THE SPECULATIVE MARKETS.

All Cereals Gradually Increase in Strength During the Hour.

PROVISIONS IN YESTERDAY'S GROOVE.

Unusual Activity in Wheat—Bottom Touched During the First Five Minutes—Corn Loses its Independence—Cattle and Hogs.

CHICAGO, Jan. 23.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—On change at the opening all cereals were at lower prices, but a firmer tone gradually developed and at the end of the hour prices were a shade better than at the close yesterday. Provisions acted precisely as during the first hour on Thursday, opening steady and taking a little drop at once. May sales the first hour were: Wheat, 93¾c to 93¼c to 93¼c; corn, 51c to 51⅜c; oats, 45¼c to 45¼c; pork, $10.10 to $10.70; lard, $6.12½ to $6.10; ribs, $5.27½ to $5.25.

The day in the wheat pit was more than usually active. The market was not at all one sided and the news and trade pretty well divided between the bull and bear positions. The market started weak and lower with the bottom prices made the first five minutes. There was a recovery of the early loss the first hour. Then after 12 o'clock there was better bull news, or the trade began to appreciate what they had early in the day, and the price went up ⅛c further. The action for May was: Opening at 93¾c to 93¼c to 93¼c to 93¾c to 93¼c to 94¼c to 93¾c to 94⅜c, the half hour before the close. The heavy feeling early was on liberal receipts of 281 cars in the northwest. Receipts were 10 cars over the estimate here, bearish cables quoting futures ¼d lower at Liverpool and prospects of a continuation of the favorable weather. Later in the day the bull news was more prominent. Closing cables were firm for spot and futures and ¼d to ½d up for California spot and futures. Cables also represented the stocks decreasing and a good bidding for spot and futures. Beerbohm was quoted with a statement that the current prices would insure against losses to the buyer. New York dispatches said 5c over May was bid for Chicago No. 2 red wheat and refused. It was also reported that 72,000 bushels of wheat were loading at that port. The export clearances from New York and Baltimore aggregated 57,000 bushels of wheat and 44,000 packages of flour. New Orleans cleared 16,000 bushels of wheat for Liverpool. The Price Current figures, giving the theoretical position of wheat, at 5,030,000 bushels left for export east and 2,300,000 bushels west of the mountains were freely circulated. Receipts at the primary markets were again but little more than the shipments. Receipts, 220,000 bushels; shipments, 170,000 bushels. The Chicago wheat movement was 210,000 bushels received; 41,000 bushels shipped. Pardridge's attitude on the market was a little mixed. He sold calls freely last night and was called a buyer most of the day. If so it was probably to get the bulge and encourage a fresh period of buying so that he may sell to better advantages. Hutchinson and Paoli were buyers of July. Baxter, Helmholz, Walker & Co. and many other good houses were prominent on the buying side. The estimate for Saturday for this market was but 36 cars. At 1 o'clock the wheat market was steady with the price of May held around 94c. The wheat market was well supported to the end with the close for May at 94c. January was quoted at 87¾c to 87¾c, to 88⅜c to 88¼c at the close; July at 89¼c to 89¼c, to 90¼c to 89¾c to the close. The most of the 87,000 bushels taken from the store here was contract stuff.

There was a less independent action in corn during the session. During the early part of the day it was a scalping market with the lowest point point of the day at the opening as in wheat. Although cables were ¼d lower, the first action of the market indicated firmness with scalpers inclined to buy. At the first advance there was selling on orders from the southwest. This was quickly absorbed and as wheat moved up corn followed. There were but two cars of contract corn received, with less than 1,000 bushels inspected out of store. The action for May was: Opening at 51c, sold at 51¼c to 51¼c to 51⅝c to 51¾c at 1 o'clock. At the close it was conceded that the firmness in the sample market was the chief support of the speculative trade in corn. No. 2 sold early for cash at 50c. Corn sold early by Gaylord, supposed to be for Partridge, was bought late in the day. Bartlett-Frazer were good buyers on the bulge. Camplin bought to cover shorts. Market closed within ⅛c of the top at 51¾c and ⅛c up from the close yesterday. January was called 2½c to 3c under May. February was quoted at 48½c and 49¾c, closing at 49¼c; June the same as May nominally; July at 51¾c to 52¾c at the close.

Oats kept pace with the other grain markets but had no new features. The opening was about ⅛c lower and the low point of the season. May sold at 45¼c to 45¾@45⅝c and closed just ⅛c over last night at 45½@45⅝c. The early months were entirely neglected. July was quoted at 40¾c and 41¾c, closing at 41⅛c.

The break below $10.50 for May pork came at last and with it a drop in prices of ribs and lard equally great in proportion. For several days pork has found a lot of outside buying orders every time the price has approached $10.50. There was an early dip to that price this morning from the opening at $10.60. Then the usual stop in the decline came. Later, however, Cudahy and others pressed the selling and kept on selling until the price was forced by the $10.50 mark, when there was no stop to it until the price touched $10.25, a break of 35c from last night. There was a recovery to $10.35 at the close, when January and February were nominally quoted at $8.75. Lard sold off 7½c to 8c from and closed at $6.07½; February, $6.07½; March, $5.82½. Ribs broke even more, going from $5.27½ to $5.12½, closing at $5.15. The sellers in provisions greatly outnumbered the buyers late in the day and before the close May pork was offered at 32½c to $10.37½; ribs 12½c to 15c at $5.12½@5.15.

PRICES AT CHICAGO.

COMMODITY	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yest'y
WHEAT—					
May.....	$ 93¾	$ 94⅛	$ 93¼	$ 94	$ 93⅝
July.....	89¼	90⅜	89¼	89⅞	89⅝
CORN—					
May.....	51	51¾-⅞	51	51¾-⅝	51¾-⅜
OATS—					
May.....	45¼	45¾-⅞	45¼	45⅝	45⅝
PORK—					
May.....	10 60	10 60	10 27½	10 35	10 57½
RIBS—					
May.....	5 27½	5 27½	5 17½	5 17½	5 27½
LARD—					
May.....	6 12½	6 12½	6 07½	6 07½	6 12½

PRICES AT ST. LOUIS.

COMMODITY	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yest'y
WHEAT—					
May.....	93¼	94¼	93¼	93⅞	93⅝-¾
July.....	85⅞	84⅜	83¾	84⅝	84⅜-½
CORN—					
May.....	48¼	49-¼	48¾	49	48¾
OATS—					
May.....	45¾			45⅜	45⅝-¼

Notes and Gossip.

Paris cable: Wheat slow, flour quiet.

Estimated hogs at Chicago Saturday, 28,000.

Minneapolis receipts, wheat, 240; Duluth, 24.

Estimated increase this week at Minneapolis 13,000.

St. Louis receipts, wheat, 8,511; corn, 26,400; oats, 15,000.

Little board of trade cables, wheat futures ½d higher.

Pardridge on Thursday covered 6,000,000 of short wheat.

The advance in corn is on the light car lots for Saturday.

The weakness of wheat started the scalpers to selling corn.

St. Louis—Shipments, wheat, 8,000; corn, 27,000; oats, 30,000.

Receipts, hogs at six points 22,000, more than the same day last year.

Estimated for Chicago on Saturday: Cars wheat 35; corn 153; oats 140.

Poole bought 600,000 bushels July wheat quietly today and apparently wants more if he can buy it properly.

A Minneapolis message says that the increase in wheat stocks in public houses, this week, will be 15,000 bushels.

Receipts at Chicago—Wheat, 30,800; corn, 76,800; oats, 121,100. Shipments—Wheat, 30,100; corn, 129,100; oats, 145,000.

Chicago receipts: Winter wheat 27 cars; Colorado 1; spring 28; mixed 2; corn 245; oats 106. Inspected regular: Winter wheat 3, Colorado none; spring 19; mixed none; corn 2; oats 40.

Board's late cable was higher for wheat, both spot and futures, but lower for corn. Tone for wheat firm, demand principally for near positions. Corn steady, demand freely supplied.

Beerbohm's cable: Cargoes on passage and for shipment, wheat quiet, corn firm. Off coast, wheat quiet, corn firm. Mark Lane wheat and corn quiet and steady. Flour quiet and steady. Liverpool spot wheat firmly held, but is very dull. Futures a farthing lower. Corn easier. Weather now warmer.

The Cincinnati Price Current of January 22 says: The theoretical position of wheat implies a total of 75,000,000 exportable this year including excess of previous production. On this basis the situation January 1 was approximately as follows: Exportable year Atlantic, 35,000,000; Pacific, 40,000,000; exported six months, Atlantic, 30,000,000; Pacific, 17,000,000; exportable January 1, Atlantic, 50,000,000; Pacific, 23,000,000. It is not unlikely that considerable wheat prices may move eastward into districts ordinarily supplied by wheat grown east of the Rocky mountains.

Commenting on the Price Current's article Kennett, Hopkins & Co. say: We have over 8,000,000 bushels of wheat which must be carried until navigation opens in the spring and the trade don't care what the theoretical situation is. It's like a lawyer's conclusive argument that his client can't be put in jail when he actually is there.

F. G. Logan & Co. to Ben B. Bryan—Wheat on lower cables opened at the lowest price of the day, 93¾c. The trading was light until the figures of the Cincinnati Price Current showing a surplus of 28,000,000 bushels available for export from Atlantic ports and the Pacific coast. The demand for red winter wheat is good here and at all eastern and interior points. The sentiment here for some time has been in favor of lower prices. This has changed and more confidence is felt in an improvement in the near future. Speculation, however, is light and we require more of it to establish much advance. We feel as we did yesterday, that for the present it is safe to buy on all weak markets. Corn trade is light. It advanced ¼ of a cent on small receipts far tomorrow. We think the price is too high. General liquidation in provisions, particularly in pork and ribs. Hog receipts continue heavy.

Kennett, Hopkins & Co. to Christie-Lathrop Com. Co.—Wheat heavy; covering by shorts and a bullish article in the Cincinnati Price Current which claims there are but 5,000,000 bushels left for export east of the Rocky Mountains are responsible for today's firmness. It is easy to figure out a shortage, but theories count for little in the face of heavy stocks here, and the probability that they will not be materially reduced before the opening of navigation. The trade is too narrow to successfully carry this load with a powerful bear clique continually hammering prices down. The market closed rather firm, but with no encouragement to go long for more than a small turn. There was a very light trade in corn until the latter part of the session, when, on light estimates for tomorrow's car lots and the strength in wheat, there was good buying, especially by Pardridge and Bacon. The market bids fair to be narrow and professional until stocks increase. The expected break in provisions came to-day with heavy liquidation. A very large quantity of pork was wanted at $10.50 for May, which held prices for two or three days. That was satisfied to-day and the market broke rapidly to $10.25, rallied somewhat and closed easy. While the hog supply continues so liberal with the present light shipments of product we think the course of the market must still be downward.

McCormick & Co. to F. C. Swartz & Co.—Wheat opened lower, but the break seemed to be caused more by the impetus of yesterday's decline than by any bearish news. Early cables quoted Liverpool quiet, with futures ¼d lower, but spot was firm and later advices noted an advance of ½d. The tenor of the home news was decidedly bullish. The estimate of the Cincinnati Price Current was that east of the Rockies we have left from this year's crop only 5,000,000 bushels for export above our own needs. Clearances showed up large from New York and Baltimore, being 44,000 packages of flour and 57,000 bushels of wheat, and New York reported 75,000 bushels loading for export on new sales. These bull features caused good buying and an advance of 1c from the bottom, market closing firm at about top prices. Corn showed firmness outside of its sympathy with the strength in wheat. Estimated receipts for tomorrow were not large, which caused free buying by shorts. Bears look only at our small local stocks and seem oblivious to the country accumulation which we believe exists in farmers' hands. The market will be all the weaker when these invisible stocks come out. Provisions were very active and weak at about $10.50. There seemed to be enormous orders to buy May pork, but when these were filled the decline to $10.25 was rapid. Stocks are so large that with the present heavy receipts of hogs it will be difficult to prevent a further decline.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK.

CHICAGO, Jan. 23.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—CATTLE—Business was fair and prices only steady at the decline of 25c, previously noted. One of the big exporting firms has been out of the market for the past two days and its absence is keenly felt by the salesmen who handle big fat cattle, as the firm buys from 50 to 75 carloads of that class of stock when at work. Although, as previously stated, the run in Chicago is considerably below last week, there are plenty of cattle in sight elsewhere. Cow stock continues plentiful and continues to sell at low water for common and canning grades; on the other hand, fat dry cows and good heifers are rather scarce and selling at stronger prices than last week. The stocker trade shows no particular change. The top prices were $4.75@5.25 for prime to extra export steers; others, $4.00@4.50; medium, $3.75@4.00; common, $3.10@3.50; cows, $1.00@2.85; stockers, $2.30@2.70.

HOGS—There was a little spurt of activity at the opening and a few sales early showed a slight advance, but the strength was of short duration and, if there was any advance, the same was lost before 1 o'clock and the general market closed weak and lower, especially in the northwestern division. Rough and common may be counted at $3.35@3.45; fair to good mixed and packers, $3.50@3.55; primo heavy and butcher weights, $3.60@3.65; light, $3.55@3.60; pigs, $2.75@3.40.

STOCKS AND BONDS.

NEW YORK, Jan. 23.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—STOCKS.—The outlook for either activity or strength in the stock market was very poor at the opening. Chicago Gas opened off ½, but at once turned up a point on some covering. The list generally was steady, with no London business. Before the end of the hour better activity developed in Richmond & West Point, St. Paul, Chicago Gas, Atchison and other grangers. This activity, however, was accomplished at the expense of quotations, and losses of large fractions were sustained in all the leading stocks. Chicago Gas was a noted exception to this rule, however, and in the early dealings it rose 1¾ per cent after opening down ½. This improvement was afterward nearly all lost, the stock going back to about last night's prices. Burlington & Quincy lost ⅞. Union Pacific ¾, and others smaller fractions. The general list, as usual, was extremely dull and uninteresting, fluctuations being scarcely perceptible and dealings entirely without feature of any kind. Toward the end of the hour the activity disappeared from the leaders and at 12 o'clock the market was dull and remained so up to noon. What little change occurred before 1 o'clock was in the shape of a slight recovery, but the trade gave up expectation of anything but a slim fractionless trade. There was a continuation of the raid against Chicago Gas today and the price closed 2¼ per cent off at 40 after selling slightly under that figure. There was a heaviness all through the list, with quite sharp declines in several western stocks. Burlington lost 1¾ to 88¾; Missouri Pacific, 1¾ to 64; St. Paul, 1 to 83¼; Rock Island, ⅞ to 69¼; Atchison, Northwestern and Union Pacific, ½ each or less. Silver was firmer at 104. Money was easy. The public is not in stocks and the professionals find the market heavy. The sales reached 155,267 shares.

The following were the closing quotations:

U. S. 4s registered	120¾	Northern Pacific	27¾
U. S. 4s coupons	120	do preferred	70⅜
U. S. 4½s registered	103	New York Central	100¾
U. S. 4½s coupons	103	Ontario & Western	16⅝
Pacific 6s of '95	103	do preferred	34
Central Pacific	80	New York Central	100¾
Chicago & Alton	127	Rock Island	69⅛
Chicago, Burlington & Quincy	88¾	C., M. & St. P.	53⅜
D., L. & W.	137¾	do preferred	110
Illinois Central	97	St. Paul & Omaha	34
L. E. & W.		do preferred	80
Kansas & Texas	12¾	Union Pacific	44⅝
Lake Shore	107	W., St. L. & P.	9¾
Michigan Central	91	do preferred	18¾
Missouri Pacific	63⅜	Western Union	88¾

MONEY—On call, easy; closed offered at 3 per cent.

PRIME MERCANTILE PAPER—6@8 per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Quiet, easier; sixty-day bills, $4.84; demand, $4.86½.

NEW YORK STOCKS.

Stocks.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yest'y
W. & L. E.	27	27	27	27	27
Hocking Val	103	103	103	103	103¾
Manhattan	109	109	109	109	109
Wabash pfd	19	20	19	19	19¼
Erie	20¾	20¾	20¾	20¾	20¾
Canada So.	49¾	49¾	49¾	49¾	50
Pacific Mail	34¼	34¼	34	34	34
Lake Shore	107	107	107	107	107
L. & N.	73¾	73¾	73¾	73¾	73¾
Lead Trust	19¾	19¾	19¾	19¾	19¾
C. C. C.	62¾	62¾	62¾	62¾	62¾
Northwest'n	105¾	105¾	105¾	105¾	106
Mo. Pac.	64¾	65¼	64	64	65¼
Union Pac.	45⅝	45⅝	44¾	44¾	45¼
N. Pac. pfd.	70¾	71	70¾	70¾	71
N. Pac. com.	27¾	27¾	27¼	27¼	27¾
C., B. & Q.	90¾	90¾	88¾	88¾	90¾
Rock Island	69¾	70	69¼	69¼	70¼
St. Paul	84	84	83¼	83¼	84¼
S. Paul pfd.					
West. Union	79¾	79¾	79¾	79¾	79¾
D., L. & W.	137¾	137¾	137¾	137¾	137¾
Sugar Trust	77¾	77¾	77¾	77¾	78
Am. Sug. Th.	60	60	58¾	58¾	60
Jersey Cent.	113¼	113¼	113¼	113¼	113¾
New Engl'd.	38¾	38¾	37¾	38	38
Rich. Term'l	18	18¾	17¾	17¾	17¾
Atchison	29¾	29¾	29¼	29¼	29¾
Chicago Gas	42	43¾	39¾	40	42¼
Reading	32¾	32¾	32¾	32¾	32¾
Del. & Hud.	137¾	137¾	135¾	135¾	134¾
Pullman	180	180¾			182
No. Am.	16	16	15¾	15¾	16¼
Mich. Cent.	92	92	92	92	92
Silver	103¾	104	103¾	104	103¾
Ill. Cent.					
Wis. Cent.	21¾	21¾	21¾	21¾	21¾
Mex. Cent.	23¾	23¾	23¾	23¾	23¾
A. C. Oil	20¾	20¾	20¾	20¾	21¾
Texas	15¾	15¾	15	15	15¾
Tenn. C. & I.	36¾	36¾	36¼	36¾	36¾

Wall Street.

W. Gwinne sold 1,000 Chicago Gas.

New York exchange at Chicago 25c discount.

J. S. James sold 1,000 gas. Buying all scattering.

Rock Island freight earnings are showing a small increase. This, in the face of dull business, is considered good; increases, however, very small.

C. C. Bouman sold 1,000 Chicago, Burlington & Quincy at ½.

Earnings of the Denver & Rio Grande third week of January increased $28,000.

By cable: Coffee market firm; January 1f higher, all others ⅛f higher. Rio, receipts, 6,000 bags; Santos, 9,000.

Barnes Brothers bought 500 Chicago Gas trust. Bacon, Coombs & Cahn sold. N. L. Horton bought about 1,000 Richmond Terminal.

Kennett, Hopkins & Co. to Christie-Lathrop Com. Co.—The stock market today was, so far as general dullness, a repetition of that of yesterday, but a feeling of uneasiness on the part of owners of stock has been more apparent. The rallies have been smaller and lower and quotations have been made on each succeeding decline. The market shows signs of fatigue. The expected boom does not materialize and its delay is causing restlessness among bulls. Bears, however, are not aggressive and melting away of prices is due to scarcity of buyers. Their well circulated points before opening this morning by Louisville & Nashville and Richmond Terminal the former because it would be quoted ex-dividend and looked cheap and the latter on the yarn about Gould having bought a large enough block of the stock to control the company. Probably some buying was stimulated by these efforts, but Louisville & Nashville finally closed nearly 2 points lower than last night and Richmond Terminal on denial of the story referred to more than lost its early advance. The decline in Louisville & Nashville is attributed to the passage of the election bill in congress for the want of a better excuse. Stocks of western roads look tired. Chicago, Burlington & Quincy noticeably weak. The Northern Pacific have yielded with the general market but very reluctantly, the handsome earnings reported by the company are finding many friends for the stocks. Liquidation by the bull clique in Chicago Gas has already depressed the price nearly 3 per cent today. Stocks closed heavy at the lowest prices of the day. In fact the whole market was heavy at the close. Money has been easy. Total sales 164,649.

Mining Shares.

NEW YORK, Jan. 23.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The following are the mining stock quotations:

Amador	100	Mexican	200
Aspen	600	Ontario	3900
Savage Con.	275	Ophir	285
Hale & Norcross	100	Standard	135
Homestake	825	Union Con.	150
Horn Silver	285		

The Coffee Market.

NEW YORK, Jan. 23.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—COFFEE—Options opened steady, 10 points down to 10 points up. Closed steady 10 down to 10 up. Sales: 44,000 bags, including January, $17.00@17.05; February, $16.55@16.60; March, $16.20@16.25; April, $15.90; May, $15.65@15.70; July, $15.30@15.35; August, $15.10; September, $14.60; December, $13.85; spot Rio fair; fair cargoes, $19.00; No. 7, $17.50.

PRODUCE MARKET.

CHICAGO, Jan. 23.—Close—Wheat—Steady cash, 88¾c; May, 94c; July, 89⅝c.

Corn—Steady; cash, 49c; May, 51¾@51¾c.

Oats—Steady; cash, 43.2c; May, 45⅞@45¾c.

Rye—71c.

Barley—78c.

Timothy—$1.23.

Flax—$1.17.

Whisky—$1.14.

Pork—Steady; cash, 99.87½; May, $10.35.

Lard—Steady; cash, $5.6½; May, $5.07½.

Short Ribs—Steady; cash, $4.80; May, $5.17½.

Flour—Unchanged; winter patents, $4.50@4.80; spring patents, $4.40@4.80; bakers', $3.30@3.75.

Bulk Meats—Shoulders, $5.10@5.15; short clear, $5.00@5.10; short ribs, $4.75.

Butter—Unchanged; creamery, 16@26c; dairy, 13@24c.

Cheese—Unchanged; full cream cheddars, 9¼@9¾c; flats, 9½@10c; Young Americas, 10@10½c.

Eggs—Firmer; fresh, 21@23c.

Hides—Unchanged; light and heavy green salted, 5¼@5½c; green, 4¾@4¾c; salted bull, 4¼c; green salted calf, 8c; dry flint, 8c; salt bull, 6@7c; dry calf, 8@9c; deacons, each, 25c.

Tallow—Unchanged; No. 1, solid packed, 3¾c; No. 2, 3c; cake, 4c.

Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls..... 13,000	12,000
Wheat, bu..... 21,000	30,000
Corn, bu..... 77,000	122,000
Oats, bu..... 121,000	146,000

NEW YORK, Jan. 23.—Wheat—Receipts, 15,600 bushels; exports, 32,800 bushels; spot shade higher; No. 2 red, $1.03¾ in elevator; $1.06¾ @1.09¾ afloat; $1.06¾@1.7¾ f. o. b.; options closed strong; No. 2 red January $1.04⅞.

Corn—Receipts, 295,600 bushels; exports, 45,300 bushels; spot stronger; No. 2, 61@61¼c in elevator; 62½@62¾c afloat; ungraded mixed, 60½@62¾c; options strong; January closing at 61¾c.

Oats—Receipts, 54,000 bushels; exports, 400 bushels; spot higher; No. 2 white, 52¾@53½c; white western, 50@53c; mixed western, 53@56c; options irregular, dull; January closing at 57½c.

Coffee—Options closed steady; 15c down to 10c up. Sales, 44,000 bags. January $17.00@17.05; February $16.55@16.60; spot Rio firm; fair cargoes $19.

Sugar—Raw, firm; centrifugals 96 degree test 3¾c; Fmolasses 8 degree test 2 9-16c C and F; refined quiet, steady.

Petroleum—United closed, February, 78¼c.

Eggs—Lower; western, 20½c.

Pork—Dull.

Lard—Easier quieter; western steam, $6.05 asked; sales $6.05@6.07½.

Butter—Weak; western dairy, 12@20c; creamery, 19@27½c; Elgin, 28@28½c.

Cheese—Strong; light skims, 5@8½c.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 23.—Wheat—Cash, 92¼@93¼c; May, 93⅞c.

Corn—Firm; cash, 48¾c; May, 49c.

Oats—Strong; cash, 44¾c; May, 45⅜c.

Rye—Dull.

Lard—Steady at $5.60.

Whisky—Steady at $1.14.

Butter — Unchanged; creamery, 21@22c; choice to fancy dairy, 21@22c.

MINNEAPOLIS, Jan. 23.—Wheat—Spot wheat active; options dull and weak; low grades sold pretty well when not held above current rates. Receipts, 250 cars; shipments, 90 cars. Close: No 1 hard, January, 90c; on track, 91¼c; No. 1 northern, January, 88¾c; May, 91¾c; on track, 88¾c. No. 2 northern, January, 86c; on track, 86¾@87c.

KANSAS CITY, Jan. 23.—Wheat—Quiet; No. 2 hard, cash, 81c bid; January, 81c bid; No. 2 red, cash, 88c bid.

Corn—Stronger; No. 2, cash, 47¾c bid; January, 47¾c.

Oats—Steady; No. 2, cash, 44¾c; January, 44¼c bid.

LIVERPOOL, Jan. 23.—Wheat—Steady; demand improving; holders offer sparingly; red western, spring, 7s 6½d@7s 7d per cental; red western, winter, 7s 6½d.

Corn—Quiet and lower; western, 5s 6d per cental.

MILWAUKEE, Jan. 23.—Wheat—Quiet; No. 2 spring, cash, 87@89c; May, 88¾c.

Corn—Easier; No. 3, 49@49½c.

Oats—Quiet; No. 2 white, 45¼c.

Provisions—Quiet; pork, May, $10.32½.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 23.—Wheat—Steady; No. 2 red, 96c.

Corn—Barely steady; No. 2 mixed, 52¼@52¾c.

Oats—Quiet; No. 2 mixed, nominal at 47½c.

Whisky—$1.14.

LIVE STOCK.

CHICAGO, Jan. 23.—Cattle—Receipts, 9,000 head; market steady; steers, $3.95@5.25; cows, $1.00@2.85; stockers, $2.20@2.70.

Hogs—Receipts, 42,000 head; market weak and lower; rough and common, $3.35@3.45; fair to good mixed and packers, $3.45@3.55; prime heavy and butcher weights, $3.60@3.65; light, $3.50@3.65.

Sheep—Receipts, 7,000; market slow and lower; natives, $3.75@5.25; westerns, $4.25@5.10; Texans, $3.75@4.40; lambs $5.00@5.75.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 22.—Cattle—Receipts, 700 head; shipments, 1,000 head; market steady; fair to fancy native steers, $3.75@5.00; stockers and feeders, $2.10@3.40.

Hogs—Receipts, 4,700 head; shipments, 8,000 head; market shade higher; heavy, $3.50@3.70; mixed, $3.50@3.60; light, $3.30@3.50.

KANSAS CITY, Jan. 23.—Cattle—Receipts, 200 head; shipments, 700 head; market steady; steers, $3.40@4.80; cows, $1.50@3.25; stockers and feeders, $2.00@3.50.

Hogs—Receipts, 14,300 head; shipments, 4,350 head; market higher; all grades, $3.00@3.55.

OMAHA MARKETS.

OMAHA, Jan. 23, 1891.

CATTLE—Estimated receipts of cattle for 24 hours as compared with 2,155 yesterday and 2,194 Friday of last week. The market was steady on the best grades of both beeves and butcher stock. Poorer grades slow and sluggish, but quotably unchanged. Feeders lifeless.

HOGS—Estimated receipts of hogs 6,000, as compared with 6,257 yesterday and 6,372 Friday of last week. The market was active and steady on light and steady to a shade lower on heavy hogs. All sold early. The range of the prices paid was $3.00@3.32½, the bulk selling at $3.30@3.45. Pigs, $1.50@2.60; light lights, $2.80@2.90; light, $3.00@3.35; heavy, $3.35@3.52½; mixed, $3.25@3.40. The average of the prices paid was $3.33½ as compared with $3.32½ yesterday and $3.43½ Friday of last week.

SHEEP—Estimated receipts of sheep 635, as compared with 630 yesterday and 190 Friday of last week. The market is steady. Natives, $2.50@4.50; westerns, $2.00@4.35.

Disposition of Stock.

CATTLE.

Swift & Co.	441
The G. H. Hammond Co.	207
The Cudahy Packing Co.	307
Van Sant & Carey	17
Lee Rothschild	305
Hamilton & Stephen	17
Dawson	56
Nels Morris	101
Shippers and feeders	408
R. Becker & Degan	22

HOGS.

The Cudahy Packing Co.	4,170
Omaha Packing Co.	803
Swift & Co.	1,052
G. H. Hammond Packing Co.	615
Shippers and feeders	606

SHEEP.

Swift & Co.	273
The G. H. Hammond Packing Co.	202

Representative Sales.

STEERS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
7	745	2 65	2	1215	3 50	35	1139	3 80
19	1051	3 00	11	993	3 65	58	1240	3 95
2	830	3 00	6	1111	3 65	1	1460	4 00
1	1270	3 00	21	1007	3 65	12	1108	4 00
11	993	3 20	15	1233	3 70	18	1241	4 15
12	1063	3 25	15	1054	3 70	4	1205	4 25
2	945	3 30	30	1071	3 75	8	1530	4 25
12	1135	3 40	1	1360	3 75	28	1207	4 30
12	1028	3 50	34	1125	3 80	5	1375	4 40
4	995	3 50	1	1140	3 80	24	1323	4 40
6	1053	3 50	13	1200	3 80	22	1350	4 45
1	1380	3 50	19	1206	3 80	1	1620	4 50
4	1032	3 10						

STEERS AND HEIFERS.

1	990	1 25	1	1010	2 00	19	1164	2 25
4	845	1 25	8	993	2 00	9	740	2 25
15	730	1 25	10	1106	2 05	47	929	2 25
11	1060	1 25	21	930	2 05	29	971	2 25
7	825	1 25	9	964	2 05	2	1400	2 25
6	725	1 30	12	1035	2 10	4	983	2 25
2	915	1 40	9	1060	2 10	9	852	2 25
1	1010	1 40	2	1275	2 15	14	1125	2 30
4	872	1 40	18	1030	2 15	20	1046	2 35
1	1020	1 50	1	1150	2 15	12	801	2 40
15	948	1 50	21	1031	2 15	4	1193	2 50
25	873	1 50	4	987	2 15	6	1146	2 60
6	950	1 05	19	1057	2 15	2	905	2 65
1	940	1 75	8	1117	2 15	6	1158	2 75
2	1020	1 75	18	1005	2 20	1	1400	2 75
8	915	1 85	10	805	2 20	12	1107	2 80
6	1033	2 00	21	748	2 20	10	1069	2 90
1	1080	2 00						

BULLS.

1	1290	1 00	1	930	2 10	1	1630	2 50
1	1710	1 65	1	1320	2 10	1	1730	2 50
1	1410	1 80	1	1180	2 10	1	1420	2 50
1	1170	1 80	1	1460	2 15	1	1620	2 55
1	880	2 00	4	1307	2 15	1	1550	2 75
1	1140	2 00	4	1362	2 15	1	1460	2 75
1	1110	2 00	1	1440	2 20	1	1810	2 85
4	1315	2 00	1	1210	2 25	1	1560	2 90
1	1610	2 00	1	1700	2 25	1	1980	3 00
1	1480	2 00	1	1600	2 35	1	1950	3 25
3	1270	2 05	2	1490	2 40			

CALVES.

1	350	2 50	1	110	3 50	1	110	3 50
1	120	3 50	6	103	3 50			

STOCKERS AND FEEDERS.

1	600	2 25	5	604	2 50	4	937	2 90
1	740	2 40	12	759	2 80			

OXEN

2	1570	3 00	2	1915	3 00

STAGS.

1	1050	2 50

HEIFERS.

15	616	2 65

MILKERS AND SPRINGERS.

4 milkers, each	$31 25
3 cows and calves, each	25 00
2 milkers, each	22 50
1 cow and calf	22 50
1 cow and calf	21 00
1 milker	12 00

WESTERN CATTLE.

No.		Av.	Pr.
	Reid Burrett—		
42	steers	1162	3 35
	E. J. Temple—		
46	steers	1060	3 00
35	steers	1178	3 25
	Conklin Brothers—		
1	bull	1280	1 80
1	bull	1550	1 80
4	cows	1057	2 00

HOGS.

No.	Av.	Sh.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Sh.	Pr.
91	155	50	3 00	56	277	240	3 35
111	161	40	3 00	61	319	320	3 35
101	145	—	3 05	55	333	—	3 35