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Wheat Advanced One Cent on Reports of a Bond Issue.

IT HAD PREVIOUSLY SUFFERED A DECLINE

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CHICAGO, Jan. 15.—On a report that the secretary of the treasury had concluded to issue $75,000,000 in bonds wheat advanced 1c today. It had previously suffered a marked decline, however, on big Indian shipments, lower cables, liberal receipts and the increased visible supply, and closing prices were unchanged from Saturday's close. May corn is ¼c lower, May oats ⅜c lower and provisions slightly higher all around.

Wheat started out weak, with May ¼c lower at 65c, and continued downward, reaching 64½c. The decline was caused by lower cables, liberal shipments from India and only a small decrease in the quantity of wheat and flour on ocean passage. Besides the visible supply report postings indicated that there would be an increase, while operators had calculated upon a decrease, and liberal receipts were reported from the northwest. But a good demand developed shorts became anxious to cover and a rapid advance followed. Besides the report about a bond issue there was also a report that the crop of the Argentine had almost been ruined with drouth. The buying as prices advanced was liberal and May closed but ¼c from the top figures of the day.

Corn received a good deal of attention early, but later the market was in a weak condition and the closing was very weak. Operations were almost exclusively local, one of the principal features being the unloading of a large long lot held by Captain Phillips, estimated at 1,000,000 bu. This and the free movement, the large increase in the visible supply and general decline in all the surrounding pits, created a great selling pressure. The cash market was dull and heavy. The report of an Argentine drouth caused a reaction, and May closed midway between the top and bottom figures of the day.

In oats the free selling by longs early, combined with the decline in other grains, caused weakness, but better buying and the advance in wheat produced a reaction later, and the close was steady, with May midway between the top and bottom figures of the session.

Provisions opened weak and lower on arrival of live hogs largely in excess of the estimates, but on light offerings there was an improvement, which was also contributed to by the support accorded to the market by Armour & Co. The feature of the day was the purchase of 1,000,000 lbs. of May ribs by a prominent commission house and this imparted renewed strength, with the closing near the outside prices of the day. Compared with last night May pork is 12½c higher, May lard 5c higher and May ribs 5c higher.

Estimated receipts for tomorrow: Wheat, 191 cars; corn, 820 cars; oats, 281 cars; hogs, 31,000 head.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
WHEAT—				
Jan.....	60	60¼	59¼	60¼
May.....	65@65⅛	65⅝	64¼	65⅛
July.....	66¼@⅜	66⅝	65⅝	66⅛
CORN—				
Jan.....	34⅛	34⅜	34⅛	34⅜
Feb.....	34⅞	34⅞	34⅝	34⅝
May.....	37⅜@⅝	37⅝@⅝	37½	37⅝
OATS—				
Jan.....	26⅛	26⅛	26⅛	26⅛
May.....	29⅛	29⅛	29⅛	29⅛
July.....	28⅛	28⅛	28	28⅛
MESS PORK—				
Jan.....	.....	.....	.....	13 37½
May.....	13 20	13 55	13 20	13 50
LARD—				
Jan.....	8 00	8 12½	8 00	8 10
Feb.....	7 85	7 90	7 85	7 90
May.....	7 70	7 80	7 65	7 80
SHORT RIBS—				
Jan.....	.....	.....	.....	6 72½
Feb.....	.....	.....	.....	6 72½
May.....	6 65	6 87½	6 65	6 85

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Weak and unchanged.

WHEAT—No. 2 spring, 60¼c; No. 3 spring, 60@60½c; No. 2 red, 60¼c.

CORN—No. 2, 34¾c.

OATS—No. 2, 27c; No. 2 white, 27¾@28¼c; No. 3 white, 27@28c.

RYE—No. 2, 44c.

BARLEY—No. 2, nominal; No. 3, 42@53c; No. 4, 40@42c.

FLAX SEED—No. 1, $1.36¼.

TIMOTHY SEED—Prime, $4.15.

PORK—Mess, per bbl., $13.37½@13.40; lard, per 100 lbs., $8.15; short ribs sides (loose), $6.72½@6.77½; dry salted shoulders (boxed), $6.25@6.50; short clear sides (boxed), $7.00@7.50.

WHISKY—Distillers' finished goods, per gal., $1.15.

The following were the receipts and shipments for today:

ARTICLES.	RECEIPTS.	SHIPMENTS.
Flour, bbls.....	20,000	14,000
Wheat, bu.....	43,000	7,000
Corn, bu.....	411,000	261,000
Oats, bu.....	216,000	242,000
Rye, bu.....	9,000	3,000
Barley, bu.....	37,000	26,000

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was weak; creamery, 18@23c; dairy, 15@21c. Eggs, weak; fresh, 17@18c.

New York Markets.

NEW YORK, Jan. 15.—FLOUR—Receipts, 52,000 bbls.; exports, 9,200 bbls.; sales, 4,000 pkgs.; very dull; southern flour, dull; rye flour, steady; buckwheat flour, dull; $2.75@2.85.

BUCKWHEAT—Nominal; state, $8.00@8.35; Brandywine, $2.70.

CORN MEAL—Dull.

RYE—Nominal.

BARLEY—Dull; No. 2 Milwaukee, 65@66c; two-rowed state, 62@63c.

BARLEY MALT—Dull; western, 65@80c; Canadian, 90@95c; six-rowed, 80@85c.

WHEAT—Receipts, 6,000 bu.; exports, 66,300 bu.; sales, 1,225,000 bu. futures and 36,000 bu. spot. Spot market easier; No. 2 red in store and elevator, 66½c; afloat, 67¾c; f. o. b., 67¾c; No. 1 northern, 71¾c. Options weaker on disappointing change in stocks and visible supply, rallying on covering, and report of bond issue at Washington, closing dull, but steady at unchanged prices; No. 2 red, January closed at 66¼@66¾c; February closed at 67c; March, 67¾@68¼c, closed at 68¼c; May, 69 1-16@70¾c, closed at 70¾c; June, 70¾@71¾c, closed at 71¾c; July, 71¼@71⅝c, closed at 72c; August, 72¾@72¾c, closed at 72½c.

CORN—Receipts, 255,900 bu.; exports, 121,600 bu.; sales, 790,000 bu.; futures and 98,000 bu spot. Spot market moderately active, closed steady; No. 2, 47¾c in elevator; 42¾c afloat; ungraded mixed, 42½c. Option market opened weaker on some liquidations, sold off further on visible supply increase, rallied later with wheat and closed unchanged to ¼c higher. January closed at 41¾c; February, 42@42¼c, closed at 42¼c; March closed at 43¼c; May, 44 11-16@44¾c, closed at 44¼c.

OATS—Receipts, 272,600 bu.; exports, 10,000 bu.; sales, 420,000 bu. futures, and 96,000 bu. spot. Spot market weaker with a fair trade; No. 2, 32¾@33c; No. 2 delivered, 33¼c; No. 3, 32c; No. 2 white, 34½@35c; No. 3 white, 33@33¾c; track, mixed western, 33@34½c; track, white western 35@40c; track, white state, 35@40c. Option market ruled generally lower all day except just at the close, when it rallied slightly; closed ⅛@⅜c net decline; January closed at 32¼c; February, 33¼@33¾c, closed at 33¾c; March closed at 34c; May, 34@34¾c; closed at 34⅝c.

HAY—Firm; shipping, $6.00; good to choice, $6.00@8.50.

HOPS—Dull; state, common to choice, 18@22c; Pacific coast, 18@22c; London market holders, no offerings.

HIDES—Steady; wet salted New Orleans selected, 45@65 lbs., 4½@5¼c; Texas, selected, 25@50 lbs., 4@5c; Buenos Ayres, dry, 20@40 lbs., 10½@11c; Texas, dry, 24@30 lbs., 6c.

LEATHER—Steady; hemlock sole, Buenos Ayres, light to heavy weights, 14@19c.

PROVISIONS—Beef, steady; cut meats, steady; pickled bellies, 7@8c; pickled shoulders, 5¼@6½c; pickled hams, 9¼@9¾c. Lard, dull; western steam closed at $8.60 nominal; sales, none; options, none; January closed at $8.50 nominal; February, $8.25; May, $8.20 nominal. Pork, dull and steady.

BUTTER—Quiet; western dairy, 14½@17c; western creamery, 18@25½c; western factory, 13½@16c; Elgins, 25½c; state dairy, 17@24c; state creamery, 18@22c.

CHEESE—Quiet; state, large, 9@11¾c; small, 11@12¾c; part skims, 4@10c; full skims, 2@3c.

EGGS—Weak, receipts, 6,272 pkgs.; ice house, 15c; western, fresh, 18@19c; southern, 19c.

TALLOW—Strong; city ($2 per pkg.), 5¼c.

PETROLEUM—Stronger; United closed 80c bid.

ROSIN—Easier; strained, common to good, $1.10@1.12½.

TURPENTINE—Firm.

MOLASSES—Dull.

PIG IRON—Dull; American, $12.00@15.00.

COPPER—Easy; lake, $10.

LEAD—Firm; domestic, $3.10.

TIN—Dull; Straits, $20.15.

SPELTER—Neglected; domestic, nominal.

COTTONSEED OIL—Shows continued firmness and closed with an upward tendency. Reported that at the south 30c bid for bulk crude at mills and 33c asked; prime yellow 36@37c; yellow, off grades, 33@35c; prime white, 40c.

SUGAR—Raw, strong; views of holders checks business; fair refined, 2 9-16c; centrifugal, 96 test, 2 15-16@3c; sales, none; refined, active and firmer; No. 6, 3 15-16@4c; No. 7, 3¾@3 15-16c; No. 8, 3 11-16@3¾c; No. 9, 3¾@3 13-16c; No. 10, 3 9-16@3¾c; No. 11, 3 11-16c; No. 12, 3 7-16@3⅝c; No. 13, 3¾c; off A, 3¾@4c; mould A, 4 7-16@4⅝c; standard A, 4 1-16@4¼c; confectioners' A, 4 11-16@4¼c; cut loaf, 4 15-16@5¼c; crushed, 4 15-16@5¼c; powdered, 4 7-16@4⅝c; granulated, 4 3-16@4¼c; cubes, 4 7-16@4¾c.

Omaha Produce Market.

BUTTER—There is plenty of butter on the market, but it is mostly of the medium grade. Really choice stock is a scarcity and is in fair demand. Choice country, 14@16c; packing stock, 12c.

DRESSED POULTRY—The market is weaker than yesterday on chickens and turkeys. Ducks are steady and in demand. Chickens, 5@6c; turkeys, 8@9c; geese and ducks, 9@10c. Inferior stock would sell below the above figures.

LIVE POULTRY—Dealers generally are advising against the shipment of live poultry, as the demand is very light, the trade generally preferring dressed poultry. The few sales made are at 6@7c.

VEAL—The arrivals are not heavy and the market firm at previous quotations; choice small and fat veals, 7@7½c; thin or heavy, 3@5c.

GAME—Prairie chickens, quail and venison are out of season, and there is but little on the market except ducks. Canada geese, $6; mallard ducks, $2.00@2.50; jack rabbits, $1.50@2.00; small rabbits, $1; squirrels, 75c.

EGGS—The market continues to go down and dealers freely predict that the best eggs will sell at 12½c by the first of the week. Nothing but the best stock is called for and even that nets with but few sales. Prices are a shade lower. Fresh stock, 13@14c; cold storage, 11@12c.

HONEY—Choice white clover, 15c; California, 16c.

OYSTERS—Medium, I. X. L., 13c; horseshoes, 18c; extra standards, 20c; selects, 21c; extra selects, 22c; company selects, 25c; counts, 30c.

NUTS—Chestnuts, 12c per lb.; Italian chestnuts, 12@13c; almonds, 18c; English walnuts, 12@14c; filberts, 12@c; Brazil nuts, 11@12c; pecans, large, 12@14c; pecans, medium, 10c. The market on black walnuts is low and no one wants to buy.

VEGETABLES.

BEANS—California hand-picked navy, $1.90@2.00; western navy, $1.85@1.90; common white beans, $1.50@1.75.

ONIONS—Onions are quoted at 50@65c, and on orders at 65@70c; Spanish onions, per crate, $1.50.

WATER CRESS—Out of the market.

POTATOES—Nebraska, Iowa and Minnesota grown potatoes, in small lots from store, 65@70c; same in car lots, 60c; Colorado, from store, 75c; Colorado lots, 68@70c.

CABBAGE—Orders for cabbage from the country are filled at 2c per lb.

CELERY ROOTS—According to size, 40@60c per doz.

CELERY—Good stock, 35c; extra fancy California, 50c@$1.00.

SWEET POTATOES—The supply is fair; good stock, per bbl., $3.50.

GREEN VEGETABLES—Spinach, per bbl., $2; salsify, 30@35c per doz.; radishes, per doz., 35c; endive, per doz., 75c; onions, per doz., 20c; cauliflower, per doz., $1.50@2.00; lettuce, per doz., 50@75c; cucumbers, $2; tomatoes, per crate of 20 lbs., $2; string beans, $2.50 per ½-bu. box; parsley, per doz., 30c; egg plant, per doz., $2.50.

FRUITS

GRAPES—There are no Catawbas on the market; Malagas, per 50-lb. bbls., net, $5.25@6.00; Malagas, per 55-lb. bbls., net, $6.00@6.50.

CALIFORNIA FRUITS—California fruits are entirely off the market.

APPLES—The supply is light on this market and prices higher; fancy western, $1.90@2.00 per box.

CRANBERRIES—Cranberries are arriving very freely and are in good demand; Cape Cod, per bbl., $6.00@6.50; bell and bugle, $6.50; Jersey, $6.00@6.25; bell and cherry, $5.

TROPICAL FRUITS.

BANANAS—Prices remain about steady; per bunch, large, $2.00@2.50; per bunch, small to medium, $1.75@2.00.

LEMONS—New Messina lemons, size 300, $5.50; size 360, $525@5.50.

ORANGES—Mexicans, per box, $2.50; large sizes, $2.25@2.40; fancy Floridas, $2.75; choice Floridas, $2.60.

TANGERINES—Per box, $2.75.

GRAPE FRUIT—Per box, $4.

FURS.

Bear—No. 1 black, large, $20.00@25.00; medium, $15; small, $8.00@10.00; black yearlings, large, $12.00@15.00; medium, $10; small $7; black cubs, large, $6.00@8.00; medium, $5.00@6.00; small, $7; black Montana and Rocky mountain, large, $18.00@22.00; medium, $14; small, $10; black Montana yearlings, large, $12; medium, $8; small, $5; black Montana cubs, large, $6.50; medium, $4.50; small, $3; silver tip, large, $20; medium, $12; small, $8; silver tip yearlings, large, $11; medium, $8; small, $5; silver tip cubs, large, $6; medium, $4.50; small, $3; brown, large, $20.00@25.00; medium, $16; small, $12; yearlings, large, $10.00@12.00; medium, $8; small, $6; cubs large, $7; medium, $5; small, $3; badger—No. 1 large, $1.00@1.50; medium, 60c; small, 50c; fisher—No. 1 large, $8; medium, $6; small, $4; fox silver, as to color according to beauty—No. 1 large, $100; medium, $60; small, $40; silver pale, according to beauty, large, $50; medium, $30; small $20; cross, large, $7; medium, $5; small, $2; red, large, $1.50; medium, $1.25; small, $1; gray, large, 75c; medium, 50c; small, 40c; kit large, 50c; medium, 40c; small, 30c. lynx, No. 1 large, $3; medium, $2; small, $1.50; marten, No. 1, large, $2; medium, $1.50; small, $1; lynk, No. 1, large, 80c@$1.00; medium, 75c; small, 65c; mink, dark, No. 1, large, $1; medium, 75c; small, 50c; mountain lion, perfect head and feet, No. 1, large, $1.00@2.00; imperfect skins, 25@50c; otter, No. 1, large, $8; medium, $6.00@7.00; small, $5; otter, pale, No. 1, large, $7; medium, $5; small, $4; raccoon, No. 1, large, 80c; medium, 60c; small, 50c; raccoon, black, as to beauty, No. 1, large, 50c@$2.00; skunk—black, cased, No. 1, large, $1.25; medium, 75c; small, 50c; short striped, large, $1; medium, 70c; small, 45c; narrow striped, large, 60c; medium, 40c; small, 25c; broad striped, large, 2@25c; wolverine, No. 1, large, $4; medium, $3; small, $2; wolf—mountain, No. 1, large, $3; medium, $2; small, $1.50; prairie, large, 70@75c; medium, 60c; small, 50c; weaver—pet skin, No. 1, large, $5.00@6.00; medium, $4.50; small, $2; kits, large, $2; medium, $1.50; small, 75c; muskrats—winter, No. 1, large, 10@11c; medium, 9c; small, 7c; fall, large, 8@9c; medium, 7c; small, 6c; kits, large, $2@3c.

HIDES, TALLOW, ETC.

HIDES—No. 1 green hides, 2½c; No. 2 green hides, 2c; No. 1 green salted hides, 3c; No. 2 green salted hides, 2c; No. 1 green salted hides, 25 lbs. to 40 lbs., 3c; No. 2 green salted hides, 25 lbs. to 40 lbs., 2c; No. 1 veal calf, 8 lbs. to 15 lbs., 6c; No. 2 veal calf, 8 lbs. to 15 lbs., 4c; No. 1 dry flint hides, 5c; No. 2 dry flint hides, 4c; No. 1 dry salted hides, 4c. Part cured hides ½c per lb. less than fully cured

SHEEP PELTS—Green salted, each, 35@75c; green salted shearlings (short wooled early skins), each 10@15c; dry shearlings (short wooled early skins), No. 1, each 5@10c; dry shearlings (short wooled early skins), No. 2 each 5c; dry flint, Kansas and Nebraska butcher wool pelts, per lb., actual weight, 10@11c; dry flint, Kansas and Nebraska murrain wool pelts, per lb., actual weight, 9@10c; dry flint Colorado butcher wool pelts, per lb., actual weight, 9@10c; dry flint Colorado murrain wool pelts, per lb., actual weight, 7@9c; dry pieces and bucks actual weight, 6@7c.

Coffee Market.

NEW YORK, Jan. 15.—COFFEE—Options opened steady, with bids from 5 points lower to 10 points higher; showed increased speculative interest and closed steady at from unchanged prices to 5 points net advance; sales, 16,750 bags, including: February, $16.60@16.65; March, $16.25; May, $15.90@16.00; July, $15.60; September, $15.15@15.25. Spot coffee, Rio, quiet, about steady; No. 7, $18.12½@18.25; mild, steady; Cordova, $20.00@20.25; sales, 1,000 bags, private terms.

SANTOS, Jan. 15.—Market firm; good average, $16.10; receipts, 5,000 bags; stock, 128,000 bags.

HAMBURG, Jan. 15.—Market steady; prices unchanged to ¼ pfg advance.

HAVRE, Jan. 15.—Market steady, ¼@¾f advance on near futures; barely steady, ¼@½f lower for nearer months.

RIO DE JANEIRO, Jan. 15.—Market duller; No. 7, $15.45; receipts, 16,000 bags; stock, 175,000 bags.

LONDON, Jan. 15.—Market quiet, 3@6d advance.

Kansas City Markets.

KANSAS CITY, Jan. 15.—WHEAT—¼c lower; No. 2 hard, 51½c; No. 2 red, 54c.

CORN—¼c lower; No. 2 mixed, 29¼@29¾c; No. 2 white, 30¾@31c.

OATS—Unchanged; No. 2 mixed, 28@28½c; No. 2 white, 29@29½c.

EGGS—Very dull at 12½@13c.

RYE—Steady at 50c.

FLAX SEED—Irregular; $1.23@1.24.

BRAN—Firm at 58@60c.

HAY—Steady; timothy, $8.00@9.50; prairie, $5.50@6.50.

BUTTER—Steady; creamery, 19@23c; dairy, 15@16c.

RECEIPTS—Wheat, 40,000 bu.; corn, 1,000 bu.; oats, none.

SHIPMENTS—Wheat, 34,000 bu.; corn, none; oats, none.

Milwaukee Markets.

MILWAUKEE, Jan. 15.—FLOUR—Quiet.

WHEAT—Weak; No. 2 spring, 60c; No. 1 northern, 64c; May, 62¾c.

CORN—Dull; No. 3, 33c.

OATS—Lower; No. 2 white, 28½@29c; No. 3 white, 27¼@28¼c.

BARLEY—Lower; No. 2, 49¼c; sample, on track, 38½@50c.

RYE—Lower; No. 1, 47¼c.

PROVISIONS—Steady; pork, $13.30; lard, $8.

RECEIPTS—Flour, 3,300 bbls.; wheat, 9,100 bu.; barley, 33,600 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Flour, 5,300 bbls.; wheat, 700 bu.; barley, 1,600 bu.

Duluth Wheat Market.

DULUTH, Jan. 15.—WHEAT—This market closed rather steady, unchanged from Saturday. Close: No. 1 hard, cash, 61¾c; January, 60¾c; May, 64¾c; July, 66¼c; No. 1 northern, cash, 60½c; January, 59½c; May, 63¾c; July, 65c; No. 2 northern, cash, 57c; No. 3, 52c; rejected, 46½c. On track: No. 1 northern, to arrive, 61½c.

St. Louis Markets.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 15.—FLOUR—Dull, inactive extra fancy, $2.65@3.75; buckwheat flour, $6.50@6.75.

WHEAT—Was driven down ½c by the bears in the first two hours of the session. The market then steadied, rallied 1c gradually and closed ½c above yesterday's final prices. All the home news was bearish, but cables caused the firmer close. No. 2 red, cash, closed at 56½c; January, 57¼c; May, 62¾; July, 63c.

CORN—Declined with wheat and on heavy receipts, but rallied toward the end, closing only ¼c off; No. 2 mixed, cash, closed 32c; January, 32¾c; February, 32¾c; May, 34¾c.

OATS—Lower; No. 2 cash, closed 27¼c; January, closed 27⅝c; May, 29½c.

RYE—Dead; dull; No. 2, 45c bid.

BARLEY—In better demand; sales, Minnesota, at 55c.

BRAN—59½c.

FLAX SEED—In demand at $1.32.

CLOVER SEED—Firm at $8.75@9.38.

TIMOTHY SEED—$4.00@4.25.

HAY—Steady; prime to choice timothy, $9.50@10.50 per bu.

BUTTER—Unchanged; separator creamery, 22@23c; choice dairy, 19@20c.

EGGS—Lower, 12c lead; dull, receipts 300 cases.

SPELTER—Furnace, $3.30.

CORN MEAL—$1.65.

WHISKY—$1.15.

BAGGING—5@6c.

IRON TOPCOVER TIES—95c@$1.00.

PROVISIONS—Firm, quiet. Pork, standard mess, $13.87½@14.00. Lard, prime, $8.00. Dry salt meats, loose shoulders, $7.50; longs and ribs, $6.87; shorts, $7.00; boxed, 15c more. Bacon, packed shoulders, $7.25; longs, $7.50; ribs, $7.62½; shorts, $7.87½.

RECEIPTS—Flour, 6,000 bbls.; wheat, 32,000 bu.; corn, 177,000 bu.; oats, 86,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Flour, 4,000 bbls.; corn, 70,000 bu.; oats, 25,000 bu.

Minneapolis Wheat Market.

MINNEAPOLIS, Jan. 15.—The local wheat market was very weak during the early part of the day, but strengthened later and closed steady. Receipts were 321 cars, with 11 cars shipped. The stock of wheat in public elevators increased 221,216 bu. in the last week. The stocks in Minneapolis private elevators increased 23,000 bu., while the stocks in country elevators in the northwest decreased 100,000 bu. Farmers are not yet selling much, as shown by reports of purchase and also by the call for money to go to the interior. The same outside news that weakened other markets affected ours, particularly the large visible supply increase and the low tone of foreign advices. Shorts bought later, causing a reaction and a smart advance from 60c for May, the low point. Local flour mills did a light business. They are yet complaining of the stiff flour freight, although there are signs of weakness in it and some think the current rates will not long be maintained. With the late risetaken off, the millers think they could run again. The high cost of cash wheat compared with May gives a basis against active milling. They all turn outsome 20,000 bbls. for the day. The elevators in the country were selling wheat to arrive and buying the May they had sold against. Minneapolis has received of the crop 30,000,000 bu., Duluth 22,000,000 bu. May opened at 60¼c, fell to 60c and closed at 60⅜c; July opened at 62⅛c, fell to 61⅜c and closed at 62⅛c; January closed at 59c. Track wheat closed: No. 1 hard, 62¼c; No. 1 northern, 60¼c; No. 2 northern, 59c.

Flour was steady; shipments 15,715 bbls. Bran, firm at $10.25@10.50. Shorts, $10.50@11.25.

New York Dry Goods Market.

NEW YORK, Jan. 15.—The dry goods market opens another week with conditions by no means satisfactory, yet the outlook is hopeful. The mail orders are arriving in goodly numbers and call for rather larger amounts of goods than heretofore. Resident buyers are interesting themselves. Cotton goods rule steady with a somewhat better demand. Print cloths barely hold their own. Foreign goods show an improved condition. The yarn market is quiet and holsery and underwear slow. The jobbing trade showed some improvement last week and holds it. Prices show no tendency toward advance.

Peoria Grain Market.

PEORIA, Jan. 15.—CORN—Market steady; No. 2, 32¾c; No. 3, 32c.

OATS—Market quiet and easy; No. 2 white, 27¾@28c; No. 3 white, 27¼@27½c.

RYE—Market nominal; No. 2, 46@48c.

WHISKY—Market firm; high wines, basis, $1.15.

RECEIPTS—Wheat, 6,600 bu.; corn, 111,150 bu.; oats, 37,400 bu.; rye, 600 bu.; barley, 21,700 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Wheat, 14,400 bu.; corn, 7,800 bu.; oats, 15,400 bu.; rye, none; barley, 22,400 bu.

Cotton Market.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 15.—COTTON—Steady; middling, 7¾c; sales, 300 bales; receipts, 8,900 bales; shipments, 3,900 bales; stocks, 58,400 bales.

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 15.—COTTON—Futures, steady; sales, 85,400 bales; January, $7.56@7.57; February, $7.63@7.64; March, $7.74@7.75; April, $7.84; May, $7.93@7.94; June, $8.01@8.02; July, $8.09@8.11; August, $8.17@8.19. Middling, 7¾c; low middling, 7½c; good ordinary, 7¼c. Net receipts, 2,000 bales; gross receipts, 9,000 bales; sales 4 000 bales.

Oil Markets.

OIL CITY, Pa., Jan. 15.—National Transit certificates opened at 79¾c; highest, 80¼c; lowest, 79¾c; closed at 80¼c; sales, 14,000 bbls.; shipments, 155,324 bbls.; runs, 100,978 bbls.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Jan. 15.—National Transit certificates opened at 78½c; closed at 79¾c; highest, 79¾c; lowest, 78½c; sales, 6,000 bbls.

Liverpool Markets.

LIVERPOOL, Jan. 15.—WHEAT—Steady; demand moderate; holders offer moderately; No. 1 California, 5s 4d@5s 5d; No. 2 red western winter, 5s 2d@5s 4d.

CORN—Steady; western, 4s 1¼d.

PROVISIONS—Pork, prime mess, fine, 75s; beef, extra India, 105s; bacon, long and short clear, 55 lbs., 40s; lard, 42s.

Wool Market.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 15.—WOOL—Slowness marked the wool market today. It was very quiet, with prices unchanged.

STOCKS AND BONDS.

Week Opened in Securities in a Very Firm Tone.

NEW YORK, Jan. 15.—The week opened on the Stock exchange with a firm tone in speculation in harmony with the strength of American securities in London and in response to purchases for the home and foreign accounts. After the opening improvement the market sagged off somewhat by reason of the dullness into which the trading lapsed rather than from any great pressure to sell, and except in some of the specialties there was very little movement in the list until the afternoon. A movement to cover short contracts was developed shortly after noon, which grew in strength as the day advanced and which was supplemented in the late dealings by purchases for the long account.

A factor in the situation was the very general belief that the conditions of the United States treasury demands immediate relief, and that if congress does not rise to the occasion Secretary Carlisle will be forced to issue bonds under the existing law. The secretary's letter to Chairman Voorhees of the senate finance committee, made public during the afternoon, confirmed this view, and as a government bond issue is looked upon as a bull point the upward movement received new impetus. Among the local influences at work was the announcement that the New York bondholders' committee of the Reading company had assented to the reorganization scheme, which was accepted as insuring its final adoption, and that at a not far distant date. Reading stock and bonds were materially strengthened by this report and recorded substantial advances. Speculation in the grangers was rendered firm by reported heavy freight shipments eastward, coupled with advices from the east of a gradual revival in trade.

Burlington & Quincy and St. Paul were both attacked in the dealings, but gave way only fractionally and were among the most buoyant in the late trading. General Electric, which was a trifle heavy during the morning, was bought in vigorously during the last half hour, largely for the Boston account, selling up 2¾ per cent with a final reaction of ⅝ per cent, making a gain of 1⅞ per cent on the day. Louisville & Nashville, after an early advance of ½ per cent, reached ¾ per cent, rose 2 per cent, closing at a reaction of ¼ per cent, but 1⅛ per cent above Saturday. The favorable conditions of the speculative situation caused buying during the latter part of the day, and prices moved up sharply, making the close strong and at or near the best figures of the day.

The Post says: Further pressure of a limited kind was applied today to the recent speculators for the decline and they were forced to cover. The movement took its active shape in St. Paul, Western Union, Reading, Burlington, North American and Louisville. London prices were almost without exception higher, which brought arbitrage brokers to the support of today's recoveries. The afternoon market showed still greater activity and the closing was strong throughout.

After midday the share speculation became somewhat heavy and a reaction of ⅜ to ½ per cent set in, but was quickly followed by an advance of ¼ to ¾ per cent on a fairly active buying movement, in which the granger shares were most prominent. Burlington & Quincy recorded the greatest improvement.

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

Atchison.....	11⅝	Northern Pacific...	4
Adams Express...	150	North'n P. pref'd.	15¾
Alton, T. H.....	18	O., P., D. & Gulf....	9⅝
do pref'd.....	143	Northwestern.....	101⅜
American Express	110	do pref'd.....	138¾
Baltimore & Ohio..	87⅛	N. Y. & N. E.....	11⅞
Canada Pacific....	78½	Omaha & Western	2⅝
Canada Southern...	59⅝	Oregon Imp.....	14
Central Pacific...	13⅝	Oregon Nav.....	20
Ches. & Ohio.....	17⅜	O. S. L. & U. N.....	3¾
Chicago Alton.....	153	Pacific Mail.....	15¾
C., B. & Q.....	76	Peoria, Dec. & E...	2⅝
Chicago Gas.....	66¾	Pittsburg.....	149
Consolidated Gas..	115⅝	Pullman Palace...	148
C. C. C. & St. L....	38⅞	Reading.....	20⅜
Col. Coal & Iron...	8	Richmond Term....	25¾
Cotton Oil Cert....	28½	do pref'd.....	10
Del. & Hudson.....	134⅝	Rio Grande West..	14⅜
Del. Lack. & West.	168	do pref'd.....	42
D. & R. G. pref'd..	50	Rock Island.....	78⅜
Dis. & C. Furs. Co..	26½	St. Paul.....	58⅝
East Tennessee....	8	do pref'd.....	118
Erie.....	15⅝	St. Paul & Omaha..	35⅞
do pref'd.....	32	do pref'd.....	110
Fort Wayne.....	149	Southern Pacific...	22
Great North'n pf'd.	102	Sugar Refinery....	83⅜
Chi. & East. Ill. pf'd	93	Tenn. Coal & Iron.	13⅜
Hocking Valley....	19⅜	Texas Pacific.....	8⅛
Illinois Central...	91	T. & O. C. m. profit.	70
St. Paul & Duluth.	23	Union Pacific.....	18⅝
Kan. & Texas pf'd.	24⅜	U. S. Express.....	50
Lake Erie & West..	14⅝	W., St. L. & Pac....	6⅜
do pref'd.....	65	do pref'd.....	14
Lake Shore.....	122⅞	Wells Fargo Exp...	125
Lead Trust.....	25⅜	Western Union....	86
Louisville & N....	44⅜	Wheeling & L. E...	12⅜
Louisville & N. A..	91	do pref'd.....	54
Manhattan Con ...	121⅜	M. & St. L.....	11
Memphis & C.....	10	D. & R. G.....	10
Michigan Central..	97	G. E.....	37⅜
Missouri Pacific...	22⅜	National Linseed..	24
Mobile & Ohio.....	18	C. F. & I.....	23⅜
Nashville, Chatt...	71	C. F. & I. pref'd....	30
National Cordage..	18⅞	H. & T. C.....	2¾
do pref'd.....	40	T. A. A. & N. M....	5¾
N. J. Central.....	116	T. St. L. & K. C....	3
Norfolk & W. pf'd.	18½	do pf'd.....	6
North Amer'n Co..	3⅝		

The total sales of stocks today were 178,200 shares, including: Atchison, 4,900; American Sugar, 15,500; Burlington, 23,400; Chicago Gas, 5,000; Whisky, 4,900; General Electric, 8,200; Louisville & Nashville, 9,000; Northwestern, 4,100; Reading, 26,200; Rock Island, 5,200; St. Paul, 36,200; Union Pacific, 4,100; Western Union, 15,400.

The range of prices as reported by J. W. Deane & Co., Board of Trade hall, is as follows:

Stocks.	Open	High	Low.	Close	Yes.
Erie.....	15	15¼	14⅝	15	14⅝
Pacific Mail.....				14⅜	14⅜
L. & N.....	42⅜	44⅜	42⅝	44⅜	42⅝
Northwestern.....	99⅜	101⅜	99⅜	101⅛	99⅛
Mo. Pacific.....	21⅝	22⅜	21	22⅜	21⅛
Union Pacific.....	18⅝	19⅛	18⅝	19⅛	18⅝
N. Pacific, p'f'd.....	14	15⅜	14	15⅜	15
N. Pacific com.....				4	
C. B. & Q.....	74⅜	76⅝	73⅝	76	74¼
Rock Island.....	65⅜	66⅞	65⅝	66⅞	65⅝
St. Paul.....	57	58⅝	57	58¾	57⅜
Western Union.....	84⅜	86¼	84⅜	86⅝	84⅜
Sugar Trust.....	89¾	92⅜	89⅜	93⅜	89⅝
New England.....	11¾	12	11¾	12	11⅝
Atchison.....	11	11⅝	11	11⅝	10⅞
Chicago Gas.....	65⅜	66¼	65⅜	66¼	64⅝
Reading.....	18¾	19⅜	18¾	19⅜	18¾
Del. & Hudson.....	135	135	134¼	134⅝	134
D. C. F.....	25¾	26⅜	25¾	26¼	25⅜
E. G. E.....	35⅛	38⅝	35⅛	37⅜	36⅜
Cordage.....				18¾	18¾

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, Jan. 15.—MONEY ON CALL—Easy at 1 per cent; last loan, 1 per cent; closed at 1 per cent.

PRIME MERCANTILE PAPER—3½@4½ per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.84¾@4.87 for demand and 4.84⅛@4.85 for sixty-day bills. Posted rates $4.86@4.88; commercial bills, $4.83⅜@4.84.

SILVER CERTIFICATES—69½c.

The closing quotations on bonds:

U. S. 4s reg.....	112⅝	N. W. Consols.....	139⅜
U. S. 4s coup.....	112⅝	N. W. Deb. 5s.....	106
U. S. 4½s reg.....	95	St. L. & I. M. G. 5s.	75½
Pacific 6s of '95....	102	St. L. & S. F. Gen. M	80
La. stamped 4s....	92	St. Paul Consols...	125½
Missouri 6s.....	100	St. P. C. & P. 1sts..	107½
Tenn. new set