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CORN OPENED AT A SLIGHT DECLINE

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CHICAGO, Ill., Jan. 18.—Everything was weaker and lower on 'change today, though there was some recovery in the final transactions.

In corn initial transactions were at a slight decline, but rallied ¼c soon afterwards on buying by some of the local crowd. Offerings then became quite free, there being little support to the market from the losses recently noted and wheat and provisions both declining, corn sympathized, selling off ¾c, rallied from ¼c to ⅛c, ruled easier and closed with from ⅛c to ¼c less. The weather both in the west and southwest was more favorable for shipping at interior points.

Compared with last night, wheat is off ⅝c, corn ⅝c, oats ¼c, pork 27½c and ribs 2½c. Lard gained 5c. Liquidation of long stuff was the order of the day, but some fresh buying came in on the decline. The liveliest rally occurred in provisions, where Cudahy and Fairbanks stretched forth their hands and lifted their specialties out of the slough.

There was some demand for wheat during the first half hour to absorb the offerings, and Bradstreet's report of a decrease of 658,000 bu. in the visible supply on both coasts also helped to steady the market. The report, however, showed 385,000 bu. increase east of the Rockies. Cables were easier. The seeming certainty that the anti-option bill will pass increased the bear sentiment and a good many longs started to unload. This increased the weakness and started fresh selling, and the buying came to a sudden halt. Ream, Walker and Wrenn, Lynn and Baldwin-Farnum were aggressive sellers. They had some slight aid in the case of Asiatic cholera reported from St. Paul. The market during the last hour turned on the generous buying of shorts to secure profits. The opening was about the same as Sunday's, ranging ¼c lower, but held firmly and prices were advanced from ⅝c to ¾c, then became weaker, and prices declined ⅛c from the highest point of the day, ruled steadier, and the closing was easy, about ⅛c from the bottom.

Oats, on increased offerings and the weakness in other grains, opened weaker and prices receded ⅜c, rallied slightly and closed quiet with a net loss of ⅛c.

Among the provision crowd the orders from the outside were mainly in the way of selling out. Several brokers who were most active in selling were supposed to be getting rid of long stuff for Armour & Co. May pork opened at $18.40 or 17½c below the price at which it closed yesterday. It dropped from 2½c to 5c on every sale until it reached $18.20 and after rallying to $18.30 it renewed the decline and kept it going until $18.00 was the recorded price. Lard and ribs were also weak, but not so pronouncedly as pork. Just at the point of extreme weakness, when everything appeared to be deserted by their friends, the Cudahys sent their brokers into the pork pit, right into the ribs crowd, where Fairbank's brokers took hold of lard and everything received a lively holst.

Estimated receipts for tomorrow: Wheat, 155 cars; corn, 165 cars; oats, 100 cars; hogs, 32,000 head.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

ARTICLES.	OPEN.	HIGH.	LOW.	CLOSE.	YEST'Y
Wheat No 2					
January..	76⅝	76⅝	75¾	76	76¾
May.....	81¾@81⅞	82⅛	81½	81⅝	81⅝@82
July.....	80⅛	80¼	79¼	79¼@79⅝	80¼
Corn No 2					
January..	43	43⅜	42⅝	42¾	43¼
February.	43¾@43⅞	44	43⅛	43⅜	43⅝@44
May.....	47⅞	48⅛	47½	47⅝	48
Oats No 2					
January..	31⅝	31⅝	31⅛	31¼	31¼
February.	32	32¼	32	32	32
May.....	35¾@36⅛	35¾	35⅛	35¼	35⅝
Mess Pork					
January..	17 90	17 95	17 60	17 90	18 10
May.....	18 40	18 40	18 00	18 27½	18 57½
Lard					
January..	10 50	10 55	10 50	10 55	10 65
May.....	10 45	10 60	10 37½	10 55	10 50
Short Ribs					
January..	9 37½	9 42½	9 30	9 40	9 40
May.....	9 45	9 50	9 35	9 47½	9 52½

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Strong; quotations unchanged.

WHEAT—No. 2 spring, 76c; No. 3 spring, 63c; No. 2 red, 76c.

CORN—Steady; No. 2, 43c; No. 3 cash, 39½c; No. 3 yellow, 42@42½c.

OATS—No. 2, 31½@31⅝; No. 2 white, f. o. b., 36@36½c; No. 3 white, f. o. b., 33½@36c.

RYE—No. 2, 55c.

BARLEY—No. 2, 65c; No. 3, f. o. b., 45@62c; No. 4, f. o. b., 38@48c.

FLAXSEED—No. 1, $1.14½.

TIMOTHY SEED—Prime, $1.96.

PORK—Mess, per bbl., $17.00@17.12½; lard, per 100 lbs., $10.55; short ribs sides (loose), $9.45@9.55; dry salted shoulders (boxed), $9.87½@10.00; short clear sides (boxed), $10.20@10.30.

WHISKY—Distillers' finished goods, per gal., $1.35.

SUGARS—Unchanged.

The following were the receipts and shipments for today:

Articles.	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls	21,000	10,000
Wheat, bu.....	22,000	13,000
Corn, bu.....	112,000	72,000
Oats, bu.....	230,000	169,000
Rye, bu.....	8,000	3,000
Barley, bu.....	36,000	29,000

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was steady; creamery, 23@33c; dairy, 21@30c. Eggs, quiet and easier; 30@31c.

New York Markets.

NEW YORK, Jan. 18.—FLOUR—Receipts, 17,900 pkgs.; exports, 3,300 bbls., 12,300 sacks; dull, buyers holding off on the break in wheat; market steady; sales, 13,200 bbls.

CORN MEAL—Dull, steady.

WHEAT—Receipts, 3,100 bu.; exports, 56,800 bu.; sales, 3,395,000 bu. futures, 96,000 bu. spot. Spots moderately active, easier with options; No. 2 red, 80¼@80¾c in store and elevator, 81@81¼c afloat, 80½@82¾c f. o. b.; No. 1 northern, 84½@84¾c; No. 1 hard, 89¼@89¾c; No. 2 northern, 82¼@82½c; No. 3 spring, 78¾c. Options opened steady at a decline of ⅛@¼c on selling, reacted ¼@⅜c on a decrease on the Pacific coast and short coverings, declined ⅝@¾c on weaker cables and unloading here and at the west, and closing steady at ⅝@¾c under yesterday; No. 2 red, February, 80@80¾c, closing at 80¼c; May, 83 7-16@84¼c, closing at 83¼c; July, 84 9-16@85½c, closing at 84¾c.

BARLEY—Quiet, firm; western, 60@80c.

BARLEY MALT—Dull; western, 70@82c.

CORN—Receipts, 6,400 bu.; exports, 101,600 bu.; sales, 780,000 bu. futures, 280,000 bu. spot. Spots dull, lower; No. 2, 52¼@52⅝c in elevator, 53¼@53¾c afloat; No. 3, 53c; steamer mixed, 52¾@52¾c. Options were moderately active, weak and ⅝c lower, as following wheat and the west. February, 52¾@53¼c.

OATS—Receipts, 47,250 bu.; exports, 7,990 bu.; sales, 45,000 bu. futures, 59,000 bu. spot. Spot dull and easier; options dull, lower and weak; February, 39@39¼c, closing at 39c; May, 39⅝@34¾c, closing at 39⅝c. Spot, No. 2 white, 43c; mixed and western, 39@40½c; white 41½@46½c; No. 2 Chicago, 40c.

HAY—Quiet, steady.

HOPS—Moderate demand; steady.

SUGAR—Raw, firm, dull; refined, quiet, steady.

MOLASSES—New Orleans, steady and in fair demand.

EGGS—Fresh, less active and rather easy; western best, 30c. Receipts, 1,515 packages.

HIDES—Quiet but steady

PORK—Quiet and easier; old mess, $17.50@17.75; new mess, $18.25@18.50. Cut meats, inactive and strong; middles, quiet and nominal. Lard, weak, closed firm; western steam closed at $11.05; sales, 350 tierces at $11.05@11.10; options sales, 250 tierces; January, $11.00; May, $10.70, closing at $10.90.

BUTTER—Quiet but firm; western dairy, 18@25c; western creamery, 24@35c; Elgin, 34½@35c.

CHEESE—In good demand.

PIG IRON—Dull; American, $12.75@15.50.

COPPER—Quiet but firm; lake, $12.25.

LEAD—Dull; domestic, $3.85.

TIN—Strong; straits, $20.20; plates dull but steady.

Omaha Produce Market.

The general situation in the local produce market has not altered materially during the past twenty-hour hours. Arrivals of all kinds of produce continue very light and receipts meet with prompt sale. The chief interest is apparently settled in the egg market. It will be noted that hay is selling lower. Oysters have made a still further advance at the points of supply.

APPLES—Stocks are held at $3.50@4.00 for fair to choice stock.

BANANAS—Quoted at $2.00@2.50 per bunch.

BEANS—Choice navy, $2.00@2.15.

BUTTER—The arrivals are light, and the market holds right up to former prices. Good roll goes at 16@17c, and select at 19@20c.

CRANBERRIES—Advices from eastern points indicate very light stocks and a tendency on the part of prices to advance. Bell and cherry, $8.50@9.00; bell and bugle, $10.00@10.50; Jersey Cape Cod, $9.50@10.00.

CELERY—Steady at 35@40c.

EGGS—The price remains the same as quoted yesterday, that is 32c to 33c. The receipts show some little increase owing to the efforts of dealers to bring them in. Shipments have arrived from points that seldom ship to this market. Some eastern shippers have turned their shipments in this direction owing to the high prices and the fact that this market can be reached with less risk during the extremely cold weather than the far eastern markets. Still the receipts are very light and no where large enough to weaken the market.

FRESH VEGETABLES—Top onions, 20@25c per dozen bunches; lettuce, 40@45c; radishes, 45@50c.

GAME—Small rabbits, 75c; jacks, $1.50.

HAY—The market is oversupplied and the best is selling at $6.00@6.50. There were sixty-four cars in on the Elkhorn alone. It would appear to be good policy to hold back shipments for a few days until the surplus is cleared up.

HIDES—No. 1 salted, 4½c; No. 2, 3½c; flint, 6c.

HONEY—Good white clover, 19@20c.

LEMONS—$4.00@4.50.

MALAGA GRAPES—Unchanged at $9.00 per keg.

NUTS—Large hickory nuts, $1.65; black walnuts, $1.25.

ONIONS—Home grown, $1.00 per bushel; Spanish, per crate, $1.90@2.00.

ORANGES—Brights, medium sizes, $3.25 for single case lots, and $3.00 for lots of five to ten cases; russets are 25c per case cheaper. A discount of 25c on the box is also made for extra large or small sizes. California navals, $4.25; Mexican, $5.50.

OYSTERS—It begins to look as if the supply of oysters would give out almost entirely. A telegram from Baltimore says: Standards, $1.75; selects, $2.00; quantity limited at that. This is an advance of 25c per gallon over former quotations. New York wired in answer to an order from a local house: Frozen up; no stock today; will ship as soon as possible. This will give a pretty good idea of the situation at eastern points of supply. Omaha dealers still have some stock, but are inclined to be very saving of it. As a rule they are only shipping about half of the orders. If a customer orders five gallons he only gets two or three. It is probable that for a while the shipment of thicks will be discontinued and only cans sent out.

POULTRY—The market is practically unchanged. Chickens, 9@10c; geese and ducks, 10@11c; turkeys, 13c. Some live poultry is arriving, but the dressed is preferred and the lives are only taken when no other is to be had.

POTATOES—Only small lots moving from store. Western Nebraska stock is quoted at 85c; Utah and Colorado, 90c@$1.00; choice native, 75@80c.

SWEET POTATOES—There are a few in the market which are selling at $4.50.

VEAL—Veal calves, choice, 7c; large and thin, 3@5c. A large and thin veal calf is about the hardest thing on the market to dispose of.

PRODUCE POINTERS.

Keep your hay at home until the market has an opportunity to recover.

Onions are so scarce and high that only the wealthy can afford the luxury of an onion breath.

It is said that there are 200 cars of potatoes on side tracks in Chicago that cannot be unloaded until the weather moderates.

The manipulators of the egg market, says the Chicago Herald, are just at present waiting for developments. They anticipate that the trade will, in view of the high prices of all other food staples, soon become accustomed to the advance and buy more freely. Receipts from the interior do not increase as much as was expected in view of the rise.

The orange men of Riverside have formed a combination for the maintaining of prices, and they are maintaining them so well that buyers here do not appear very anxious to handle stock from that source. Last year Riverside shipped the poorest oranges that came to this market, the majority of them being frosted, and now, after killing their trade, they form a combination to keep prices out of sight. Laid down in this market Riversides, at the prices that they are asking for them, cost more than Florida oranges, when they should be 25@50c under Floridas.

It would look as if there were a splendid investment awaiting some capitalist in Omaha. The produce commission men have for a long time been discussing the desirability of securing some large central where they could all rent store rooms for their business and thus by congregating together, make more of a produce market. The great trouble has been that there was no such block to be had. They do not require a central location, a back street being just as good for their purpose as any other. Nor do they want an expensive building. One-story brick buildings, or at most, two stories with a good basement, is all that the business requires. Parties desiring a safe investment could not find anything better. They could contract with the commission men to occupy the block for a long time, and for the size of the investment they could secure a good ret tal.

The New York Trade Bulletin says of the egg market: The stock of held fresh, ice house and limed eggs is rapidly disappearing, and it is only a question of a short time now when the entire country will have to depend upon the daily production for their supplies, and with the extreme cold weather prevailing, which keeps the hens from laying, it is becoming a serious question what the trade will do for eggs in the near future. The market, however, is on very dangerous ground. The present extreme prices have cut the demand down to the lowest possible limits, and it certainly looks now as if prices would have to go still higher. The demand will be limited to such small lots as are urgently needed, and no matter how fast prices advance they will be apt to decline more rapidly and more suddenly and some are bound to suffer serious losses, and western operators cannot pursue a too cautious policy.

Eggs are now selling in this market higher than they have for a good many years. Last year at this time they sold at 22@23c, and continued at about that price until the last of February, when there was an upward tendency, ending in a sharp bulge. On February 5 eggs touched 30c, but for one day only, and then followed a rapid decline. Four days later they sold at 18c, and by the middle of the month were down to 16c. The downward course was continued until March, when 11½c was the price. A good many of the eggs that were shipped in last year on a 28@30c quotation sold on arrival at 18c. The advance last year was due to a very different cause from that now affecting the market. At the time of the bulge the country was full of eggs, but the weather coming off warm, left the country roads in such bad shape that the farmers could not get into market with their eggs, and the temporary scarcity thus produced brought about the bulge in prices. With the improvement of the roads the eggs poured in from every direction and the market went all to pieces.

BUSINESS BRIEFS.

J. Maywood has bought out A. A. Crandall at Cozad.

Mrs. E. L. Lee's millinery stock at Ord was damaged by fire.

M. Terkelson, in the retail cigar business in Omaha, is closing out.

W. A. Forsythe, general merchandise at Loomis, will discontinue.

F. W. Smith, a Beatrice commission merchant, has discontinued business.

C. F. Johnson's racket store at Plattsmouth has fallen into the hands of the sheriff.

Avondet & Keiser, Omaha tailors, have dissolved, Mr. Keiser continuing the business.

Borowiack Bros., grocers at Columbus, have dissolved, J. P. Borowiack continuing the business.

Senator Paddock is the authority for the statement that Tootle, Hosea & Co., the St. Joseph wholesale dry goods people, are negotiating for a building for the purpose of opening up a large dry goods house in this city.

CRAIG, Neb., Jan. 18.—[Special to THE BEE.] —V. C. Kerr has sold his interest in the hardware store to his partner, H. Jeyn. Clark & Sensinig have sold their drug stock to Corbin & Hanson. E. G. Martin has sold his grocery store to Martin & Martin. J. C. Martin has sold his interest in lumber and implements to McLaughlin & McConn.

J. W. Dean, formerly in the grain brokerage business in this city, but more recently of Kansas City, has made arrangements to open up an office in the exchange room of the Board of Trade building. The members of the board for some time have been complaining that there were no markets to be had at the board rooms and that there was nothing to attract business men there. The question of securing the markets for the board was seriously discussed some months ago, but nothing was done as it was the opinion that the expense would be more than the board would be justified in meeting. The president of the board yesterday signed an agreement with Mr. Dean allowing him to put a desk in a corner of the exchange room and carry on a grain brokerage business. In return Mr. Dean will pay the board $100 per month and furnish a continuous market report from the leading grain and provision markets of the country. The markets will be posted on the board where all visitors can have access to them at any time.

St. Louis Markets.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Jan. 18.—FLOUR—Unchanged; choice, $2.25@2.35; extra fancy, $3.15@3.25; patent, $3.45@3.60.

WHEAT—½c below yesterday; cash, 69¼c; May, 55½@55⅝c; July, 76¼c.

CORN—Cash lower, 38¾c; options about as yesterday; March, 40¼c; July, 44¼c.

OATS—Lower; cash, 32c; May, 34¾c.

RYE—Held at 60c.

BARLEY—Nothing done.

BUTTER—Unchanged; creamery, 25@31c; dairy, 18@27c.

EGGS—Higher at 30c.

PORK—Old, $18.00; new, $19.00; lard, $10.60.

RECEIPTS—Flour, 5,000 bbls.; wheat, 28,000 bu.; corn, 107,000 bu.; oats, 20,000 bu.; rye and barley none.

SHIPMENTS—Flour, 4,000 bbls.; wheat, 32,000 bu.; corn, 73,000 bu.; oats, 9,000 bu.; rye, 3,000 bu.; barley, 1,000 bu.

Coffee Market.

NEW YORK, Jan. 18.—Options opened firm and unchanged to 10 points up; closed steady at 5@15 points up. Sales 41,250 bags, including January, $16.55@16.65; February, $14.45; March, $16.25@16.30; April, $16.15@16.20; May, $16.10@16.20; September, $16.15@16.20; December, $16.10@16.15. Spot Rio firm; No. 7, $17.25.

New York Dry Goods Market.

NEW YORK, Jan. 18.—There were evidences of increasing interest in dry goods through the presence of buyers in the market, although no marked progress has yet been reached as regards actual transactions for the future account. Everything is looking favorable. The condition of the market as a whole keeps about where it was a month ago with stocks moderate and prices firm.

Oil Market.

NEW YORK, Jan. 18.—PETROLEUM—There was no change to be noted in the certificate market to be noted today, dullness and stagnation being the only features. Certificates were entirely neglected at the stock exchange again, while at the consolidated board only 6,000 bbls. were dealt in at 53¾c, closing at that bid.

TALLOW—Light supply; strong; city, $2.00 for pkgs.; 6¼c; nominal.

ROSIN—Dull but steady.

TURPENTINE—Quiet but firm at 34@34½c.

COTTON SEED OIL—Quiet and easy; crude, 42c; yellow, 46½@47c.

LONDON, Jan. 18.—TURPENTINE SPIRITS—23s 1½d per cwt.

Kansas City Markets.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Jan. 18.—WHEAT—Lower and fairly active; No. 2 hard, 67c; No. 2 soft, 72c.

CORN—Lower; No. 2 mixed, 35½c; No. 2 white, 36@36½c.

OATS—Weaker; No. 2, 30¼@31c; No. 2 white, 31¾@32c.

EGGS—Active, firm; 27½@28c.

BUTTER—Light demand, dull and unchanged; creamery, 25@26c; dairy, 17@20c.

RECEIPTS—Wheat, 77,000 bu.; corn, 14,000 bu.; oats, 1,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Wheat, 85,000 bu.; corn, 10,000 bu.; oats, 3,000 bu.

Liverpool Markets.

LIVERPOOL, Jan. 18.—WHEAT—Firm, demand fair; holders offer moderately. No. 1 California, 6s 4½d@6s 5¼d per cental; red western, spring, 6s 1½d@6s 2½d; No 2 red, 5s 11d@6s.

CORN—Firm, demand fair; mixed western, 4s 8d per cental for old.

LARD—Prime western, 54s per cwt.

Milwaukee Grain Markets.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Jan. 18.—WHEAT—Steady; May, 72¾c; No. 2 spring, 68c.

CORN—Steady; No. 3, 42c.

OATS—Steady; No. 2 white, 36c; No. 3 white, 34½@35c.

BARLEY—64½c.

RYE—63c.

Cotton Market.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Jan. 18.—Steady; middling, 9 5-16c; low middling, 8 15-16c; good ordinary, 8 7-16c; net receipts, 5,916; gross, 5,961; exports, coastwise, 2,364; sales, 9,000; stock, 358,069 bales.

Traders' Talk.

CHICAGO, Ill., Jan. 18.—Counselman & Day to Cockrell Bros. Commission company: The grain markets all took a weak turn, owing to liquidation influenced by lower cables, receipts larger than the estimates, small clearances and more favorable weather. There was a marked absence of new outside orders, owing to the predicted early passage of the anti-option bill, and to this cause the 5c decline in wheat was due. Corn was strong all day on heavy buying by New York. The fluctuations followed wheat slightly. Considerable short interest in wheat and corn has accumulated during the week, and both are ready for a sharp rally when the current of sentiment changes. Provisions declined sharply on orders and liquidation by commission houses. May pork touched $18.00 three times, but rallied on local shorts covering. Lard was featureless. Ribs declined 17½c and recovered 12c on some packers covering short sales for a turn. We think on any good rally hog stuff is a sale.

CHICAGO, Ill., Jan. 18.—F. G. Logan & C. to Duncan, Hollinger & Co.: The wheat market opened weak this morning at 81⅝c, sold up to 82½c, as low as 81⅛c and closed at 81⅞c. We still have to state that quick profits are on the buying side if bought on declines and under 80c. All weather contingencies are in favor of higher prices. There has been considerable liquidation on the decline from 83c to 81⅛c, much of it on stop orders. We are at a loss to make up our minds what effect a good January thaw will have should it occur. We incline to think it would influence prices downward. On the other hand should the extreme cold weather continue it will assist an advance. Foreign political complications with the different European governments will bring an active speculation in wheat at the present value. We do not look for any serious difficulty with Egypt and Britain, still it is on the cards. Foreign cables are steady. Fluctuations in corn have been in sympathy with wheat. The business done was not heavy. For the first time in some weeks there is the promise of increased receipts. This means lower prices if correct. The cash demand is lower at about the prices of yesterday. There is no feature in oats. The business in them is light. Hog product has been weak on fair selling by packers, with few buyers outside of the local professional shorts. Better receipts of hogs are promised and with this long price is unsafe.

CHICAGO, Ill., Jan. 18.—Kennett, Hopkins & Co. to S. A. McWhorter: The most potent factor in today's market has been the fear of the anti-option bill, many traders not having noticed the fact that the vote on it had been postponed until next Tuesday. The result was free selling by parties who have been tailing onto operations of alleged clique. Early selling of wheat was quite heavy but we can see nothing to show that much of it was done for the account of the most prominent longs. The Bradstreets showed a net decrease of 648,000 bushels, but this had no effect on the market. Before the close the market showed little reaction from the break, and we noted some good buying that we think to be for long account. Corn and oats opened quiet and firm, but sold off in sympathy with wheat.

There was good selling by the receiving houses, and the weakness encouraged some selling by bears, who covered their shorts on the bulge of Monday and today. The general trading was not large and presented no noteworthy features. Provisions have been active. The country has been a large buyer, even in the face of the sharp decline.

STOCKS AND BONDS.

Trading in the Street Yesterday Was Again Full of Confidence.

NEW YORK, Jan. 18.—Notwithstanding the slight setback given to the stock market yesterday by the liberal realizing and the operations of the bearish traders the street today was again full of confidence. Even in the threatened outgo of gold on Saturday the increase in the note issue of the Bank of France is expected to facilitate the movement of gold to that center, and the scarcity of commercial bills here preserves a stiffness in exchange rates which keeps the market up to the exporting point, or nearly so, all the time. To offset these influences there is a remarkably easy money market, with practical assurance of its continuance for a long time to come, and rates are already down to an extremely low figure, call loans being effected today at 2½ per cent, while the feeling that gold shipments are imminent, prevents a further decline. A light demand exists, modified somewhat by the activity in Wall street, but lenders are now seeking customers. The stock of silver at New York held on certificates, has been reduced to less than 700,000 ounces, the offerings to the government are small and the price of the commodity shows decided strength.

The stock market today paid little attention to adverse influences and the course of prices, with some few interruptions and exceptions, was almost steadily upward throughout the session. The bullish feeling was again pronounced at the opening, when prices were from ⅛ to ⅜ per cent higher than those of last night, London being a buyer of those specialties sold so freely yesterday, and the hopes was indulged that those sales will not make any exchange. The features in the early part of the day were Manhattan and Sugar for strength and Distillers and New England for weakness, but everything failed to remain for any great length of time, and the former, on good inside buying, scored a final gain of 1 per cent.

The enjoining of the registration of the new issue of $2,000,000 bonds by the New England was made the basis of an attack upon it which forced it off 1¼ per cent, but renewed talk of a possible contest for control between Messrs. Parsons and McLeod stiffened it up somewhat and most of the loss was regained. The operations among the industrials were again prominent for the decided support given and, while Sugar was strong throughout, closing with a final gain of 2⅜ per cent, Cordage became a special feature very late in the day, but was lifted 3¾ per cent. Manhattan, under the stimulus of the reported new privileges to be granted again, fluctuated rapidly, rising 3 per cent, but finally reacted from its lowest point and was maintained upon a considerably higher level than that of last night, its final gain being only 1 per cent. Hocking Coal recovered a portion of its loss and New York & Northern preferred continued to advance. Among railroad stocks there was great strength in Louisville & Nashville on purchases by London, and in Northern Pacific preferred, which was bid up on the covering operations of a prominent room operator. Their gains were from 1⅞ per cent to 1¾ per cent respectively. The effect of the threatened outgo of gold was only to restrict trading in the general list, and even the effect disappeared as soon as the temper of the street made itself felt. The opening advances were adhered to but slowly until late in the day, when the upward movement became more pronounced and everything moved forward, the close being at the best prices of the day.

The Post's financial writer says: London interest today centered in the grangers, the advance in St. Paul being on account of foreign buying. London is inclined to put emphasis on the news from Washington, particularly as regards the possibility of the passage of the bill legalizing railroad pooling. Such a bill it is said would help the granger roads most of all. The reports from London showing a more buoyant feeling and that the activity was slowly spreading to the public were well received. Wall street has resolved that the outlook for some legislation about the Sherman act is fair and that the general opinion of the country is favorable to the soundness of all things American. The influence upon the market of the probability of long continued ease in money is not to be overlooked. Whether we call it inflation or lack of confidence in investments not well known the effect of an overplus of idle currency is toward higher prices, an effect to be checked it may be by large exports of gold whenever such occur.

The following are the closing quotations of the leading stocks on the New York Stock exchange today:

Atchison.....	25¾	Northern Pacific....	17¾
Adams Express.....	136	do preferred....	48½
Alton, T. H.....	35½	U. P. Den. & Gulf...	17¾
do preferred.....	100	Northwestern.....	113½
American Express..	118	do preferred	145
Baltimore & Ohio...	86⅝	N. Y. Central.....	109¾
Canada Pacific.....	68¾	N. Y. & N. E.....	30⅜
Canada Southern....	57½	Ontario & Western.	19
Central Pacific.....	37⅜	Oregon Imp.....	18¼
Ches. & Ohio	22⅜	Oregon Nav.....	91
Chicago Alton.....	140	Ore. S. L. & U. N....	23¾
C. B. & Q.....	102¼	Pacific Mail.....	37
Chicago Gas.....	89¾	Peoria, Dec. & E....	17
Consolidated Gas...	128¾	Pittsburg	156
C. C. C. & St. L....	59	Pullman Palace....	199
Cotton Oil Cert.....	40¾	Reading	52⅝
Del. Hudson.....	135¾	Richmond Terminal	9¾
D. L. & W.....	154¾	do preferred.....	36
D. & R. G. pfd.....	30¾	Rio Grande W.....	23
D. & C. F. Co.....	57¼	do preferred.....	61
Fast Tenn.....	3½	Rock Island.....	87⅝
Erie.....	25¾	St. L. & S. F. 1st pfd	75
do preferred.....	59	St. Paul.....	80¾
Fort Wayne.....	155	do preferred.....	124
Gt. Northern pfd..	129¾	St. Paul & Omaha....	51
C. & E. I. pfd.....	101	do preferred.....	119¾
Hocking Valley....	38¾	Southern Pacific....	24
Illinois Central....	101¾	Sugar Refinery.....	128
St. Paul & Duluth..	47½	Tenn. Coal & Iron...	36¾
Kan. & Tex pfd.....	27½	Texas Pacific.....	10¾
Lake Erie & West..	25⅜	Tol. & O. Cent. 1 fd.	78¾
do preferred.....	81¾	Union Pacific.....	41¾
Lake Shore.....	130¾	U. S. Express.....	61
Lead Trust.....	49	W. St. L. & P.....	11⅜
Louis. & Nash.....	73	do preferred.....	35½
Louis. & New Alb'y.	26	Wells Fargo Exp....	145
Manhattan Con.....	117	Western Union....	86¾
Memphis & C.....	50	Wheeling & L. E....	23
Michigan Central...	105	do preferred.....	64
Missouri Pacific....	59	Minn & St. L.....	17½
Mobile & Ohio.....	34	D. & R. G.....	17⅛
Nashville Chatt.	81	Gen. Electric.....	113¾
National Cordage....	41⅜	National Linseed....	39
do preferred	112¾	C. Fuel & Iron.....	62¼
N. J. Central.....	131¼	do pre erred.....	105
Norfolk & W. pfd..	37⅝	Hous. & Tex. Cen....	5⅝
North American Co	11¾		

* ex-div.

The total sales of stocks today were 365,000 shares, including Chicago Gas, 8,300; Lackawanna, 3,800; Denver & Rio Grande preferred, 6,700; Distilling, 61,300; Lake Erie & Western, 4,200; Lake Erie & Western preferred, 4,200; Louisville & Nashville, 7,900; Manhattan, 12,500; New England, 14,600; Northern Pacific preferred, 28,800; Reading, 45,200; Richmond & West Point, 3,800; Rock Island, 4,400; St. Paul, 8,500; Sugar, 57,000; Union Pacific, 6,900; Western Union, 5,400.

London Financial Review.

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LONDON, Jan. 18.—[New York Herald Cable—Special to THE BEE.]—The stock markets close with a better tendency all 'round and during the last hour business in several directions has shown more animation. Funds are unaltered, while Indian rupee paper is a trifle higher. Foreign government securities are tolerably firm; after having been depressed; more steadiness was reported in some parts of the bourse. Home railways opened dull and became gradually lower, but in the course of the afternoon a distinct turn for the better took place, and the closing is firm. The market for Americans presented quite an animated appearance during the latter part of the afternoon, New York becoming strong, with the result that a decided firmness prevailed at the close in Denver preference. Louisville & Nashville was in active request and closed about 1 per cent higher. Missouri, Kansas & Texas, Ohio & Mississippi and Chicago & Milwaukee improved ¼ per cent, Philadelphia & Reading improved ⅛, per cent and most others all but recovered the early decline. Canadian lines were also bid for at the close. Canadian Pacific and Grand Trunk issues turned into the advance from ⅛ per cent to ¾ per cent. There was scarcely any inquiry for money. Short loans have freely offered at ½ per cent to ¾ per cent. The discount market was also quiet; two and three months' bills were quoted at 1⅛ per cent.

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, Jan. 18.—MONEY ON CALL—Easy at 2 to 3 per cent, last loan 3½, closing offered at 2½ per cent.

PRIME MERCANTILE PAPER—6@6½ per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Quiet but firm, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.86 for 60 days and $4.87¾ for demand.

GOVERNMENT BONDS—Dull and steady. State bonds neglected.

The closing quotations on bonds:

U. S. 4s reg.....	115½	Northern Pac. 2nds	113
U. S. 4s coup	115¾	N. W. Consols	137
U. S. 4½s reg	107	do Deb. 5s.....	108
Pacific 6s of '95..	105	S. L. & I. M. Gen. 5s	90
Louisiana st'pd 4s	97	S. L. & S. S. Gen. M.	106½
Tenn. new set 6s...	102	St. Paul Consols...	126¾
Tenn. new set 5s...	101	St. P. C. & P. 1sts...	110½
Tenn. new set 3s...	74½	St. P. C. & P. 2nds.	120
Canada So. 2nds...	102¾	T. P. R. G. Tr. Rets.	28¾
Cen. Pacific 1sts...	104⅝	Union Pacific 1sts..	105¾
D. & R. G. 1sts.....	113¾	West Shore.....	102¼
D. & R. G. 4s.....	87	R. G. W. 1sts.....	76¾
Erie 2nds	102⅜	Atch. 4s.....	94⅝
M. K. & T. Gen. 6s..	82⅜	Atch. 2½s, class A..	57
M. K. & T. Gen. 5s..	52⅝	G. H. & S. A. west 6s	97
Mutual Union 6s....	113	G. H. & S. A. 5s....	104
N. J. C. Int. Cert...	110¾	H. & T. C. 5s.....	105¾
Northern Pac. 1sts.	110	H. & T. C. Cons. 6s.	103

Boston Stock Quotations.

BOSTON, Mass., Jan. 18.—Call loans, 4@5 per cent; time loans, 4@4½ per cent. The following are the closing stock quotations:

Atchison & Topeka..	25⅝	Boston & Mont.....	338½
Boston & Albany...	213½	Calumet & Hecla...	31
Boston & Maine.....	169	Franklin	3
C., B. & Q.....	102¾	Kearsage.....	11⅝
Eastern R. R. 5s ...	119½	Osceola.....	35¾
Fitchburg R. R.....	89¾	Quincy.....	138
F. & P. M. pfd.....	6	Santa Fe Copper....	6
Kan. C. St. & C. 5s.	120	Tamarack.....	150
Little Rock & Ft. S..	93	Anniston Land Co..	22
Mass. Central.....	23	Boston Land Co....	5¼
Mex. Ten. com.....	18	San Diego Land Co..	17
N. Y. & N. England.	59¾	West End Land Co..	17¼
do 7s	120½	Bell Telephone.....	210
Old Colony	190¾	Water Power.....	2¼
Wis. Central com...	15	C. M.....	7¾
Allouez M. Co. (new)	90	B. & B. Copper.....	10¾
*Atlantic.....	10¾	Gen. El.....	113¾

*Bid.

San Francisco Mining Stocks.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Jan. 18.—The official closing quotations for mining stocks today were as follows:

Alta.....	20	Mono.....	15
Bulwer.....	15	Ophir.....	150
Belcher.....	110	Potosi.....	175
Best & Belcher.....	125	Savage.....	95
Bodie Consolidated	20	Sierra Nevada.....	140
Challar.....	50	Union Con.....	105
Con. Cal. & Va.....	250	Utah.....	15
Crown Point.....	40	Yellow Jacket.....	70
Gould & Curry.....	80	N. Q.....	5
Hale & Norcross....	75	N. B. & I.....	10
Mexican.....	145		

New York Mining Quotations.

NEW YORK, Jan. 18.—The following are the closing mining quotations:

Crown Point.....	40	Plymouth.....	65
Con. Cal. and Va....	250	Sierra Nevada.....	120
Deadwood.....	120	Standard	145
Gould and Curry....	80	Union Con.....	110
Hale and Norcross..	85	Yellow Jacket	60
Homestake.....