

Sheep—Receipts, 6,000; market steady; natives, $4.00@6.60, western, $4.50@6.35; Texans, $3.00@5.15; lambs, $5.75@7.00 per head.

Kansas City, April 20.—Cattle—Receipts, 995; shipments, 695; steady; good to choice corn fed, $4.35@4.60; common to medium, $3.25@4.20; stockers, $2.00@2.90; feeding steers, $3.00@3.60; cows, $1.50@3.50.

Hogs—Receipts, 6,500; shipments, none; strong, active and 10c higher; common to choice, $4.75@5.50; skips and pigs, $2.25@4.65.

National Stock Yards, East St. Louis, April 20.—Cattle—Receipts, 400; shipments, 200; market steady; choice heavy native steers, $4.40@5.30; fair to good native steers, $4.00@4.50; butchers' steers, medium to prime, $2.00@4.25; stockers and feeders, fair to good, $2.10@3.20; rangers, ordinary to good, $2.25@4.00.

Hogs—Receipts, 3,000; shipments, 1,600; active and strong; choice heavy and butchers' selections, $5.50@5.60; packing, medium to prime, $5.30@5.55; light grades, ordinary to best, $5.15@5.40.

OMAHA LIVE STOCK.

Cattle.

UNION STOCK YARDS, 6 p. m. }
Friday, April 20, 1888. }

There was a slight falling off in the receipts of cattle to-day as compared with yesterday. There were more good cattle here and quite a string sold at $4.40. The market was fairly active and the majority of the cattle sold before the close. There was a better feeling on the market and a little stronger prices were paid in most cases.

Hogs.

There was also a falling off in the receipts of hogs as compared with yesterday, but still the offerings were liberal. The market opened fairly active and strong. It gained in strength until it was fully 5c higher than yesterday's close. Light hogs took quite a flurry, and in some cases sold fully as high as medium weights and good mixed hogs. The market closed steady on all grades excepting light hogs, which closed a little easier. Everything was sold before the close.

Sheep.

The receipts were fair and the market strong. Everything here was sold.

Receipts.

Cattle	700
Hogs	4,800
Sheep	600

Prevailing Prices.

The following is a table of prices paid in this market for the grades of stock mentioned.

Prime steers, 1300 to 1500 lbs.	$4.10	@4.40
Prime steers, 1100 to 1300 lbs.	3.75	@4.20
Fat little steers, 900 to 1050 lbs.	3.40	@3.75
Common to choice cows	2.00	@3.50
Common to choice bulls	2.00	@3.00
Fair to choice light hogs	5.00	@5.25
Fair to choice heavy hogs	5.25	@5.35
Fair to choice mixed hogs	5.20	@5.30

Representative Sales.

CATTLE.

No.		Av.	Pr.
1	bull	910	$2.00
1	cow	970	2.25
1	cow	1120	2.25
1	cow	830	2.25
1	cow	770	2.25
2	bulls	1450	2.40
1	cow	1300	2.50
1	bull	1480	2.60
1	cow	1380	2.65
35	stockers	584	2.90
16	stockers	645	2.95
2	bulls	650	3.00
1	bull	2100	3.00
4	cows	1050	3.00
26	stockers	654	3.10
2	cows	1110	3.10
1	cow	1250	3.20
19	Western steers	1044	3.20
6	steers	1008	3.25
1	bull	2100	3.25
3	cows	1360	3.25
6	cows	1025	3.25
1	cow	1220	3.30
2	cows	1325	3.35
24	steers	827	3.35
10	steers	1198	3.50
6	steers	1133	3.50
14	steers	1196	3.50
2	steers	1035	3.50
3	stags	1276	3.50
1	cow	1340	3.50
18	steers	1015	3.55
18	steers	1190	3.75
20	steers	1091	3.75
43	steers	1073	3.80
10	steers	1097	3.85
19	steers	1153	3.85
34	steers	1276	3.90
34	steers	1215	4.00
13	steer	1196	4.00
38	steers	1276	4.10
40	steers	1281	4.10
40	steers	1258	4.10
79	steers	1303	4.12½
18	steers	1258	4.25
85	steers, Bay State	1478	4.40
13	steers	1373	4.40
1	calf	160	6.50

HOGS.

No.	Av.	Shk.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Shk.	Pr.
5	104	80	$3.75	82	228	207	$5.25
80	163	240	4.85	82	207	80	5.25
83	154	160	4.90	77	214	40	5.25
89	185	200	5.10	77	201	80	5.25
64	234	—	5.15	68	251	80	5.25
92	198	80	5.15	75	224	200	5.25
78	209	200	5.15	72	235	200	5.25
74	219	200	5.15	62	246	120	5.25
145	214	200	5.15	74	278	280	5.25
65	214	120	5.17½	70	283	40	5.25
70	232	80	5.20	68	231	320	5.25
64	232	240	5.20	81	224	80	5.25
69	239	80	5.20	69	241	240	5.25
64	205	320	5.20	72	234	40	5.25
81	233	320	5.20	79	238	160	5.27½
69	228	80	5.20	61	248	40	5.30
79	222	120	5.20	78	254	120	5.30
10	285	—	5.20	79	240	200	5.30
64	226	80	5.20	67	265	120	5.30
72	193	40	5.20	68	253	80	5.30
75	206	40	5.20	68	247	—	5.30
76	202	120	5.20	73	251	—	5.30
62	232	160	5.20	61	258	120	5.30
67	252	160	5.25	66	269	—	5.30
61	237	—	5.25	67	270	—	5.30
62	269	320	5.25	63	265	—	5.35
121	213	—	5.25	58	276	120	5.35
65	211	160	5.25	66	284	160	5.35
68	234	—	5.25	58	276	120	5.35
61	263	80	5.25	70	277	—	5.35

SHEEP.

No.		Av.	Pr.
119	corn-fed natives	84	$5.25
222	corn-fed natives	84	5.25
242	corn-fed natives	82	5.25

Live Stock Sold.

Showing the number of head of stock sold to the leading buyers on the market to-day.

HOGS.

G. H. Hammond & Co.	270
Omaha Packing Co.	1,738
Armour & Cudahay P. Co.	2,100
G. L. Lambert, Jersey City	83
Harris & Fisher	70
Speculators	334

CATTLE.

Lobman & Rothchild	67
G. H. Hammond & Co.	256
Swift & Co.	149
Clarke Bros.	19
J. Carlin	2
J. L. Hill	1
G. Raff	1
C. H. Williams	27
T. Sanders	31
F. Barclay	36
W. Burnside	119
H. B. Miller	14
Heacock	16
Others	18

SHEEP.

J. M. Doug	464
Omaha Packing Co.	119

Live Stock Notes.

Cattle strong.

Everything sold.

Hog market higher.

A good sheep market.

W. M. Farrington marketed three loads of cattle from Lyons.

H. A. Huff, Crescent, Ia., was in and disposed of a load of hogs.

A. F. Lane brought in a car of cattle for Daters & Co., from Omaha.

J. T. Mitchell, Hendley, was here and disposed of two loads of hogs.

John Quinn, the well known shipper of Wood River was in with cattle and hogs.

A. P. McMains, Liberty, Neb., was at the yards and bought two loads of stock cattle.

Fuller, Smith & Fuller marketed a load of hogs, shipped from Lindsay, at the top price.

Among those who came in with hogs was Mr. Pearson, of the firm of Harrison & Co., Waco.

Both members of the firm of Scanlan & Carr, David City, were at the yards with cattle.

Dorchester was represented on the market by Mr. Crane, who came in with a load of hogs.

S. S. Stevans, general western agent of the Rock Island, was among the visitors at the yards.

E. C. Goodell and Mr. Sawyer, of Western, were here with three loads of hogs and three loads of very good cattle.

A year ago to-day there were only 300 cattle and 900 hogs on the market. A year has made a great change on the Omaha live stock market.

J. F. Hutchinson, Litchfield, was at the yards with sheep of his own feeding which sold on the market. This was his first trip here, but he says he is well satisfied and will come again.

OMAHA WHOLESALE MARKETS.

Produce, Fruits, Nuts, Etc.

Friday, April 20.

The following quotations are wholesale and not retail. Prices quoted on produce are the rates at which round lots are sold on this market. Fruits or other lines of goods requiring extra labor in packing cannot always be supplied on outside orders at the same prices quoted for the local trade. Rates on flour and feed are jobbers' prices. Prices on grain are those paid by Omaha millers delivered. All quotations on merchandise are obtained from leading houses and are corrected daily. Prices on crackers, cakes, etc., are those given by leading manufacturers.

Trade was a little better to-day, and most offerings were cleared up. Butter was somewhat scarce, and prices remained steady, with choice country selling at 20@22c. As predicted, eggs sold a shade lower, and should there be heavy receipts another shading is expected. Potatoes ruled dull, as receipts were rather heavy and stocks in store do not improve with keeping. Any changes in prices were toward a lower range. Other quotations were as before.

BUTTER—Fancy creamery roll butter 25@26c with solid packed at 21@23c; choice country butter 20@22c, common grades 17@18c, inferior stuff 12@15c, according to quality.

EGGS—Strictly fresh 11@12c.

OYSTER PLANT—8c per pound.

BEETS—60c per doz.

SPINNAGE—$3.00 per bbl.

RHUBARB—8c per lb.

ONIONS—Native stock, $1.50@1.75, Spanish per box of 5 lbs $1.75@2.00, California onions 3½@4c per lb.

POTATOES—Choice home grown, 75@85c; Utah and Colorado stock, $1.10@1.20; low grades, 55@65c.

POULTRY—No dressed fowl in the market; live chickens, $3.75@4.00 per doz; turkeys, 9@11c per lb; geese, $9.00@10.00 per doz.

CHEESE—Full cream, 13@14c.

BANANAS—Common medium, $2.50@3.00 per bunch; choice, $3.00@3.50.

TURNIPS—Rutabagas, 50@60c; white, 40c per bushel.

LEMONS—$3.50@4.00 per box.

DATES—Persain, 6½@7c per lb.

SAUR KRAUT—Choice per bbl. of 32 gal. $5.00@5.60; ½ bbl., $4.00@4.50; $11.00 per bbl. of 50 gal.

CIDER—Choice Michigan cider, $4.50@6.50 per bbl. of 32 gal.

POPCORN—Choice rice corn is quoted at 3@4c per lb., other kinds, 2½@3c per lb.

CARROTS—$2.25@2.50 per bbl.; new stock, 50c per doz.

PARSNIPS—New stock, $3.00@3.50 per bbl.

CABBAGES—$1 per doz. for native stock and 3½@4c per lb. for California.

CAULIFLOWER—Good stock, $2.50@2.75 per dozen.

ORANGES—California Riverside, $3.75@4.00; Messina, $4.50@5.50; Los Angeles, $3.00@3.25; Navals, $4.50.

BEANS—Good stock, $2.60@2.75; California beans, $2.25@2.40.

FIGS—In layers, 13@16c, cake 10c per lb.

NUTS—Peanuts 6½@7c, raw Brazil nuts, 13c; almonds, Tarragona, 22c; English walnuts, 15@18c; filberts, 18c: Italian chestnuts' 15c; pecans, 15c.

HONEY—16@21c for 1 lb frames; canned honey. 10@12c per llb.

PARSLEY—30c per doz.

GREEN ONIONS—35c per doz.

ASPARAGUS—22c per lb.

STRAWBERRIES—Fresh Florida, 35@40 per box.

CUCUMBERS—$1.00 per dozen for choice.

LETTUCE—40c per doz.

CELERY—California stock, $1.50 per doz.

RADISHES—40c per doz.

STRING BEANS—$6.00 per bu.

GREEN PEAS—$4.00 per bu.

TOMATOES—$4.00 per bu.

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REFINED LARD—Tierce, 7⅝c; 40-lb square cans, 7⅝c; 50-lb round, 7⅞c; 20-lb round, 8c; 10-lb pails, 8⅜c; 5-lb pails, 8⅜c; 3-lb pails, 8½c.

SYRUPS—New Orleans molasses, per bbl., 37@46c per gal.; corn syrup, 35c; half bbls., 37c; 4 gal. kegs, $1.55; sorghum 38c.

PROVISIONS—Hams, 10⅜@10⅝c; breakfast bacon, 10½@11c; bacon sides, 8½@8¾c; dry salt, 7½c@7¾c; shoulders, 6½@7c; dried beef, 10@11c.

PICKLES—Medium in bbls, $5.75; do in half bbls, $3.40; small in bbls, $6.75; do in half bbls, $3.90; gherkins, in bbls, $7.75; do in half bbls, $4.40.

CANNED GOODS—Oysters, standard, per case, $3.10@3.35; strawberries, 2-lb, per case, $3.00@3.10; raspberries, 2-lb, per case, $3.00@3.10; California pears, per case, $4.70@4.80; appricots, per case, $4.30@4.40; peaches, per case, $5.60@5.75; white cherries, per case, $6.00; California plums, per case, $4.50@4.60; blueberries, per case, $2.20@2.40; egg plums, 2-lb, per case, $2.50; pineappples, 2-lb per case, $3.20@5.75; 1.lb salmon per doz, $1.85@1.95; 2-lb gooseberries, per case, $3.25@3.85; 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, $2.40@2.50; 2-lb corn, $2.30@3.40.

JELLIES—30-lb pails, $1.25@1.50.

SALT—Per bbl. in car load lots, $1.30.

ROPE—Seven-sixteenths, 10¾@11c.

CANDY—Mixed, 9@11c; stick, 9@9½.

HOLLAND HERRINGS—70@72c per keg.

MAPLE SUGAR—Bricks, 12½c per lb.; penny cakes, 13@14c per lb.

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

STARCH—Mirror gloss, 5¾c; Graves' corn, 6½c; Oswego gloss, 7c; Oswego corn, 7c.

TEAS—Japans, 20@55c; gunpowder, 20@60c; Young Hyson, 22@55c; Oolong, 20@65c.

POWDER AND SHOT—Shot, $1.45; buckshot, $1.70; Hazard powder, $5.00; half kegs, $2.75; one-fourths, $1.50; blasting kegs, $2.35; fuses, 100 ft., 45@75c.

SUGAR—Granulated, 7@7⅛c; conf. A. 6⅞@7c; white extra C, 6⅝@6⅝c; extra C, 6⅜@6½c; yellow C, 5¾@5⅞c; cut loaf 7¾@7⅞c; powdered, 7⅞@8¼; New Orleans, 5⅜@5⅞.

COFFEE—Ordinary grades, 16@17c; fair, 17@18c; prime, 18@19⅝c; fancy green and yellow, 22@23c; old government Java, 28@30c; interior Java, 25@28c; Mocha, 28@30c; Arbuckle's roasted, 19⅜c; McLaughlin's XXXX, 19⅜c; Dilworth's, 19½c; Red Cross, 19½c; alaroma, 19⅜c.

WOODENWARE—Two-hoop pails, per doz., $1.40; three-hoop pails, $1.65; No. 1 tub, $6.75, No. 2 tub, $6.75; No. 3 tub, $4.75; washboards $1.50; fancy washboards, $3.50; assorted bowls, $2.75; No. 1 churns, $9.50; No. 2 churns, $8.50; No. 3 churns, $7.50; butter tubs, $1.70; spruce, in nests, $1.70.

TOBACCO—Lorillard's Climax, 45c; Splendid, 45c; Mechanics' Delight, 44c; Leggett & Meyer's Star, 45c; Cornerstone, 39c; Drummond's Horseshoe, 45c; J. T., 42c; Sorg's Spearhead, 45; Catlin's Meerschaum, 31c; Catlin's Old Style, 23c; Piper Heidsick, 64c; Sweet Tip Top, 33c; U. N. O., 17c; Red, White and Blue, 18c.

CRACKERS, CAKES, ETC.—Prices subject to change. Soda, 5c; soda (city goods), 7c; soda snowflake (in tins), 10c; soda dandy, 5½c; soda wafers (in tins), 10c; soda zephyr, 8c; city oyster, 6½c; excelsior, 7c; farina oyster, 7c; gem oyster, 5c; monitor, 7c; Omaha oyster, 7c; pearl oyster, 5c; picnic, 5c; snowdrop oyster, 7c; butter, 5c; Boston, 8c; Omaha butter, 7c; saw tooth butter, 6¾c; cracker meal 5½c; graham, 8c; graham wafers, 10c; graham wafers in pound packages, 12½c; hard bread, 5c; milk, 7½c; oat meal, 8c; oat meal wafers, 10c; oatmeal wafers in pound packages, 12½c; animals, 12c; Boliver ginger (round), 7c; cream, 8c; Cornhill, 10c; cracknells, 16c; frosted cream, 8½c; ginger snaps, 8c; ginger snaps (city), 9c; home made ginger snaps, in boxes, 18c; home made ginger snaps (1-lb cans) per dozen, $2.50; lemon creams, 8c; pretzels (hand made) 11½c; assorted cakes and jumbles, 11½c; assorted fingers, 15c; afternoon tea (in tins), per box $7.00; banana fingers, 14c; butter jumbles, 11½c; Brunswick, 15c; brandy snaps, 15c; chocolate drops (new) 16c; chocolatd wafers, 15c; Christmas lunch (in tins) per dozen, $4.50; cocoa taffy snaps, 14c; coffee cake, 12c; Cuba jumbles, 11½c; cream puffs, 30c; egg jumbles, 14c; ginger drops, 11c; honey jumbles, 11½c; jelly fingers, 15c; jelly wafers, 15c; jelly tart (new), 15c; lady fingers, 13c; vanilla bar, 14c; vanilla wafers, 14c; Vienna wafers, 1 dozen packages in a box, per dozen, $2.50.

All goods packed in cans 1c per lb. advance except snowflake and wafer soda, which are packed only in cans. Soda in 2 lb. and 3 lb. paper boxes, ½c per lb. advance; all other goods 1c per lb. advance. Soda in 1 lb. paper boxes, 1c per lb. advance. The 2 lb. boxes are packed in cases holding 18 in a case. The 3 lb. boxes are packed in cases holding 12 in a case. The 1 lb. boxes are packed in cases holding 36 in a case. One lb. Graham and oat meal wafers packed 2 doz. in a case.

Show tops for boxes, with glass opening to show goods, 75c. Cans for wafer soda, $3, not returnable. Cans for snowflake soda, $6 per doz. Tin cases with glass face to display the goods, 75c each. No charges for packages except for cans and returnable cases. Glass front tin cans and "snowflake" soda cans are returnable at prices charged.

Dry Goods.

PRINTS—SOLID COLOURS—Atlantic, 6c; Slater, 5½c; Berlin oil, 6½c; Garner oil, 6@7c, PINK AND ROBES—Richmond, 6½c; Allen, 6½c; River Point, 5c; Steel River, 6c; Richmond, 6c; Pacific, 6½c. INDIGO BLUE—Washington, 6½c; Century indigo blue prints, 9c; American, 7c; Arnold, 6½c; Arnold B, 11c; Arnold A, 12c; Arnold Gold Seal, 10½c. DRESS—Charter Oak, 5c; Ramapo, 4½c; Lodi, 5c; Allen, 6c; Richmond, 6c; Windsor, 6½c; Eddystone, 6½c; Pacific, 6½c.

BROWN SHEETING—Atlantic A, 4-4, 7½c; Atlantic H, 4-4, 7½c; Atlantic D, 4-4, 6¾c; Atlantic P, 4-4, 6c; Aurora LL, 4-4, 6c; Aurora C, 4-4, 5c; Crown XXX, 4-4, 7½c; Hoosier LL, 4-4, 6c; Indian Head, 4-4, 7½c; Lawrence LL, 4-4, 6c; Old Dominion, 4-4, 5½c; Pepperell, R, 4-4, 7½c; Pepperell O, 4-4, 6c; Pepperell, 8-4, 18½c; Pepperell, 9-4, 21c; Pepperell, 10-4, 23c; Utica, C, 4-4, 5c; Wachusett, 4-4, 7½c; Aurora B, 4-4, 6½c; Aurora R, 4-4, 6½c.

BATTS—Standard, 9c; Gem, 10c; Beauty, 12½c; Byone, 14c; B, cased, $6.50.

CARPET WARP—Bibb, white, 19c; colored, 22c.

DUCK—West Point 29 in. 8 oz., 10½c; West Point, 29 in. 10 oz., 12½c; West Point, 10 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, 28c; Durham, 27½c; Hercules, 18c; Leamington, 22½c; Cottswold, 27½c.

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; ain Holland, 8½c to 9½c; Dado Holland, ½c

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, 6⅝c; butter cloth, OO, 4½c; Cabot, 7½c; Farwell, 8½c; Fruit of Loom, 9½c; Freene G, 6c; Hope, 8c; King Phillip cambric, 11c; Lonsdale, 11½c; Lonsdale, 9c; New York mills, 10½c; Pepperell, 42-in, 11c; Pepperell, 46-in. 12c; Pepperell, 6-4, 16c; Pepperell, 8-4, 21c; Pepperell, 9-4, 23c; Pepperell, 10-4, 25c; Canton, 4-4, 8½c; Canton, 4-4, 9½c; Triumph, 6c; Wamsutta, 1c; Valley, 5c.

GINGHAM—Plunkett checks, 7½c; Whittenton 7½c; York, 7½c; Normandi dress, 8½c; Calcutta dress, 8½c; Whittendon dress, 8½c; Renfew dress, 8½@12½c.

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

DENIMS—Amoskeag, B, 9-oz., 16c; Everett, 7-oz., 13c; York, 7-oz., 13c; Haymaker, 8½c; Jaffrey, XX, 11½c; Jaffrey, XXX, 12½c; Beaver Creek, AA, 12c; Beaver Creek, BB, 11c; Beaver Creek, CC, 10c.

FLANNELS—Plaid—Raftsman, 20c; Goshen 32½c; Clear Lake, 32½c; Maple City, 36½c. White—G H N 2, ¾, 21c; G H No. 1 ¾, 30c; Quechee No. 1, ¾, 42c; Quechee No. 2, ¾, 37½c; Quechee No. 4, ¾, 32½c; Anawan, 13½c; Windsor, 22½c; Red XC, 24-in, 15½c; E 24-inch 21c; GG 24-inch, 18c; H A F, ¾, 25c; J R F, ¾, 27½c; G ¾, 35c.

COTTON FLANNELS—10 per cent trade discount—LL, 6⅝c; CC, 7½c; SS 8½c; Nameless, 5½c; No. 5, 6c; EE, 9½c; GG, 10½c; XX, 12½c; OG, 14c; NN, 16c; RX, 18c; R, 20c; No. 10, 8½c; 80, 10½c; 60. 12½c; 80, 16c; 20, colored, 10c; 50, colored, 12c; 70, colored, 25c; Bristol, 13½c; Union Pacific, 18c.

General Markets.

FLOUR AND FEED—Minnesota patents, $2.45@2.50 per cwt; Kansas and Missouri fancy winter patents, $2.50@2.75 per cwt; Nebraska patents, $2.45@2.50 per cwt; rye flour, $2.00 per cwt; wheat graham, $1.75@1.90 per cwt; rye graham, $1.35@1.40 per cwt; New York buckwheat, $3.50 per cwt; Excelsior, $3.00 per cwt; ready raised, $5.00 per 100-lb case; cornmeal, yellow, $1.00@1.10 per cwt; white $1.10@1.15 per cwt; bran, $16.00@17.00 per ton; screenings, $12.00 per ton; hominy, $3.25 per bbl; chopped feed, $18.00 per ton; chopped corn, $16.50@17.00 per ton

LEATHER—Oak soles, 35@37c; hemlock slaughter sole, 21@39c; hemlock dry sole, 12@25c; hemlock kip, 60@90c; A. & B. runner kip, 50@75c; A. hemlock calf, 90c@$1.00; A. A. hemlock calf, "backs," 75c; hemlock upper, 19@24c; English grain upper, 25c; hemlock grain upper, 21@24c; Tampico B. L. Morocco, 29@33c; Tampico pepple, O. D. Mo., 22@29c; Curacoa, B. G. Mo., 30c; Simon O. D. Mo., $2.75@3.00; Dangola kid, 30@32c; X. M. kangaroo, 40c; American calf kid, 32c; Griesen kids, $3.00@3.50; French glazed kids, $2.50@2.75; French calf kids, $3.20; oak kip skins, $80c@$1.00; oak calf skins, $1.00@1.55; French calf skins, $1.25@225; 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.

EXTRACTS—Sanderson's oil bergamot, per lb., $$2.75@3.00; oil lemon, per lb., $2.50; oil peppermint, $3.00; oil wintergreen, $2.50; olive oil, Malaga, per gallon, $1.25.

WINDOW GLASS—Single, 70 per cent and 5 per cent; double, 70 and 10 per cent discount.

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

OILS—Carbon, 175 degrees 13c; linseed, boiled, 60c; linseed, raw, 57c; castor, No. 1, $1.20; No. 2, $1.12; sperm whale, $1.00; whale water, bleached, 85c; fish, bank, 35c; neatsfoot extra, 65c; neatsfoot No. 1, 50c; gasoline, 75 degrees, 15c; W. S. lard, 65c; No. 1 lard, 50c; No. 2 lard, 50@55c; W. Va. zero, 14c; W. Va. summer, 12c; golden No. 1, 40c; golden No. 2, 25c; whale, 20c; naptha, 1 degree, 14c; headlight, 150 degrees, 12c; headlight, 175 degree, 15c; turpentine, 48c; castor, pure, $2.45 per gal.

DRUGS—Acid, carbolic, crystal, per lb, 50c; citric acid, per lb, 60c; tartaric, per lb, 50c; sulphuric, per lb, 5c; ammonia, carb, per lb, 15c; alum, per lb, 5c; alcohol, 95 per cent, per gal, $2.26; blue vitric, per lb, 8c; borax, refined, per lb, 10c; camphor refined, 30c; cream tartar, pure, per lb, 45c; cream tartar, commercial, per lb, 20c; cloves, per lb 33c; cuttlefish bone, per lb, 30c; dextrine, per lb, 12c; glycerine, pure, per lb, 30c; hops, fresh, per lb, 40c; indigo, Madras, per lb, 80c; insect powder, per lb, 60c; morphine, P. & W., per oz, $3.00; opium, per lb, $3.90; quinine, P. & W., per oz, 61c; quinine, German, per oz, 56c; rochelle salts, per lb, 35c; saffron, American, per lb, 40c; saffron, true Spanish, per oz, $1.00; saltpetre, pure, per lb, 10c; sulphur, Flowers', per lb, 5c; soda, bi-carb, per lb, 5c; silver, nitrate, per lb, $11.50; spermacete, per lb, 60c; strychnine, per oz. $1.25; wax, white, pure, per lb, 55c; wax, yellow, pure, per lb, 35c.

SPIRITS—Cologne spirits 188 proof, $1.14; do 101 proof, $1.17; spirits, second quality, 101 proof, $1.16; do 188 proof, $1.13; alcohol, 188 proof, per wine gallon, $2.12; redistilled whiskies, $1.25@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@8.00; domestic, $1.30@3.00; gins, imported, $5.00@6.00; domestic, $1.25@3.00; champagnes, imported, per case, $28.00@33.000; American, per case, $10.00@16.00.

HIDES—Green butchers' 3½@4c; green cured, 5½@6½c; dry flint, 9c; dry salt, 8c; green salted calf, 7½@8c; damaged hides two-thirds price; dry salted deacons, 25c each. Tallow—No. 1, 3½c; No. 2, 2½c. Grease—Prime white, 4½c; yellow, 3c; brown, 2c. Sheep pelts, 10c@$1.00, according to quality. Branded hides classed as damaged.

FURS—Raccoon, No. 1, 30@45c; No. 2, 25@30c; mink, 10@50c; muskrat, fall, 5@8c; muskrat, spring and winter, 8@11c; stripped skunk, 10@40c; mountain wolf, No. 1, $1.50@2.50; No. 2, prairie, 50@70c; No. 2, 25@40c; beaver, Mo. 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; deer skins, per lb, 20@25c.

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