

THE SPECULATIVE MARKETS.

Holiday Dullness was the Feature in All C'rain.

LONGS HOLD A GOOD DEAL OF WHEAT. Reports of an Approaching Cold Wave Put a Little Life into the Buying-Activity in Stocks and Bonds.

CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 23.—The wheat market opened easier than last morning and the early feeling was easy and prices were a trifle lower and later there was a turn for the better, but not time was there any animation or much strength. The weakness was the result of the holiday and the absence of demand the market showed a weak, hesitating tendency much of the time. Cables quoted the English market lower at the start and the local corn bearish. Longs had a good deal of wheat for sale, but the narrowness of the demand made selling very difficult and except a few customers, had to accumulate a good deal of wheat early, the sellers being somewhat scattered. For a number of days the price of May wheat has been about 82c and 83c. There was a report of an approaching cold wave which would be due here early in the day and as a result of this foreigners had commenced buying at the season. This put a little life into the market and early in the day prices advanced a fraction. There was some buying for a scalp on the bull side and there was an improvement of about 1/2 cent from the bottom of the market early in the morning. A few dealers in the street reported an increase in the available supply east of the Rockwell line, but a decrease on the Pacific coast of 30,000 bush. During the last hour the market sagged off somewhat, but held steady at the close.

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NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Receipts—21,074 pigs; exports, 1,974 hogs; 4,553 calves; dull and heavy sales. 1,225 hogs; 1,160 calves; 1,120 calves; 1,120 calves.

NEW YORK MONEY MARKET. Money—Easy. Rate—3 1/2% for 90-day bills; 4% for 6-month bills; 5% for 1-year bills.

NEW YORK MINING QUOTATIONS. Gold—\$194.00. Silver—\$1.50. Copper—\$13.00. Iron—\$25.00. Lead—\$10.00.

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and inactive in consequence of the coming holidays. There is a continued absence of an active demand for India. A pronounced rise in the market is the low rates of eastern exchange, which tends to lessen the number of importations from this direction.

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OMAHA Manufacturers' and Jobbers' DIRECTORY.

AWNINGS AND TENTS. Omaha Tent & Awning Co., 1117 Harney St. Bicycles, 1011 15th St.

IRON WORKS. Paxton & Vieling Iron Works, 1117 Harney St.

Country Produce. Eggs—Fresh stock is going principally at 22c per dozen.

LIQUORS. R. E. Grotto, 1011 15th St. Frick & Herberly, Wholesale Liquor Dealers, 1011 15th St.

MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS, ETC. A. Hosp, Jr., Pianos, Organos, Atlases, Materials, Etc., 1011 15th St.

Clothing. W. T. Seaman, 1117 Harney St. Gilmore & Rubl, Manufacturers of Wholesale Clothing, 1117 Harney St.

OYSTERS. Platt & Co., Oysters, Fish and Celery, 403 E. Leavenworth St., David Cook Manager.

COAL, COKE, ETC. Omaha Coal, Coke & Spores, 1117 Harney St. Hardwood coal, 50c per ton.

CONSOLIDATED TANK LINE Co., Refined and lubricating oils, kerosene, etc., 1117 Harney St.

CEMENT-LIME. Eagle Cement Works, 1117 Harney St. J. J. Johnson & Co., 1117 Harney St.

PRODUCE COMMISSION. Ribbel & Smith, Dealers in country produce, 1117 Harney St.

DRY GOODS. M. E. Smith & Co., 1117 Harney St. Kilpatrick-Koch Dry Goods Co., 1117 Harney St.

PAPER. Carpet Paper Co., King Paper Co., Wrapping paper, all kinds of papers, etc., 1117 Harney St.

ELECTRICAL SUPPLIES. Omaha Consolidated Electrical Co., 1117 Harney St. Motors, dynamos, lamps, etc.

STOVE REPAIRS. James Hughes, Omah Stove Repair, 1117 Harney St.

FURNITURE AND CARPETS. Beebe & Runyan Furniture Co., 1117 Harney St.

STEAM AND WATER SUPPLIES. U. S. Wind Engine & A. L. Strang & Sons, 1117 Harney St.

GENTS FURNISHING GOODS. Blotky & Cohen, 1117 Harney St. J. T. Robinson Notion Co., 1117 Harney St.

TAXIDERMISTS. Gilbert Bros., 1117 Harney St.

SOUTH AMERICAN AFFAIRS. More disorder in Brazil—Yellow fever spreading rapidly.

TOYS. H. Hardy Co., 1117 Harney St.

RECIPIENTS. Cattle, hogs, sheep, horses & mules. Receipts for the past three days 3,536 head.

GLASS, PAINT, OIL AND DRUGS. William Cummings, 1117 Harney St. Blake, Bruce & Co., 1117 Harney St.

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GROCERIES. D. M. Steele & Co., 1117 Harney St.

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GRAIN AND PROVISIONS. Cockrell Bros, 1117 Harney St. S. A. McWhorter, 1117 Harney St.

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HATS, ETC. W. A. L. Gibson & Co., 1117 Harney St. Hardware, 1117 Harney St.

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INDIAN DEPRECIATION CLAIMS. Persons who have lost property from Indian raids should file their claims under the Indian Depreciation Act of March 3, 1901.

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LUMBER. Charles R. Lee, John A. Wakefield, 1117 Harney St.

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