THE SPECULATIVE MARKETS.

Wheat Rules Fairly Active, But Prices Average Lower.

CORN SHAKES OFF ITS WEAKNESS

Oats Quiet with Prices Tending to Firmness—Continued Dullness in Provisions—Hog Business Brisk—General Quotations.

CHICAGO PRODUCE MARKETS.

CHICAGO, Jan. 8.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The wheat market was fairly active today in a speculative way, but prices averaged lower. The chief features of the day's trading was the free covering of concentrated lines of short wheat at a decline, May started in at 81¼@81¾c, sold off to 81¼c, reacted to 81¾c and then worked down to 81¼c. Heavy buying for local shorts carried the price back to 81⅝@81¾c. The market receded to 81¼c and recovered to 81⅝@81¾c. The last half hour was characterized by more firmness and a better tone generally. The last price was 81⅝@81¾c. The January range was from 76¾c at the opening to 76¾c and back to 76⅞c. There was some little action in February, which opened at 77¼c, sold down to 77¼c, back to 77⅜c, off to 77¼c, closing at 77⅜c. The closings show a net shrinkage of ¼c, near futures being relatively a shade easier than deferred deliveries. Foreign news was not of an encouraging character. Paris was lower for wheat and flour and Liverpool was quoted as quiet, but without change in quotations. The pressure of offerings of Russian wheat is getting heavier, according to dispatches received. Charters for large amounts are being made for the future, but just at present ocean tonnage is scarce and rates are stiff at the sharp advance noted a few days ago. This advance has checked business for the time being. The interior movement of wheat seems to have struck a level. It shows little change from day to day, the receipts at primary points averaging 150,000 to 180,000 bushels a day. This movement is considerably in excess of last year. It is noted as a significant fact that since the 1st of last September No. 2 spring wheat for May delivery has advanced 4 8-10c a bushel in Liverpool and declined 5⅝c in Chicago, a net change of 10¼c.

There was a fairly steady feeling in the corn trade compared wit the weakness of the past few days. In the speculative branch of business there was very little doing and that was of a local scalping character, which was content with one-sixteenth profits or losses. Fluctuations were light and changes infrequent, but prices were fractionally higher than on the day preceding. There was a good demand for May corn at around 31¾c, with some good-sized lines changing hands. The improvement in prices, although slight, extended all along the line from January to July and in the cash department also lower grades scored about ¼c advance. The outward movement both here and at St. Louis was very heavy in the past twenty-four hours and eastern and the foreign demand continues brisk at the present tempting prices. The carrying facilities are at present a hindrance to an even heavier movement, as there is abundance to be had at the present low rates and consumers smear also well contented to take freely of what is offered. The markets last were slightly higher in sympathy with the improvement here and were at their best towards the close. Final quotations here were 28¾c for January against ¼c lower quotation yesterday, 29¼@29⅜c for February, 31¾@31⅝c for May and 31¾c for July, which is ⅛c better all around than at the close on Wednesday.

The oats market was quiet, with only a fair speculative business recorded at prices tending to firmness. In fact January advanced ⅛@¼c, with sparing sales as high 20⅜c. Offerings of this have been meagre for some days and a mild inquiry was developed which was easily satisfied at the figures named. New York reported 103,789 bushels for export and a few May shorts covered at 21⅜@22c, indicating a fully steady tone. The receipts were much as anticipated and cash trading was chiefly in samples, with No. 2 regular about 20¼c. No. 2 white oats for May sold at 23⅝c.

In provisions there was a continuation of the late dullness in the speculative market for hog products. Cudahy sold a little lard, Logan a little pork and Hutchinson bought May lard and a limited quantity of pork. Despite the paucity of outside orders and the all-prevailing dullness, provisions are in a healthy position, apparently, and with any support would doubtless advance some. Packers, however, claim that the prices for raw material are too nigh and at a loss in manufacturing at present prices. The export shipping demand for lard and meats, which slackened up during the holidays, seems to be very brisk again, as the large outward movement confirms. Short ribs are under neglect, but for long and short clears, hams and shoulders there is an active inquiry. The stocks of ribs are increasing. Advices from the east denoted a firm feeling in that quarter and cables were steady. At the stock yards hogs were 5c higher for best sorts and expectations are still for a run of 175,000 head this week. There were narrow fluctuations in prices for futures of the product, and a stronger closing all around. January and May pork made a net gain of 5c, January and March lard 2½c, January ribs 10c and more deferred futures of ribs 2¾c. May pork sold at a range of $9.65@9.70, lard at $6.00@6.02½ and ribs at $4.85@4.87½. In cash dealings lard sold at $5.77½, 10-lb. green hams at 7¾c, 16-lb. sweet pickled hams at 8c and sweet pickled shoulders at 4¼c.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK.

CHICAGO, Jan. 8.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—CATTLE—The demand continues fair and prices remain unchanged as compared with yesterday. Prime steers were again scarce and sold quick at strong prices, but the medium, common everyday sort of steers sold slow and 10@15c lower than last week. There were a few loads of Texans among the arrivals, all of which sold at good prices. The demand for butchers' stock was fair and prices underwent little or no change. There was a demand for all the stockers and feeders on the market at steady prices. Choice to extra beeves, $4.80@5.05; medium to good steers, 1350 to 1500 lbs, $4.10@4.15; 1200 to 1350 lbs, $3.50@4.25; 950 to 1200 lbs, $3.25@3.75. Stockers and feeders, $2.30@3.25; cows, bulls and mixed, $1.50@3.00; bulls, $2.20@2.50; Texas corn-fed steers, $3.65@4.05.

HOGS—The weather is favorable for packers and business brisk with an upturn of a strong 5c on about all grades. Packers paid $3.65@3.67½, largely $3.70, and shippers $3.72½@3.75. Light sorts sold largely at $3.70 and slings sorts at $3.80.

FINANCIAL.

NEW YORK, Jan. 8.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—STOCKS—The stock market was demoralized at the very start today. Reading was in bad odor with Europeans. Not only were there selling orders here for foreign account but European bankers propose to test the matter in the courts if there is default of interest on the income bonds. Next to the interest in Reading was the buying of Coalers a little later for Philadelphia account. It was thought some news was afloat in that city regarding the stock. Gould properties were supported. The opening of the market was about what was expected. Gossip last night traced the pounding of the market to the Cammack-Jones party. Not only these leaders but others argue that there will be no bull movement of a prominent kind until outside confidence is restored and the public takes hold of buying. Business yesterday showed one thing clearly—that stocks are more firmly held on this side than abroad, where the money conditions give the shorts all the advantage. Chicago operators were again buyers of specialties. In addition to the business in Coalers, other stocks attaining any prominence whatever in dealings were Missouri Pacific and Sugar Refineries, the remainder being dull and without feature. The opening prices were almost invariably lower, though excepting the case of Reading, which was down ¾ per cent, the changes were for small fractions only. Delaware & Hudson, however, was up 2 per cent. Trading in Reading was enormous during the early portion of the hour, more than 45,000 shares of it changing hands in the first fifteen minutes and over 60,000 in half an hour. Stocks developed marked strength and their prices kept pace with the dealings, both Reading and Lackawanna scoring material advances during the hour. Lackawanna rose 1¾ per cent to 137⅞, Reading 1¾ to 57¼, Jersey Central 1⅝ to 127 and Delaware & Hudson a fraction. In the general list Missouri Pacific, Colorado Coal and Wabash preferred displayed considerable strength, but their advances were fractional and transactions comparatively small. Lackawanna rose to 138 later and Reading went to 57⅝. Wabash preferred went up to 33. Louisville and trusts showed a little weakness before noon, while all other active stocks were at the best prices of the day. After noon the stock market was disturbed somewhat by Sugar trusts. That stock was sold by insiders down to 53¾, but recovered to 54¼ at the close. The best prices of the day were not held in any shares throughout the list, but the bear raids were not successful and a number of stocks closed with net gains, while western stocks generally closed steady. The losses were: Louisville ¾, Atchison ¾, New England ⅝, Missouri Pacific ¼, Union Pacific ⅝, Sugar 2¼ and Tennessee Coal 3 per cent. The gains were: Jersey Central 1, Lackawanna 1½ and Reading ⅝ per cent. The total sales of stocks were 391,929 shares. Money was very easy at the close.

The following were the closing quotations:

U. S. 4s regular	126	Northern Pacific	31
U. S. 4s coupons	126	do preferred	74¼
U. S. 4½s regular	109½	C. & N. W.	110⅝
U. S. 4½s coupons	109½	do preferred	141
Pacific 6s of '95	116	N. Y. Central	106⅝
Central Pacific	94	N. Y., O. & W.	18
Chicago & Alton	153	Rock Island	87⅛
Chicago, Burlington & Quincy	107	C., St. P. & P.	69¼
D., L. & W.	167	do preferred	114
Illinois Central	118	St. Paul & Omaha	35¼
L., N. & W.	91½	do preferred	95
Kansas & Texas	19¾	Union Pacific	65¾
Lake Shore	104⅝	W., St. L. & P.	16¾
Michigan Central	93	do preferred	32¾
Missouri Pacific	73	Western Union	84¼

MONEY—On call, easy, ranging 2@6 per cent.

PRIME MERCANTILE PAPER—5½@7¼ per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Active and strong; sixty-day bills, $4.81¾; demand, $4.85¾.

Mining Stocks.

NEW YORK, Jan. 8.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The following are the mining stock quotations:

Alice	1.5	Eureka Con	275
Caledonia B. H.	1.45	Hale & Norcross	130
Comstock, T. Hill	2.20	Homestake	850
Comstock, Tunnel	3.00	Iron Silver	170
Commonwealth	3.10	Ontario	3.50
Deadwood T.	1.45		

Bond Offerings.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Bonds offered: $30,000 at $1.26½; $1,000 at $1.27; $65,000 at $1.04¾.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

CHICAGO, Jan. 8.—1:15 p. m. close—Wheat—Lower; January, nominally 76¾c; February, nominally 77¾c; May, 81¾@81¾c bid.

Corn—Firmer; January, 28¾@29c; February, 29@29¼c bid; May, 31¾@31¾c bid.

Oats—Weaker; January, 20¾c; February, 20¼c; May, 22c bid.

Rye—January, nominally 41c; May, 43¾c.

Barley—Nominally 55@57c.

Whisky—$1.02.

Flax Seed—No. 1, $1.34.

Prime Timothy—$1.17.

Pork—Firmer; January, $9.25; February, $9.35; May, $9.70.

Lard—Steady; January, $5.80; February, $5.85@5.87½; May, $6.02½@6.05.

Short Ribs—Firmer; January, $4.65; February, $4.67½ bid; May, $4.87½.

Butter and Eggs—Steady.

Flour—Steady and unchanged; winter wheat, $2.00@4.85; spring wheat, $2.65@4.90; rye, $2.50@2.85; buckwheat, $1.85@2.00 per cwt.

Provisions—Shoulders, $4.12½@4.25; short clear, $4.90@4.95; short ribs, $4.62½@4.75.

Butter—Dull; creamery, 16@26c; dairy, 13@22c.

Eggs—Weak; fresh, 15@17c; ice-house, 11@12c.

Cheese—Quiet; full cream cheddars and flats, 9½@12c; fancy Young Americas, 10@10¼c.

Hides—Steady; green frozen, 3¼c; heavy green salted, 4½c.

Tallow—Quiet, weak; No. 1, solid packed, 4c; No. 2, 3½@3¾c.

Receipts.		Shipm'ts.	
Flour	29,000		22,000
Wheat	38,000		19,000
Corn	427,000		568,000
Oats	230,000		177,000

NEW YORK, Jan. 8.—WHEAT—Receipts, 15,400; exports, 23,000; spot firmer, but dull; No. 2 red, 85½@85⅝c in elevator, 86½@87⅜c f. o. b.; ungraded red, 63@90¼c; options dull and generally higher; No. 2 red, January, closing at 85⅝c.

CORN—Receipts, 142,000; exports, 12,205; spot stronger; No. 2, 38½@39c in elevator, 41c afloat; ungraded mixed, 28½@41c. Options firm, January closing at 38¾c.

OATS—Receipts, 79,000; exports, 103,000; spot stronger; options dull but firmer. January closing at 25½c; spot No. 2, white, 30@30¼c; mixed western, 26½@29½c; white do, 30@34½c.

COFFEE—Options opened steady at 5@15 points up, and closed steady for near months and barely steady for far at 5@15 points up. Sales: 47,500 bags; January, $15.95@16.00; May, $16.00@16.10; spot Rio higher; fair cargoes, $19.75.

SUGAR—Raw, firmer; refined, firm.

PETROLEUM—Steady; United closed at $1.03¾ for February.

EGGS—About steady; western, 16½@17c.

PORK—Firm at $10.50@11.00.

LARD—Steady; western steam, $6.12½@6.17½, closing at $6.12½; January, $6.13.

BUTTER—Easy; Elgin, 28@32c; western dairy, 9@17c; creamery, 13@26½c.

CHEESE—Quiet; western, 8@10c.

MILWAUKEE, Jan. 8.—WHEAT—Quiet; No. 2 spring, no track, cash, 74@75c; May 75¾c; No. 1 northern, 83c.

CORN—Steady; No. 3 on track, 27c.

OATS—Steady; No. 2 white, on track, 22¼c.

RYE—Quiet; No. 1, in store, 44½c.

BARLEY—Quiet; No. 2 in store, 45¼c.

PROVISIONS—Firm; pork, $9.25.

KANSAS CITY, Jan. 8.—WHEAT—Dull and nominal; No. 2 red, 68c asked, no bids; No. 2 hard, 62½c bid; cash and January, 63½c asked; No. 3, 56¾c bid.

CORN—Quiet but steady; No. 2, cash, 24½c bid; other grades nominal.

OATS—Dull; No. 2, January, offered at 18¾c.

LIVERPOOL, Jan. 8.—WHEAT—Quiet; holders offer moderately; red western, spring, 7s 4½d@7s 5d per cental.

CORN—Firm; demand poor; new mixed western, 3s 2d per cental.

MINNEAPOLIS, Jan. 8.—WHEAT—Active; Receipts, 142 cars; shipments, 433 cars. Closing: No. 1 hard, January, 73½c; May, 83¾c; on track, 80¼c; No. 1 northern, January, 77¼c; May, 81¼c; on track, 78¼c; No. 2 northern, January, 75c; May, 78¼c; on track, 75@76c.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 8.—WHEAT—Dull; red, 76@77c.

CORN—Firmer; No. 2 mixed, 33@12½c.

OATS—Quiet; No. 2 mixed, 21c.

WHISKY—$1.02.

LIVE STOCK

CHICAGO, Jan. 8.—The Drovers' Journal reports as follows.

CATTLE—Receipts, 13,500; market strong and fairly active; beeves, $3.25@5.05; stockers and feeders, $2.30@3.25; cows, bulls and mixed, $1.50@3.00.

HOGS—Receipts, 31,000; strong and higher; mixed, $3.55@3.77½; heavy, $3.55@3.80; light, $3.50@3.80.

SHEEP—Receipts, 6,000; market strong and 15c higher; natives, $3.00@5.40; western corn-fed, $4.50@5.40.

KANSAS CITY, Jan. 8.—CATTLE—Receipts, 5,000; shipments, 200; market strong; natives, $3.15@4.65; cows, $1.70@3.65; stockers and feeders, $2.30@3.10.

HOGS—Receipts, 7,600; shipments, none; market higher; all grades, $3.55@3.62½; bulk, $3.57½@3.60.

SIOUX CITY, Jan. 8.—CATTLE—Receipts, 300; shipments, 150; market unchanged; canners, 75c@$1.20; cows, $1.00@2.15; stockers and feeders, $1.50@2.90.

HOGS—Receipts, 6,100; market strong but lower; light, $3.42½@3.47½; heavy, $3.40@3.50; mixed, $3.42½@3.45.

OMAHA LIVE STOCK.

Cattle.

Wednesday, Jan. 8.

Good cattle were scarce and in demand and the market on such was stronger. Common cattle were no better and would undoubtedly have sold lower had it not been for the scarcity of the better grades. Beeves sold at $3.00@3.75, principally at $3.15@3.60. The buyers claimed that they bought some cows early at easier prices, but the market showed more strength later and the prices ranged from $1.50 to $2.75. There were a few western feeders here which sold at $2.65, but the supply was very light. There was a pretty fair demand, there being considerable inquiry for that class of cattle. Some native feeders changed hands at $2.60@2.75.

Hogs.

The early trading in hogs was at steady prices, but the demand was good, and the market closed stronger. The range of prices was the same as yesterday, and the popular price $3.55, but there were more loads at $3.57½ which would make the packer's droves average a little more. The market is now about as strong as it has been any time in a month and in a very satisfactory condition as compared with other markets.

Sheep.

There were no fresh receipts of sheep.

Receipts.

Cattle	1,800
Hogs	3,500

Prevailing Prices.

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

Prime steers, 1350 to 1500 lbs	4.00	@4.50
Good steers, 1250 to 1450 lbs	3.40	@4.10
Good steers, 1050 to 1250 lbs	3.25	@3.50
Common 1050 to 1150 lb steers	2.80	@3.25
Common canners	1.00	@1.50
Ordinary to fair cows	1.60	@2.00
Fair to good cows	2.00	@2.25
Good to choice cows	2.25	@2.50
Choice to fancy cows	2.50	@4.00
Fair to good bulls	1.50	@1.75
Light stockers and feeders	2.00	@2.50
Feeders, 950 to 1100 lbs	2.20	@2.90
Fair to choice light hogs	3.55	@3.60
Fair to choice heavy hogs	3.52½	@3.60
Fair to choice mixed hogs	3.50	@3.55

Representative Sales.

STEERS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
1	1010	$2 75	21	1151	$3 50
9	1053	3 00	20	1225	3 35
35	1196	3 00	17	1244	3 35
18	984	3 00	15	1169	3 35
36	1034	3 05	1	1030	3 35
15	1047	3 10	21	1180	3 35
9	1049	3 10	34	1162	3 35
12	1107	3 10	21	1198	3 35
46	1005	3 15	16	1245	3 35
5	1040	3 15	19	1214	3 35
8	1300	3 15	42	1157	3 35
9	1074	3 15	16	1172	3 40
40	1028	3 20	38	1173	3 50
19	1081	3 20	16	1179	3 50
23	1119	3 20	20	1116	3 55
6	1118	3 25	19	1220	3 60
5	1173	3 25	18	1071	3 60
44	1109	3 25	81	1237	3 60
13	1054	3 30	18	1128	3 70
13	1154	3 30	21	1243	3 70
17	1307	3 30	6	1217	3 70
14	1271	3 30	21	1259	3 75

COWS.

2	720	1 50	15	1053	2 25
4	995	1 75	21	1010	2 30
1	1120	1 75	18	1015	2 30
1	1130	1 75	11	1128	2 30
1	1080	1 90	13	1042	2 35
31	780	1 90	37	1027	2 35
9	1061	1 90	1	1070	2 35
7	844	1 90	23	1014	2 35
29	785	1 90	17	1001	2 40
14	915	2 00	3	1223	2 40
2	1240	2 00	22	1095	2 40
41	1060	2 00	23	1125	2 40
2	1005	2 00	8	842	2 40
18	1090	2 05	1	1110	2 45
1	970	2 10	1	1180	2 45
2	1050	2 10	13	1107	2 45
2	1235	2 10	3	1020	2 45
20	1080	2 10	4	1085	2 50
12	1077	2 10	3	967	2 50
2	1090	2 10	18	960	2 50
9	995	2 10	3	1075	2 50
11	954	2 10	15	1081	2 50
46	939	2 12½	5	1098	2 50
6	953	2 15	1	1260	2 50
1	1040	2 15	6	1187	2 55
21	1063	2 20	11	1142	2 65
24	1019	2 20	2	1200	2 65
15	1179	2 25	4	1025	2 70
1	1160	2 25	42	1102	2 75

BULLS.

1	1280	1 75	1	1650	2 25
1	1310	1 75	1	1390	2 25
1	1430	1 90	1	1530	2 25
1	1040	2 00	1	1735	2 35
1	1410	2 00	1	1820	2 40
6	1420	2 00	1	1910	2 45
2	1250	2 00	1	1710	2 50
1	1460	2 00	2	1825	2 50
1	1460	2 10	1	1940	2 60

FEEDERS.

5	757	2 25	39	928	2 70
2	840	2 50	9	878	2 70
12	836	2 60	21	1014	2 80
1	970	2 65	13	934	2 85
2	925	2 65	36	1042	2 95

CALVES.

3	197	4 00	1	140	4 50
1	110	4 00	5	128	4 75
1	230	4 50			

STOCKERS.

1	530	2 00	1	550	2 60
7	514	2 25			

STAGS.

1	1460	3 00	1	1560	3 00

HEIFERS.

1	1110	3 75			

OXEN.

1	1930	3 00			

WESTERN CATTLE.

Owner and No.	Av.	Pr.
Standard Cattle Company—		
23 cows, corn-fed	1107	$2 75
C. Cordovia—		
48 feeders	840	2 65
1 feeder	1070	2 00

Purchases of Cattle.

Buyers.	No.
Swift & Company	787
George H. Hammond & Co.	240
The Armour-Cudahy Packing company	433
Rothschild & Underwood	138
Hamilton, Stepheus & Co	18
Becker & S.	10
Benton Underwood	33
Nels Morris	72
Omaha	5
Shippers	133

Purchases of Hogs.

Showing the number of hogs bought by the packers and leading buyers on today's market:

Armour-Cudahy Packing company	1191
Omaha Packing company	1220
Swift & Company	542
George H. Hammond & Company	711

With Cattle.

On the market with cattle: L. W. Adams, Logan, Ia.; R. C. Marshall, Arlington; H. T. Church, Pierce; J. G. Kruse, Creignton; J. M. Scott, Davey; Perterson Bros., Weston; H. E. Koch, Hartington; Watson Weir & Co., Lyons; W. A. Mutz, Pender; T. J. Coffee, Ponca; W. H. Kearines, Earling, Ia.; D. S. Kusella & Son, Panama; J. Williamson, Crete; J. G. Watson, Long Island; J. Barhand, Genesaw; E. G. Nelson, Tecumseh; H. C. Smith, Milford; Benj. Hoover, Bennet; R. C. Oldham, Bloom City; Strand C. Co., Ames; Chas. Olsson, Rogers; J. W. Sollars, Schuyler; F. Ray, Agr., Silver Creek; W. T. Rickley, Columbus; A. Joieff, Lyons; Engle & Mustard, Onawa, Ia.; R. B. Rawley, Wilcox; Berry & Terry, Beatrice; B. Weans, Bromfield; M. S. Adams, Loup City; E. Garno, Central City; J. P. Phelps, Central City; W. C. Shelton, Central City; G. W. Lee, C. Lee, Bromfield; Washington, Kan.; Cook & Hamilton, Burlington Junction, Mo.; Fisher Brothers, Shelton; E. Roberts, Platt Centre; N. Kent, Wanesville; H. C. Holst, Goehner; O. N. Perley, Morse Bluffs; G. L. Smith, Surprise; Ed Samuels, Surprise; John A. Wisherd, Clarkson; R. R. Dresnan, Corning, Ia.; W. F. More, Plattsmouth; J. H. Nelsey, Villisca, Ia.; A. W. Winters, Villisca, Ia.; E. A. Maan, Bradyville, Ia.; D. H. Dresnan, Corning, Ia.; J. Hastie, Auburn.

With Hogs.

On the market with hogs: Sheppard & B., Arlington; A. E. Tunberg, Hooper, W. S. Bristol & Co., Hay Springs; R. B. Smith, Stuart; W. F. Rohl, Bassett; R. M. Dixon, Walnut, Ia.; G. M. Winters, Shelby, Ia.; H. C. Tydick, Tekamah; O'Conner Brothers, Lyons; D. S. Kusella, Panama, Ia.; C. A. Powell, Kenesaw; J. C. Watson, Long Island; Fuller & Good, Cowles; J. H. Blanke, Venango; D. McPhee, Edison; Landblom & H., Holdrege; Nic Neilson, Stanford; A. S. Wyatt, Hendley; R. C. Dedham, Bloom City; E. B. Welker, St. Edwards; Morris Brothers, Belgrade; Berryman & L., Cordova; Farmers' Union, Leigh; D. A. Hale, Humphrey; T. E. Anderson, Creston; G. Naglan, Beemer; Nye W. M. Co., Wisner; Dudley Bros., Wisner; Wegers & D., O'Neill; C. H. Hutchins, Meadow Grove; J. M. Barbour, Tabor, Ia.; R. H. Dreming, Corning, Ia.; McKeegan & Mc., Bancroft; R. R. Rawley, Wilcox; William Pulver, Wilcox; Coffman & Allen, Campbell; W. B. Householder, Bladen; Conner Bros., Ohiowa; G. Hanger, Bromfield; Jones & P., Aurora; Watts & Co., Grand Island; Taylor & B., Broken Bow; Titus & T., Litchfield; Cole, Copeland & Co., Palmer; J. R. Galentine, Bromfield; Cook & Hamilton, Burlington Junction, Mo.; C. Muechie, Blanchard, Ia.; North Loup C. Co., Elba; C. T. Way, Humphrey; Ripp & L., Platte Center.

Live Stock Notes.

A. S. Mercer, editor of the Northwestern Live Stock Journal, was at the yards today shaking hands with old acquaintances and looking after the interests of his publication.

The highest price paid for hogs at Kansas City during the past fifteen years was $8.25, October 6, 1875, and the lowest $4.02½. August 14, 1878. These were the extreme tops for the dates indicated.

Good beeves stronger.

Hog market closed strong.

The average price of hogs Monday was $3.55, and on Tuesday the average was $3.54½. Wednesday's average was $3.55¼.

OMAHA WHOLESALE MARKETS

Groceries, Produce, Fruits, Etc.

EGGS—Strictly fresh, 16@19c; cold storage, 14c.

HIDES, PELTS, TALLOW, ETC—Green salted hides, 4½c; No. 2, g. s. hides, 3½c; dry flint hides, 7@8c; calf hides, 4½@4½c; damaged hides, 2c less; sheep pelts, green, each, 25c@$1.00; sheep pelts, dry, per lb, 7c@15½c; tallow, No. 1, 4c; No. 2, 3c@3½c; grease, white, 4@4½c; yellow, 2½@3c.

BUTTER—Creamery, fancy, 25@26c; choice, 19@20c. Dairy, fancy, 15@17; choice, 12@14c. Country, fancy, 11@12c; good to choice, 9@11c; fair, 7@8c; inferior, 5@6c.

PICKLES—Medium per bbl, $5.00; small, $6.00; gherkins, $7.00; C & B chow chow, qts, $3.50; pts, $3.25.

POTATOES—25@30c for choice.

ONIONS—40@60c.

SAUER KRAUT—½ bls, $4.75; half bbls, $2.85.

NUTS—Almonds, 15@16c; Brazils, 12½c; filberts, 12½c; pecans, 11c; walnuts, 12½c; peanut cocks, 3½c; roasted, 11c; Tennessee peanuts, 7c.

SAUSAGE—Bologna, 4@4½c; Frankfort, 7c; tongue, 8c; summer, 10c; headcheese, 6c.

POULTRY—Chickens, per doz, live hens, $2.25; spring, $2.50@2.75; dressed, per lb, 7@10c; turkeys, live, 8@10c; dressed, 9@11c; ducks, live, per doz, $2.50@3.00; dressed, per lb, 10@11c; geese, live, per doz, $6.00@9.00; dressed, per lb, 8@10c.

CANNED MEATS—Corned beef, 1 lb square cans, $1.20; corned beef, 2 lb square cans, $2.05; corned beef, 6 lb square cans, $6.50; corned beef, 14 lb square cans, $14.00; lunch tongues, 1 lb round cans, $2.60; lunch tongues, 2 lb round cans, $4.75; brawn, 1 lb square cans, $1.20; brawn, 2 lb square cans, $2.00; brawn, 6 lb square cans, $6.50; brawn, 14 lb square cans, $14.00; ox tongues, 1½ lb round cans, $3.00; ox tongues, 2 lb round cans, $5.00; ox tongues, 3 lb round cans, $8.00; chipped beef, 1 lb round cans, $2.00; chipped beef, 2 lb round cans, $4.00; roast beef, 1 lb round cans, $1.35; roast beef, 2 lb round cans, $2.00; potted ham, ½ lb round cans, 65c; potted ham, ¼ lb round cans, $1.20; deviled ham, ¼ lb round cans, 65c; deviled ham, ½ lb round cans, $1.20; potted ox tongue, ½ lb round cans, 65c; potted ox tongue, ¼ lb round cans, $1.20; compressed ham, 1 lb square cans, $1.75; compressed ham, 2 lb square cans, $2.75; tripe, 2 lb round cans, $1.80; minced collops, 2 lb round cans, $2.20; boneless pigs feet, 2 lb square cans, $2.25. One pound cans are packed two dozen and four dozen to case. Two pound cans are packed one dozen and two dozen to case. Half pound cans are packed two dozen to case. Quarter pound cans are packed four dozen to case. All prices per dozen, net.

CANNED FISH—Brook trout, 3 lb, $2.40; salmon trout, 2 lb, $2.25; clams, 1 lb, $1.25; clams, 2 lb, $2.00; clam chowder, 3 lb, $1.25; deviled crabs, 1 lb, $2.25; deviled crabs, 2 lb, $4.50; codfish balls, 2 lb, $1.75; caviar, ½ lb, $2.25; eels, 1 lb, $1.40; lobsters, 1 lb, $1.90; lobsters, 2 lb, $2.90; lobsters, deviled, ¼ lb, $2.25; mackerel, 1 lb, $1.75; mackerel, mustard sauce, 3 lb, $2.60; mackerel, tomato sauce, 3 lb, $2.60; oysters, 1 lb, $1.10; oysters, 2 lb, $1.85; salmon, C. R., 1 lb, $1.90; salmon, C. R., 2 lb, $3.80; salmon, Alaska, 1 lb, $1.60; salmon, Alaska, 2 lb, $2.65; shrimps, 1 lb, $2.60.

DRIED FRUITS—Currants, new, 6c; prunes, casks 1,000 lbs, 4½c; prunes, kits or bags, 4½c; citron peel, drums, 20 lbs, 24c; lemon peel, drums, 20 lbs, 20c; fard dates, boxes 12 lbs, 9c; apricots, choice evaporated, 14c; apricots, fancy, Mount Hamilton, 25 lb boxes 16c; apricots, choice, bags, 80 lbs, 14½c; apples, evaporated, Alden, 50 lb boxes, 9½c; apples, star, 8¾c; apples, fancy, Alden, 5 lb, 10c; apples, fancy, Alden, 3 lb, 10½c; Salt Lake, 5½c; blackberries, evaporated, 50 lb boxes, 5½@6½c; cherries, pitted, dry cured, 14c; pears, California, fancy, ½ s boxes, 25 lb, 12c; peaches, Cal. No. 1, fancy, ½ s, unp bags, 80 lbs, 15c; nectarines, red, 14c; nectarines, silver boxes, 15c; pitted plums, Cal. 25 lb boxes, 8½c; raspberries, evap. N. Y., new, 26c; prunes, Cal. R. C., 90-100, boxes, 25 lbs, 7c; prunes, R. C., 60-70, 9c; orange peel, 15c; raisins, California Londons, crop 1889, $2.25; raisins, Cal. loose, muscatels, crop 1889, $2.10; Valencias, 1888, 8½c; Valencias, new, 7c; Cal. seedless, sks, 7¼c.

GAME—Mallard ducks, $3.00@3.50; mixed ducks, $1.50@2.00; teal, $1.25@1.50; jack snipes, $1.00@1.25; jack rabbits, $3.50@4.00; small rabbits, $1.00@1.20; squirrels, $1.00@1.10; plover, 75c@$1.00.

LEMONS—Fancy, $5.00@6.00; choice, $3.50@5.00.

CELERY—Per dor, 30c.

CALIFORNIA GRAPES—$2.00.

SALSODA—13@14½c per lb.

STARCH—4½@5c per lb.

STOVE POLISH—$2.00@5.87 per gross.

BROOMS—4 tie, $2.65; 3 tie, $2.20; stables, $3.80; common, $1.50@1.75.

OILS—Am., per 100, $17.00; Lewiston, per 100, $17.00.

LARD—Pierce—Refined, 5½c; pure leaf, 6¼c; kettle rendered, 6¾c. Add ½c to ¾c for smaller quantities.

FARINACEOUS GOODS—Barley, 3½@4c; farina, 4½c; peas, 3c; oatmeal, 2½@3c; macaroni, 10c; vermicelli, 10c; rice, 4@6¼c; sago and tapioca, 6@7c; lima beans, 6c.

COFFEE—Roasted—Arbuckle's Ariosa 24½c; McLaugh.in's XXXX, 24½c; German 24½c; Dilworth, 24½c; Alaroma, 24½c.

COFFEE—Green—Fancy old golden Rio, 24c; fancy old peaberry, 23½c; Rio, choice to fancy, 22c; Rio, prime, 21c; Rio, good, 19c; Mocha, 29c; Java, fancy Mandehling, 27c; Java, good interior, 24c; African, 20½c.

MESS PORK—Per bbl, $9.75.

BANANAS—According to size, per bunch, $2.00@3.00.

BUTTERINE—Tubs, 13c; rolls, 14c.

COCOANUTS—Per 100, $5.00.

APPLE BUTTER—6c.

CIDER—Bbls, $5.50; hlf bbls, $3.00.

MAPLE SUGAR—12½@15c per lb.

CANDY—9½@12c per lb.

CRANBERRIES—Cape Cod, $10.00@11.00.

ORANGES—Florida, per box, $3.00@5.00.

BUCKWHEAT FLOUR—Per bbl, $5.50@6.00.

WOOL—Fine, average, 22@23c; medium, average, 21@22c; quarter blood, average, 20@21c; coarse, average, 15@17c; cotts and rough, average, 14@16c.

FURS—Beaver, per lb, $2.50@4.00; otter, each, $3.00@7.00; wolfe, each, 50c@$1.25; coon, each, 25c@75c; mink, each, 15@60c; muskrat, fall, 5@9c; skunk, rat, 25@60c; badger, rat, 25@80c; deer skins, fall per lb, 18@27c; winter,