

THE SPECULATIVE MARKETS.

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CONSIDERABLE UNCERTAINTY PREVAILED.

Some Operators Who Have Been Very Fearful, Covered—Long Corn Pressure is Over for the Present.

CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 24.—Wheat displayed more strength today. Cables were steady and firm, with domestic markets tending upward and there was less disposition to sell.

The liberal engagements at New York, the rumors of the advancing cold wave and later the strong and higher cables from the continent, started shorts to cover and a detour was taken.

It is thought that it had been going one way long enough. Also with three holidays coming, with the uncertainties as to developments during the winter, shorts saw the wisdom of covering.

Some operators who have been very fearful covered. The call last night was close to the market that shorts were not to be troubled.

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NEW YORK MARKETS.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Flour—Receipts, 20,877; exports, 14,000; stock, 1,215,365.

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