THE SPECULATIVE MARKETS

Local Wheat Trade, as a Rule, Was Strong.

CORN STILL FIRM, BUT DULL.

In Provisions a Weak Feeling Prevails—Cattle Ranged Slow, With Prices at the Lowest Yet—Hogs.

CHICAGO PRODUCE MARKET.

CHICAGO, Jan. 24.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The local wheat market had one or two sick spots to-day, but as a whole it was strong. The European markets came in weak and declining, and the New York people in the export trade send lugubrious reports of the state of trade. Nevertheless, an increasing volume of export business is being done, and the seaboard seems to be down to a shipping basis—on an even keel with foreign importing ports. The froth on the surface has a strong bearish coloring, but under the surface a friendlier feeling for wheat is clearly generating, and experienced grain merchants feel moved at this time to recall to the attention of their friends the fact that the foreigners invariably "beat this country on a down hill race in wheat," and to the further fact that the foreigners rarely show any eagerness as buyers of wheat until our home markets stop declining and prices turn up. Furthermore, the claim is strongly advanced by the best posted men in the grain trade that wheat in Chicago is on a parity with the other markets east and south of here, taking into consideration the milling merits of the grain. This claim seems to be well founded, as Chicago is notoriously the only city in the country where grades have been kept up religiously. On little flurries wheat for May was twice broken down to 96c, and on one of these occasions the price touched 95¾c. On the break a good deal of long wheat came out on stop loss orders, and for a while the local situation looked very blue. There was a good class of buying on the breaks, however, and the market was not long recovering its tone of steadiness. Probably the most noticeable strictly local feature was the ostentatious selling of wheat by Hutchinson's brokers. When this operator begins to advertise his operations in a most conspicuous fashion, the "foxy" scalpers conclude that he is throwing dust in their faces, and one of their number observed: "Hutchinson can throw dust in the eyes of the crowd faster and more voluminously than any other man in the world." The very heavy buying for two days by Poole and others who are frequently used by Hutchinson, lent color to the suspicion that had found lodgment in the pit. It is of course impossible in a market of the magnitude of this to tell what is going on deep down, but the impression prevails among the well-informed people of good judgment that the enormous liquidation that has been in progress recently and the consequent readjustment of affairs has left the market grounded on a much firmer foundation than it has had in months, and that practically all long wheat that can be "shaken out" has been sold. The bears naturally combat this theory, and hold staunchly that it is foolish to talk about wheat being on a healthy basis above 90c. The tone of the market was stronger the last half hour of the session than at any time previously, and the closing prices were only about 4c from the outside. May started off at 97c, sold down to 96c, rallied to 96⅝c, broke to 95⅞c, rallied to 97c, reacted to 96⅝c, ranged to 96¾@97⅛c for quite a time, with 97c the favorite quotation, and towards the last advanced to 97⅜c, closing at 97⅛c, or ⅝c better than yesterday. February opened at 93c, ranged to 92⅞@93⅛c, and closed at 93⅛ nominal. July opened at 89c, ranged to 88⅝@89⅝c, and closed at 89⅜c.

There was again a firm feeling in the corn market, but business ruled dull and the volume of it was small. The receipts here were about 20 cars short of yesterday's anticipations, but some increase is anticipated for to-morrow, the estimate being 160 cars. The exports continue on a liberal scale, but the English markets were quoted as tending down for American corn. The offerings from here are, of course, heavy, but the demand for shipment was again good, notwithstanding the discouraging advices. There was some anxiety by the shorts in February and March, in view of the continued scarcity of the grade required for the filling of speculative sales. The character of the day's trading was of the usual local scalping description, and presented no features of moment, outside of the scarcity of February and March, when they were inquired for by parties short on those deliveries. The closing quotations are from ¼c to ⅜c higher on near futures, and May improved 3-16c but was inactive. Five and one-half boat loads were bought in New York for export.

Oats lapsed into dullness, with only a light trade at nearly steady prices. The few trading orders of any consequence that appeared, centered in May, which sold early at 27⅜@27½c, a decline of nearly ¼c, and recovered later. June has not come into prominence yet, while near futures continue almost nominal. No. 2 oats in store were neglected, though quotably steady and firm at 24⅝@24¾c. The inspected receipts contained about 25 per cent of the contract grade.

In provisions a weak feeling again held control. There was no unusual pressure to sell, yet as the demand was limited the offerings placed on sale found a slow market, and sellers were forced to make concessions. Trade was in a slumpy condition from the start, and a much lower range of prices was established all around. In pork the day's net decline amounted to 27½@30c, in lard to 2½@7½c and in short ribs to 10c.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK

CHICAGO, Jan. 24.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—CATTLE—Ranged slow, and the prices were down to the lowest, yet so low that it is almost impossible to go lower. The buyers did not get out until late in the afternoon, and they were entirely indifferent and seemed rather more inclined to go back to the Exchange building than to get to work. The quality of the steer stock was rather common, and there were very few lots that would come up to the standard. There were, however, large numbers of prime fat heifers and cows that buyers seemed to like better than the steer stock at the prevailing prices. The top price for 1400 lb to 1600 lbs steers is about $4.60@4.50, and some right good export steers, from 1200 to 1300 lb averages, sold at $3.50@3.75, with the ordinary run of dressed beef steers selling at from $3.00 to $3.50. Fancy heifers and cows, fed right along with the steers, are selling at $2.85@3.25, but the bulk of the good fat cows are going at $2.25@2.50, and canning stock at $1.40@1.90. Bulls are making $1.50@2.25; stock steers, $2.25@2.50 for light, and $3.00@3.25 for feeders. A car of milk cows sold at from $18.00 to $35.00 per head. Choice to extra beeves, $4.00@4.50; medium to good steers, 1,350 to 1,500 lbs, $3.45@3.90; 1,200 to 1,350 lbs, $3.25@3.75; 950 to 1,200 lbs, $2.90@3.10; stockers and feeders, $2.10@3.35; cows, bulls and mixed, $1.40@3.10; bulk, $2.40@2.55; Texas steers, $2.50@3.30; cows, $1.85@2.40.

HOGS—Values again dropped 5@10c, but at the decline there was a fair amount of business transacted. The bulk of mixed went at $4.80 and along there, common mixed going down as low as $4.70@4.75, and best heavy at $4.85@4.90—only a small per cent at $4.90. Light sorts sold evenly at $4.90@5.00.

FINANCIAL

NEW YORK, Jan. 24.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—STOCKS—London quotations this morning showed an improvement over this market's final figures of last evening. The market started off ⅛@⅜ per cent better for the general list. Trading, however, was very limited and aside from the transactions in St. Paul, Lackawanna and Atchison, trading was almost nil. The extreme dullness was owing to the uncertainty of the result of the presidents' meeting now in session in Chicago. Pullman displayed some strength at the opening, but later realizing transactions carried the price down ¾ per cent. Parties identified with the movement in Atchison say that the pressure appears to have ceased and that the decline has culminated. They express the opinion that the weak holders have been almost entirely shaken out, and they add that better traffic returns may be relied upon from now on, and that the official publication of the road's condition, to be made public on Saturday next, will be less unfavorable than has been generally promised in bearish circles. A prominent bull leader said this morning: "Some one is ready to buy stocks when the bears sell them down. There is no doubting the fact that strong parties are quietly buying up the stocks, and the bears will find that they are unable to cover their short contracts except at much higher prices." Money continues to rule easy at 1¼@2 per cent, notwithstanding the additional gold shipments to-day. The London houses were moderate buyers of St. Paul during the forenoon, and the bears were selling Southwesterns, and Rock Island yielded 1 per cent. At noon the market was extremely dull and prices were about steady. The afternoon trading was devoid of any feature, and the market closed irregular and dull. Pullman showed a net decline for the day of 2¾ per cent, Northwestern and Chicago, Burlington & Quincy each show ⅞ per cent loss, while St. Paul and Lackawanna show net gains of ¾ per cent. The meeting at Chicago having adjourned until this afternoon, the operators were not disposed to open new contracts until something definite has been accomplished. The total transactions for the day amounted to 178,000 shares, including St. Paul, 18,000; Lackawanna, 24,000; Northwestern, 12,000; New England, 3,500; Reading, 9,500; Erie, 4,500; Missouri Pacific, 4,000; Lake Shore, 3,500; Rock Island, 3,500.

The following were the closing quotations:

U. S. 4s regular	127½	Northern Pacific	25½
U. S. 4s coupons	127½	do preferred	69⅛
U. S. 4½s regular	109	C. & N. W.	106⅝
U. S. 4½s coupons	109	do preferred	141¾
Pacific 6s of '95	120	N. Y. Central	108¼
Central Pacific	35½	P., D. & E.	22¾
Chicago & Alton	137	Rock Island	97⅛
Chicago, Burlington & Quincy	108⅞	C., M. & St. P.	64
		do preferred	101¼
D., L. & W.	140	St. Paul & Omaha	91⅛
Illinois Central	113⅛	do preferred	31¼
L. E. & W.	9½	Union Pacific	62⅝
Kansas & Texas	13¼	W., St. L. & P.	12¾
Lake Shore	102½	do preferred	25¼
Michigan Central	85	Western Union	84¼
Missouri Pacific	72¼		

MONEY ON CALL—Easy at 2 per cent.

PRIME MERCANTILE PAPER—4@5½ per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Active and firm; sixty days, $4.86; demand $4.89.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

CHICAGO, Jan. 24.—Wheat — Firm; cash, 93¼c; February, 93⅝c; May, 97⅛c.

Corn—Steady; cash, 35c; February, 35¼c; May, 35 15-16c.

Oats—Firm; cash, 24¼c; February, 24⅞c; May, 27 7-16c.

Rye—48c.

Barley—Nothing doing.

Prime Timothy—$1.53.

Flax—$1.60.

Whisky—$1.03.

Pork — Steady; cash and February, $11.70; May, $12.10.

Lard—Steady; cash and February, $6.85; May, 6.95.

Flour—Dull, steady and unchanged; winter wheat, $2.50@5.50; spring wheat, $1.70@6.50.

Bulk Meats—Shoulders, $6.00@6.25; short clear, $6.62½@6.75; short ribs, $6.30.

Butter—Quiet; creamery, 16@25c; dairy, 14@22c.

Cheese—Steady; full cream cheddars, 10¾@11c; flats, 11@11¼c; Young Americas, 11¾@12c.

Eggs—Weak; fresh, 14½@15½c.

Hides—Lower; heavy and light green salted, 5¼c; green, 4c; green bull, 3½c; green salted calf, 6½c; dry flint, 7½@8c; green salted kip, 4c; dry calf, 7@8c; branded hides, 15 per cent off; deacons, 25@30c each; dry salted, 7c.

Tallow—Easier; No. 1, solid, 5c; No. 2, 4½c; cake, 5½c.

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls.	11,050	10,000
Wheat, bu.	25,000	17,000
Corn, bu.	89,000	78,000
Oats, bu.	78,000	70,000

Kansas City, Jan. 24.—Wheat—Quiet; No. 2 red, cash, 90c asked; May, 91c bid; No. 2, soft, cash, 92c asked; May, 92c.

Corn—Quiet; No. 2, cash, 25½c bid; May, 28c bid, 28¾c asked.

Oats—No. 2, cash, no bids nor offerings; May, 23½c bid; 24c asked.

Milwaukee, Jan. 24.—Wheat—Firmer; cash, 88c; May, 91¼c.

Corn—Firm; No. 3, 32c.

Oats—Steady; No. 2 white, 28c.

Rye—Weaker; No. 1, 47½c.

Barley—Stronger; No. 2, 62½c.

Provisions—Easier; pork, $11.75.

Cincinnati, Jan. 24.—Wheat—Dull and lower; No. 2 red, 97c.

Corn—Easier; No. 2, mixed, red, 35c.

Oats—Firm; No. 2 mixed, 28@29c.

Whisky—Steady at $1.03.

Minneapolis, Jan. 24.—Wheat—Sample wheat dull and unsettled; receipts, 65 cars; shipments, 38 cars. Closing: No. 1 hard, January, $1.14; May, $1.17½; on track, $1.15@1.16; No. 1 northern, January, $1.01; May, $1.03½; on track, $1.04@1.05; No. 2 northern, January, 90½c; May, 93½c; on track, 92@95c.

St. Louis, Jan. 24.—Wheat—Higher; cash, 91c; May, 94c.

Corn—Higher; cash, 29⅞@30c; May, 32⅝@32½c.

Oats—Higher; cash, 25c; May, 28c.

Pork—Dull at $12.15@12.75.

Lard—Nominal at $6.75.

Whisky—$1.03.

Butter—Quiet and unchanged; creamery, 21@23c; dairy, 12@20c.

Liverpool, Jan. 24.—[Special Cablegram to THE BEE.]—3:30 p. m. close.—Pork—Poor demand; prime mess, eastern, 71s 3d, easy; do, western, 62s 6d, easy.

Wheat—In poor demand; new No. 2 winter, 7s 7d, easy; do spring, 7s 10d, easy.

Flour—In poor demand at 11s 6d.

Corn—In fair demand; spot, 4s, steady; January and February, 3s 11½d, steady; March, 3s 11¾d, steady.

New York, Jan. 24.—Wheat—Receipts, 20,666; exports, none; spot irregular but firmer; No. 2 red, 93⅞@95⅛c in elevator, 96@96⅛c afloat, 94⅝@96¼ f. o. b.; No. 3 red, nominal; options less active but firmer, closing at ⅛@¼c over yesterday; January closing at 93⅞c.

Corn—Receipts, 79,000; exports, 19,448; spot moderately active and strong and ¼@⅛c higher; No. 2, 43¼@43½c in elevator, 44⅝@44⅞c afloat; No. 2, white, 44@44½c; No. 3, 39¼@41c; ungraded mixed, 38@45c; options dull but firm and ¼@½c higher.

Oats—Receipts, 36,000; exports, 10,000; spot fairly active and stronger; options quiet but firmer; January 31¼c; May, 32½c; No. 2, white, 34@34¼c; mixed western, 28@32c.

Coffee—Options opened steady and closed at 15@25 points above yesterday; sales 38,500 bags; January, $15.65@15.80; February, $15.60@15.70; May, $15.50@15.65; spot Rio steady; fair cargoes at $17.50.

Petroleum—Quiet but steady; United closed at 85¾c.

Eggs—Dull and lower; Western, 16@16½c.

Pork—Dull and lower; new, $13.50@13.75.

Lard—Lower, western steam, $7.30@7.35; January, $7.28.

Butter—Firm for choice; western dairy, 13@18c; western creamery, 16@26½c; Elgins, 28c.

Cheese—Strong; western, 10½@11½c.

LIVE STOCK.

Chicago, Jan. 24.—The Drovers' Journal reports as follows:

Cattle—Receipts, 1,300; market weak and a shade lower; beeves, $4.00@4.80; steers, $2.90@3.90; stockers and feeders, $2.10@3.45; cows, bulls and mixed, $1.40@3.10; Texas cattle, $1.85@3.30.

Hogs—Receipts, 18,000; market weak and 5c lower; mixed, $4.70@4.95; heavy, $4.75@4.90; light, $4.75@5.02½; skips, $3.00@5.00.

Sheep—Receipts 10,000; market irregular; natives, $3.00@5.40; western, corn-fed, $4.40@4.75; lambs, $3.25@4.30.

Sioux City, Ia., Jan. 24.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Hogs—Receipts, 3,400; yesterday, 1,919; opened 10@15c lower than yesterday's close and closed steady; quality good. Quotations: Light and mixed, $4.35@4.50; heavy, $4.50@4.60.

Cattle—Receipts, 155; yesterday, 320; market quiet and steady; stockers and feeders in demand. Quotations unchanged: Prime cattle, 1,000@1,200 lbs., $2.75@3.25; prime cattle, 1,100@1,400 lbs., $3.25@4.00; feeders, $2.40@3.00; stockers, one and two years, $1.75@2.65; cows, $1.00@2.25; cows, corn-fed, $2.00@2.60; bulls, $1.00@1.75; veal calves, $2.25@4.00.

National Stock Yards, East St. Louis, Jan. 24.—Cattle—Receipts, 1,300; shipments, 400; market slow; choice heavy native steers, $4.10@4.60; fair to good do, $3.50@4.15; butchers' steers, medium to choice, $2.70@3.50; stockers and feeders, fair to good, $1.90@2.80; rangers corn-fed, $3.00@3.50; grass-fed, $2.00@2.90.

Hogs—Receipts, 3,600; shipments, 1,000; market steady; choice heavy and native and butchers' selections, $4.70@4.85; packing, $4.60@4.75; light grades, $4.60@4.70.

Kansas City, Jan. 24.—Cattle—Receipts, 4,000; shipments, 2,000; market dull and lower for dressed beef and shipping steers; choice cows about steady; common lower; corn-fed, $3.00@4.30; stockers and feeding steers, $2.00@3.25; cows, $1.25@2.80.

Hogs—Receipts, 5,000; shipments, none; market weak and 5 cents lower; good to choice, $4.60@4.65; common to medium, $4.35@4.55.

OMAHA LIVE STOCK.

Cattle.

Thursday, Jan. 24, 1889.

"About as low as at any time this season," is the way a salesman described the cattle market. The receipts were not so heavy but what a steady market at least might have been looked for had it not been for the excessive receipts and demoralized markets at eastern points. As it was, with the reports from Chicago indicating a very unfavorable state of the trade, nothing but a heavy decline could be expected here. Out of the whole number of cattle there were very few really good beeves. The majority of the steers were medium weights, and only half fat, and could more appropriately be classed as feeders. One choice bunch of 1331-lb steers brought $3.70, but the packers did not pay over $3.40 for the bulk of their cattle. The market as a whole on beef cattle was 15@20c lower, and was slow at the decline. Quite a number of cattle shipped in for beef cattle were sold for feeders. In fact, the feeders were, if anything, more nervy buyers than the packers and would pay more for anything that suited them. There was not much change in the prices paid for feeders, the range being mostly $2.90@3.10. Butchers' stock, of which there was a very fair supply, sold about 10@15c lower. Although the market did not open until late a good proportion of the cattle changed hands before the close.

Hogs.

The receipts were about an average of the past week or two. The break in provisions resulted in a drop of 10c in the market here, the best hogs selling only at $4.65, with the bulk at $4.55@4.60. The buyers were rather indifferent and the trade was slow, but about everything was cleaned up before the close.

Sheep.

The receipts were light and the market slow, with an easier feeling.

Receipts.

Cattle	1,250
Hogs	3,250
Sheep	225

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.	$3.75	@4.00
Prime steers, 1100 to 1300 lbs.	3.00	@3.65
Native feeders	2.90	@3.10
Western feeders	2.70	@2.90
Common to good cows	1.25	@2.25
Choice to fancy cows	2.25	@2.90
Common to choice bulls	1.75	@2.50
Fair to choice light hogs	4.45	@4.60
Fair to choice heavy hogs	4.55	@4.65
Fair to choice mixed hogs	4.50	@4.60
Fair to choice western sheep	3.75	@4.25
Fair to choice Nebraskas	3.50	@4.00

Representative Sales.

CATTLE.

No.	Av.	Pr.
2 cows	940	$1.50
3 canners	1110	1.60
7 cows	988	1.75
1 bull	1470	1.80
1 bull	1380	1.85
1 cow	1150	1.90
24 cows	782	1.93
1 bull	1540	2.00
2 cows	1275	2.00
1 bull	1560	2.00
14 cows	1075	2.05
12 cows	900	2.10
15 cows	1082	2.15
21 cows	994	2.20
9 cows	1034	2.20
1 bull	1510	2.20
17 cows and bulls	1211	2.20
1 bull	1330	2.25
1 bull	1550	2.25
1 bull	1960	2.25
1 cow	1000	2.25
16 cows	1271	2.30
1 bull	1630	2.35
18 cows	1155	2.35
4 stags	1547	2.35
6 heifers	983	2.45
1 bull	1930	2.50
17 cows	1211	2.50
2 cows	900	2.50
22 feeders	1054	2.80
5 steers	952	2.85
4 steers	890	2.90
7 feeders	947	2.90
20 feeders	963	2.95
2 cows	1150	3.00
13 feeders	864	3.00
6 steers	1016	3.00
20 feeders	1003	3.00
1 cow	1320	3.00
21 steers	943	3.00
2 feeders	1075	3.10
14 steers	1075	3.12½
15 steers	1128	3.20
10 steers	1161	3.20
17 steers	1156	3.25
12 steers	1196	3.25
10 steers	1222	3.35
6 steers	1345	3.40
19 steers	1331	3.70

HOGS.

No.	Av.	Shk.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Shk.	Pr.
67	236	200	$4.45	55	340	80	$4.60
71	257	240	4.50	66	272	40	4.60
64	248	120	4.50	62	263	120	4.60
63	251	40	4.50	50	327	120	4.60
52	337	800	4.50	69	280	40	4.60
63	251	40	4.50	60	245	...	4.60
74	246	80	4.50	69	259	80	4.60
66	265	240	4.55	113	288	240	4.60
67	264	240	4.55	62	294	280	4.60
56	270	360	4.55	55	336	80	4.60
63	253	80	4.55	53	332	200	4.60
65	262	120	4.55	54	256	80	4.60
52	314	200	4.55	54	316	...	4.60
64	291	160	4.55	60	304	280	4.60
65	290	440	4.55	70	239	80	4.60
55	278	200	4.55	58	318	80	4.60
46	297	120	4.55	64	219	80	4.60
54	324	80	4.55	65	277	200	4.62½
50	360	120	4.55	44	427	...	4.65
51	310	240	4.55	47	393	80	4.65
55	320	40	4.55	47	389	80	4.65
62	278	240	4.55	53	308	200	4.65
69	264	200	4.55	51	346	80	4.65
56	279	120	4.55	64	264	40	4.65
54	247	240	4.55	31	318	120	4.65
46	316	80	4.57½	33	284	80	4.65
62	274	80	4.57½				

Live Stock Notes.

Market lower on everything.

Cattle take a big tumble.

Hogs go still lower.

Considerable trading in feeders.

Sheep market slow.

The packers have bought a good many sheep during the past two days and were not in need of many to-day.

Omaha is still as high in proportion as any other market.

At Council Bluffs.

COUNCIL BLUFFS, Ia., Jan. 24.—Hogs—Receipts, 8 cars.

Sales—Heavy, $4.55@4.65; mixed, $4.50@4.60; light, $4.50@4.55.

OMAHA WHOLESALE MARKETS.

Fruits, Produce, Etc.

BUTTER—Creamery—Fancy print, 24@26c; choice print, 20@23c; fancy solid packed, 19@20c; choice solid packed, 15@19c. Diary—Fancy roll, 15@19c; choice, 13@14c; good, 11@12c; low grades, 8@10c.

CHEESE—Full cream cheddars, choice, 12@12½c; full cream flats, two in hoop, 12½@13c; full cream Y, American choice, 12½@13c; off grades and skims, 5@9c; limburger, 10@12½c; brick and Swiss, 14@15c.

EGGS—Strictly fresh, 15c.

LIVE POULTRY—Chickens, per doz, $2.75@3.00; ducks, per doz, $2.75@3.00; geese, per doz, $8.50@9.00; turkeys, per lb, 7@8c.

DRESSED POULTRY—Chickens, per lb, 6@8c; turkeys, per lb, 10@11c; geese, per lb, 9@10c; ducks, 8@10c.

VEAL—Heavy grassers, 150 to 200 lbs, 6@6½c; inferior calves, 50 to 60 lbs, 4@5c; medium to good, 70 to 85 lbs, 5@6c; choice to fancy, 100 to 130 lbs, 7@8c.

GAME—Mallard, per doz, $2.75@3.00; red head, per doz, $2.50@3.00; teal, per doz, $1.50@1.75; canvas back, per doz, $4.00@4.50; common small, per doz, $1.00@1.50; rabbits, per doz, 75c@$1.00; jack rabbits, per doz, $3.00@3.50; squirrels, per doz, 75c@$1.00.

APPLES—Per bbl, fancy New York and Michigan, $2.50; choice, $2.00@2.25; choice Missouri, $2.00@2.25; good, $1.50@1.75.

FOREIGN FRUITS—Malaga grapes, kegs, $9 to 55 lbs, 10c per lb; bananas, per bunch, $1.50@3.00; lemons, fancy new, 300 to 360, s, $4.00@4.50; choice old, 300, s, $3.00@3.50; oranges, Florida, fancy bright, per box, $3.50; Florida russetts, $3.25.

CRANBERRIES—Cape Cod, choice, per bbl, $10.00@10.50; fair, $9.00@9.50; Bell & Bugle, choice, $9.00@9.25; fair, $8.50@8.75; Bell & Cherry, choice, $8.00@8.25; fair, $7.25@7.50.

NUTS—Walnuts, 50@60c; peanuts, 8@8½c; chestnuts, 4@5c; cocoanuts, per 100, $5.00@6.00; hazelnuts, 3@4c; hickorynuts, small, $1.25@1.50; large, 60@75c; pecans, plain, 6@8c; polished, 9@10c.

VEGETABLES—Potatoes, Colorado and Utah, 70@75c; Wyoming, 50@55c; Nebraska and Iowa, choice large, 40@45c; common, 30@35c; sweet potatoes, Jerseys, per bbl, $3.50@3.75; beets, per bu, 55@60c; carrots, 35@40c; cabbage, California, per crate, $2.25; parsnips, 50@60c; onions, red choice, 50@55c; silver skin, 60@75c; turnips, 20@25c; rutabagas, 35@40c; cauliflower, choice large, per dozen, $1.25@1.50; good, $1.00@1.25; radishes, 35@40c; lettuce, 25@30c; cucumbers, $1.50; string beans, per box, $1.75@2.25; celery, 25@30c.

HIDES—Green, salted, No. 1, 5@5½c; No. 2, 3@3½c; calf, 5@5½c, dry flint, 5@8c.

BEANS—Navies, hand picked, per bu, $2.25@2.40; good clean country, $2.00@2.25; off or poor stock, $1.00@1.50; California, $2.00@2.10.

CIDER—Michigan, per bbl, $4.50@5.00; New York, per bbl, $5.00@5.50; half bbl, $2.75@3.00.

FEATHERS—Per lb, prime live geese—white, 30@35c; mixed with gray, 20@25c; damp and musty, 10@20c; prime live domestic duck, 20@25c; wild duck, 15@20c.

SAUER KRAUT—Per bbl, 30 gal, choice, $4.50; per half bbl, $2.50.

POPCORN—Per lb, rice, 1½@2c; common, 1@1½c.

HONEY—1 lb frames, choice white, 17@18c; dark, 14@16c; strained, 10@12c.

JELLIES—4@4½c per lb; preserves, 10@12c; per lb.

LARD—8c.

Grocers' List.

Revised prices are as follows:

BAGGING—Stark A, seamless, 22c; Amoskeag, seamless, 17½c; Lewistown A, seamless, 19c; American, seamless, 17c; burlaps, 4 to 5 bu., 11@14c; gunnies, single, 13c; gunnies, double, 26c; wool sack, 35c.

TWINES—Flax, 38c; extra sail, 20@21c; sail B, 20@21c; cotton, 22c; jute, 9c.

DRIED FRUITS—Figs, in boxes, per lb, 13@16c; dates, in boxes, 7c@10c; London Malaga layer raisins, per box, $2.50@3.70; Malaga loose raisins, $2.30@2.50; new Valencia raisins, per lb, 8½c; California loose muscatels, per box, $2.00@2.10; California Londons, 1888, $2.40; pitted cherries, per lb, 18c; California pitted plums, per lb, 12@18c; dried blackberries, per lb, 7½@8c; dried raspberries, per lb, 24@25c; evaporated apples, 7½@8c; California sun-dried peaches, 13c; California unpaired evaporated peaches, 14c; evaporated California apricots, 18c; currants, 6½@7c; Turkish prunes, 5@5½c; citron, 22@24c; orange peel, 15c; lemon peel, 16c; California French prunes, 11@16c.

PICKLES—Medium, in bbls, $5.00; do, in half bbls; $3.00; small, in bbls, $6.00; do, in half bbls, $3.50; gherkins, in bbls, $7.00; do, in half bbls, $4.00.

COFFEE—Mocha, 25@27c; Rio, good 18@19c; Mandahling, 26@28c; roasted Rio, 17@18c; O. G. Java, 34@35c; Java, interior, 22@28c; Rio, fancy, 21@22c; Santos and Maracaibo, 17@19c; Arbuckles, 22¼c; McLaughlin's XXXX, 22¼c.

SUGAR—Granulated, 7⅛@7¼c; conf A, 7c; white extra C, 6⅞c; extra C, 6¾c; yellow C, 6¼c; powdered, 8c; cubes, 8c.

BREWAN—Choice yellow, 20@22½c; dark colored, 13@14c.

TOBACCO—Plug, 25@35c; smoking, 16@90c.

SALT—$1.35@1.40 per bbl.

ROPE—7-16; 14½c.

MAPLE SUGAR—Bricks, 11@12c per lb; penny cakes, 12@13c per lb; pure maple syrup, $1.00 per gal.

TEAS—Young Hyson, common to fair 18@25c; Young Hyson, good to fancy, 30@55c; Gunpowder, common to good, 22@25c; Gunpowder, choice to fancy, 40@65c; Japan, common to medium, 15@20c; Japan, choice to fancy, 30@45c; Oolong, common to good, 10@35c; Oolong, choice to fancy, 50@70c; Imperial, common, to medium, 25@35c; Imperial, good to fancy, 40@50c.

CRACKERS—6@7c per lb; assorted cakes, 8@25c per lb as per list.

CANDY—Mixed, 9½@12½c; stick, 9½@11c; rock candy, 10½@13c; fancy candy, 7@25c.

HOLLAND HERRING—90c.

COD FISH—6½@7½c.

Dry Goods.

COTTON FLANNELS—10 per cent dis.: LL, 5½c; CC, 6⅝c; SS, 7⅝c; Nameless, 5c; RX, 18c; R, 19c; No. 10, 8½c; No. 40, 10½c; No. 60, 12½c; No. 80, 13½c; No. 30, colored, 9c; No. 50, colored, 12c; No. 70, colored, 12½c; Bristol, 12½c; Union Pacific, 17c.

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

BATTS—Standard, 8c; Gem, 10c; Beauty, 12½c; Boone, 14c; B, cased, $6.50.

PRINTS—Solid colors—Atlantic, 6c; Slater, 6c; Berlin oil, 6½c; Garner oil, 6@7c.

PRINTS—Pink and Robes—Allen, 6c; Riverpoint, 5½c; Steel River, 6½c; Richmond, 6½c; Pacific, 7c.

PRINTS—Dress—Charter Oak, 5½c; Ramapo, 4½c; Lodi, 5½c; Allen, 6c; Richmond, 6c; Windsor, 6½c; Eddystone, 6½c; Pacific, 6½c.

BLEACHED SHEETING—Berkeley cambric, No. 60, 9½c; Best Yet, 4-4, 6¾c; butter cloth, OO, 4½c; Cabot, 7½c; Farwell, half bleached, 8½c; Fruit of the Loom, 9c; Greene G, 6c; Hope, 7½c; King Phillip cambric, 11c; Lonsdale cambric, 14½c; Lonsdale, 8Yc; 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; riumph, 6c; Wamsutta, 11c; Valley, 5c.

FLANNELS—Plaid—Raftsmen, 20c; Goshen, 22½c; Clear Lake, 36½c; Iron Mountain, 26½c.

FLANNELS—White—GH, No. 2, ¾, 22½c; GH, No. 1, ⅞, 26c; BH, No. 2, ¾, 22½c; BH, No. 1, ⅞, 30c; Quechee, No. 1, ⅞, 42c.

CORSET JEANS—Androscoggin, 7½c; Kearsarge, 7⅝c; Rockport, 6½c; Conestoga, 6¾c.

TICKS—York, 30-in, 12½c; York, 32-in, 13½c; Swift river, 7⅝c; Thorndike OO, 8½c; Thorndike, EE, 8½c; Thorndike, 120, 9½c; Thorndike, XX, 15c; Cordis, No. 5, 9½c; Cordis, No. 4, 10½c.

THE REALTY MARKET.

Instruments Placed on Record During Yesterday.

W L Selby and wife to S L Bosworth, lot 12, blk 2, Ambler place, w d	$ 45
E M Backus to S Rhodes and wife, 4 acres in s ½ ne 31-16-9, w d	160
B Jetter and wife to Barbara Jetter, lot 11, blk 5, Jetter's add to South Omaha, w d	400
J A Vandenberg and wife to L H Vandenberg, undivided ½ lot 4, blk 6, Horbach's 2d add, w d	2,500
G J Vandenberg and wife to L H Vandenberg, undivided ½ lot 4, blk 6, Horbach's 2d add, w d	2,500
M Spellman and husband to R Carroll, lot 8, blk 7, Bedford place, w d	2,500
J H Spofford and wife to A E Carmichael, lots 18 and 19, blk 12, and 17 and 18, blk 33, Albright's annex to South Omaha, w d	1,500
Anna Corigan to Geo Parks, lot 6, blk 3, Missouri ave park to South Omaha, w d	500
G Filiach and wife to J and M Besth, 525 ft s of ne cor ne 24-15-13, in e ½ of e ½ of so ¼ e w 33 ft, w d	420
D R Ascher and wife to C H Soboetker, pt lot 103, Gise's add, w d	6,000
D R Ascher and wife to W H Robbins, pt lot 103, Gise's add, w d	3,000
D Black and wife to A Phillips, lots 10 and 11, blk 2 of sub of blk 30, Albright's add to South Omaha, w d	2,000
C Bolin and wife to School District No. 56, acre tract, 12 r x 18 r in se corner of sw se 23-16-12, w d	150
E I Wohlers to H Bolin, lot 11 and w ½ 12, blk 5, Boggs & Hill's add, q c d	1
H W Pennock to P R Pulliam, lot 12, blk 4, Carthage add, w d	1,000
W J Stelman to William S Wright, n ½ ne ¼ 26-16-13, w d	1,500
J Kaven and wife to Ira Van Camp, lot 8, blk 6, Van Camp's add, w d	500
J L Miles et al to M B Carroll, lot 20, blk 4, Orchard Hill, w d	850
William G Albright and wife to J A Boyle, lot 13, blk 2, Hoppe's Bonanza add to South Omaha, w d	475
Nineteen transfers	$26,406

Building Permit.

The following building permits were issued yesterday:

E F Augustol, one-story frame cottage, Thirteenth and Valley streets	$ 300
Christ Boysen, one and one-half story frame addition to dwelling, Ontario near Nineteenth street	400
Two permits aggregating	$ 700

THE TEXT BOOK QUESTION.

How the Law Concerning it Works in California.

THE CHANCES FOR BIG JOBS.

The State Saddles Itself With an Enormous Expense But Does Not Procure the Best Material.

IN THE SUNDAY BEE of the 20th inst. appeared a letter from our special correspondent at Los Angeles, Cal., upon the law under which school textbooks are compiled and published by that state. The dem