FOR SALE—Lot 19, in block 13, 50x150, on Harney st. For particulars inquire of Wm Stinger, Galena, Ill. 198 m15

FOR SALE—Or exchange for Omaha property, 80 acres, suitable for platting; will make 400 lots, all clear; big money in it for some one who can push this; located just outside the city limits of Council Bluffs. Inquire Geo. J. Sternsdorff, rooms 317 and 318, First National bank building. 573

FOR SALE—Farm, to close an estate. Best farm in Boone Co., Iowa, 320 acres, houses barns, groves, orchards, springs, creek, fences &c., complete, $14,500; encumbrance, $4,500. Take clear Omaha real estate for equity. Cannot assume any encumbrance. Must be closed out in 10 days. Make your offers. Boggs & Hill, 1408 Farnam st. 993 17

FOR SALE—Lots 14, 15 and 16, block 11, West Side addition. These lots are 55x128 each, lay very pretty, and the three can be bought for $1,000. They are actually worth twice that amount. G. J. Sternsdorff, Rooms 317 and 318, First National bank building. 358

FOR SALE—7 roomed house and full lot, good surroundings, on a street car line. Will take in exchange Nebraska or Kansas farm property with some incumbrance, or vacant lot in Omaha or South Omaha. Call and investigate now. C. F. Harrison, 403 and 404 Merchants' National bank. 754

FOR SALE—640 acre farm Wayne Co., Nebraska, incumbrance $5,500, worth $16,400. Want clear Omaha real estate for equity. This is to close an estate, hence can assume no incumbrance. For 10 days apply to Boggs & Hill, 1408 Farnam st 993 17

I WILL receive sealed offers to buy the sw 22 x132 feet of lot 2, Capitol add. to Omaha, up to 12 o'clock, Feb. 25. Title perfect and indefeasible. All offers of not less than $1,500, within 30 days, as first payment, will be considered bonafide and confidential. The price offered, time of payments and rates of interest will all be considered in determining which, if any, offer I accept. This gives all a chance to get a business lot on Farnam st. on their own terms, if the price suits. Brokers must get their commission from purchaser. E. L. Emery, room 16, Ware block. 895-21

FOR SALE—512 acres, Hamilton Co., Neb. land, $9 per acre, one-third cash, balance at 6 per cent. Address W. J. Wildman, Denver, Col. 575

FOR SALE—Improved clear farm of 160 acres in Mower county, Minnesota, $30 per acre. Owner desiring to move to Omaha; will exchange for a home here. C. F. Harrison, Merchants' Nat'l bank. 142

DRY GOODS.

S. P. MORSE & CO.
Grand opening Spring Goods,
New Challies, satins, silks, dress goods,
Muslin underwear sale.

Our new embroideries and laces have also been received, and we shall offer the most exquisite patterns ever shown by us; we make a specialty of the fine novelties never shown west of Chicago except by us, and ladies who wish to purchase now will get the choicest selections.
S. P. Morse & Co.

Ladies' Black Hose, 25c.
We will close out all of our 35c and 50c fast black stockings Monday at one price—25c. This offer is a bona fide one, and they are sure to sell fast; mail orders filled.

New French Challies.
The most exquisite designs imported direct from Paris, comprising all the new colors—Vieux rose, Mandarin, Gobelin, etc., exquisitely printed. S. P. Morse & Co.

New French Satins.
Our entire importations have arrived and will be shown; those displayed in our east window are a fair sample—all works of art.

New Silks.
Both plain and fancy; a bargain in black armure silk, worth $2.00, for $1.50 a yard, and some lovely things in check and striped, Persian brocades, etc., for combinations. S. P. Morse & Co.

Muslin Underwear Sale.
We shall begin this sale Monday with a choice lot of gowns, chemise, drawers, etc., at 50c each, worth 75c, 85c and $1.00. Our second floor front has been cleared, anticipating a rush on these goods.

New Broadcloths.
Some new spring colors have been added to our line of $1.50 broadcloths. Mail orders will receive the usual prompt answers.
248-17 S. P. Morse & Co.

GROCERIES.

A. KILLNER, 1606 Howard, sells fine cheese 10 to 15c per lb. Garneau's and McClurg's best soda and oxyster crackers 6½ to 8½c per pound; French peas 15c per can; domestic peas 5 to 12½c per can; choice sweet corn, 3 cans for 25c; good sugar cured hams 9 to 10c; potatoes, sweet, 7 pounds for 25c; Salt Lakes, 65c per bushel, Iowa's, 50c per bushel. 220-17

DRESSMAKING.

DRESSMAKING, cutting & fitting, 2317 Douglas 218m15

THE REALTY MARKET.

Instruments Placed on Record During Yesterday.

G Finger and husband to Jno A Wakefield, lot 7, blk 44, Credit Foncier add, w d ..... $ 950
H J Fox to Jno W Taylor, lots 18 and 19, blk 1 and lots 9 and 10, blk 3, Monmouth park, w d 1,100
R Major to F D Mead, lot 17, Graves' park, w d 600
I S Hascall to G Zimmerman, lot 4 and s 37 feet of lot 3, Hascall's sub, w d 2,600
The Patrick Land company to E T Dodman, lot 19, blk 111, Dundee place, w d 1,000
J A Gillespie and wife to N K Smith, lot 14, blk 11, Saunders & Himebaugh's add, w d 400
E E Latson to B H Dunham, lots 6 and 7, blk 4, Lake View, w d 1,600
F M Youngs and wife to N P Feil, lot 6, Barker's sub, w d 1,300
N P Feil to M E C Youngs, lot 6, blk 8, Saunders & Himebaugh's Mt Pleasant add, w d 400
N P Feil to M E C Youngs, lot 23, blk 8, Albright's annex to South Omaha, w d 500
L Schroeder, trustee, to W Pivonka, lots 13 and 14, blk 7, Brown Park, w d 800
K E Churchill to R T Maxwell, w 10 ft lot 10 and e 32 ft lot 11, Paulsen's add, w d 4,000
C E Cord and wife to L F Weeks, lot 16, blk 2, Walnut Hill, q c d 1
E L Armstrong and wife to L M Hibbard, lots 7 and 8, blk 8, Kendall's add, w d 1
H W Yates to S B Hayden, w 42 ft lot 21, blk 1, Hillside reserve, w d 2,000
W A Douglas to E E Stevens, lot 20, blk 1, Bedford Place, w d 650

Sixteen transfers, amounting to $28,802

JUST A MINUTE.

News of the Saturday Evening Bee Boiled Down.

Secretary Fairchild's father is dead.

An illicit whisky still has been seized in Chicago.

Edward Hatch, a prominent New York broker, has failed.

The Dakota half-breeds still persist in their refusal to pay taxes.

The federal grand jury returned no indictment against Dudley.

Fort Wayne, Ind., was the scene of a $100,000 fire Saturday morning.

Editor O'Brien's appeal from his recent four month's sentence has been denied.

A large number of men have been discharged from the Panama canal works.

The senate passed Paxton's bill for the Omaha postoffice site, Saturday morning.

Holland N. Matyiere, senior bishop of the Methodist Episcopal church, of the south, is dead.

John L. Sullivan becomes one of the editors of the New York Illustrated News next week.

It now seems to be proved that the Times' Parnell letters were forged by Detective Mosher and an assistant brother professional.

The weekly bank statement shows that the reserve increased $3,148,000. The banks now hold $17,296,000 in excess of legal requirements.

General Alger denies having written to General Sherman concerning certain remarks, attributed to Sherman, derogatory to the Michigan statesman.

There is great excitement at Purcell, I. T., over the recent re-discovery of a number of old placer mines. A large amount of gold is said to have been taken out.

The Sun, (N. Y.) in an analysis of the Illinois Central's published accounts, draws especial attention to the fact that the obligations of the company have increased, since Edward H. Harriman became the controlling spirit in its affairs.

It All Occurred on Sunday.

Probably as badly broken up a trio of hunters never went out on a Sunday hunt as were Alva Stuck, George Hadden and Al Carpenter, Sunday last, says a Otsego (Mich.) special to the Chicago News, either Stuck or Hadden took Carpenter for a rabbit and put a few BB shot through his hat. Stuck lost a $30 watch; then lost a half day Monday trying to find it. Hadden became hungry and ate a lot of frozen apples, which gave him gripes and nearly cost him his life. Another trio went out for a hunt the same day, and the next morning they were arrested for trespassing and fined $6.43 each. One went down to the race to skate, broke through the ice and came near drowning. All this on Sunday.

THE CONDITION OF TRADE.

Financial Situation Unchanged—Money in Good Supply.

INTEREST RATES ARE STIFF.

Country Collections Dull—City Creditors Paying Up Satisfactorily—Prices Unchanged—General Trade Fair.

The Local Resume.

The local financial situation is about the same as a week ago. Money is in good supply, sufficient to meet all legitimate demands, but there is no surplus for speculation, and rates are stiff at 8 to 10 per cent.

Collections through bankers on city traders are promptly met, and there is altogether a better feeling than was perceptible last week. Country collections have not improved greatly during the last ten days, and failures are more frequent than is agreeable to cautious credit men, still, in a majority of cases the assets equal the liabilities, and where confidence is felt in the integrity of the debtor there is a strong disposition on the part of creditors to help him tide over the rough places, and there is more suspended debts created than actual losses made. General trade is not active, but there is a fair demand for staples, and the indications are that sales this spring will be up to the average. Prices in groceries are unchanged, except in dried fruits, and canned corn and tomatoes, which are demoralized and lower. Dry goods are steady, with a very fair demand for spring goods. Hardware and lumber are active for the season. Coal is dull with heavy stocks to carry over. Local retail trade is fair and the anticipation is for a good lively business as spring approaches.

The New York Commercial Bulletin states that the exports from this country for the calendar year of 1888 declined in value by about $45,000,000 in breadstuffs. About one-half of this decline, however, was made up by the increased value of exports of cotton, iron, oil, wood, cattle, coffee, coal, etc. Of imports the value was greater than ever before, with the single exception of the year 1882. The net increase was nearly the same in articles admitted duty free and those paying duty. The year's aggregate imports exceeded those of 1887 by $18,400,000, despite the fact that imports of iron and steel alone fell off $15,000,000; wool, $1,000,000, and cottons, $1,500,000. Offsetting this decline the sugar imports were increased by $10,000,000, woolens by $5,000,000, and flax, hemp, and jute and their manufactures by $6,000,000. Last year's total imports amounted to $727,200,000 and the exports to $670,000,000. The figures for 1887 were $758,400,000 of imports and $703,300,000 of exports.

Prices for California dried fruits are unprecedentedly low, and it is believed that this will tend to largely increase consumption. Peaches have already gone to some extent into the hands of parties who have no heretofore handled them. It is reported, however, that choice California raisins are being concentrated; that one buyer will soon boast of all the holdings, and that the trade will have to look to this raisin manipulator for supplies.

The stocks of coffee do not offer excessive quantities of desirable grades. The West India styles especially are rather scarce in full lines, and stronger prices prevail. The world's consumption of coffee for the past seven months is estimated at 5,500,000 bags, against 4,750,000 bags the same time last year. The visible supply is 80,000 bags less than a year ago. The stock in Europe February 1 was 1,541,000 bags, including 463,000 bags at Havre. There are 482,000 bags at Rio and 201,000 bags of Rio coffee are held at the seaports of this country, while 243,000 bags are on the way from Brazil to our shores.

The peanut trust, which was launched several months ago, appears to have successfully advanced the price of this circus food, but some doubts are entertained of their ability to maintain the market or carry it to the point that was reached during 1884, when the value touched the extreme of 9½c for hand picked.

OMAHA LIVE STOCK.

Cattle.

Saturday, Feb. 16, 1889.

The receipts were unusually light and the market unusually dull even for the last day of the week. The amount of it was, the buyers had all purchased heavily during the week and were not in need of any more cattle, but they were willing to take anything that happened to strike their fancy. Beef steers sold at about yesterday's prices, but butchers' stock was lower. Feeders sold about the most readily of anything here and everything that was at all desirable changed hands. A load of 1385 lb steers sold at $3.60, but the most of the cattle sold at $3.00@3.45. The cows sold from $2.20@2.60 and feeders at $2.75@2.90.

Hogs.

The market was active at an advance of 5c and everything was sold out early. The hogs sold mostly at $4.30@4.35, while on Saturday of last week the bulk of the hogs sold at $4.50@4.55.

Sheep.

Everything here that was at all desirable changed hands, the demand being fair and the market steady.

Receipts.

Cattle	720
Hogs	2,300
Sheep	570

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.	$3.25	@3.90
Prime steers, 1100 to 1300 lbs.	3.00	@3.40
Native feeders	2.80	@3.10
Common to good cows	1.50	@2.30
Choice to fancy cows	2.50	@3.00
Fair to choice bulls	1.75	@2.50
Fair to choice light hogs	4.30	@4.37½
Fair to choice heavy hogs	4.30	@4.35
Fair to choice mixed hogs	4.30	@4.35
Fair to choice western sheep	3.75	@4.20
Fair to choice Nebraskas	3.50	@4.15

Representative Sales.

CATTLE.

No.	Av.	Pr.
1 cow	950	2.00
3 cows	1053	2.00
1 cow	1040	2.00
1 bull	1610	2.10
20 cows	858	2.20
1 ox	1450	2.25
1 ox	1480	2.25
11 cows	1103	2.35
7 cows	1254	2.37½
13 cows	1287	2.40
4 cows	1320	2.50
13 cows	900	2.50
6 bulls	1796	2.50
7 cows	1238	2.50
17 cows	1201	2.60
1 cow	1500	2.65
2 oxen	1640	2.65
1 steer	1100	2.75
12 feeders	812	2.75
86 feeders	976	2.90
38 steers	1028	2.90
37 steers	988	3.00
17 steers	1198	3.10
11 steers	1223	3.17½
19 steers	1111	3.20
39 steers	1083	3.20
42 steers	1113	3.20
37 steers	1103	3.25
2 steers	1200	3.25
19 steers	1347	3.45
18 steers	1385	3.60

HOGS.

No.	Av.	Shk.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Shk.	Pr.
50	302	40	$4.25	54	241	80	$4.30
51	301	440	4.30	48	312	280	4.30
57	348	120	4.30	64	253	80	4.32½
54	251	—	4.30	62	281	320	4.32½
61	257	120	4.30	52	257	—	4.32½
50	306	240	4.30	60	297	120	4.32½
54	316	160	4.30	61	289	—	4.32½
64	286	260	4.30	58	303	160	4.32½
41	353	80	4.30	69	234	40	4.35
51	306	400	4.30	62	236	80	4.35
56	290	200	4.30	71	247	80	4.30
59	275	—	4.30	48	424	—	4.35
58	281	80	4.30	62	249	200	4.35
63	270	160	4.30	69	263	160	4.35
56	280	120	4.30	86	225	80	4.35
71	269	320	4.30	56	276	40	4.35
63	257	160	4.30	58	241	40	4.35
25	269	—	4.30	59	244	40	4.35
66	289	200	4.30	68	244	120	4.35
61	266	160	4.30	65	216	80	4.37½

SHEEP.

No.	Av.	Pr.
247 Nebraska natives	72	$3.70
58 Nebraska natives	115	4.20
950 cornfed westerns	136	4.50

Live Stock Notes.

Feeders in good demand.

Cattle market very slow.

Butchers' stock sold lower.

Hog market active and 5c higher.

The few beef cattle sold brought steady prices.

There has been a heavy falling off in the number of hogs packed at the leading western points, but Omaha has not suffered as much as some others. The decrease here is only 26,800, while the loss at Kansas City is 90,000 and at St. Louis 75,000.

ANOTHER ON THE PLAINS.

The Terrible Experience of Colonel Henry and Company D.

FORT ROBINSON, Neb., Feb. 12.—[Special to THE BEE.]—It was from the old Red Cloud agency near Fort Robinson Colonel Henry marched on his now famous cold ride. The story of this ride has often been told and needs but briefly to be mentioned here.

Only a plainsman knows the meaning of the word "norther." It is more dreadful than fire or shipwreck when the ice god turns on his blizzard and drives the thermometer down to 40 degrees below zero. No human being can live in the open air and many of the toughest and hardiest animals succumb to the intense cold. Deer have been found huddled together in groups of five and ten, dead and frozen stiff by a norther, and even wildcats, lynx, buffalo and Rocky mountain lions have died of cold on the plains.

It was mid winter, December 26, 1874, when the brave Henry marched, with his little band, from Red Cloud. He had only one company, D Third cavalry, and was going after Black Hillers. The gold had been discovered in the Black Hills and the miners were rushing in. It lay in their land and the Indians had threatened to kill them. The government had ordered the intruders out but the intruders refused to go. To save their lives and at the same time enforce the orders of the government Colonel Henry was sent to bring out the intruding miners. The dangers of a mid-winter expedition were known, but the case was urgent. Colonel Henry's route lay by Spotted Tail agency and in two days he arrived there. Falling Star, an Indian guide was to go with Henry from Spotted Tail, but the weather was so terribly cold the Indian refused to venture out. A white guide named Raymond was substituted for the Indian and Colonel Henry pushed on. The thermometer was falling rapidly and the weather turning intensely cold. Still they pressed on. Knee Creek, White River, Bad Lands, Ash Springs and South Cheyenne were reached and on New Year's day they camped in the Cheyenne valley. The thermometer registered 40° below and was still falling. They crept into the leeway of the hills and got out of the wind as much as possible, but this afforded but slight protection from the dreadful cold. January 1 they pushed on and reached Elk Creek. Here they expected to find the miners, but they found none. Not a soul, not a living thing, only cold, cold, cold; ice, snow and wind.

The suffering on the outward march had been intense, and Henry having reached his destination and finding his search fruitless determined to get back as soon as possible. Before the storm had been in their faces, now it was on their backs. A little shelter was found on the banks of a small lake, the first night on the return trip, and they camped amid snow and ice on the hard frozen ground. During the night the wind changed, and the next day they had the storm in their faces. It was terrible, and the weather seemed every minute to be growing colder. All day they toiled along, suffering untold agony. Evidently the men and horses were freezing. Colonel Henry saw this; in fact felt it. Languor which precedes death from intense cold was stealing over the weaker ones, and they could with difficulty be kept up. Many nearly fell from their horses. Some no longer felt the cold, and knew they were freezing to death. The situation became critical in the extreme, but Colonel Henry was equal to it. Putting his best men and strongest horses behind, he gave the command to "gallop." On they went, hardly knowing where they were going. Night was coming on, and it was ride for life. On, on, over the prairie through the blinding storm and biting cold. With indomitable courage and perseverance the commander, who was not a strong man physically, held himself up and encouraged his men not only by his example, but cheerfully by words. They could not see and give rein to their horses, who, as if understanding what was wanted of them, plunged forward with their stiffened riders straight against the storm and halted not until they came to a ranch where a white man lived with an Indian wife. It was shelter, food and fire and they were saved. Of the forty men on the expedition all were frosted. Some lost toes, fingers, noses and ears, but I think none died. Many were maimed for life and I think Colonel Henry lost some fingers. The shock he then received probably permanently injured his health as he has never been strong since. The Colonel Henry of the famous ride is the same Colonel Henry now seen on your streets every day, the inspector of rifle practice on General Brook's staff. It was a terrible experience for any man to have and such as comes to few army officers even in their adventurous lives. The escape was providential. Colonel Henry himself says: "We all knew it was a race for life; we were helpless; neither brain nor eye would longer serve us; the instinct of our horses could alone save those of us who could hold out to ride."

And when man became powerless to act God guided the horses and saved Colonel Henry and his command.

J. S. B.

To Reproduce Shakespeare's House.

The Illustrated London News has had an original idea of the Paris exposition. It intends to reproduce on the Camp de Mars the house of Shakespeare, with the most careful attention to all its details. Architecture, furniture, every feature will be copied exactly from the original at Stratford-on-Avon. Authorization has been asked from the French government to place the building in the exposition grounds.

Chicago Tribune: A collar manufacturer in Troy, N. Y., has patented a machine that will turn out 500 dozen pairs of cuffs in ten hours. If his machine can turn out a pair of handcuffs that will fit the wrists of a man named Tascott, and find some way to put them on him, it will be a long felt want.

Impiety of a Crazy Cobbler.

Waukesha, Ill., has a claimant for the sceptre of the Messiah in the person of S. B. Needham. He is a cobbler by trade, and having made a little money spent it in publishing a pamphlet which tells of his exaltation. He has made a few lady converts, who trusted him too far, for Mr. Needham is in jail on charges of improper intimacy with some of his female admirers. He has issued a pamphlet proclaiming himself to be the Messiah.

THE SPECULATIVE MARKETS.

A Regular "Cyclone" Day in the Wheat Pit.

CORN CLOSES AT A DECLINE.

Oats Rule Quiet and Uneventful—Bears Practically Control Provisions—No Quotable Change in Cattle.

CHICAGO PRODUCE MARKET.

CHICAGO, Feb. 16.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—A 4¼c spurt in May wheat today gave the operators action and something to talk about. It was a regular "cyclone" market for a while. To illustrate the rapidity of some of the moves, it may be stated that at 11:40 May was quoted at $1.10¼, and fifteen minutes afterward an excited crowd was bidding $1.12¼, and at 12:03 the price was back to $1.10¼. Two or three minutes afterward it was above $1.11 again. On the first upward move from $1.08 to $1.10¾ the ascent was very rapid and there were times when the trades were ½c apart. Throughout the session the market was exceedingly nervous. The rain and sleet storm, and the cold wave in its wake, gave strength to the market. "In the offices" last night and this morning trading around the opening was on a basis of $1.07⅞@1.08¼. The market advanced to $1.08¾, reacted to $1.08⅛, sold down to $1.08, shot up to $1.10¾, reacted to $1.10⅛, advanced to $1.11⅜, sold back to $1.10⅜, jumped to $1.11⅝, broke to $1.10½, spurted to $1.12¼, slumped to $1.10¼, and for the last half hour fluctuated within ¾c limits, with heavy fighting around $1.10¾@1.11. The close was $1.11@1.11⅛. "What did it?" was the question generally asked, and not often satisfactorily answered. The foreign news was not of a sensational character. St. Louis was inclined to weakness all day, and none of the winter wheat points exhibited more than a sympathetic strength. New York advanced rather sharply, St. Louis pulled back like a mule, and Milwaukee did not freely respond, while Minneapolis was higher and Duluth dulgy. Most of the fire was furnished right here at home. There was pretty good buying around the start by the local bulls, but there was a scarcity of speculative offerings, Bloom and Singer supplying what there was in the way of leadership on that side. Then two or three large houses began buying on a rather liberal scale. It was learned later that they were covering short wheat for foreign account, their customers abroad having at length yielded to the imperative urging from their Chicago correspondents to get in out of the wet. Of late some very strong hints to the May shorts to fill their contracts have gone out, and where talk has not had the desired effect, heavy margin calls have been made. The resolute stand maintained by the leading loags, and the utter failure of the bears to run them out, has produced its effect on the minds of prudent commission merchants, and some of them are refusing to take new trades in May. This may be an excess of caution, but that is what they are doing, just the same. The covering of wheat for foreign account was on a scale to alarm Bloom, and he started to climb. The higher the fence the more certain Bloom is to get over it. That was what he did to-day, and his wild endeavors to cut short his losses constituted one of the picturesque features of the day. Bloom, however, was not the only short, by a large majority. He was in society, and the number was not limited to the "400." The shorts made most of the commotion, and the market was not relieved at any stage by the selling out of any considerable lines of long wheat, so far as can be ascertained. The close was strong at a 2½c advance over yesterday in May and 1c in July. July opened at 94⅝c, ranged to 94⅝@96¼c, and closed at 95½c.

The corn market started off with an appearance of firmness, which, from later developments, seems to have been borrowed from the surprising strength of wheat. The receipts again overrun the estimates made yesterday, and although the prevailing weather was most unfavorable for any improvement, still the daily inspection returns show more No. 2 corn in the present receipts. The export movement is unabated, and gives every indication of continuance. The home consumptive demand also shows an enormous capacity of absorption at the present prices, but the pressure of the offerings from the interior seems to crush all vitality out of the business. The business done was almost entirely by the local operators, the outside orders being apparently scarce. The offerings for June were liberal, and it did not require the selling of a very large quantity to turn the opening firmness in the opposite direction. The speculative sentiment is influenced to a great extent by the difference in price of No. 3 and No. 2 in the cash market, the former for all practical present purposes, being almost equal to No. 2, and the latter commanding its present unusual premium from its availability for the filling of speculative contracts, a superiority which the more liberal receipts of that grade, to be expected at no distant date, would quickly reduce. The near futures in the end showed the most weakness, except in the case of the June delivery, the pressure of offerings being greatest for that month. February closes ¼c lower to-day than yesterday, March ¼c, May about 1-16c, and June from ¼c to ⅜c lower. The estimated receipts for Monday are 405 cars.

The oat market ruled quiet and uneventful within a slightly lower range. There was a general dullness in all futures but May. That month opened firm at 28⅜c, but immediately sold off and declined to 27⅜c. Few trading orders could be executed at either extreme, with most of the business at medium figures, a fair demand appearing around 27¾@27⅞c, or about a ⅛c decline. The grading of the receipts was exceptionally good, with fifty cars of No. 2 and No. 2 white in a total of 131 cars. The withdrawals from store aggregated nearly 27,000 bushels. There was a fair trade in regular No. 2 oats at 25⅜@25¾c.

In provisions the old bearish feeling assumed control. The improvement witnessed yesterday increased, if anything, the disposition already existing to short the market, and under the excessive future offerings a severe break was suffered. The bear interest had practical control, and at the adjournment pork showed a net decline for the day of 20c@22½c, lard of 7½c, and short ribs of 5@7½c. The best prices obtained prevailed at or just following the opening, and the lowest towards the close of the session. In pork the fluctuations experienced covered a range of 27½c, in lard of 10c, and in short ribs of 12½c.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK

CHICAGO, Feb. 16.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—CATTLE—The market to-day showed no quotable change. Some cattle held over from yesterday sold within 5c of yesterday morning's best figures, but higher than could be obtained late yesterday. New York shippers bought a number of cattle at $3.25, paying $355 for some 1400 lb steers, and $3.35 for some averaging 1159 lbs. D. H. Sherman, of New York, bought some 1050 lb corn-fed Texas bulls at $2.00. The dressed beef men bought quite freely for Saturday. Choice to extra beeves are quotable at $4.10@4.65; medium to good steers, 1350 to 1500 lbs, $3.00@3.40; stockers and feeders, $2.10@3.25; cows, bulls and mixed, $1.50@3.10; bulk, $2.10@2.40; Texas corn-fed steers $3.30.

HOGS—To-day the market opened steady, with later a few sales at slight advance, but at the close values were a good 5c lower on the ordinary run of packing sorts. Heavy packing and shipping, $4.35@4.50; heavy mixed, $4.30@4.35; light mixed, $4.45@4.55; assorted light, 150 to 175 pounds average, $4.55@4.65; assorted light-light, 100 to 120 pounds average, $4.70@4.90; skips and rough lots, $3.50@4.00; rough stags, 400 pounds and over, $2.50@3.00.

FINANCIAL.

NEW YORK, Feb. 16.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—STOCKS—The opening of the stock market this morning showed a lower range of prices than last night's closing figures, the declines extending to ⅛ per cent. St. Paul was the weak feature and was influenced by the large selling orders from London, where a rumor prevailed that the next dividend on the preferred stock would be passed. Cotton Seed Oil, after opening at last night's figures, rapidly declined 1¼ per cent. The reason therefor was the renewed talk of adverse legislation in Louisiana. Erie, however, was a strong feature, and shows a net gain of ¾ per cent. London was a very large buyer of this stock, taking in all about 10,000 shares. Grangers were well held, and while not as active as on yesterday, show fractional gains. Boston houses that sold huge blocks of Chicago, Burlington & Quincy during the early part of the week were buying it back this morning. It is said that the original bull pool in Canada Southern has sold out, but new hands have taken the stock and will advance it with the rest of the Vanderbilts. Lackawana continued firm throughout the morning. The brokers say there has been considerable short interest created in this stock. The commission people still talk very hopeful, and say the market is unquestionably a bull one, and that the granger stocks were in sympathy with the balance of the list. The Iowa rates are very likely to undergo revision, and the present schedule be withdrawn, substituting therefor the Illinois distance tariff, which means an advance of about 20 per cent. A prominent member of the exchange was forced to suspend, and large purchases of various stocks were made for his account under the rule. The net gains for the day show Erie ⅝, Rock Island, Atchison and Lackawanna, each ¾, and Burlington ⅛ per cent. Cotton Seed Oil shows a loss of ⅞, Missouri Pacific ⅜, and St. Paul ⅛. The close was unsettled. The total sales for the day aggregated 150,000 shares, including Burlington, 7,000; St. Paul, 13,000; Erie, 38,000; Union Pacific, 6,500; Reading, 8,000; Richmond Terminal, 4,000; Northwestern, 6,000; Lackawanna, 8,000; Northern Pacific preferred, 5,000, and Rock Island, 4,000.

The following were the closing quotations:

U. S. 4s regular	128½	Northern Pacific	27⅛
U. S. 4s coupons	128¾	do preferred	62⅝
U. S. 4½s regular	107⅞	C. & N. W	107⅜
U. S. 4½s coupons	109	do preferred	141
Pacific 6s of '95	120	N. Y. Central	106⅝
Central Pacific	36⅛	P., D. & E.	27⅛
Chicago & Alton	137	Rock Island	97⅛
Chicago, Burlington & Quincy	103	C., M. & St. P.	64⅛
D., L. & W.	137⅞	do preferred	100
Illinois Central	109	St. Paul & Omaha	32
L., R. & W.	11½	do preferred	92
Kansas & Texas	12⅞	Union Pacific	65¾
Lake Shore	101⅞	W., St. L. & P.	13½
Michigan Central	93¾	do preferred	27⅞
Missouri Pacific	73	Western Union	86⅛

MONEY ON CALL—Easy at 2 per cent.

PRIME MERCANTILE PAPER—4@6 per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Dull; firm; sixty-day bills, $4.86; demand, $4.88⅞.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

CHICAGO, Feb. 16.—Wheat—Strong and higher; cash, $1.10; May, $1.11@1.11⅛; July, 95¼c.

Corn—Shade firmer; cash, 31¼c; May, 35⅞c; July, 36c.

Oats—Shade firmer; cash, 28¼c; May, 27⅞c; June, 27c.

Rye—46c.

Barley—Nothing doing.

Prime Timothy—$1.46.

Flax—$1.50.

Whisky—$1.03.

Pork—Easier; cash and May, $11.17½; July, $11.37½.

Lard—Easy; cash, $6.55; May, $6.65; July, $6.72½.

Flour—Firm, 10 to 25c higher; winter wheat, $2.50@5.50; spring wheat, $1.60@6.35; rye, $2.90@3.40; buckwheat, $4.00@4.50.

Bulk Meats—Shoulder and short clear, steady; short ribs, $5.80@5.90.

Butter—Steady; creamery, 18@20c; dairy, 15@24c.

Cheese—Quiet, lower; full cream cheddars, 10¾@11c; flats, 10¾@11¼c; Young Americas, 12@12¼c.

Eggs—Unchanged; fresh, 13@14c.

Hides—Firm; heavy and light green salted, 5¼@5½c; green, 4c; salted bull, 4½c; green bulls, 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, 7@8c.

Tallow—Steady; No. 1, solid packed, 4⅝c; No. 2, 4@4¼c; cake, 5@5¼c.

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls.	7,000	6,000
Wheat, bu.	18,000	10,000
Corn, bu.	160,000	167,000
Oats, bu.	123,000	83,000

New York, Feb. 16.—Wheat—Receipts, 1,100; exports, 15,800; spot dull but 2c higher; No. 2 red, 98⅝c@$1.00 in elevator, $1.00@1.01 afloat, $1.00@1.02 f. o. b.; No. 3 red, 92@92½c; options moderately active, higher and strong; No. 2 Red, March, closing at $1.00.

Corn—Receipts, 48,800; exports, 82,500; spot, steady; No. 2, 43⅝c in elevator, 44⅝c afloat; No. 3, 40½@41¼c; ungraded mixed, 40@45c; options dull and lower, but steady; March closing at 43⅞c.

Oats—Receipts, 38,000; exports, 490; spot firm; options lower; March closing at 31⅜c; spot No. 2, white, 33½@33¾c; mixed western, 28¾@33c; white western, 34@39½c.

Coffee—Options closed firm at 5@15 points up; February, $15.80@15.85; March, $15.90@15.95; April, and May, $15.80@15.90; spot Rio quiet; fair cargoes, $17.50.

Petroleum—Steady; United closed at 90c.

Eggs—Weak; western, 13½@14c.

Pork—Firm; new mess, $12.50@12.75.

Lard—Easier; western steam, $7.07½; March closing at $7.04.

Butter—Fine steady; western dairy, 13@20c; western creamery, 16@29½c; Elgins, 31@31½c.

Cheese—Steady; western, 10½@11½c.

Liverpool, Feb. 16.—[Special Cablegram to THE BEE.]—2:00 p. m. close.—Pork—Holders offer freely; prime mess, eastern, 66s 3d, easy; do, western, 57s 6d, easy.

Lard—Holders offer spot freely and futures sparingly; spot and February, 34s 9d, steady; March and April, 35s, steady.

Wheat—Holders offer moderately; new No. 2, winter, 7s 7d, steady; do spring, 7s 9d, steady.

Flour—Holders offer moderately at 11s 3d, steady.

Corn—Holders offer sparingly; spot, 4s 1½d, firm; February, 4s 1½d, steady; March and April, 4s ¾d, steady.

Minneapolis, Feb. 16.—Wheat—Sample wheat active and excited; receipts 132 cars; shipments 56 cars. Closing: No. 1 hard, February, $1.22; May, $1.26; on track, $1.21; No. 1 northern, February, $1.11; May, $1.13; on track, $1.11⅛@1.22; No. 2 northern, February, $1.01; May, $1.03¼; on track, $1.03@1.05.

Milwaukee, Feb. 16.—Wheat—Firm; cash, 94⅝c; May, 96¾@97c.

Corn—Steady; No. 2, 29½c.

Oats—Neglected; No. 2 white, 27⅛c.

Rye—Quiet; No. 1, 45½c.

Barley—Weak; No. 2, 50½c.

Provisions—Firmer; pork, $11.12½.

St. Louis, Feb. 16.—Wheat—Higher; cash, 97½c; May, $1.00¼.

Corn—Firm; cash, 28c; May, 30⅝@30¾c.

Oats—Firmer; cash, 23½c; May, 28c.

Pork—Dull at $11.75.

Lard—Quiet at $6.50.

Whisky—Steady at $1.03.

Butter—Quiet and steady; creamery, 24@26c; dairy, 20@22c.

Kansas City, Feb. 16.—Wheat—Strong; No. 2 red, cash, 98c asked; May, 95½c bid; No. 2, soft, cash, no bids nor offerings; May, 96½c bid.

Corn—Steady; No. 2, cash, no bids; May, 26½c bid; No. 2 white, cash and March, 28c bid.

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

Cincinnati, Feb. 16.—Wheat—Easier; No. 2 red, 99c@$1.00.

Corn—Heavy; No. 2, mixed, 33½c.

Oats—Weaker; No. 2 mixed, 27½c.

Whisky—Firm at $1.03.

LIVE STOCK.

Chicago, Feb. 16.—The Drovers' Journal reports as follows:

Cattle—Receipts, 2,000; market steady; beeves, $4.40@4.65; steers, $3.00@4.10; stockers and feeders, $2.10@3.25; cows, bulls and mixed, $1.50@3.10; Texas corn-f