COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL

Business Started Out Actively After the Three Days' Vacation.

BUYING IN ALL KINDS OF GRAIN WAS FAIR

Wheat, Corn and Oats All Closed at a Slight Advance—Provisions, However, Weak and Unsupported and the Prices Went Down.

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—Aided by fair buying, the grain markets, although quiet, were firm, and closed higher for the day by ¼c in wheat and ⅜c in corn and oats. Provisions were weak and unsupported and closed at declines.

The wheat market showed no sign of weakness or weariness at the opening, which was a little remarkable after suffering an infliction of three consecutive holidays. The European markets were still buried under their more prolonged holidays. The receipts here and in the northwest, however, were light in comparison with the figures which followed the similar holiday adjournment last year. The English visible supply was estimated to have decreased 349,000 bu. last week. May wheat, which on Saturday closed at 58⅛c, opened substantially at the same value today, and, after a momentary dip to 58c, it gradually hardened, until about an hour from the start it reached 58⅝c. The visible supply increased 899,000 bu., which about coincided with the general expectation. News of cholera in the Argentine, it was rumored from New York, was receiving confirmation by the announcement of quarantine being declared in Brazil against Buenos Ayres. The primary market receipts today summed up 722,000 bu., against 1,537,000 bu. on the same day last year. The price, which had sagged off to 58⅛c on the visible supply statement, recovered to 58⅜c to 58½c and was firm at about 58⅜c near the close. The market closed at 58⅜c for May.

Corn was oppressed at the opening by the large receipts. At the decline shorts were quite eager to cover and on that buying the market recovered the early loss and added ⅜c in addition. An increase of 1,068,000 bu. in the visible supply caused prices to recede again, but the dip that followed attracted more shorts and gave the market an appearance of strength again. The opening price for May was 47¾c, as against 48c at the close on Saturday. It gradually advanced until it reached 48⅛c, reacted to 48c, and about half an hour from the close it had fully recovered and was holding firmly around 48⅜c, having sold as high as 48½c. The market closed at 48⅜c bid.

Oats met with a fairly good sale and were firmer. Sympathy with corn could be credited to governing the course of the market to some extent. Shorts were quite anxious to buy. The visible supply showed a decrease in oats of 125,000 bu. and stocks of contract oats in store were also on the decline to the extent of 110,000 bu. since last week. May started at from 31⅜c to 31½c, sold up to 31⅝c and closed at that figure.

The provision market was steady for a few minutes at the start, but soon became very weak and continue to become weaker as the session progressed. Compared with the closing prices Saturday, pork at the close showed a loss of 25c, lard 12½c and ribs lost equally with lard. Hog receipts were 20,000 head, but 34,000 head are estimated for tomorrow. Swift and Company and Cudahy of Milwaukee were named as the principal sellers.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat, No. 2				
Dec	53¾	54	53¾	54
May	58@58⅛	58⅜@½	58	58⅜
July	58⅝	58⅞@59	58⅝	58⅞@59
Corn No. 2				
Dec	44⅞	45¾	44⅞	45¾
Jan	45	45¾	45	45¾
May	47¾@⅞	48½	47¾	48⅜@½
Oats No. 2				
Dec	29¼	29⅜	29	29⅜
May	31⅜@½	31⅝	31⅜	31⅝
Pork per bbl				
Jan	11 55	11 55	11 25	11 27½
May	11 92½	11 92½	11 62½	11 67½
Lard, 100 lbs				
Jan	6 72½	6 72½	6 62½	6 62½
May	6 97½	6 97½	6 87½	6 87½
Short Ribs—				
Jan	5 75	5 75	5 67½	5 67½
May	6 02½	6 02½	5 87½	5 90

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Easy.

WHEAT—No. 2 spring, 58¼@60¼c; No. 3 spring, 58c; No. 2 red, 54@54½c.

CORN—No. 2, 45⅝c; No. 3 yellow, 40⅝c.

OATS—No. 2, 29½c; No. 2 white, 31¼@31½c; No. 3 white, 30¾@31c.

RYE—No. 2, 48½c.

BARLEY—No. 2, 54@55c; No. 3, 51@54c; No. 4, 48@50c.

FLAX SEED—No. 1, $1.45½.

TIMOTHY SEED—Prime, $5.52½.

PROVISIONS—Mess pork, per bbl., $11.37½@11.50. Lard, per 100 lbs., $6.62½. Short ribs, sides, loose, $5.70@5.75. Dry salted shoulders, boxed, $5.00@5.12½; short clear sides, boxed, $6.00@6.12½.

WHISKY—Distillers' finished goods, per gal., $1.22.

SUGARS—Unchanged.

The following were the receipts and shipments today:

Articles.	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls	8,000	7,000
Wheat, bu	71,000	13,000
Corn, bu	454,000	24,000
Oats, bu	287,000	150,000
Rye, bu	12,000	2,000
Barley, bu	128,000	51,000

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was firm: creamery, 12@23c; dairy, 10@19c. Eggs, steady; 12@17½c.

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKET.

Closing Quotations on the Principal Commodities and Staples.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—FLOUR—Receipts, 32,700 bbls.; exports, 52,400 bbls.; sales, 8,900 pkgs. Market steady. Spring patents are held firm at old limits, but trade is good; a few brands of winters only are in demand. Southern flour, dull. Rye flour, quiet; sales, 425 bbls. Buckwheat flour, dull at $1.80@1.85.

BUCKWHEAT—Dull.

CORN MEAL—Steady; sales, 300 bbls. and 22,400 sacks.

RYE—Nominal.

BARLEY—Dull.

BARLEY MALT—Dull.

WHEAT—Receipts, 7,400 bu.; exports, 45,600 bu.; sales, 690,000 bu. futures and 53,000 bu. spot. Spot market dull; No. 2 red, in store and elevator, 60¼@60¾c; afloat, 61⅝@61½c; f. o. b., 62@62½c; No. 1 northern, 69⅛c, delivered; No. 1 hard, 70⅝c, delivered. Options were very dull all day, but ruled generally firmer on lighter northwestern receipts, sympathy with corn and covering by shorts, closing at ¼c net advance. No foreign markets nor orders. Seaboard exports small. Trading entirely in May. No. 2 red, January, closed at 60⅝c; February closed at 61½c; March closed at 62c; May, 62¼@62⅝c, closed at 62⅝c; June, 62⅝c, closed at 62⅝c; July closed at 63c; December closed at 60¼c.

CORN—Receipts, 40,000 bu.; exports, 115,000 bu.; sales, 365,000 futures and 22,000 bu. spot. Spot market quiet; No. 2, 52c in elevator and 53¼c afloat; steamer mixed, 49c in elevator and 50c delivered; No. 3, 48c. Options fairly active and generally firmer on the blizzards reported in the west and prospective falling off in receipts, closing at ¼@⅜c net advance; January, 51¼@51⅝c, closing at 51⅝c; February closed at 51⅝c; May, 51⅞@52⅜c, closed at 52⅜c; December closed at 52c.

OATS—Receipts, 9,000 bu.; exports, 4,700 bu.; sales, 36,000 bu. futures and 155,000 bu. spot. Spot market firmer and more active; No. 2, 33⅜@34c; No. 2 delivered, 34⅝@35c; No. 3, 33⅜c; No. 2 white, 38c; No. 3 white, 37¼c; track, white western, 31@42c; track, white state, 31@42c. Options advanced all day with corn, with a small trade, closing at ¼@⅜c net advance; January, 34@34½c, closed at 34½c; February, 35@35½c, closed at 35⅛c; May, 35⅝@35⅞c, closed at 35⅞c; December closed at 34c.

HAY—Dull.

HOPS—Dull.

HIDES—Steady.

LEATHER—Quiet.

WOOL—Steady.

PROVISIONS—Beef, steady; family, $10.50@12.00; extra mess, $7.50@8.00; beef hams, $17; city extra India mess, $16.00@18.50. Cut meats, quiet; pickled bellies, $5.75@6.50; pickled shoulders, $5.00@5.12½; pickled hams, $8.00@8.50. Lard, weaker; western steam closed at $7; sales, 200 tierces at $7; city, $6.50@6.62½; sales, 200 tierces; December closed at $7, nominal; January, $7, nominal; refined, quiet; continent, $7.50@7.75; compound, $5.25@5.50. Pork, dull.

BUTTER—Dull; western dairy, 10@16c; western creamery, 15@24c; western factory, 9½@15c; Elgins, 24c; imitation creamery, 12@18c; state dairy, 10@19c; state creamery, 16@22c.

CHEESE—Dull; large, 11¾c; small, 9½@12c; part skims, 3½@9c; full skims, 2¾c.

EGGS—Firm; state, 22@23c; ice house, 16@19c; receipts, 7,782 pkgs.; western fresh, 20@22c; southern, 19@21½c.

TALLOW—Firm.

PETROLEUM—Quiet; United closed at 95c bid.

ROSIN—Quiet.

TURPENTINE—Steady.

RICE—Quiet.

MOLASSES—Quiet.

ORANGES—Firm; fancy, $2; others, $1.00@1.87.

PIG IRON—Quiet.

TIN—Quiet and easy; straits, $12.75; plates, quiet; sales on 'change, 200 tons March tin at $13.65.

SPELTER—Dull; domestic, $3.25.

LEAD—Quiet; brokers' price, $3.

COPPER—Steady; brokers' price, $9.75; exchange price, $9.90; sales on 'change, 50,000 lbs. January copper at $9.90.

COTTON SEED OIL—Featureless; no demand except for smallest lots; off crude, 23@24c; yellow prime, 29@29½c; yellow off grades, 28@28½c; prime white, 31@32c.

Minneapolis Wheat Market.

MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 26.—At the opening this morning the local wheat market was decidedly of the holiday sort, and for the first half hour had no other feature save that of extreme dullness. Shortly after 10 o'clock there was considerable activity displayed, and an advance of ⅛c was scored. It was rumored that one of the big local shorts felt very nervous, and in order to cover, bought freely, causing an advance. It was also said that when somebody wanted wheat there was no wheat for sale. At the advance of ⅛c the anxious buyers withdrew and the market quickly sagged down, and great dullness again predominated. The early news of the day was of the nondescript order, generally revamping excerpts of Monday's news. The local position is certainly strong and largely due to the fact that nearly all our local traders have an implicit confidence that they will be able to command a price from outside later on that will grant a good profit to the courageous holders. May wheat opened at 59⅞c, being the same as Saturday's close, advanced to 60c bid, and lost ⅛c by noon; July opened at 60⅞@60⅞c, the same as Saturday's close, advanced to 61c bid. The cash market was fairly active. Local millers were a little bit scarce, but there were other buyers on hand to fill their places. Receipts were 505 cars for the past four days, with shipments only thirty-four cars. Local stocks increased 414,560 bu. during the last week. Close: December, 58¾c; May, 61⅛c; July, 60⅞c. On track: No. 1 hard, 60⅞c; No. 1 northern, 59⅞c; No. 2 northern, 57⅞c. Flour, quiet; quotations unchanged.

OMAHA GENERAL MARKET.

Condition of Trade and Quotations on Staple and Fancy Produce.

Now that the rush of holiday poultry is over, dealers, as a rule, look for a good, steady market. There ought to be a good demand from now on for chickens, and it would seem as if supplies in the country must be reduced to a point that will prevent there being any great surplus received on the market.

BUTTER—Packing stock, 8c; fair to good country, 10@12c; choice to fancy, 14@16c; gathered creamery, 19@20c; separator creamery, 21@22c.

EGGS—Strictly fresh laid, 18c.

LIVE POULTRY—Old hens, 4@4½c; spring chickens, 4½@5c; ducks, 6c; turkeys, 6c; heavy toms, 5c; geese, 6c.

DRESSED POULTRY—Chickens, fair, 4@4½c; choice large, 5c; choice small, 5c; turkeys, fair to good, 6c; choice heavy, 7c; choice small, 9c; ducks, fair to good, 6@7c; fancy, 8c; geese, fair to good, 6@7c; fancy, 8c.

GAME—Prairie chickens, per doz., $4; grouse, per doz., $3.50; blue wing teal, per doz., $1.50@1.75; green wing teal, per doz., $1.25@1.50; ducks, mixed, per doz., $1.00@1.25; canvas-backs, $4.00@5.00; mallards and red heads, $2.50@2.75; quail, $1.25@1.35; deer saddles, 12@13c; antelope saddles, 7@10c; small rabbits, 75c; jack rabbits, $1.25.

VEAL—Choice fat 70 to 110 lbs are quoted at 5½@6c; large and coarse, 3@4c.

CHEESE—Wisconsin full cream, Young A, 13c; twins, 12½c; Nebraska and Iowa, full cream, 11c; Nebraska and Iowa, part skims, 7@8c; Limburger, No. 1, 11c; brick, No. 1, 11c; Swiss, No. 1, 15c.

HAY—Upland hay, $9.50; midland, $9; lowland, $8.50; rye straw, $6. Color makes the price on hay. Light shades sell the best. Only top grades bring top prices.

PIGEONS—Old birds, per doz., 90@$1.00.

VEGETABLES.

POTATOES—Western stock, car lots, 60@65c; small lots, 65@70c.

OLD BEANS—Hand-picked, navy, $1.90@2.00; Lima beans, per lb., 5½c.

ONIONS—On orders, 65@70c.

CABBAGE—On orders, 1½c.

CELERY—Per doz., 35@40c.

SWEET POTATOES—Home grown, $2.50@2.75; Muscatine, $3.

BEETS—Per bbl., $2.

CARROTS—Per bbl., $2.

CAULIFLOWER—Per doz., $2.75@3.00.

HORSERADISH—Per lb., 7@8c.

PARSNIPS—Per bbl., $2.

RUTABAGAS—Per bbl., $2.

PARSLEY—Per doz. bunches, 35c.

TURNIPS—Per bbl., $2.

SPLIT PEAS—Per lb., 3½c.

GREEN PEAS—Per bu., $1.25@1.35.

RADISHES—Per doz., 35c.

LETTUCE—Per doz., 35c.

SPINACH—Per bbl., $1.50@1.75.

FRUITS.

QUINCES—California, per 50-lb. box, $1.50.

PEACHES—None.

PLUMS—California, none.

PRUNES—None.

PEARS—Winter Nellis, $2; Vicars, $1.75.

APPLES—Good stock, per bbl., $2.75@3.00; eastern stock, $3.00@3.50; greenings, $3.50@3.75.

GRAPES—Concord, none; Malagas, per 65 to 68-lb. bbls., gross, $9.00@9.50.

CRANBERRIES—Jerseys, fancy, $10.50 per bbl.

TROPICAL FRUITS.

ORANGES—Floridas, per box, 150s, 176s, and 200s, $2.75; 128 size, $2.25@2.50.

TANGERINES—Floridas, per half box, $2.25.

BANANAS—Choice stock, $2.00@2.50 per bunch.

LEMONS—Malaga, $3.75; fancy Florida, sizes 250 and 300, $4.00@4.25; new Messinas, sizes 300 and 360, $4.75@5.00.

PINEAPPLES—None.

MISCELLANEOUS.

OYSTERS—IXL, 8c; medium, per can, 10c; horseshoes, 12c; extra standards, 15c; extra selects, 15c; company selects, 20c; New York counts, 25c.

NEW FIGS—Extra fancy, 16c; fancy, 13c; choice, 13@14c; California, bags, 7c.

HONEY—New York, 17c; California, 16c; strained, 4 to 10-lb. cans, per lb., 10c.

MAPLE SYRUP—Gallon jugs, per doz., $12.

NUTS—Almonds, 15c; English walnuts, soft-shelled, 12c; standards, 10c; filberts, 9@10c; Brazil nuts, 8c; shellbark hickory nuts, per bu., $1.50@2.00; large hickory nuts, $1.25@1.50; fancy raw peanuts, 6c; roasted peanuts, 7½@8c.

SAUER KRAUT—Choice white, per bbl., $4.50; per half bbl., $2.50.

MINCE MEAT—Fancy, in half bbls., per lb., 5½c; 10-gal. kegs, 6c; condensed, per case of 3 doz. pkgs., $2.50.

FISH—Sunfish and perch, 6c; buffalo, 7c; croppie, 10c; catfish, 12c; black bass, 20c.

CIDER—Pure juice, per bbl., $5.50; half bbl., $3.

HIDES—No. 1 green hides, 3¼c; No. 2 green hides, 3¼c; No. 1 green salted hides, 4½c; No. 2 green salted hides, 3½c; No. 1 green salted hides, 25 to 40 lbs., 4½c; No. 2 green salted hides, 25 to 40 lbs., 3½c; No. 1 veal calf, 8 to 15 lbs., 7c; No. 2 veal calf, 8 to 15 lbs., 5c; No. 1 dry flint hides, 6c; No. 2 dry flint hides, 4c; No. 1 dry salted hides, 5c; part cured hides, ½c per lb. less than fully cured.

SHEEP PELTS—Green salted, each, 25@60c; green salted shearlings (short wooled early skins), each, 5@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, 5@8c; dry flint Kansas and Nebraska murrain wool pelts, per lb., actual weight, 4@6c; dry flint Colorado butcher wool pelts, per lb., actual weight, 4@6½c; dry flint Colorado murrain wool pelts, per lb., actual weight, 4@6c.

TALLOW AND GREASE—Tallow, No. 1, 4@4½c; tallow, No. 2, 3½@4c; grease, white A, 4¼@4½c; grease, white B, 3⅜c; grease, yellow, 3¼c; grease, dark, 2½@3c; old butter, 2@2½c; beeswax, prime, 17@20c; rough tallow, 2c.

FURS—Bear, black, No. 1 large, $20.00@25.00; No. 1 medium, $15; No. 1 small, $8.00@10.00; bear, black, yearlings, No. 1 large, $12.00@15.00; No. 1 medium, $10; No. 1 small, $7; bear, black, cubs, No. 1 large, $6.00@8.00; No. 1 medium, $5.00@6.00; No. 1 small, $4; bear, black, Montana and Rocky mountain, No. 1 large, $18.00@22.00; No. 1 medium, $14; No. 1 small, $10; bear, black, Montana yearlings, No. 1 large, $12; No. 1 medium, $8; No. 1 small, $5; bear, black, Montana cubs, No. 1 large, $6.50; No. 1 medium, $4.50; No. 1 small, $3; bear, silver tip, No. 1 large, $20; No. 1 medium, $12; No. 1 small, $8; bear, silver tip, yearlings, No. 1 large, $11; No. 1 medium, $8; No. 1 small, $5; bear, silver tip, cubs, No. 1 large, $6; No. 1 medium, $4.50; No. 1 small, $3; bear, brown, No. 1 large, $20.00@25.00; No. 1 medium, $16; No. 1 small, $12; bear, brown, yearlings, No. 1 large, $10.00@12.00; No. 1 medium, $8; No. 1 small, $6; bear, brown, cubs, No. 1 large, $7; No. 1 medium, $5; No. 1 small, $3; badger, No. 1 large, $1.00@1.50; No. 1 medium, 60c; No. 1 small, 50c; fisher, No. 1 large, $8; No. 1 medium, $6; No. 1 small, $4; fox, silver, as to color according to beauty, No. 1 large, $100; No. 1 medium, $60; No. 1 small, $50; fox, silver, pale, according to beauty, No. 1 large, $50; No. 1 medium, $30; No. 1 small, $20; fox, cross, No. 1 large, $7; No. 1 medium, $3; No. 1 small, $2; fox, red, No. 1 large, $1.50; No. 1 medium, $1.25; No. 1 small, $1; fox, gray, No. 1 large, 75c; No. 1 medium, 50c; No. 1 small, 40c; fox, kit, No. 1 large, 50c; No. 1 medium, 40c; No. 1 small, 30c; lynx, No. 1 large, $3; No. 1 medium, $2; No. 1 small, $1.50; marten, No. 1 large, $2; No. 1 medium, $1.50; No. 1 small, $1; mink, No. 1 large, 60@65c; No. 1 medium, 40c; No. 1 small, 35c; mink, dark, No. 1 large, 65c; No. 1 medium, 40c; No. 1 small, 30c; mountain lion, perfect head and feet, No. 1 large, $1.00@2.00; imperfect skins, 25@50c; otter, No. 1 large, $8; No. 1 medium, $6.00@7.00; No. 1 small, $5; otter, pale, No. 1 large, $7; No. 1 medium, $5; No. 1 small, $4; raccoon, No. 1 large, 60@70c; No. 1 medium, 50c; No. 1 small, 35c; raccoon, black, as to beauty, No. 1 large, 50c@$2.00; skunk, black, cased, narrow striped, No. 1 large, 50c; No. 1 medium, 40c; No. 1 small, 25c; skunk, broad striped, No. 1 large, 20@25c; wolverine, No. 1 large, $4; No. 1 medium, $3; No. 1 small, $2; wolf, mountain, No. 1 large, $3; No. 1 medium, $2; No. 1 small, $1.50; wolf, prairie, No. 1 large, 65@90c; No. 1 medium, 60c; No. 1 small, 40c; beaver, per skin, No. 1 large, $5.00@6.00; No. 1 medium, $4.50; No. 1 small, $2; beaver kits, No. 1 large, $2; No. 1 medium, $1.50; No. 1 small, 75c; muskrats, winter, No. 1 large, 8@10c; No. 1 medium, 9c; No. 1 small, 7c; muskrats, fall, No. 1 large, 4@6c; No. 1 medium, 7c; No. 1 small, 6c; muskrats, kits, 2@3c.

St. Louis General Market.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 26.—FLOUR—Dull, unchanged.

WHEAT—Gained ⅛@¼c, principally on professional buying; No. 2 red, cash, 51⅛c; December, 52c asked; January, 52½c; May, 55¼@55⅜c bid.

CORN—On light offerings firmed up ⅛@⅜c; No. 2 mixed, cash, 43c; December, 43⅜c; January, 43c bid; May, 45¼@45⅜c bid; July, 45⅝c bid.

OATS—Steady to firmer; No. 2, cash, 30c; December, 30½c asked; May, 31⅜@31½c bid.

RYE—No. 2, on call, 50c bid for regular, 54c asked; choice, to arrive, east track, lot sold later at 54c.

BARLEY—No trading.

BRAN—Quiet; 61c sacked, east track.

FLAX SEED—$1.40.

CLOVER SEED—$7.75@8.25.

TIMOTHY SEED—$4.90@5.25.

BUTTER—Quiet, unchanged.

EGGS—Firmer, scarce.

LEAD—Nominal, $2.80.

SPELTER—Lower, $3.07½.

CORN MEAL—$2.05@2.10.

WHISKY—$1.22.

COTTON TIES—65c.

BAGGING—5⅜@6½c.

PROVISIONS—Pork, standard mess, jobbing, $12. Lard, prime steam, $6.50; choice, $6.55. Bacon, packed shoulders, $6; longs, $6.62½; ribs, $6.75; short clears, $6.87½. Dry salt meats, loose shoulders, $4.75; longs, $5.75; ribs, $5.87½; short clears, $6; hams, sugar cured, 10½@11½c.

RECEIPTS—Flour, 7,000 bbls.; wheat, 19,000 bu.; corn, 177,000 bu.; oats, 45,000 bu.; rye, 1,000 bu.; barley, 32,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Flour, 5,000 bbls.; wheat, none; corn, 47,000 bu.; oats, 14,000 bu.; barley, 1,000 bu.; rye, 1,200 bu.

Toledo Grain Market.

TOLEDO, Dec. 26.—WHEAT—Dull but higher; No. 2 cash and December, 54⅝c; May, 58⅛c.

CORN—Active and steady; No. 2 mixed and December, 43½c; May, 47c; No. 3 mixed, 41½c; No. 2 yellow, 42½c.

OATS—Quiet and steady; No. 2 mixed, 30½c; No. 2 white, 33½c.

RYE—Dull; cash, 51c.

CLOVER SEED—Active and steady; prime, cash, December and February, $5.57½.

RECEIPTS—Flour, 500 bbls.; wheat, 51,000 bu.; corn, 95,000 bu.; oats, 2,000 bu.; rye, 100 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Flour, 100 bbls.; wheat, 2,500 bu.; Corn, 328,000 bu.; oats, 1,500 bu.; rye, 1,000 bu.; clover seed, 2,400 bu.

STOCKS AND BONDS.

Everything on the List Was Depressed—Sugar Neglected.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—The stock market was characterized by a tone of depression throughout the greater part of the day. There were occasional periods of firmness during the day, but the slight improvements made were quickly lost under the influences of the selling movement, which, while slight, was effective in breaking down prices by reason of the absence of any supporting orders. Chicago Gas and Distilling were about the only active stocks which resisted the efforts of the bears during the morning. Distilling was in very good buying demand in the early dealings, the purchasers being insiders who anticipated the success of the plan of reorganization. An advance of 1⅛ per cent was recorded before noon, all but ⅜ per cent of which was lost during the afternoon, when there was some selling at the higher figures by holders who are not sanguine as to the rehabilitation of the country on a solid basis. Chicago Gas was bought on western orders, the purchases being credited to recent sellers who desired to get back their stock. The stock advanced 1¼ per cent, to 72¾ per cent before midday and reacted ⅜ per cent in the afternoon trading, which was light in volume. The Cordage shares were notably weak on the liquidation of speculative account, in which the margins were so nearly exhausted as to require the stock to be sold as a precautionary measure; the guaranteed stock broke 3⅝ per cent to 16⅝ and the preferred 3 per cent, to 8⅞. The common advanced ½ per cent, to 7, sold down to 5½, rallied to 6½, reacted to 5¾ and closed at 6, a loss of ½c on the day. The bears made an attack on New Jersey Central during the last hour on a report unfavorable to the company, and hammered the stock down 6 per cent, the closing price being only ⅛ per cent above the lowest. Sugar was comparatively neglected and during the hour between 12 and 1 o'clock only one sale of the stock was made, the shares fluctuating within the very narrow range of three-fourths of 1 per cent, closing ½ per cent down on the day. The grangers were weak on reports of poor earnings for December and closed at declines, compared with Monday's finals of 1 per cent in St. Paul and Northwestern, ⅝ per cent in Burlington and ½ per cent in Rock Island. The other material declines on the day are: Lake Erie & Western preferred and Cotton Oil, 2 per cent, Louisville, New Albany & Chicago preferred 1¾ per cent, Delaware & Hudson and Bay State Gas 1⅜ per cent, National Lead, common and preferred, and National Starch 1 per cent. On purchases of 200 shares, Central and South American telegraph lost 9 per cent, to 119. Laclede Gas, common and preferred, each made gains of 1¼ per cent, and a few others show fractional improvements. The pressure to sell was heaviest in the late trading and the market closed weak, at prices at about the lowest level.

The bond market was weak during the day on a somewhat restricted volume of trade. The Atchison issues were heavily sold and gave way 1¾ to 1⅞ per cent for the 4s and 1¼ for the seconds, a small fraction being recovered in the final dealings. The combined sales of these issues were $228,000 out of a total for the day of $917,000.

The total sales of stocks today were 56,298 shares, including: American Sugar, 19,600; Burlington, 7,900; Chicago Gas, 7,400; Distilling and Cattlefeeding, 9,700; General Electric, 3,000; New Jersey Central, 7,100; Northwestern, 3,800; Reading, 3,700; Rock Island, 4,100; St. Paul, 25,100; United States Cordage, 3,900; United States Cordage preferred, 3,900; United States Rubber, 3,000; Western Union, 7,300.

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

Atchison	1	Northwestern	96¼
Adams Express	140	do pfd	141
Alton, T. H	37	N. Y. Central	99
*do pfd	198	N. Y. & N. E.	31⅝
Am. Express	110	Ontario & W.	15
Baltimore & Ohio	62½	Oregon Imp.	11
Canada Pacific	59	Oregon Nav.	19
Canada Southern	50¼	O. S. L. & U. N.	6
Central Pacific	14	Pacific Mail	21⅜
Ches. & Ohio	16⅞	P. D. & E.	3⅛
*Chicago Alton	146	*Pittsburg	157
C., B. & Q.	70⅛	Pullman Palace	152
Chicago Gas	72⅛	Reading	15¼
Consolidated Gas	131⅛	Richmond Ter.	15
C., C., C. & St. L.	38¾	do pfd	20
Colo. Coal & Iron	8	R. G. W.	16⅜
Cotton Oil Cert.	22	R. G. W. pfd	43
Delaware & Hud.	125⅝	Rock Island	61⅛
Del., Lack. & W.	161⅛	St. Paul	56⅝
D. & R. G. pfd	32½	do pfd	118
D. & C. F. Co.	10⅝	St. P. & Omaha	32
Erie	9⅝	do pfd	110
do pfd	20	Southern Pacific	18
*Fort Wayne	157	Sugar Refinery	88⅜
G. Northern pfd	101	Tenn. Coal & Iron	15¾
C. & E. I. pfd	93½	Texas Pacific	9⅝
Hocking Valley	17	T. & O. Cent. pfd	75
Illinois Central	86	Union Pacific	11⅛
St. P. & Duluth	21	U. S. Express	42
K. & T. pfd	21¾	W. St. L. & P.	6
Lake Erie & West	16¼	do pfd	13½
do pfd	70	Wells Fargo Ex.	105
Lake Shore	136⅛	Western Union	86⅛
Lead Trust	36¾	Wheeling & L. E.	10⅛
Louisville & N.	83⅝	do pfd	39⅝
L. & N. A.	6⅛	M. & St. L.	28
Manhattan Con.	104	D. & R. G.	10⅛
*Memphis & C.	10	G. E.	33⅛
Michigan Cent.	98	N. L.	18
Missouri Pacific	26¾	C. F. & I.	25⅝
Mobile & Ohio	17	do pfd	70
Nashville Chat.	65	H. & T. C.	2⅛
National Cordage	5¾	T. A. A. & N. M.	2¾
do pfd	8⅞	T. St. L. & K. C.	1
N. J. Central	70½	do pfd	6
N. & W. pfd	18⅛	S. R. R.	10⅝
North Am. Co.	3⅜	do pfd	36¼
Northern Pacific	3⅞	Am. Tob. Co.	95
No. Pac. pfd	16¾	do pfd	108
U. P., D. & G.	3	St. P., M. & M.	110

* bid.

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—MONEY ON CALL—Easy at 1½@2 per cent; last loan, 2 per cent; closed at 2 per cent.

PRIME MERCANTILE PAPER—2¾@4½ per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Dull but steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.88½@4.88¾ for demand and at $4.87½@4.87¾ for sixty days. Posted rates, $4.88@4.89 and $4.89½@4.90.

SILVER CERTIFICATES—59⅝c bid.

MEXICAN DOLLARS—50c.

GOVERNMENT BONDS—Easy.

Closing quotations on bonds were as follows:

U. S. 5s, reg.	117⅝	*D. & R. G. 7s.	114¾
U. S. 5s, coup.	117⅞	D. & R. G. 4s.	82¾
U. S. 4s, reg.	113¾	Erie 2ds.	65
U. S. 4s, coup.	114½	G. H. & S. A. 6s.	98½
*U. S. 2s, reg.	97	*do 7s.	100
*Pacific 6s of '95.	100	H. & T. C. 5s.	106
Ala. Class A.	104	do 6s.	102⅝
*Ala. Class B.	106	M. K. & T. 1st 4s.	80⅝
*Ala. Class C.	95	do 2d 4s.	46⅛
Ala. Currency.	95	*Mutual Union 6s.	105
La. New Con. 4s.	95	N. J. C. Gen. 5s.	115⅜
*Missouri 6s.	100	No. Pac. 1sts.	116¼
N. C. 6s.	125	do 2ds.	89¾
*N. C. 4s.	102	N. W. Consols.	143¾
S. C. nonfund.	1⅛	*do S. F. Deb. 5s	109
Tenn. new set 6s.	82	R. G. West. 1sts.	69¾
*Tenn. new set 5s	100	*St. P. Consols 7s.	128
*Tenn. old 6s.	60	do C. & P. W. 5s.	113⅛
Va. Centuries.	60¼	St. L. & I. M. Gen. 5.	78⅛
do deferred.	12	St. L. & S. F. Gen. 6.	102
Atchison 4s.	62¼	do 2ds.	25
do 2d A.	16⅝	U. P. 1sts of '96.	103¾
*Canada So. 2ds.	105⅛	West Shore 4s.	103⅝
C. P. 1sts of '95.	103½	So. R. R.	90⅝

* bid.

San Francisco Mining Stock Quotations.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 26.—The official closing quotations for mining stocks today were as follows:

Alta	20	Gould & Curry	41
Alpha Con.	10	Hale & Norcross	94
Andes	35	Justice	19
Belcher	60	Lady Wash Con.	4
Belle Isle	5	Mexican	60
Best & Belcher	95	Mono	20
Bodie Con.	63	Mount Diablo	10
Bullion	20	Navajo	5
Caledonia	9	Ophir	165
Challenge Con.	33	Overman	18
Chollar	43	Potosi	33
Confidence	80	Savage	30
Con. Cal & Va.	365	Silver Hill	6
Con. Imperial	1	Union Con.	52
Crown Point	72	Utah Con.	5
Exchequer	5	Yellow Jacket	41

Silver bars, 59¾@59⅞c. Mexican dollars, 50¼@51c. Drafts, sight, 7½c; telegraphic, 10c.

Boston Stock Quotations.

BOSTON, Dec. 26.—Call loans, 2½@3½ per cent; time loans, 3@4 per cent. Closing prices for stocks, bonds and mining shares:

A. T. & S. F.	3⅛	Westingh. Elec.	32½
Am. Sugar	89	W. Elec. pfd.	49
Am. Sugar pfd.	90	Wis. Central	3
Bay State Gas	8⅛	Atchison 2ds	16¼
Bell Telephone	192½	Atchison 4s	62
Boston & Albany	208	New England 6s	112
Boston & Maine	159	Gen. Electric 5s	91¼
C. B. & Q.	70⅛	Wis. Cent. 1sts	53¼
Fitchburg	87⅛	Atlantic	10⅛
Gen. Electric	33⅝	Boston & Montana	33⅜
Illinois Steel	40	Butte & Boston	10⅜
N. Y. & N. E.	16	Calumet & Hecla	290
Old Colony	180¼	Centennial	50
Ore. Short Line	6⅛	Franklin	14½
Rubber	44⅛	Kearsarge	7
Union Pacific	11	Osceola	21⅜
West End	56⅝	Quincy	103
W. End pfd.	85	Tamarack	150

New York Mining Quotations.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—The following are the closing mining quotations:

Bulwer	3	Ontario	900
Cholor	40	Ophir	100
Crown Point	60	Plymouth	25
Con. Cal. & Va.	340	Quicksilver	150
Deadwood	40	do pfd	1500
Gould & Curry	30	Sierra Nevada	45
Hale & Norcross	90	Standard	200
Homestake	1550	Union Con.	60
Mexican	50	Yellow Jacket	30

Coffee Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—COFFEE—Options opened irregular at 5 points decline to 10 points advance; no sales up to 2:30 p. m. and only 5,000 bags for whole session; market featureless; closed dull at 5@10 points net advance; sales, 5,000 bags, including: December, $13.70; January, $12.50@13.55; March, $12.60; July, $12.55.

Cotton Market.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 26.—COTTON—Quiet; middling, 5¼c; sales, none; receipts, 10,230 bales; shipments, 8,800 bales; stock, 67,790 bales.

Wool Market.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 26.—WOOL—Steady, quiet, without change.

OMAHA LIVE STOCK MARKETS

Light Receipts Justify Dealers' Expectations and See a Sharp Advance.

STRONG DEMAND FOR BEEF CATTLE

Limited Offerings Set Dealers to Scrambling for the Few in Sight and Prices Go Up—Hogs Gain a Sorting Market.

WEDNESDAY, Dec. 26.

Supplies of all kinds of stock were limited, but this was not unexpected, in view of the fact that Tuesday was a very generally observed holiday in the live stock trade.

There were less than half as many cattle on sale as were here on last Wednesday, but the general character of the receipts was much the same as it always is at this season. Light supplies, cold weather and not at all bearish eastern advices, together with a good demand, both from dressed beef men and shippers, made up a combination of circumstances all favorable to a good, strong, active trade. Prices ruled strong to a dime higher than Monday and showed all of a 40c to 50c advance, as compared with the low point last Wednesday. It did not take buyers long to gather in the moderate supplies on this basis.

There was not so much advance in cow stuff, but anything that suited butchers sold fully as well as on Monday, and canners, while not particularly sought after, sold at good, steady prices. The twenty odd loads on sale soon changed hands. The market for veal calves was rather indifferently supplied, both as to quantity and quality, and prices showed no material change. Bulls, stags and rough stock generally met with a moderate request at steady prices.

In the stocker and feeder line business was a trifle sluggish. Both supply and demand were rather light and there was a general disposition to shade prices on all but the best fleshy stock. Common, light stuff ruled dull and lower. Good to choice feeders are quotable at $2.80@3.25; fair to good, $2.35@2.75, and common grades from $2.25 down. Representative sales:

DRESSED BEEF.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
11	962	$3 25	21	1171	$3 75	12	1027	$4 05
19	1001	3 35	21	1243	3 75	40	1250	4 50
2	895	3 75	41	1197	4 00	2	1415	4 75

SHIPPING AND EXPORT.

20	1063	3 25	84	1190	4 20	32	1262	4 40
42	1163	3 80						

COWS.

1	910	1 25	9	875	1 80	6	1156	2 20
6	873	1 35	13	929	1 85	1	880	2 25
3	973	1 50	5	1042	2 00	1	1100	2 25
1	950	1 50	2	860	2 00	2	1245	2 25
1	1060	1 50	1	980	2 00	4	892	2 25
1	880	1 50	1	930	2 00	15	1013	2 35
5	892	1 60	2	1085	2 00	1	1140	2 35
1	650	1 75	1	870	2 00	7	934	2 35
5	1036	1 75	12	899	2 10	1	660	2 40
10	752	1 75	8	1121	2 10	6	960	2 40
2	1035	1 75	32	1033	2 15	5	1102	2 50
24	982	1 75	2	940	2 15	23	924	2 60

HEIFERS.

1	490	1 40	5	364	1 70	4	310	2 10
15	624	1 50	2	385	1 75	1	710	2 30
1	310	1 50	1	330	1 75	4	620	2 50
9	594	1 65	2	630	2 00	8	982	3 00

CALVES.

2	235	2 00	1	110	3 75	1	170	4 00
2	315	2 75	3	160	4 00	1	110	4 00

BULLS.

1	1440	1 65	1	1420	1 90	1	1340	2 50
1	1010	1 70	2	1400	1 95	1	1270	2 55
2	1165	1 70	1	1780	2 00	1	1430	2 65
2	1500	1 85	1	1120	2 50	2	1480	2 75
1	1380	1 90						

STAGS.

1	880	1 50	35	1312	3 75

STOCKERS AND FEEDERS.

1	520	1 75	1	570	2 35	2	695	2 50
5	310	1 95	15	746	2 35	6	560	2 50
1	390	2 00	13	676	2 35	25	897	2 60
4	475	2 00	7	652	2 35	16	788	2 70
1	720	2 00	13	405	2 40	13	726	2 70
1	820	2 00	18	795	2 40	1	1170	2 75
1	800	2 00	8	537	2 40	18	897	2 80
12	710	2 00	5	388	2 40	1	1050	2 95
2	235	2 00	14	601	2 40	6	943	2 99
1	470	2 25	1	420	2 40	6	973	3 05
1	600	2 30	5	748	2 50	9	1101	3 15

WESTERN CATTLE.

COLORADO.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
22 steers	1164	$3 40			

WYOMING.

Guthrie & Oskamp Cattle Company.

1 bull	1300	1 80	24 cows	897	1 80
324 cows	908	2 40			

HOGS—Receipts today were very little heavier than Monday, and only about a third as heavy as on last Wednesday. Including stale hogs, there were less than 3,000 on sale, and the quality was poor, as a rule. Some of the packers wanted hogs, others found offerings too small to interest them, and there was no outside demand for any class of stuff. Sellers wanted stronger prices on account of the small run, but buyers did not want the hogs bad enough to advance prices more than a shade here and there. They took heavy and heavy mixed loads at from $4.10 to $4.30, and paid from $4 to $4.25 for common to choice 150 to 200-lb. stuff. On light and light mixed stuff the market was rather weak than otherwise, and on account of the very poor demand for pigs, these could hardly be sold at all, even at considerably lower prices. The close found several loads still in the pens, but the decent weight hogs were pretty well cleaned up, selling largely at from $4.15 to $4.25, as against $4 to $4.25 Monday, and $3.90 to $4.15 a week ago. Representative sales:

No.	Av.	Sh.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Sh.	Pr.
7	174	...	$3 75	20	220	...	$4 20
88	142	...	4 00	80	221	...	4 20
101	162	80	4 00	114	182	160	4 20
88	162	200	4 00	25	187	...	4 20
8	181	...	4 00	84	211	120	4 20
6	221	...	4 05	67	224	120	4 20
16	196	160	4 05	50	246	120	4 20
88	174	...	4 05	123	165	...	4 20
13	202	...	4 10	64	196	80	4 20
66	194	160	4 10	75	211	...	4 22½
86	183	40	4 10	72	198	80	4 25
86	164	...	4 10	76	205	120	4 25
87	191	40	4 15	27	250	...	4 25
80	198	80	4 15	64	248	200	4 25
93	191	120	4 15	93	225	200	4 30
30	205	..	4 15	69	249	200	4 30
92	187	...	4 15				

PIGS AND ROUGH.

1	230	...	2 50	22	109	...	3 50
1	260	...	2 75				

SHEEP—But one load was received, and they found a ready buyer at a good strong price. The demand is very fair for good muttons and lambs, and prices for such are quotably a shade firmer. Common and stock sheep are hard to sell at any price. Fair to choice natives are quotable at $2.25@2.75; fair to good westerns, $2.00@2.60; common and stock sheep, $1.00@2.00; good to choice 40 to 100-lb. lambs, $2.50@3.75. Representative sales:

No.		Wt.	Pr.
15	culls	79	$1 50
86	native mixed	95	2 70

Receipts and Disposition of Stock.

Official receipts and disposition of stock as shown by the books of the Union Stock yards company for the twenty-four hours ending at 3 o'clock p. m., December 26, 1894:

RECEIPTS.

	Cars.	Head.
Cattle	51	1,347
Hogs	30	2,447
Sheep	1	100
Horses and mules	1	20

DISPOSITION.

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
Omaha Packing Co.	6	.....	.....
The G. H. Hammond Co.	34	713	.....
Swift and Company	585	981	101
The Cudahy Packing Co.	233	322	.....
Nelson Morris	155	.....	.....
A. Haas	55	.....	.....
R. Becker & Degen	24	.....	.....
Carey	19	.....	.....
L. Becker	23	.....	.....
Hamilton & Son	30	.....	.....
J. Lobman	1	.....	.....
Shippers and feeders	172	2	.....
Left over	.....	600	.....
Total	1,367	2,618	101

WESTERN PACKING INTERESTS.

Hogs Continue to Come to Market in Excess of Expectations.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 26.—(Special Telegram.)—Tomorrow's Price Current will say: The supply of hogs has been fully up to or in excess of expectations. Total packing for the week has been 390,000, against 385,000 last week and 220,000 a year ago. From November 1 the total is 3,665,000, against 2,230,000 a year ago. Prominent places compare as follows:

PLACES.	1894.	1893.
Chicago	1,245,000	760,000
Kansas City	453,000	230,000
Omaha	278,000	176,000
St. Louis	185,000	101,000
Cincinnati	131,000	92,000
Indianapolis	191,000	145,000
Milwaukee	2?0,000	72,000
Cedar Rapids	77,000	57,000
St. Joseph	76,000	46,000
Sioux City	79,000	37,000
Ottumwa	89,000	42,000
St. Paul	135,000	60,000

Kansas City Live Stock Market.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 26.—CATTLE—Receipts, 4,600 head; shipments, 2,000 head; market steady to strong; Texas steers, $2.20@3.60; Texas cows, $1.60@2.50; beef steers, $3.00@5.40; native cows, $1.20@2.40; stockers and feeders, $1.85@3.40; bulls, $2.10@2.75.

HOGS—Receipts, 5,100 head; shipments, none; market strong to 5c higher; bulk of sales, $4.15@4.30; heavies, $4.15@4.45; packers, $4.10@4.45; mixed, $1.00@4.30; lights, $3.50@4.00; Yorkers, $3.90@4.00; pigs, $2.75@3.60.

SHEEP—Receipts, 1,400 head; shipments, 1,200 head; market steady to strong.

New York Live Stock Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—BEEVES—On sale, 20 cars; market very active, 15@25c higher; native steers, poor to good, $4.00@4.75; oxen, $2.50@4.50; bulls, $2.00@3.00; dry cows, $1.40@3.70; European cables quote American steers at 10@11½c per lb., dressed weight; refrigerator beef, 8@9½d per lb.; exports today, 2,486 quarters of beef. Calves, receipts, 379 head; active and firm; veals, poor to prime, 5c; barn yard calves, $2.50@2.75.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—On sale, 39 cars; sheep, weak; choice lambs, shade higher; others steady; sheep, $2.00@3.50; lambs, $3.00@4.62½.

HOGS—Receipts, 10,700 head; market steady to firm.

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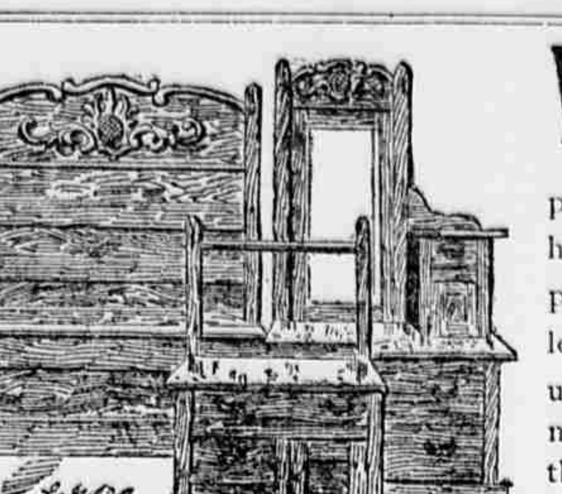

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CHICAGO LIVE STOCK.

Holders of Cattle Were Confident and Prices Ruled Higher.

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—Cattle prices were held higher early in the day. The meager supply during the last three days made holders confident. Butchers' stuff commanded an advance, but the steer market was dull. Sales of steers were generally at from $3.50 to $5, and from $3 to $5.75 was the range of quotations. Cows and bulls were in good demand and were strong.

Light hogs and common lots generally sold slowly at Monday's prices. For good to choice medium and heavy weights the market was fairly active and stronger owing to the smallness of the receipts. The quality averaged better than for some days. Sales were principally at from $4 to $4.25 for averages of less than 200 lbs., and at from $4.25 to $4.55 for heavier weights. There were many sales of poor stuff at less than $4, and choice 300 to 350-lb. hogs were salable at from $4.60 to $4.70.

The sheep market was active at advanced prices. Anything that would grade above common was from 10c to 20c higher than Monday, choice sheep being quoted around $3.50 and choice lambs as high as $4.10. From those prices sales ranged all along down to from $1.50 to $1.75 for inferior sheep and to from $2.25 to $2.50 for thin lambs. The supply was light, and all were sold early, the bulk at from $2.50 to $3.25 for sheep and at from $3.50 to $3.90 for lambs.

The Evening Journal reports:

HOGS—Receipts, 20,000 head; official Monday, shipped, 7,680 head; left over, about 2,000 head; market moderately active and firm at 5c advance; sales range at $3.80@4.30 for light; $4.00@4.20 for rough packing; $3.95@4.60 for mixed; $4.20@4.70 for heavy packing and shipping lots; $3.35@3.95 for pigs.

CATTLE—Receipts, 11,500 head; market steady and unchanged.

SHEEP—Receipts, 8,000 head; market moderately active and firmer.

St. Louis Live Stock Market.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 26.—CATTLE—Receipts, 2,700 head; shipments, 1,500 head; market active, 10@15c higher; native steers, 1,200 to 1,300 lbs., $4.15@4.20; 800 to 1,000 lbs., $3.00@3.65; cows, $2.75; Texas steers, light, $3; cows and heifers, $2.25@2.40.

HOGS—Receipts, 4,400 head; shipments, 2,300 head; market active, strong, 5@10c higher; good heavy, $4.45@4.50; medium and mixed lots, $4.30@4.40; good light, $4.20@4.40; pigs, common and rough, $3.85@4.05.

SHEEP—Receipts, 1,700 head; shipments, 100 head; market active, 10@25c higher; native mixed, $2.50@3.10; lambs, $3.35.

Stock in Sight.

Record of receipts at the four principal markets for Wednesday, December 26, 1894:

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
South Omaha	1,347	2,447	100
Chicago	11,500	20,000	8,000
Kansas City	4,600	5,100	1,400
St. Louis	2,700	4,000	1,700
Totals	20,147	31,547	11,200

Kansas City Markets.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 26.—WHEAT—No. 2 hard, steady at 52c; sample sales, f. o. b., Mississippi river, No. 2 hard, 59½c; No. 2 red, 57½@58c.

CORN—Slightly lower; No. 2 mixed, 38½@39c; No. 2 white, 40¼@40½c.

OATS—Firm; No. 2 mixed, 30⅝@30½c; No. 2 white, 33c.

RYE—Firm; No. 2, 49c.

FLAX SEED—Dull at $1.34@1.35.

BRAN—Firm at 68@69c.

HAY—Weak.

BUTTER—Dull; creamery, 16@21c; dairy, 13@15c.

EGGS—Quiet; strictly fresh, 15c.

RECEIPTS—Wheat, 19,000 bbls.; *corn, 83,000 bu.; oats, 23,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Wheat, 5,000 bu.; corn, 4,000 bu.; oats, none.

New York Dry Goods Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—As usual in the closing week of the month and year, there has been a very light demand, with the chief request for wide sheetings, in consequence of reduced prices, which agents have made as follows: Androscoggin, 10-4 bleached, 17c; Pepperell, 10-4 bleached, 16½c; Allendale and Pembroke, 10-4 bleached, 16c, and other widths of usual proportions. Printing cloths, dull at 2 11-16c, plus 1 per cent.

'Frisco Wheat Market.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 26.—WHEAT—Steady; May, 99⅛c; December, 92c.

Financial Notes.

BOSTON, Dec. 26.—Clearings, $16,801,643; balances, $1,615,956.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 26.—Clearings, $2,553,182; balances, $281,293.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Clearings, $104,616,427; balances, $5,486,259.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 26.—Clearings, $17,767,967; balances, $4,271,277.

MEMPHIS, Dec. 26.—Clearings, $390,916; balances, $61,477. New York exchange, selling at par.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 26.—Clearings, $2,377,600. Money, 2½@6 per cent. New York exchange, par to 25c premium.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 26.—Clearings, 4,668,202; balances, $832,066. Money, dull at 5@7 per cent. Exchange on New York, 75c premium.

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—Clearings, $15,615,000. Money on call, 4@4½ per cent and 5@6 per cent on time. New York exchange, 75c premium. Sterling commercial, $4.86⅝@4.87⅜.

For Abusing His Family.

On Christmas eve Jack Hogan went home in company with a jag of family disturbance. He proceeded to whip his wife and abused his stepdaughter until an officer placed him under arrest. Yesterday Mrs. Hogan and her daughter appeared against him and the woman said that Jack was all right so long as he left drink alone. She said that he had been in the habit of abusing her for the past few years and had left her to earn the living by keeping boarders. Judge Berka thought that about $80 and costs would make the punishment fit the crime and for the next few weeks Jack's address will be in care of Jailer Miller of the county jail. His wife will have him placed under bonds to keep the peace in the future.

Bedel Institute of Blair, Neb., is the best and only guaranteed cure of the liquor, morphine and tobacco habit.

Walker Was Discharged.

Judge Berka has dismissed the charges of embezzlement against V. B. Walker, an ex-policeman, by John Mack. Walker was accused of collecting $5 from Mack, saying that he would pay a fine for the latter in the police court, but he did not, nor did he return the cash. The judge gave Walker a severe scolding, but said that no evidence had been introduced to show that the money had been converted and Mack had not made a demand for the return of it before having Walker arrested. It was admitted that Walker received the money, and Clerk Michaels testified that it had not been turned over to him. Walker was court officer at the time, but later on was dismissed from the force, and lately he has been attempting to practice law in the police court.

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WEATHER FORECAST.

Fair and Continued Cold for Nebraska Today.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—The forecast for Thursday is:

For Nebraska—Fair; continued cold weather; north winds, becoming variable.

For Iowa—Local snows in the early morning; fair Thursday; colder; north winds.

For Missouri—Fair; colder; north winds.

For South Dakota—Fair; warmer in the western portion; north winds, becoming variable.

For Kansas—Fair; colder in the eastern portion; north winds, becoming variable.

Local Record.

OFFICE OF THE WEATHER BUREAU, OMAHA, Dec. 26.—Omaha record of temperature and rainfall, compared with corresponding day of the past four years:

	1894.	1893.	1892.	1891.
Maximum temperature	28	42	4	20
Minimum temperature	11	12	—14	2
Average temperature	20	27	— 5	11
Precipitation	.02	.00	T	.00

Condition of temperature and precipitation at Omaha for the day since March 1, 1894:

Normal temperature	23
Deficiency for the day	3
Normal precipitation	.03 inch
Deficiency for the day	.01 inch
Total precipitation since March 1	16.01 inches
Deficiency since March 1	15.53 inches

Reports from Other Stations at 8 P. M.

STATIONS.	Temperature at 8 p. m.	Max. Temperature of day.	Precipitation.	STATE OF WEATHER.
Omaha	17	28	.02	Clear.
North Platte	12	26	.00	Part Cloudy
Valentine	4	18	.02	Cloudy.
Chicago	26	26	T	Snowing.
St. Louis	26	30	.00	Clear.
St. Paul	8	14	.04	Clear.
Davenport	26	28	.00	Cloudy.
Kansas City	28	36	.00	Cloudy.
Denver	16	28	.00	Clear.
Salt Lake City	18	24	.00	Clear.
Rapid City	2	20	.01	Cloudy.
Helena	16	22	.00	Clear.
Bismarck	*12	4	.00	Clear.
St. Vincent	*18	*6	.00	Clear.
Cheyenne	12	20	.00	Part Cloudy
Miles City	*2	12	.T	Clear.
Galveston	44	46	.00	Part Cloudy

"T" indicates trace of precipitation.

*Below zero.

L. A. WELSH, Observer.

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To Secure the Thomas Orchestra.

A movement was inaugurated at the meeting of the executive committee of the Commercial club yesterday which has for its object a musical festival in Omaha early in the spring under the auspices of Theodore Thomas and the Chicago Orchestral society. The matter was presented to the individual members of the club by George H. Wilson, a representative of the Chicago society, and by Thomas J. Pennell of this city. Under the direction of Theodore Thomas the Chicago society has taken the first rank among the musical organizations of the country. Chicago contributes to its support five months of each year, and its annual seasons continue for seven months. It has been found necessary to take the organization on the road for two months of the annual season. Mr. Wilson proposed to bring Mr. Thomas to Omaha for a three days festival. The emminent director will be accompanied by sixty musicians, and it is proposed to supplement the visiting organization with the Apollo club of this city and a chorus of 300 selected voices. All that Omaha is asked to do to secure the festival is to put up a $1,000 guarantee. The Commercial club declines to take up the matter as a club, but it will be handled by members as individuals. The sentiments expressed at the meetings yesterday were all enthusiastic and the larger part of the guarantee was subscribed on the spot. Further details of the proposed festival are to be ready for announcement in a few days.

The popularity of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and the high esteem in which it is held leads us to believe it to be an article of great worth and merit. We have the pleasure of giving the experience of three prominent citizens of Redondo Beach, Cal., in the use of the remedy. Mr. A. V. Trudell says: "I have always received prompt relief when I used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy." Mr. James Orchard says: "I am satisfied that Chamberlain's Cough Remedy cured my cold." Mr. J. M. Hatcher says: "For three years I have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in my family and its results have always been satisfactory.

Three Bad Men Escape from Jail.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Dec. 26.—Three noted burglars and all round crooks broke jail here this morning. Their names are Thomas Martin of Buffalo, Frank Leroy of Brooklyn and Thomas King (colored) of New York. They were arrested during the recent Southern exposition for crooked work. As the jailer entered the cell at 3 o'clock this morning they seized him, threw a sack over his head, took his pistol, and, scaling the high walls, escaped.

Want a Battleship Built on the Coast.

VALLEJO, Cal., Dec. 26.—The Vallejo Board of Trade has appointed a committee of three members to visit Washington and urge upon the authorities there the advisability of constructing a battleship at the Mare Island navy yard. The committee will depart on Saturday next. Unless new work shall be provided the large force of mechanics now engaged at the navy yard in making repairs must necessarily be reduced.

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Short Police Stories.

Charles Meyer was fined $5 and costs yesterday afternoon for misappropriating a small sum of money belonging to Mr. Huckstrosser.

The store of Fredericks & Davis, at 1201 Howard street was burglarized Tuesday night, the thieves securing clothing of the value of $12.

H. W. Cox, a colored man, who attempted to use a razor on a woman in the Third ward, was sentenced to work for the next thirty days in the city chain gang.

John Rolson, a teamster, was fined $50 and costs yesterday on the charge of assaulting and brutally beating Robert Combs, a colored man, one day last week. The quarrel originated over the disposition of some waste hay.

Charles Painter, the young man accused of robbing his father's friend, Mr. Wearne, was brought back from St. Joseph yesterday and Judge Berka sentenced him to twenty-five days in the county jail. He will subsist ten days of the time on bread and water.

Andy Ryan, the fellow who pulled a revolver in Meyer's saloon Saturday night and terrorized all the inmates, was arraigned in police court yesterday afternoon. He waived a preliminary hearing and was bound over to the district court in the sum of $1,200.

Andrew Johnson, a man with a presidential name and flowing whiskers, got drunk Tuesday and went to the home of an old woman named Meyer. He abused and struck the woman and was arrested. Yesterday he was fined $40 and costs and will have to serve a sentence in the county jail.

Alonzo Wilson was arraigned in police court yesterday on the charge of vagrancy. He said that he had served as a soldier at Fort Niobrara and his term of enlistment had expired. He came here to get work, but could find none and told the judge that if he was let go he would go out to Fort Omaha and re-enlist in Uncle Sam's service. He was discharged.

Tuesday night four men went into Bernard Conway's house on South Tenth street for the purpose of renting a room. While they were being shown through the house John Ryan stole an overcoat which was hanging in a hall. Yesterday Conway saw Ryan on the street with the stolen property, and he made a forcible demand for its return. A pal of Ryan ran up and brandished a revolver at the owner of the coat, but ran away on seeing an officer coming. Conway held onto Ryan, who was arrested and charged with larceny.