THE CONDITION OF TRADE.

Money Essier and Confidence Gradually Being Restored.

WHOLESALE TRADE IS .MPROVING.

Freduce Markets Slow But Steady-A Buil Week in Wheat-Improvement in Cattle-Heavy Receipts of Hogs.

Money is easier in Omaha, but the relaxa-'tion of the purse strings has been so gradual that the change from one week to another has been almost imperceptible, and it is only when we go back a month or so that we are able to make the positive assertion at the opening of this sentence. It is still too close for the best results of business to be attained, but the fact is gratifying that the change, though slow, is in the right direction. Without the intervention of some unforseen complication in business, money at the end of another month must be plenty. With the bank reserves piling up in the east, and with money in New York cheap and abundant, it would seem as if money ought to be much easier here than it really is, but it must be borne in mind that the stringency did not reach Omaha until some time after its worst effects were felt in New York. Starting from the metropolis it gradually extended westward, making itself felt in Buffeld. falo, still later in Chicago and at last in Omaha. In the same way the casing up of the money market was first noticed in New York, and is now on its way west. It can-not be expected that the money market will t once regain its former position, as the

losing of confidence is a much more rapid op-eration than its restoration. When this feel-ing of confidence is fully restored money may be expected to flow westward in an abundant stream. Just at present the return of confidence is being somewhat retarded by the fact that both the state legislature and the United States congress are in session and, as a prominent banker remarks, while these two bodies remain in a position where they can, by a single act, upset all the prevailing financial conditions, capitalists will be very charg about putting money into new enterprises. THE WHOLESALE TRADE

of the past week has, as a general thing, shown some improvement. Spring goods are commencing to move more freely and in some lines it is safe to say that the volume of trade is fully up to whatit was a year ago. Job-bers generally are reconciled to the fact that trade in western Nebraska must of necessity be very light, owing to the crop failure of last year and they are neglecting that section to seek other localities that give promise of better results. In the long run the unfavorable conditions existing in western Nebraska at the present time may be of great benefit, as the jobbers are by this means forced to seek new territory that might otherwise be captured by some single that the property of the control of tured by some rival jobbing point and always remain closed to Omaha. Speaking of last season's snort crop brings

to mind a fact not generally recognized, but nevertheless true. In the western country there are a good many firms doing a retail business who consider themselves too large to patronize Omaha jobbers and who accordingly lay in their stocks of goods in Chicago, or in cities even further east. This plan or in cities even further case. The works all right when money is plenty, but in works all right when money is plenty, when it a short crop season like the present, when it is hard work to sell goods and still harder work to collect the money for them, they can-not afford to lay in large stocks at eastern markets, but buy in small lots nearer home. Then, too, the eastern jobber is frightened out by the appearance of close times and is unwilling to carry his far western customer. Eastern jobbers have lost ground during the past six months that they

can never regain. In the different branches of the wholesale trade there have been some changes, especially in prices, that may be of general in-

In hardware, the market last week was firm and wire natis advanced for per keg, the present quotation being \$2.60. In a general way the week's trade was quite satisfactory, although the volume of business fell below the average for last January. Some good spring orders are commencing to arrive for later shipment.

The dry goods trade has been gradually improving since the first of the year, but the average for the month will hardly equal that of a year ago. In some parts of the state spring goods are selling quite freely, but in all the western part of the state they are doing a "hand to mouth" business, that is buying in small lots just sufficient to meet

resent requirements.

The wholesale grocery trade of Omaha has held its own spite of all obstacles and dealers in this line generally take a cheerful view of the situation. While they have lost trade in some parts of the state, they have pushed out into new fields and have tried to make up in one way what they have lost in another. Western Iowa, especially, is looking towards Omaha, and it presents a very inviting field in which to operate. As to prices, rope is down. Canned goods, such as tomatoes, corn, etc., and all California canned goods, are advancing and give promise of going still higher. Sugars went back \(\frac{1}{4} \cap \) after the bound of \(\frac{1}{2} \cap \) the week before. Syrups are cheap on account of the fight among the gincose manufacturers, having declined about 5c since

January 1. It is easy to understand, in a season like the present why rubber goods, heavy flan-nels, etc., should not sell well, but it would seem as if boots and shoes ought to be in de-mand even in an open winter. Such, however, has not been the case, and trade is now very poor for the season. With a fair pros-pect for good crops, trade in the early spring and summer ought to be large. Eastern job-bers have dropped out and there will be a better chance than ever for Omaha. A local jobber remarks that the people have been wearing their old boots and shoes all winter and that by spring they will have to buy new

ones or go barefoot.

The wholesale coal dealers did literally nothing last week but sit with folded hands and figure how many mouths longer they could continue in business with the daily ex-pense account mounting up above the profits. The weather has been most decidedly against the coal dealers, and the present winter has been about the worst, for that business, ever experienced in this city. This, taken with the fact that the two previous years were not very favorable, makes it pretty hard for dealers in this line of business. It is said that before the summer arrives several coal dealers will either have gone out of business or have added some special lines that will give fair remuneration for the labor and capital invested. The season is now too far ad-vanced for a cold spell to give any relief to the wholesale trade. About all that dealers can do is to settle down to the summer basis, when little or nothing is done in a jobbing way. Considerable steam coal is handled in the city, but this branch of the business is confined mostly to two or three firms and the margin for profits is too nat row to make it any object for other firms to No one ever thinks of mentioning the coal

business without saying something about the price of hard coal and the reason why the cost is so great to the consumers, and i would never do to break over this time-hor ored custom by allowing such a spiendid opportunity as the present to escape unutil-ized. A number of remedies have been offered and wrongs pointed out, but the fact remains the same, hard coal is a uxury only to be enjoyed by the well-to-do, and yet the local dealer is not making what could be con sidered an unreasonable profit. In looking over railroad rates from the east it may be seen now some of this cost is unnecessarily put upon coal. The rate from Chicago to Omaha is \$3.20 per net ton for a 500 mile haul. It is generally conceded that for a long distance ½ cent per ton for a mile is a very good rate for the railroads. On this least the rate from Chicago mandal. asis the rate from Chicago would be only 50. But going still further east, it is found that that the rate on hard coal from Buffalo to Chicago, a distance of 550 miles, is \$1.78 per net ten. Of course the reason for the per net ton. Of course the reason for the difference in the two rates is to be found in the competition for lake freights from Buf-falo to Chicago, but the willingness of the railroads to take the coal at \$1.78 per ton shows that there must be a profit in the traffic even at that rate. If the exorbitant rate from Chicago to Omaha could be reduced to within the bounds of reason, hard coal could be made just that much cheaper to con

COUNTRY PRODUCE markets have shown almost no change during

the week past and the general character of the trade has been dull. Eggs may be said to have firmed up a little, Menday's sales having been in some cases as low as 17@173/c having been in some cases as low as 17@17% while on Saturday the market was 18c. Poultry was dull all the week and the same quetations have provalled from day to day, but the prices have been too low to give entire satisfaction to the selling interest. The storm of a few days ago has cut off the receipts to some extent and the week closes with stocks well cleared up. The receipts of good country butter were light all the week, but prices remained about the same.

THE LIVE STOCK market at Omaha opened Monday with a 10c advance on the best grades of beeves, which was followed by a still further strengthening of prices on Tuesday, but this gain was lost on the two days following and was not recovered. On Friday some choice 1330 to 1388-1b beeves reached \$4.55, but the highest price of the week was paid on Monday, which was \$4.95. week was paid on Monday, which was \$4.95 for some 1453-1b steers. The bulk of the 1050 to 1350-1b beeves sold during the week at \$1.00@4.60. Choice fat cows and heifers ex-perienced a decided Improvement during the week, prices in some cases being fully 20c better than the week before. The commoner grades of butchers' stock and canners did not respond so readily to the improved condition of the market and could not be quoted much if any higher. A few choice cows weighing from 1,050 to 1,350 pounds sold at \$3.00@3.50, but the greater proportion of the fair to good cows tent at \$2.00@3.50 but the greater proportion of the fair to good cows went at \$2.00@3.00, and the common grades down as low as \$1.00. The trade in stockers and feeders was light and prices about steady that is, good feeders \$2.75@3.00 and stockers \$2.250c2.50.

btockers \$2.250(2.50).

The trade in hegs was characterized by heavy receipts at all theleading markets during the early part of the week, and correspondingly low prices at Omaha. The week opened with the sales ranging from \$3.100(3.60), which was followed on Tuesday by a decline of 10c. The downward tendency of the market was maintained on Wednesday, but decreased receipts on Thursday caused a reaction of about 10c, which was continued on Friday, and which brought the market back to a point even better than Monday.

It has been a bull week in wheat and the GRAIN AND PROVISION

GRAIN AND PROVISION markets of the country have attracted a great deal of attention. During the early part of the week the reported drouth in Cali-fornia and unfavorable weather in Europe fornia and unfavorable weather in Europe helped to maintain prices. Another strong feature was the good prices paid for cash wheat. Provisions were weak on account of the heavy receipts of hogs, and May pork went down rapidly from Monday's opening at \$10.55 to \$0.85 on Wednesday. The trading in corn was upon the whole comparatively duli, but the light receipts have made seliers chary of light receipts have made seliers chary of going short big lines. Oats were very dull all the week. The following table giving the opening and closing prices of the week, to-gether with the highest and lowest of each day, will give a very good idea of the state of the market at Chicago and St. Louis.

RANGE IN PRICES.

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May	100	9694	4376	45	4.7	4554	45%	100	2496	8	45%	b.	4554	45
Упр	10.55	16.55	10.22%	10.25%	10.00	10.15	9,85	10.25	10.10	10.25	10,05	10.2716	10.15	10.27%
May	5.95%	5.074	5.30	5.15	5.10	5.10	5,05	5.17%	5,12%	9.17%	5,12%	5.1136	5,125	911116
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May	496	30%	8609	4094	\$956 8	960	1569	9,00	40%	50%	4056	\$100	8	50%
May	464	417.6	No.	4054	45%			Year	198	Wes	1516	1634	45%	100

was under a great disadvantage last week owing to the damage wrought by Sunday's storm, which left the street with almost no telegraphic communication with the outside world. This state of affairs continued through the greater part of the week and accordingly the volume of outside business was the greater part of the week and accordingly the volume of outside business was small. The week as a whole was characterized by a dull market. A Wall street authority commenting on the situation remarks that there are too many signs that the stock market is falling into a pit similar to that which occurred in 1884 and 1885, when people felt that money was worth more than stocks, and when there was a steady con-stant dribble of small lots of stock. It is possible that when congress adjourns, and we are really safe in regard to financial legislation, there may be a revival of interest, but that is for the moment only a matter of conjecture. On some days the duliness of the market was quite as pronounced as any thing ordinarily witnessed in midsummer and the increasing case of the money market does not appear to result in any great dis-position to buy stocks. The following table will show the prices paid at the opening and at the closing of the week, together with the highest and lowest prices paid during the week, and the close of the previous week:

Stocks.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Jan. 24.
W. & L. E		*******	11111111		******
Hocking Val	293	2714	26	261.4	127
Manhattan	100	103	10794	103	103
Wabash pfd.	1816	2014	1834	£19	1836
Eric	1984	1954	1957	1926	1936
Canada So	4634	5034	4834	4972	4934
Pacific Mail.	363	3454	3114	34	2015
lake Shore.	10634	109%	106%	100	107
A & Nouver	7210	7554	7734	1314	7214
Lead Trust.	1954	20	1914	1962	19%
J. C. C	dilla	6854	6014	6212	6147
Northwest'n	105	1063-6	104	104	105%
Mo. Pacific .	6234	6639	6134	66	100554
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V. Pac.com.	2010	2952	2014	9142	27
. B. & Q	H754	88%	85%	86.84	8814
Rock Island	tisks	12454	6719	687.7	63636
t. Paul	52	5454	515	5214	52
L Paul pfd.			47.74	97	-
West Union	779	73934	7710	7585.4	7584
D. L. & W	100%	13814	134%	137	119034
Sugar Trust	100	85%	77754	85	2001
Am. Sr. Roff	60	2007	10	71 167	50%
ersey Cent	11116	11117	106	109	1133
New Eng.	14476	388	300%	27%	110%
Rich Term	177.	1944	1774	1017	202
	2016	997.0	265	1 1000	250
Atchimin	2014	2175.9	2010	2275	200
Chiengo Gas	32 32	2254	3114	4159	17590
Roading	133	15434	133	17741	3219
Det & Hud.	189%	1894	189	18454	183
fullman		1756		180	189%
No. Am	15%		15	16	155
Mich. Cent.	92	102	91	91	92
Silver	10014	10474	101%	10234	10356
III. Cent	20%	*******	*******		20%
Wis. Cent	2054	22	2884	22	CARROLL
Mex. Cent	2014	2314	2054	28	2314
Texas	1494	10	1476	1436	15
Tenn, C. & L	76.9	36	7434	245.	36

OMAHA LIVE STOCK.

Омана, Јав. 31, 1891. CATTLE-Estimated receipts of cattle 1,000 as ompared with 1,565 yesterday and 1.211 Saturday of last week. The market was active and stronger on good teeves and butcher stock. Less desirable grade slow and unchanged.

Feeders are slow and unchanged. Hous-Estimated receipts of hogs 6,100, as compared with 2.658 yesterday and 5,958 Saturday of last week. The murket was 5e lower and active. Alt sold. The range of the prices paid was \$3.150,22.35, the bulk selling at \$3.30,23.40. Pigs. \$1.50,02.35; the bulk selling at \$3.30,23.40. Pigs. \$1.50,02.50; light-lights, \$7.50,23.40; light, \$3.15,23.40. Pigs. \$1.50,03.40; heavy, \$3.40,03.55; mixed \$3.30,23.45. The average of the prices paid was \$3.374; as compared with \$3.4 yesterday and \$3.374; Saturday of last week. Sheare—Estimated receipts of sheep 414, as compared with 300 yesterday and 100 Saturday of last week. The mutton market is steady Natives, \$2.50,04.40; westerns, \$2.00,24.25.

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	Saturday, January 3 3.00	03.65
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	Thursday, January 8 2.9.1	053.65
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Wednesday, Jan. 28 Thursday, Jan. 29	2,286 1,025	1,979	.000
Friday, Jan. 30 Saturday, Jan. 31	1,563	2,658 61,000	200 414
Third week of Jan	12,661 9,127 10,511	42,807 33,245 35,731 30,274 31,916	2,039 2,553 2,859 2,878 1,671
Second week of Dec	9,029	44,215	4.100
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Thursday, Jan. 22	2585	258	496
Friday, Jan. 23 Saturday, Jan 24	1,762	320	232
	871	104	411.0
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78..... 76 — 2 40 S......111 40 2 75 SHEEP. OMAHA WHOLESALE MARKETS. Provisions.

Provisions.

SMOKED MEATS—Sugar Cured.—Hams, 14 to 16 1b average, 8½c; hams, 20 to 22 lb average, 8½; hams, 10 to 12 lb average, 8½c; skinned hams, 9c; shoulders, 5½c; clear breakfast bacon, 7½c; boneless breakfast bacon backs, 6½c; famous boned ham, 7c; California, or pienic hams, 5½c; boneless ham, 7½c; dried beef hams (8cts), 7c; dried beef clods, 6c; short spiced rolls or ham reulette, 6½c; smoked beef tongues (per doc.) \$5.50; special hams, 12 to 15 lb average, 19c; special boneless breakfast bacon, 19c; selected dried beef hams, insides and knuckles, 9c; selected wide clear breakfast bacon, 9c.

ast bacon 9c.
Duy Sair Mears—Fancy light weight short lears 55c; long clears, 55c; short clears, 55c; short ribs, 55c; shoulders, 45c; clear bellies short ribs, 55c; shoulders, 45c; clear beilies
55c; clear backs, 55c.
Smoked Mears—Dry salt cured—Fancy light
weight bacon short clears, 65c; bacon short
ribs 55c; bacon short clears, 55c; bacon clear
beilies, 6c; bacon shoulders, 45c; bacon clear
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hams, barrels, 82.06.
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tierces, 64c; California, ham, tierces, 5c; beef hams, barrels, 42.00.

Pickled Beef Tongues—Aarrels, 23.00; half barrels, 10 lbs, \$10.50; quarter barrels, 30 lbs, \$0.00; cighth barrels, 25 lbs, \$4.50.

Land—Compound, per lb tierce basis, 5c; pure leaf, per lb tierce basis, 6c; kettle rendered leaf lard per lb tierce basis, 6c; kettle rendered leaf lard per lb tierce basis, 6c; kettle rendered leaf lard per lb tierce basis, 6c; kettle rendered leaf lard per lb tierce basis, 6c; kettle rendered leaf lard per lb tierce basis, 6c; kettle rendered leaf lard per lb tierce basis, 6c; c.

Bankeled Ponk AND Beef—Mess pork, mew) per bbl. \$19.75; family pork, \$2.50; back pork, \$11.50; short cut clear pork, \$2.50; back pork, \$11.50; short cut clear pork, \$2.50; prime mess perk, \$2.50; family beef, \$5.00; extra mess beef, \$5.5; plate beef, \$7.00; cxtra plate beef, \$8.00; extra family beef, boneless, \$2.00; rolled beef, boneless, \$5.50; rump butts, \$8.50.

Pia Ponk—Boneless—Bbls, 200 lbs. each, \$1.00; quarter bbls, 50 lbs, each, \$3.75; eighth bbls, 25 lbs, each, \$2.00.

bbls. 50 lbs, each, \$3.75; eighth bbls. 25 lbs, each, \$2.00.
Ous-Prime lard oil, winter strained, 47c; extra No. 1 lard oil, 39c; No. 1 lard oil, 34c; No. 2 lard oil, 39c; extra neatsfoot oil, 43c; tallow oil, 43c; half barrels 3cover barrels; 5 gallon cans, 2 in a cross account of the strain of alf barrets accer-case, 5c overbarrels. Sausage—Bologna, 4c; smoked sausage, 7c; Sausage—Bologna, 4c; head

SAUSAUR—1500c/m. 4c; smoked sausage, 4'5c; head blood sausage, 4'5c; liver sausage, 4'5c; head cheese, 4'5c; fresh pork sausage, (links) 6c; fresh pork sausage, (bullo 5'5c; smoked pork sausage, 8c; Frankfurt sausage, 7c; knoblauch head cheese, 6c; Pollsh sausage, 7c; knoblauch sausage, 6c; tongue sausage, 8c; summer tongue sausage, Se; ausage, Sc.
The above prices are for lots of fifty pounds and upwards; a less quantity a half cent more.

Country Produce. The week closed with no quotable change in the market. Stocks were pretty well cleaned up. The arrivals during the past two days were light, owing to the storm throughout the

state.

GAME—Small rabbits sold on Saturday at 75c per dozen and in some instances as high as \$1.90. There is almost no demand for jacks and it does not pay to ship them in.

EGGs—sales were generally reported at 18c and it would be safe to quote that price as the market for fresh stock.

POULTRY—Quotations for chickens were 65c for choice stock; geese and ducks 76c and turkeys, 106cHc. The market was not very active.

Very active.

BUTTER—The best country butter is in demand at 16@18c, and good sweet country rolls at lic.

Vegetables. SPINACH-Per bbl. \$2.00.
CELERY ROOTS-Per doz. 50c.
LETTUCE-Choice stock 40245c.
Sweet Potators-Supplies are not heavy and the market is quiet. Choice Kansus, \$4.50 per bbl. CELERY-Choice stock 10/6/45c.

CELERY-Choice stock 407645c.

PARSNIPS-Per bbl. \$2.30.

CABBAGE—Another car of California cabbage will arrive today. Per lb. 2363c.

Oxions-Supplies are light and holders of good stock are asking as high as \$2.00 per bush.

Spanish, per crate. \$2.00.

RETARAGAS-Michigan stock, per bu, 60c.

BEETS-Per bu, \$1.0001.25.

Fresh Fruits.

Fresh Fruits.

Onanges—The market is lower than last week. Afresh car of California stock has just arrived. Riversides are selling at \$3.556,36; Navels, \$4.506,500; Ranchito, a variety between Riversides and Los Angeles, \$5.006,350; Nexican oranges, \$5.006,3.25; Florida bright, \$3.006,3.50; russett, \$2.506,3.00.

APPLES—The market is not very well supplied and prices are high. There are a few apples in the market still which are going out to the local trade at \$4.506,4.5, but fancy shipping apples of such varieties as Ben Davis are held at \$5.50, and some fancy large winesaps, suitable for the stand trade, are held at \$5.00 per bld.

QUINCES—There are still a few on the market, but the movement \$5.000,3.00 per box.

Frans—A few large California pears, winter varieties, are offered at \$2.506,3.00 per box.

LEMONS—Choice Messina, \$3.506,00; fancy, \$4.000,5.00. Tangerines: Per double case, \$8.00.

Mallaga Graphs—Per bbl, \$5.000,00.

PINEAPPLES—Per dox \$3.500,00.

CHANBERRIES—Supplies arenot heavy; Jer sey, per bbl, \$1.00; Cape Cod, 512,00 fancy Cape Cod, bell and busing \$13.000,01.

Dry Goods. FLANNELS-Piald, rattsman, 30c; Goshen, 325c; Clear Lake, 325c; Maple City, 365c; white G H No. 2 23521 G H No. 2 2, 275c; B H No. 2, 2, 215c; B I No. 2, 2, 255c; Quebec, No. 1, 42c; Quebec, No. 4, 425c; Quebec, 15, No. 4, 325c; A gwan, 134c; Windsor X C, 21 In, 155c; G F, 15c; H A F, 4, 25c; J R F, 4, 275c; G, 3, 29c nt, 28"in, 8 oz. 10%: West 12%: West Point, 29 in, 12 40 in, 11 oz. 15 je.
se; Mowhawk, 10 je; Snow12c; Bee, 34.75 per case.
—Memorial, fac: Dakota,
Hercules, Be; Cottswood,
Suring field, 12 je; Rapidan,
se; Hamburg, 22 je; Neb.

- Eddystone, 644c; Steel o, 445c; St. Ledger, 545c, Vashington, 44c; Merrimac - Fountain, 54c; Garner, 7c; Blue-Net-Martha Wash-can, 6c; Arnold, 65;c; Arnold Stille A. Hisc; Merrimac, 85;c; Hamilton, 55;c; Allen Chambray, 6c; Gloucester,

ibb, S, white, 1854c; colored, n. 134; Swift River, 74c; 14c; Thorndyke, RS, 84c; 14c; Thorndyke, XX, 14c; ordis, No. 4, 10c.

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No Explanation of the Remarkable Strength in Wheat.

CORN DOES NOT FOLLOW THE MOVEMENT.

Oats in the Same Groove-Provisions Dull Early-Little or Nothing Doing in the Cattle Pit-Financial.

CHICAGO, Jan. 31.—[Special Telestam to THE BEE.]—Not since the year began has there been such a market on change as that seen in wheat this morning. The prices started is over the close last night and made a straight advance of 1'4c in the first fifteen minutes. There was some selling against calls on the way up, but from 975c to 90'se the advance was very rapid. May corn sold from 5255c to 52% at the same time. Oats sold at 4%. Provisions were more quiet, with prices little changed the first hour. It is doubtful if any one in the trade has discovered the just cause of all the strength in wheat today. There was nothing encouraging in the foreign situation. Liverpool cables were indifferent and at the close gave the market quiet and the domand well supplied. The northwest had its usual liberal daily receipts with 250 cars at Minneapolis and 35 cars at Dulum. The local weather was not inclined to make the trade feel builtish. But right here was the element of danger. Winter wheat states were moist and softwith recentrains. Wires, publicand private, from the north-west brought news of extreme cold at Winnipeg and held out the idea of a hard cold wave. This was builtsh in the outlook. The other big buil itemot the morning was the sale yesterday by a Chicago house of \$8 to 10 cars of cash No. 2 red wheat to go to New York, millers laid down all rail freight of be at \$1.11\forall per bushed. As a buil eard, this was well worked by Cudaby and others who knew of it late yesterday. Without other important news than this the market opened wild with the trade frightness. May started \$6 over last night at at \$7\forall color, the constant of the private of the robuy. The call price last high was 36\square and when that was approached there was a lot of selling against privileges. This only checked the market but did not turn it back, and on this price it moved to 20\forall color, the first three hack to 20\square for a freek that do not turn it back, and on this price it moved to 20\forall color, but the and on the raily went to 20\forall color, against it dropped back k 20\square back to 20\square color, the moved to 20\forall color, and they were builtly with a color of the price went to 20\forall color, and the price dropped back to 20\square color, then the fourth buil wave swept the market of 20\square color, and they held right of way acarly of buying with a little wheat for saic the price went to 20\square and on the raily went to 20\square color, and they held right of way acarly of buying with a little wheat for saic the price went to 20\square and on the raily went to 20\square color than the price dropped back to 20\square color color than the price at once dropped back to 20\square color color color color the colors and the price at once dropped back to 20\square color color color color color co eral daily receipts with 255 cars at Minneapo-Hs and E cars at Duluth. The local weather Bradstreet's revised figures on the available supplies of the world give 350,000,000, bushels against 418,000,000 a year ago and 408,000,000 two years ago. New York and New Orleans together reported the freight room engaged for February and March aggregating 1,000,000 bushels. Detroit reported a greatly increased demand from the millers. Every point sent bull news and nothing stopped the market but the \$1 mark, where the price was strongly held at 1 o'clock. The last half hour in wheat was the most sensational of the day. The price of May rose to \$1.00%. 3c over last night and closed at \$1,00%. January was quoted at 034c to 954c and July sales ranged from 1814c to 95%c, the closing price. On the curb May wheat privileges were \$8 % c puts, and \$1.02% for

The corn market did not share the activity of wheat. There was a fair strength all day and the price of May opened at 52%c, touched 52%c, went up to 53%c and closed at 53c. Recelpts of corn were fifty cars on the crop. or more under the estimate made yesterday cars. There was none taken from store here: shipments were 94,000 bushels. New York cleared 60,000. Four Atlantic ports cleared 152,00) bushels for the week. weather prevailing was a builtish factor in view of reducing receipts. The market was at no time excited, but had a firm tone and slightly advancing prices. The early months were quoted the up at the close at 50% for January and February. June was quoted at 2%e to 52%e to 52%e to 52%e to close; July at 52% e to 52% e to 51e to 52% e.

The trade in oats was light, perhaps, less than half a million bushels all told for the day. The market borrowed a little strength from the others and May sold at 45% c and 46% c. closing at 46 ac; June at 45 ac to 45 ac; July at 121 and up to 4ke.

There was a very dull provision trade arly. The prices were little changed and the market of itselfacted heavy. It was given out in gossip that the jump in wheat alone held the prices of products and that any reaction might be followed by a break in provisions. The bulge on wheat kept on to the close and the provision market joined in the advance. Mess pork for May moved up from \$10.15 to \$10.275@10.30 and closed at \$10.275. Lard solu

at \$5.05 up to \$5.10; Ribs \$5.15 and \$5.17\\(\frac{1}{2}\)\(\frac{ PRICES AT CHICAGO.

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July	6794	100%	87%	10096	19754
May	50	50%	50	5014	1407
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OATS-			4550		

Notes and Gossip. The Anglo company bought lard on call. Hutch bought all the July wheat he could et this mornie Receipts: Hogs, 6 points, 18,800 more than amedny last year Foreign markets very weak today in most ases, though quiet.

Strength in wheat due to big cash sales yes-erday in New York. Estimated hogs for Monday at Chicago 1,000; next week 190,000. One hundred cars cash wheat sold in New York by a Chicago firm. Estimated receipts for Monday at Chicago, wheat, 53; core, 221; oats, 168. St. Louis shipments of wheat 12,000 bushels; corn, 65,000 bushels; cats, 7,000 bushels. Gillett & Hall of Detroit report an Increas-ing demand for cash wheat from millers.

Minneapolis receipts of wheat 25; Duluth St. Public cables wheat dull, demand fully applied. Cudaby, who bought quite a line of calls last night, bought 206,000 bushels of wheat openly this morning; he got it at 984c.

Boards cable—Wheat, spot steady; limited lemand, prices unchanged. Futures weaker, tone dull, demand freely supplied. Corn weaker, tone dull, poor demand.

Receipts at Chicago: Winter wheat 9; Colorado 1; spring 46; mixed 1. Corn 251. Oats, 145. Inspected regular winter wheat none; Colorado none; spring 18; mixed none. Corn 5; oats 61.

Corn 5; oats 6.

English farmers' deliveries are certainly sarprisingly large, 101,000 quarters. They are almost up to last week's deliveries, 106,000 quarters. The average price this week is 2d near quarter lower. or quarter lower. Bradstreet says: According to statistics of Bierbohm and our own the available supply of wheat in Australia, Europe, affoat, in farmers hands, in the United States and UnitedoKingdom is 350,000,000 bushels against 10,957,000 a year ago.

19,857,000 a year ago. F.G. Logan & Co. to Toneray & Bryan—Wheat opened nominally at Way for May. The demand was large and the offerings light. This, with the reported cold wave for tomorrow, created quite a buying scramble around 9814c. The advance from this point to 904c was rapid. On the next advance \$1.00% was

reached. The market closed strong at \$1.00%. The advices from the ontside have been all in favor of better prices. Higher prices for flour, good demand for each wheat, predicted cold weather, with the winter wheat belt covered with snow, along with a sale here of 100 cars of red winter wheat for shipment to New York at \$1.113 delivered, helped along the advance. Independent of weather influences the increasing demand for cash wheat for mitting makes the market healthy. The export of wheat and flour keeps steadily ut to about 2,000,000 weekly, taking the government's estimate of 400,000,000, which has since been confined to the Cinclanati Price Curront, will soon reduce our available stocks too low for much if any lower prices on this crop. We advise buying on breaks.

W. G. McCormick & Co. to F. C. Swartz & Co.

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—Today's wheat market has been active excited and strong with trading of universal magnitude. The early feeling was firm on unfavorable weather conditions, but the chief causes of strength were in the active demand for flour and sales of 100 cars. No. 2 red. wheat for shipment to New York at a price which paid the Chicago sellers 2 cents net profit. The buying was general from all directions for both long account and to lower shorts, although St. Louis did the heaviest buying during the early part of the session. There are one or two large shorts who seems to be setting still on their very extended lines, and this fact is a severe menace to the short seller. The cash demand which seems to have sprung up is the strongest feature which appeared for a long time, and while it continues we see but little chance of a decline in values. Although firm, corn has been extremely duil, the small advance being solely due to sympathy with the strength in wheat. The cash demand is good and readily consumes the receipts at fair prices. No. 3 corn sells readily at from 4be to 50c, according to quality, and good No. 4 sold at 4sc. There is no No. 2 arriving, but cash lots in store would command about 51c. Provisions were dull and trading was entirely featureless. The receipts of logs continue so large that any advance will be accomplished with difficulty and we believe the market would have sympathized much more readily with a decline in grain than it did with today's advance.

Kennett, Hopkins & Co. to Christie-

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK.

Cuicago, Jan. 31 .- [Special Telegram to THE BEE !- CATTLE-There was little or nothing doing and not more than half of 1,000 fresh receipts were sold at the close. The outlook for Monday is not at all promising, unless the run should prove very light, as there is little or no margin for either exporters or shippers at present in the beef markets of the country. One week from Wednesday the lenten season sets in, which is always followed by more more or less of aduliseason in the meat trade. The prices were \$5.00@5.25; good to choice, \$4.50@ 4.85; medium, \$4.00@4.25; common. \$4.00@3.50; cows. \$1.50@2.75; stockers. \$4.96@2.75.

Hogs—They were active and steady. Rough and common. \$3.40@3.50; prime mixed and packers, \$4.55@3.50; prime heavy and butcher weights, \$3.65@3.70; hight, \$1.55@3.50; pigs, \$2.75@3.50

STOCKS AND BONDS.

New York, Jan. 3L-[Special Telegram to THE BEE. !- STOCKS .- There was very little change in the prices from last night in the stock list. Sugar, Atchison, Missouri Pacific, Lackawanna and a number of less active stocks closed at yesterday's last prices. There was a little animation early and what there was the half dozen stocks, among which were St. Paul, Union Pacific, Northern Pacific and Burlington were the most prominent were monopolized. The movements in the market were insignificant and irregular, the only exception being Northern Pacific, preferred, which developed a weakness again late in the hour and retired % per cent to 72%. The rest of the market was entirely devoid of feature and at it o'clock the market was dull. Durand at II o'clock the market was dull. During the succeeding hour the bank statement was given out, but had no effect, showing very little decrease in the reserves with \$4,000,00 increase in tons and \$5,700,000 in deposits for the week. The weak point in the granger group was St. Paul which lost a full point to 52% with Burlington, Northwestern, and Rock Island each & percent lower. The market closed featureless with total sales of 57,000 shares.

The following were the closing quotations:

MONEY—On call easy; closed at 3 per cent. Films Mercantile Papele—5527 per cent. Stellang Exchange—Steady; sixty-day bills, \$484); demand, \$4.86%.

Mining Shares. NEW YORK, Jan. 31.- (Special Telegram to

THE BEE.]-The foll stock quotations:	owing are the mining
Amador. 100 Aspen. 575 Best & Belcher 280 Colorado Con 109 Con. Cal & Va. 425 Enrekn. Con. 275 Hale & Norcross 140 Homestake 875	Horn Silver

The Coffee Market. New York, Jan. 31 .- [Special Telegram to THE BEE.]-COFFEE-Options opened barely steady; unchanged to 15 points down; closed steady; unchanged to 10 points down; quiet. Sales, 17.750 bags.

PRODUCE MARKET.

CHICAGO, Jan. 31.—Close—Wheat—Steady and firm; cash.56c; May. \$1.404; July, 225c. Corn—Steady; cash. 504,6504; May. 82c. Oats—Steady; cash. 445c; May. 465c. Rye—Firm at 756715c. Barley—Steady at 75676c. Fiax—Firm at 81.225 Prime Timothy—Firm at 81.2761.28. Whisky—\$1.14. Pork—Firm, cash. \$0.75; May. \$10.25. Lard—Firm; cash. \$5.7562.775; May. \$0.10. Short Ribs—Firm; cash. \$4.6064.76; May. \$0.175.

55.17%.
Piour — Steady; spring \$4.50; patents, \$4.40% 4.80; winter patents, \$4.50%4.80.
Bulk Meats—Shoulders, \$4.00%4.10; short clear, \$4.00%4.40; short ribs, \$4.50%4.65.
Butter—Unchanged; creamery, 10%236; dairy.

Harter—Unchanged; light and heavy green salted. 54,255; green. 14,245; salted buil. 44;c; green salted calf. 8c; dry flint, se; salt buil. 627c; dry calf. 863c; deacons. each. 25c. Tallow-Unchanged; No. 1, solid packed. 34c; No. 2, 3c; cake. 4c. Cheese—Unchanged; full cream cheddars. 55;210c; flats. 104,2104c; Young Americas. 104;2104c; Gile.

Recolots. Shipments.

Receipts. Shipments.

NewYork, Jan. 31.—Wheat—Receipts, 15.800 bushels; exports, 56.300 bushels; spot closed strong; No. 2 red, \$1.0021.10\fo in elevator; \$1.11\fo i, o, b.; options higher; No. 2 red, February closed at \$1.00\fo i. Corn—Receipts 11,700 bushels; exports, 56.800 bushels; spot closed stronger; No. 2, 62\fo 66\fo in elevator; 64\fo afficat; ungraded mixed, 68\fo afficat; ungraded mixed, 68\fo afficat; elevator; february, 62\cdots. Gre.
Outs—Receipts 30.000 bushels; exports, none; spot stronger; No. 2 white, Sij; mixed western, 50/254; white western, 52/1565/e; options firmer.
Sugar—Raw, nominal; refined, firm; "C," 4 15-16; yellow, 4 15-16.

Petroleum-Steady; United closed, Febru-ary, 744c, Eggs-Western, 24443244c, Fork-Firm, Liri-Closed easy; Western steam, \$5.10, Butter-Western dairy, 12519c; Urcamery, 17020c.

Cheese-Strong; light skirns, 5084.

St. Louis, Jan. 31.—Wheat-Higher; May, 200; cd.\$1.00\forall; July, 20\forall, c. May, 50\forall; Corn-Higher; cash, 48\forall; May, 50\forall; Coats-Higher; cash, 45\forall; May, 46\forall, Coats-Higher; cash, 45\forall, May, 46\forall, Coats-Higher; cash, 45\forall, c. May, 46\forall, Coats-Higher; cash, 45\forall, Coats-Higher; at \$6.5\forall, Lard-Firm at \$6.5\forall, Mhisky-Steady at \$1.14.

Butter-Unchanged; creamery, 18 \$500c; dairy, 100000.

Minneapolis. Jan. 31.—Wheat—Active and higher. Receipts 25 cars; shipments, 76 cars. Closing: No. I bard. January, 95;; on track, 955;c. No. I northern. January and February, 95c; May. 97c; on track, 945;c. No. 2 northern, January, 91c; on track, 945;69825;c.

Milwauser, Jan. 31.—Wheat—Firm; No. 1 northern, 98c; May, 94%c. Corn—Firm at 55c. Oats—Firm; No. 2 white, 46%c. Provisions—Pork, firm; May, \$10.29.

Cincinnati, Jun. 31.—Wheat—Stronger; No. 2 red, \$1.00. Corn—Stronger; No. 2 mixed, 5555314c. Oats—Steady; No. 2 mixed, 4744c. Whisky—\$1.14.

Kansas Cirv, Jan. 31. - Wheat - digner: No. 2 cash, 815c bid; May, 85c bid; No. 2 red, cash, 93c bid. Corn-Ensier; No. 2, cash. 47%@47%c; May, Oats-Steady: cash, 45c; May, 45%c bid.

Livempool, Jan. 31.—Wheat-Firm; demand fair; holders offer moderately; red western, spring, 7s 64d@7s7d per cental; red western, winter, 7s 64d.

Corn-Firm; demand fair; mixed western, 6s7d per cental.

LIVE STOCK.

CHICAGO, Jan. 31.—Cattle Receipts, 1.009; market dull; steers, choice to extra. \$4.505.25; common to medium, \$4.006.4.25; cows, \$4.505.2.75; stockers, \$4.905.2.75; stockers, \$4.905.2.75; stockers, \$4.905.2.75; market stendy; rough and common, \$4.405.3.59; prime mixed and packers, \$4.505.3.69; prime heavy and butchers' weights, \$4.635.3.70; light, \$4.505.00, Sheep-Receipts, 2.006; market slow and stendy; westerns, \$3.7064.85; Fexans, stendy; lambs, \$5.2505.00.

St. Louis, Jan 31.—Cattle—Receipts, 600 head; shipments, 600 head; market steady; fair to fancy native steers, \$1.80\(\text{2.10}\), 10; stockers and feeders, \$2.10\(\text{2.10}\), 130.
Hous-Receipts, 1,000 head; snipments, 1,000 head; market steady; heavy, \$3.50\(\text{2.10}\), 130.
mixed, \$1.10\(\text{2.130}\); light, \$1.2\(\text{2.03}\), 45.

Kansas Cirv, Jan. 31.— Cattle—Receipts, 1,500 head; shipments, 700 head; market strong and higher; steers, \$1,2365,35; cows, \$1,5062,155; stockers and feeders, \$2,5562,155.

Hogs—Receipts, 9,200 head; shipments, 8,800 head; market about steady; all grades, \$5,00 (63,69).

The Improvement Record. The following figures show the total of real estate transfers, building permits and bank clearings for the past week:

9	REAL ESTATE TRANSPERS.	
	Monday 8 Taesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday	59,600 16,907 59,20 20,38 30,726 13,94
	Total \$ BUILDING PERMITS,	209,850
1 1 0	Monday 3 Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday	7,270 4,300 1,000 2,340 1,50
	Total	17,01
	Tuesday 732 Wednesday 687 Thursday 687 Friday 684	1,338,42 1,048,73 1,149,25 1,051,82 1,581,51
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sponding week of last year,

QUEER PENSION CLAIMS.

Various Reasons for Asking for a Share of the Great Fund.

The oddity of human nature has found an apt illustration in some of the many claims for pensions that have been received under the new law, says the Washington Post. Many men have stretched their imaginations as well as their consciences in their efforts to be placed on Uncle Sam's great and growing pension roll. They allege every disease and all-ment known to the science of medicine, and then urge the claims with energetic persistency. Some of the causes alleged are as odd as they are interesting. An ex-soldier in Ohio wrote:

"I don't exactly know what disease I am suffering from, but I do know that I deserve a pension, as I am suffering the

pains of death all over my body."

Another veteran in West Virginia thinks he should receive a pension because, as he states it, during the war he fell off a thirty-foot bridge, which resulted in a general breaking up of his system." A veteran of the Fourth Wisconsin was salivated by reason of an excessive use of salt pork during his army career, and now he applies for a pension because he "got salvation in the army," as he puts it.

Under the provisions of the recently passed dependent pension law it is only necessary for a claimant to show that he is incapacitated from manual labor, whether the causes are due to army service or not, in order to have his name placed on the rolls. To show his inability to perform manual labor, the affi-davits of neighbors are necessary reciting that fact.

A veteran in Howard county, Maryland, sent the testimony of a neighbor, who no doubt meant well enough, but did not know how to express himself. The latter swore to the statement that he had known the claimant for ten years, and that "he would not work un-less he was compelled to ". The witness of course meant to say that claimant, while really unable to work by reason of his physical infirmities, was frequently compelled to attempt labor in order to sustain himself. The widow of a man who shouldered a

musket in the Pennsylvania reservest wanted a pension, and was asked if her husband was ever wounded. "O yes," she replied, "he received an axe wound in the right foot."

Being asked to explain the circumstances surrounding the wounding of her better half, she said he cut his foot while splitting wood. It was not during the war that this occurred, but in 1879, at their home in Pennsylvania. The pension attorney wanted to know what bearing such an occurrence could have upon the pension law, and the widow answered curtly:

"Well, sir, the axe he cut his foot with is the same one he brought home with him from the war. It was an army axe. A rather remarkable declaration was

made by a Michigan veteran. He stated under oath that he picked up a shell on the battlefield of the Wilderness and took it into his tent. While holding the missile between his knees examining it, the shell exploded, "badly shattering his nervous system," but miraculously causing no other injury.

An ex-cannonier of one of the regular

satteries claims that he stopped a cannon ball with his abdomen, and has since been greatly troubled with stomachic disorders. The ball, he says, was a spent one, and came bounding along, striking him squarely on the exterior of the inner man and nearly knocking him into the middle of the following week

One Gioranna, a member of the well known Garibaldi guards, recites in his application for pension that he was "probed" by a rebel bayonet at the Bull Run fight, and a Jersey cavalryman says he was "severed" by a rebel sabre at Spottsylvania court house. These are only a few of the queer causes for pension that are daily received at the dopartment. There are thousands of others equally queer.