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Small Decline in World's Stocks and Free Selling Weakened Wheat.

TRADING IN CORN LIGHT AND MARKET EASY

Oats Were Lifeless and Provisions Depressed by the Heavy Receipts of Hogs and Prospects for Large Run Tomorrow.

CHICAGO, Jan. 15.—A disappointingly small decline in world's stocks and free selling weakened wheat today, May closing ½c lower; May 10½c. May closed unchanged and provisions finished at declines.

Wheat was content at the opening to rest quietly at the foot of the little hill down which it rolled yesterday. May started worth 58¼c, and a little brought as high as 58⅜c, but soon thereafter it was for sale at 58¼c again, and in the course of an hour it touched 58c. While dullness and somewhat reduced quotations from abroad were in favor of the bears, all the news referring to the movement of supplies was in corroboration of the anticipations of the bulls. Minneapolis receipts were 75 cars and Duluth got 81, making together 166, compared with 282 on Tuesday of last week and 301 on the corresponding day of the year before. Primary wheat receipts all told amounted to only 172,000 bu., against 231,000 bu a week ago, and 366,000 bu last year. Clearances of wheat from Atlantic ports were equal together to 337,000 bu. The Bradstreet's visible supply statement, which came in promptly at 12 o'clock created a little ripple of activity which lasted twenty minutes, and during which the price dropped lower than before. May had recovered to 58¼c and worked off again to 58⅛c, and following the receipts of the Bradstreet's figures, sold as low as 57⅞ to 57¾c. According to the report referred to, the stocks of wheat east of the Rockies decreased 1,428,000 bu. and west they increased 238,000 bu. The stocks in Europe and afloat increased 464,000 bu., the net result of all of which is a decrease last week in the world's stocks of 726,000 bu. The Liverpool market closed at ½d lower for futures of red American than it did yesterday. Antwerp improved 12½ centimes. Paris showed no change and Berlin was 2 marks lower. May closed at 57⅞c.

Trading in corn was light and the market a shade easier. May, which closed at 48c on yesterday, opened at 47⅞c and sold off to 47¾c. It recovered to 47⅞c to 48c with a sale or two at 48c straight, and in sympathy with the weakness in wheat in the afternoon it became rather heavy again at 47⅞c. The most of the day's transactions were at the last named price. Receipts today were 402 cars, but for tomorrow only 170 cars are expected. May closed at 47⅞c.

Oats was lifeless. The market opened unchanged at 30⅞c for May, and after selling from 30¾c to 31c, closed where it opened.

Provisions were depressed by the receipts of 36,000 hogs and the expected receipts of 45,000 tomorrow. Compared with yesterday's close May pork is 25c lower; lard and ribs, 12½c lower.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat, No. 2				
Jan	54⅛	54⅛	54⅛	54⅛
May	58¾	58⅞	57⅞@¾	57⅞
July	58¾	58¾@¾	58⅛@¾	58⅛
Corn No. 2				
Jan	45¾	45¾	45⅛	45¾
May	47¾	48	47⅜	47⅞
July	47⅜	47⅜	47⅛	47⅛
Oats No. 2				
Jan	28⅛	28⅛	28⅛	28⅛
May	30⅞	30⅞@31	30⅞	30⅞
Pork per bbl				
Jan				11 32½
May	11 75	11 75	11 57½	11 60
Lard, 100 lbs				
Jan	6 80	6 80	6 72½	6 72½
May	6 97½	7 00	6 87½	9 90
Short Ribs—				
Jan				5 72½
May	5 95	5 97½	5 87½	5 90

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Steady.

WHEAT—No. 2 spring, 57⅞@59⅞c; No. 3 spring, nominal; No. 2 red, 54⅛@54½.

CORN—No. 2, 45⅛c; No. 3 yellow, 41⅛@42c.

OATS—No. 2, 29⅛c; No. 2 white, 31⅜@32c; No. 3 white, 31⅛@31⅝c.

RYE—49½c.

BARLEY—No. 2, 55c; No. 3, 51½@54c; No. 4, 51@51½c.

FLAX SEED—No. 1, $1.42½.

TIMOTHY SEED—Prime, $5.65.

PROVISIONS—Mess pork, per bbl., $11.35@11.50. Lard, per 100 lbs., $6.75@6.80. Short ribs, loose, $5.75@5.80; dry salted shoulders, boxed, 4¾@4⅞c; short clear sides, boxed, 6⅛c.

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

SUGAR—Unchanged.

The following were the receipts and shipments today:

Articles.	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls	5,000	2,000
Wheat, bu	46,000	3,000
Corn, bu	103,000	29,000
Oats, bu	118,000	135,000
Rye, bu	2,000	6,000
Barley, bu	60,000	19,000

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was steady; creamery, 12@24c; dairy, 11@20c. Eggs, steady; 13@18½c.

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKET.

Closing Quotations on the Principal Commodities and Staples.

NEW YORK, Jan. 15.—FLOUR—Receipts, 14,900 bbls.; exports, 12,700 bbls.; sales, 9,800 pkgs.; market quiet; spring patents, very firm, and low grades, winter, scarce, held higher. Southern flour, dull. Rye flour, quiet; sales, 500 bbls. Buckwheat flour, easy.

BUCKWHEAT—Dull; 51@60c.

CORN MEAL—Dull; yellow western, $1.14@1.15; Brandywine, $2.90; sales, 2,000 sacks.

RYE—Nominal; car lots, 55@56c; boat loads, 56@58c.

BARLEY—Irregular; western, 65@68c.

BARLEY MALT—Steady; western, 70@75c.

WHEAT—Receipts, 3,800 bu.; exports, 186,900 bu.; sales, 1,655,000 bu. futures, 18,000 bu. spot. Spot market weaker; No. 2 red, in store and elevator, 61⅛c; afloat, 62⅝c; f. o. b., 63⅛c; afloat, No. 1 northern, 71⅛c delivered; No. 1 hard, 72c delivered. Options opened fairly steady on local buying, owing to smaller northwestern receipts, but quickly weakened under free local selling and was weak all day within a narrow range of prices. The selling was in large part due to dull cables, the small decrease in Bradstreet's, absence of export in inquiry and lack of outside speculation; closed at ⅜@½c net decline; sales included No. 2 red, January, 61c; February, 61⅛@61 5-16c, closed 61⅛c; March, 61⅞@62c, closed 62c; May, 62⅝@62 13-16c, closed 62½c; July closed 62⅞c.

CORN—Receipts, 3,100 bu.; exports, 1,200 bu.; sales, 21,000 bu. futures, 27,000 bu. spot. Spot market easy; No. 1, 45⅛c; steamer mixed, 45⅛c. Options were steady early on the lighter estimated receipts, but weakened later with wheat and closed at ⅛@⅜c net decline; January, 51⅛@51⅜c, closed 51⅛c; February, 51⅜@51½c, closed 51⅜c; May, 51⅛@51 11-16c, closed 51½c.

OATS—Receipts, 35,700 bu.; exports, 1,100 bu.; sales, 50,000 bu futures, 25,000 bu. spot. Spot dull; No. 2 oats, 34@34⅛c; No. 3, 33⅛c; No. 3 white, 37@37½c; track, white, 37@41½c. Options ruled dull, but fairly steady, closing at unchanged prices; January closed at 34c; February, 34⅜c; May, 34⅜c.

HAY—Dull; shipping, 50@55c; good to choice, 60@75c.

HOPS—Quiet; state, common to choice, old, 4@7c; new, 6@12c; Pacific coast, 3½@7c; new, 4@13c; London market firm.

HIDES—Quiet but steady; wet salted New Orleans, selected, 45 to 65 lbs., 4½@5c; Buenos Ayres, dry, 20 to 24 lbs., 12c; Texas, dry, 24 to 30 lbs., 6⅛c.

LEATHER—Quiet but steady; hemlock sole, Buenos Ayres, light to heavy weights, 14@17c.

WOOL—Quiet; domestic fleece, 16@28c; pulled, 19@24c; Texas, 8@12c.

PROVISIONS—Beef, quiet. Cut meats, steady; shoulders, 4½@4⅝c; pickled hams, 8@8½c. Lard, lower; western steam closed at $7.02½ bid; city, 6½@6⅝c; sales, 250 tierces; January closed at $7.10 nominal; May, $7.30 asked; refined, weaker; continent, $7.60; compound, 5⅛c. Pork, dull; sales, 100 bales.

BUTTER—Weaker; western creamery, 15@25c; Elgins, 25c.

CHEESE—Steady; state, large, 9@11⅛c; small, 9½c; part skims, 3½@9c; full skims, 2@3c.

EGGS—Firmer; state and Pennsylvania, 20@23½c; ice house, 17@19c; western, fresh, 25@22½c; southern, 20@22c.

POTATOES—Steady; Jersey, $1.12½@1.62; New York, $1.50@2.00.

TALLOW—Dull and easier; city, 4½@4⅝c; country, 4⅝@4¾c.

PETROLEUM—Nominal; United closed at 99⅛c bid; Washington, bbls., $6.50@6.70.

ROSIN—Steady; strained, common to good, $1.35@1.40.

TURPENTINE—Quiet at 27⅛@29c.

RICE—Steady; domestic, fair to extra, 4½@5⅝c; Japan, 4½@4⅝c.

MOLASSES—Quiet; New Orleans, open kettle, good to choice, 32@38c.

ORANGES—Irregular; fancy, sound, $3.75@4.00; others, $2.50@3.50.

PIG IRON—Dull.

COPPER—Steady; brokers' price, $3.02½; exchange price, $3.10@3.12½.

TIN—Steady. Plates, market dull.

SPELTER—Dull.

COTTONSEED OIL—Without important change; seems to be working in buyers' favor; prime summer yellow, 28⅛@29c.

Wool Market.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 15.—WOOL—Improving and value are fully sustained; Ohio, Pennsylvania and West Virginia XX and above, 17@19c, and X and above, 16@17c; medium, 20@21c; quarter-blood, 21@22c; common, 18@20c; New York, Michigan, Wisconsin, etc., XX, 16@17c; X, 15@16c; medium, 19@20c; quarter-blood, 20@21c; common, 18@19c; washed, combing and delaine; fine, 15@20c; medium, 21@22c; coarse, 20@21c; low, 22@23c; unwashed, light and bright, fine, 11@12c; medium, 15@16c; low medium, 16@17c; coarse, 15@16c; unwashed, dark colored, light, 9@10c; heavy, 6@8c; medium, 12@13c; fine medium, 11@12c; coarse, 11@12c; northwestern, 9@10c; heavy northwestern, 7@8c, medium, 11@15c; quarter-blood, 12@13c; coarse, 11@12c.

LONDON, Jan. 15.—At the wool auction sales today 8,356 bales were offered and 1,000 were withdrawn. There was the usual poor opening selection and competition was hesitating and irregular. The American grades of grazers were unchanged. The other grades show a farthing change. Scoured wool all ½d worth. There was a good muster of American buyers and upwards of 300 bales of New South Wales upon T. C., 8½d, was taken by them. The tone of the auction was uncertain and there was a general feeling of disappointment. Argentine wool was unchanged. The following are the sales in detail:

New South Wales, 2,213 bales; scoured, 6⅝d@1s 1½d; greasy, 3½@8½d. Queensland, 1,852 bales; scoured, 9d to 1s; greasy, 5½@8d. Victoria, 6,650 bales; scoured, 7½d@1s 3d; greasy, 4⅝@7⅞d. Adelaide, 816 bales; greasy, 3½d. Swan River, 11 bales; greasy, 4½d. Tasmania, 43 bales; greasy, 6½@6⅞d. New Zealand, 1,002 bales; scoured, 6½@9d; greasy, 5@9d. Cape of Good Hope and Natal, 1,096 bales; scoured, 7d@1s 4d; greasy, 4½@6½d. Buenos Ayres, 977 bales; greasy, 3⅜@5½d. The net total of bales available for the series of sales is 257,000.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 15.—WOOL—Quiet, with no notable change in prices. Attention is chiefly centered on London sales.

BOSTON, Jan. 15.—Sales of wool in the market show a good average for the season, the volume of business showing a large increase over that of a year ago. Buyers, however, are not yet stocking up heavily with the raw material. Now that there has been opportunity to observe the operation of the free wool bill, the feeling is general that wool at its present range of prices is about as low as can be expected and dealers are not disposed to concede from present rates.

Prices are as follows: Ohio and Pennsylvania fleeces, XX and above, 17@18c; territory wools, Montana, fine and fine medium, 9@12c; No. 2 medium, 12@13c; Wyoming, Utah, Nevada, etc., fine and fine medium, 9@17c; No. 2, fine medium, 9@11c; California wool, spring, northern, 13@11c; Oregon wools, eastern, fair, 9@11c.

OMAHA GENERAL MARKET.

Condition of Trade and Quotations on Staple and Fancy Produce.

BUTTER—Culled stock, 8c; common to fair, 10@11c; fair to good country, 12@12½c; choice to fancy, 15@16c; gathered creamery, 19c; separator creamery, 20@21c.

EGGS—Strictly fresh laid, 17@18c.

LIVE POULTRY—Old hens, 4½@5c; spring chickens, 4½@5c; ducks, 7@8c; turkeys, 6@6½c; heavy, toms, 5c; geese, 7@7½c.

DRESSED POULTRY—Chickens, fair, 5@5½c; choice large, 5½@6c; choice small, 6½c; turkeys, fair to good, 7c; choice heavy, 7@7½c; choice small, 7½@8c; ducks, fair to good, 7@7½c; fancy, full dressed, 9@10c; geese, fair to good, 7@8c; fancy, full dressed, 9@10c.

GAME—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; canvasbacks, $4.00@5.00; mallards and red heads, $2.50@2.75; small rabbits, 75c@$1.25; jack rabbits, $1.00@2.00; squirrels, 60c.

VEAL—Choice fat, 70 to 110 lbs., are quoted at 6@7c; large and coarse, 3@5c.

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, $9.50; lowland, $8; 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., 75c@$1.00.

VEGETABLES.

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

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

ONIONS—On orders, 75@80c.

CABBAGE—On orders, 1½c.

CELERY—Per doz., 45@50c; California, 65@75c.

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

BEETS—Per bbl., $2.

CARROTS—Per bbl., $2.

CAULIFLOWER—Per crate of a doz. and half to two doz., $2.50.

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.

PEARS—Winter Nellis, $2.

APPLES—Genitons, $3; choice eastern stock, $3.75@4.00.

GRAPES—Concord, none; Malagas, per 65 to 68-lb. bbls., gross, $9.50@10.00.

CRANBERRIES—Jerseys, fancy, $11.00@11.50 per bbl.

TROPICAL FRUITS.

ORANGES—Floridas, per box., $3.75@4.00; California navels, $3.50.

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

LEMONS—Fancy, Florida, sizes 250 and 300, $4.00@4.75; new Messinas, sizes 300 to 360, $4.00@4.50.

PINEAPPLES—Per doz., $3.00@4.00.

MISCELLANEOUS.

OYSTERS—Medium, per can, 16c; horseshoes, 20c; extra standards, 21c; extra selects, 25c; company selects, 26c; New York counts, 30c; bulks, standard, per gal., $1.30.

NEW FIGS—Extra fancy, 16c; fancy, 14c; choice, 12@13c; California, bags, 7c.

HONEY—New York, 17c; dark, 14@15c; 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, 8@9c; Brazil nuts, 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, 15c.

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

HIDES AND TALLOW.

HIDES—No. 1 green hides, 3½@4c; No. 2 green hides, 3¼c; No. 1 green salted hides, 5c; No. 2 green salted hides, 4½c; No. 1 green salted hides, 25 to 40 lbs., 5c; No. 2 green salted hides, 25 to 40 lbs., 4¼c; No. 1 veal calf, 8 to 15 lbs., 8c; No. 2 veal calf, 8 to 15 lbs., 5c; No. 1 dry flint hides, 6c; No. 2 dry flint hides, 6c; 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@4¼c; tallow, No. 2, 3½@4c; grease, white A, 4½@4½c; grease, white B, 3⅜c; grease, yellow, 3⅛c; grease, dark, 2½@3c; old butter, 2@2½c; beeswax, prime, 17@20c; rough tallow, 2c.

FURS.

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@22.50; 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, 25c; 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, 25c; 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.

STOCKS AND BONDS.

It Was a Dull and Uninteresting Day in Securities.

NEW YORK, Jan. 15.—It was a dull and uninteresting day on the Stock exchange, and the changes in prices on the day's transactions are insignificant except in the cases of a few of the specialties. The commission houses complained of the absence of orders. The foreign trading was light and was on both sides of the market and the local traders were not disposed to operate extensively on either side of the market. The prevailing tone was depression and the chief cause was the postponement by the senate of the consideration of the pooling bill.

At the opening the market was generally firm, with Louisville & Nashville, Denver & Rio Grande preferred and Ontario & Western displaying most strength. The last named stock was advanced ½ per cent in the early trading on the report that a dividend would soon be declared on the common stock of the company, which would have the effect of breaking the existing voting trust under which directors are elected by the preferred shareholders and give the control to the common stockholders. Chicago Gas was exceptionally weak on heavy sales, induced by the legal complications which have grown out of the effort to change the control of the company. The stock opened at a decline of 1⅛ per cent and a further break of 1 per cent in the first few sales. A brisk covering movement, however, quickly followed, causing a rally of ½ per cent. After the first fifteen minutes a general reaction took place, led by New Jersey Central, with a loss of ¾ per cent, but there was a prominent prompt recovery in which Burlington and St. Paul were most prominent. During the second hour Sugar sold down ⅝ per cent and a few other stocks moved back, including Iowa Central preferred, which fell off 1 per cent. Denver & Rio Grande at this time rose 1 per cent and New Jersey Central and Cleveland, Cincinnati, Chicago & St. Louis each ¾ per cent, while National Starch first preferred jumped 5 per cent to 45. So on after midday the grangers, which had shown signs of weakness in the morning, gave way under pressure of sales and declined, the losses from the early high point being 1¼ per cent in Northwestern, 1⅛ per cent in Burlington and St. Paul and ¾ per cent in Rock Island. Wheeling & Lake Erie preferred broke 2¼ per cent, and there was a very general decline of a fraction except in St. Paul & Duluth and Metropolitan Traction, which rose 2¼ and 1½ per cent respectfully. In the late dealings Chicago Gas was bought to cover short contracts and touched the highest point of the day at the close. The general market was well held in the final trading and closed steady. Compared with yesterday the last prices made show short losses of a fraction in a majority of the active list, and Iowa Central preferred is down 1 per cent and Wheeling & Lake Erie preferred 1¾ per cent. Denver & Rio Grande shows a gain of 1 per cent; Metropolitan Traction, 1½ per cent; St. Paul & Duluth, 2½ per cent, and a few other specialties are a fraction.

There was a firm tone to the trading in the bond market during the day, but the aggregate of sales was somewhat lower than yesterday.

The Evening Post's London cablegram says: The strength in the stock market continues. There was a marked improvement in Americans today, notably in Louisville and Illinois Central. The continent is buying a little. The general opinion regards the movement as a mere spurt, however. But some shrewd observers of the American market think differently, and report signs of buying which might foreshadow a likelihood of a further rise. South Americans were strong, but Brazils were lower.

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

Atchison	4⅜	U. P., D. & G	3⅛
Adams Express	141	Northwestern	95⅜
Alton, T. H	38	N. W. pfd	143
do pfd	198	N. Y. Central	99
Am. Express	110½	N. Y. & N. E	32⅜
Baltimore & Ohio	62¾	Ontario & W	16⅛
Canada Pacific	56½	Oregon Imp	11
Canada Southern	49⅛	Oregon Nav	20
Central Pacific	14	O. S. L. & U. N	5¼
Ches. & Ohio	17¼	Pacific Mail	22⅜
Chicago Alton	146	P. D. & E	3⅛
C. B. & Q	71¾	Pittsburg	157
Chicago Gas	72⅜	Pullman Palace	154
Consolidated Gas	130	Reading	12⅞
C., C., C. & St. L	38¼	Richmond Ter	15⅛
Colo. Coal & Iron	6	do pfd	20
Cotton Oil Cert	22½	R. G. W	16⅞
Delaware & Hud	131	R. G. W. pfd	43
Del., Lack. & W	163	Rock Island	62⅜
D. & R. G. pfd	35½	St. Paul	56⅛
D. & C. F. Co	10⅜	do pfd	117¼
Erie	10	St. P. & Omaha	33
do pfd	21¼	do pfd	110
Fort Wayne	157	Southern Pacific	17¾
G. Northern pfd	103	Sugar Refinery	89⅜
C. & E. I. pfd	90	Tenn. Coal & Iron	154
Hocking Valley	17¼	Texas Pacific	9¼
Illinois Central	87	T. & O. Cent. pfd	71
St. P. & Duluth	20	Union Pacific	11⅛
K. & T. pfd	22¾	U. S. Express	42½
Lake Erie & West	15¾	W. St. L. & P	6
do pfd	71¾	do pfd	14⅛
Lake Shore	137	Wells Fargo Ex	105
Lead Trust	36¾	Western Union	87¼
Louisville & N	54⅞	Wheeling & L. E	10
L. & N. A	7¼	do pfd	39
Manhattan Con	105¼	M. & St. L	28
Memphis & C	10	D. & R. G	11¼
Michigan Cent	95	G. E	34
Missouri Pacific	23¾	N. L	18¼
Mobile & Ohio	16	C. F. & I	25⅛
Nashville Chat	65	do pfd	70
National Cordage	6¼	H. & T. C	2¼
do pfd	10¼	T. A. A. & N. M	1¾
N. J. Central	91⅜	T. St. L. & K.C	1
N. & W. pfd	19	do pfd	6
North Am. Co	3¾	S. R. R	10⅜
Northern Pacific	3⅜	do pfd	35⅜
No. Pac. pfd	17⅜		

The total sales of stocks today were 112,873 shares, including American Sugar, 20,900; Burlington, 5,300; Chicago Gas, 20,700; Distilling & Cattle Feeding, 6,300; Louisville & Nashville, 6,700; Rock Island, 3,700; St. Paul, 14,400; Ontario & Western, 4,800.

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, Jan. 15.—MONEY ON CALL—Easy at 1@1½ per cent; last loan, 1½ per cent; closed, 1½ per cent.

PRIME MERCANTILE PAPER—2¾@4½ per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Firm, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.89 for demand and at $4.88 for sixty days. Posted rates, $4.88½@4.89 and $4.89½@4.90. Commercial bills, $4.89.

SILVER CERTIFICATES—59⅛c bid.

GOVERNMENT BONDS—Steady; state bonds, dull; railroad bonds, firm.

Closing quotations on bonds were as follows:

U. S. 5s, reg	115¾	D. & R. G. 4s	80½
U. S. 5s, coup	117	Erie 2ds	63⅛
U. S. 4s, reg	113	G. H. & S. A. 6s	99
U. S. 4s, coup	113	do 7s	100
U. S. 2s, reg	97	H. & T. C. 5s	103¼
Pacific 6s of '95	100	do 6s	101½
Ala. Class A	102¼	M. K. & T. 1st 4s	81¾
Ala. Class B	104	do 2d 4s	47⅜
Ala. Class C	93	Mutual Union 6s	111
Ala. Currency	93	N. J. C. Gen. 5s	112¾
La. New Con. 4s	92¼	No. Pac. 1sts	114
Missouri 6s	100	do 2ds	89¾
N. C. 6s	125	N. W. Consols	143
N. C. 4s	100½	do S. F. Deb. 5s	109¼
S. C. nonfund	1½	R. G. West. 1sts	67¼
Tenn. new set 6s	83½	St. P. Consols 7s	125½
Tenn. new set 5s	100	do C. & P. W. 5s	110¾
Tenn. old 6s	60	St. L. & I.M.Gen. 5	79¾
Va. Centuries	59½	St. L. & S.F. Gen. 6	103
do deferred	12½	Tex. Pac. 1sts	80⅜
Atchison 4s	65	do 2ds	25
do 2d A	19	U. P. 1sts of '96	104¼
Canada So. 2ds	100	West Shore 4s	104¾
C. P. 1sts of '95	100¼	So. R. R	88¾
D. & R. G. 7s	115		

Boston Stock Quotations.

BOSTON, Jan. 15.—Call loans, 2½@3 per cent; time loans, 3@4 per cent. Closing prices for stocks, bonds and mining shares:

A. T. & S. F	4⅜	Westingh. Elec	32
Am. Sugar	89¾	W. Elec. pfd	49¼
Bay State Gas	11¾	Wis. Central	4
Bell Telephone	187½	Atchison 2ds	18¼
Boston & Albany	208½	Atchison 4s	65
Boston & Maine	163¼	New England 6s	108
do pfd	152	Gen. Electric 5s	91½
C. B. & Q	71¾	Wis. Cent. 1sts	51
Fitchburg	84	Atlantic	10
Gen. Electric	34	Boston & Montana	37
Illinois Steel	42½	Butte & Boston	11
Mexican Central	6¼	Calumet & Hecla	290
N. Y. & N. E	32⅜	Centennial	50
Old Colony	179	Franklin	14
Ore. Short Line	5¼	Kearsarge	7½
Rubber	44⅛	Osceola	22
Union Pacific	11⅜	Quincy	104
West End	61⅜	Tamarack	142
do pfd	86¾		

San Francisco Mining Stock Quotations.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 15.—The official closing quotations for mining stocks today were as follows:

Alta	40	Hale & Norcross	91
Alpha Con	10	Justice	22
Andes	35	Kentucky Con	5
Belcher	52	Mexican	93
Best & Belcher	96	Mono	25
Bodie Con	80	Mount Diablo	10
Bullion	17	Ophir	180
Bulwer Con	10	Overman	18
Caledonia	8	Potosi	54
Challenge Con	38	Savage	51
Chollar	45	Scorpion	5
Confidence	71	Sierra Nevada	50
Con. Cal & Va	355	Silver Hill	5
Con. Imperial	1	Union Con	60
Crown Point	62	Utah Con	6
Gould & Curry	39	Yellow Jacket	60

Silver bars, 59⅜@59⅝c. Mexican dollars, 51@51⅛c. Drafts, sight, 12½c; telegraphic, 15c.

New York Mining Quotations.

NEW YORK, Jan. 15.—The following are the closing mining quotations:

Bulwer	6	Ontario	850
Cholor	40	Ophir	200
Crown Point	55	Plymouth	33
Con. Cal. & Va	350	Quicksilver	250
Deadwood	40	do pfd	1450
Gould & Curry	35	Sierra Nevada	40
Hale & Norcross	85	Standard	210
Homestake	1550	Union Con	45
Mexican	90	Yellow Jacket	50

London Stock Quotations.

LONDON, Jan. 15.—4 p. m. closing:

Erie	10⅝	N. Y. Central	103
Erie 2ds	64	Pennsylvania	52
Ill. Central	89	Reading	6⅛
Mexican ordinary	14¼	Mex. Cen. new 4s	46
St. Paul com	59¾		

BAR SILVER—27 3-16d per ounce.

MONEY—¼ per cent.

The rate of discount in the open market for short bills, 9-16 per cent; for three months' bills, ⅝ per cent.

Financial Notes.

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 15.—Clearings, $2,647,937.

BOSTON, Jan. 15.—Clearings, $15,321,058; balances, $1,466,363.

BALTIMORE, Jan. 15.—Clearings, $2,415,286; balances, $333,008.

NEW YORK, Jan. 15.—Clearings, $96,270,201; balances, $7,281,165.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 15.—Clearings, $12,556,077; balances, $1,563,109.

BERLIN, Jan. 15.—Exchange on London, eight days sight, 20 marks 43 pfg.

NEW YORK, Jan. 15.—Gold to the amount of $800,000 was withdrawn from the subtreasury today.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 15.—Money, 2½@6 per cent. New York exchange, 50@60c premium. Clearings, $2,640,550.

PARIS, Jan. 15.—Three per cent rentes, 102f 20c for the account. Exchange on London, 25f 15c for checks.

LONDON, Jan. 15.—The amount of bullion withdrawn from the Bank of England on balance today was £7,000.

MEMPHIS, Jan. 15.—Clearings, $267,245; balances, $65,175. New York exchange, selling at par to $1.50 premium.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 15.—Clearings, $4,431,326; balances, $848,757. Money quiet, 5@7 per cent. Exchange on New York, $1 premium.

LONDON, Jan. 15.—Gold is quoted today at Buenos Ayres at 260; Madrid, 11.50; Lisbon, 23.25¼; St. Petersburg, 50; Athens, 77; Rome, 106.55; Vienna, 103.

CHICAGO, Jan. 15.—Clearings, $13,546,000. Money, 4@4½ per cent on call; 5@6 per cent on time. New York exchange, 50c premium. Sterling commercial, $4.87@4.88.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—A dispatch from the subtreasury at New York today reports the withdrawal of $800,000 in gold. The cash balance in the treasury today was $153,286,275; gold reserve, $77,331,799.

OMAHA LIVE STOCK MARKETS

Moderate Run of Cattle and Sheep and a Big Supply of Hogs.

TRADING IN BEEF IS NEARLY STEADY

Active Demand for the Top Grades with Undesirable Stuff Slow Sale—Hogs Drag All Day at Almost Steady Prices.

TUESDAY, Jan. 15.

The receipts today were 2,358 cattle, 9,288 hogs and 1,362 sheep, as against 1,513 cattle, 2,535 hogs and 106 sheep yesterday and 3,105 cattle, 7,774 hogs and 599 sheep on Tuesday of last week. While the receipts of cattle are running behind last year's record, there is an enormous gain in the arrivals of hogs.

CATTLE—There were eighty-four fresh loads of cattle on the market today, and among them some pretty fair beef steers. The demand was good for anything really desirable, and the offerings of such were mostly all taken in good season, though the market was slow. The prices paid did not differ materially from those prevailing yesterday, the general market being about steady.

Desirable cows and heifers were also in pretty fair demand and the market was in about the same condition as yesterday. Common canners were a little slow, and in some cases salesmen thought they did not get quite as firm prices as yesterday.

There were twenty to twenty-five loads of feeders in the yards. A goodly portion were of pretty fair quality, but still hardly good enough for the distillers. There was some country demand and the speculators were also buying, so that the offerings were pretty well cleaned up before the close. The market, however, felt the absence of the distilling buyers, who did not attempt to buy anything either yesterday or today, and the feeling was not quite so strong on the best grades of feeders. At the same time the supply of lighter cattle has been pretty well cleaned up during the past few days, and some were calling the market on good stockers stronger. Taken as a whole there was not much change from yesterday. Representative sales:

BEEF STEERS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
2	750	$2 85	3	1130	$3 45	21	1150	$3 85
2	725	3 00	7	1014	3 50	13	1134	3 85
11	900	3 05	2	1130	3 50	19	1134	3 85
3	973	3 15	6	1066	3 55	8	1312	3 90
1	820	3 25	16	1245	3 60	6	1186	3 90
2	1075	3 35	22	1128	3 70	17	1205	4 10
28	1066	3 35	5	1064	3 70	42	1291	4 10
2	855	3 35	3	1193	3 75	21	1300	4 25
19	1084	3 35	4	990	3 75	26	1411	4 50
18	900	3 40	11	1056	3 75	22	1270	4 50
18	1153	3 40	70	1181	3 80	1	1680	4 75
5	888	3 40	16	1224	3 85			

COWS.

1	840	75	2	915	2 00	6	761	2 50
1	600	1 25	1	780	2 00	1	1100	2 50
1	780	1 25	1	1070	2 00	17	893	2 55
6	841	1 40	1	990	2 00	4	907	2 60
6	883	1 50	14	995	2 10	10	848	2 60
1	1140	1 50	3	1005	2 40	2	770	2 65
8	862	1 50	25	691	2 40	4	787	2 65
1	810	1 50	8	1063	2 40	6	855	2 65
8	890	1 60	1	1070	2 40	10	938	2 70
1	700	1 60	2	960	2 15	1	1310	2 75
7	831	1 60	1	1140	2 15	1	1160	2 75
1	860	1 65	1	1110	2 15	2	1020	2 75
11	832	1 65	17	956	2 25	20	835	2 75
1	1050	1 65	3	1173	2 25	2	1025	2 80
1	880	1 75	2	1235	2 25	25	836	2 85
1	1300	1 75	3	843	2 30	2	1215	2 85
1	990	1 75	1	760	2 35	1	1220	2 95
7	1045	1 75	1	1119	2 35	1	1060	3 00
1	1050	1 75	3	1130	2 40	7	1065	3 00
2	965	1 80	2	1125	2 40	1	1400	3 00
13	766	1 85	7	1031	2 40	1	1470	3 00
1	930	1 90	2	985	2 45	1	1420	3 00
1	800	1 90	3	1050	2 45	2	1015	3 10
6	906	1 90	3	936	2 50	13	1069	3 10
1	1140	2 00	12	795	2 50	6	1216	3 25
1	770	2 00	11	939	2 50			

HEIFERS.

1	610	1 50	14	521	2 00	16	856	2 65
1	390	1 75	1	940	2 25	4	770	2 85
17	690	1 80	6	668	2 25	2	835	3 00
2	350	1 80	2	775	2 50	1	790	3 00
4	382	2 00	1	500	2 50	2	1130	3 40

BULLS.

1	1070	1 85	1	1540	2 65	1	1280	2 20
1	1360	2 00	1	1440	2 65	2	1140	2 20
1	940	2 20	1	1190	2 70	2	640	2 20
3	1040	2 25	1	1310	2 70	1	1610	2 25
1	1180	2 25	1	1660	2 75	1	1290	2 25
1	670	2 25	1	1120	2 75	1	1440	2 25
1	930	2 25	1	1360	2 75	1	1320	2 30
3	1276	2 30	1	1640	3 00	3	1273	2 50
1	1220	2 35	1	1450	3 00	1	1320	2 60
1	1230	2 40	1	1585	2 10	1	1150	2 60
1	880	2 50	1	1160	2 15	1	1510	2 75
1	1590	2 55						

STAGS.

1	1190	2 55	1	1180	2 80	1	1520	3 50

CALVES.

2	355	2 40	1	90	3 00	4	240	4 00
1	290	2 40	1	100	3 00	2	110	4 25
4	335	2 45	1	210	3 00	1	120	4 25
2	330	2 50	1	330	3 00	3	156	4 50
2	280	2 50	1	90	3 50	1	120	4 50
2	70	2 50	2	110	3 50	1	130	4 75
2	90	3 00						

STOCKERS AND FEEDERS.

1	530	2 00	1	1000	2 50	1	820	2 85
1	400	2 00	13	419	2 55	1	510	2 90
1	580	2 00	2	820	2 55	13	880	2 90
1	540	2 10	4	610	2 60	9	777	2 90
1	660	2 10	1	890	2 65	1	690	2 90
1	640	2 25	4	662	2 65	31	685	2 95
3	810	2 25	15	708	2 70	26	827	2 95
1	930	2 25	9	817	2 75	4	792	2 95
1	670	2 25	6	661	2 75	16	789	2 95
8	681	2 25	12	759	2 75	2	725	3 00
4	600	2 25	4	615	2 75	51	917	3 00
2	465	2 25	17	682	2 75	32	719	3 00
1	550	2 30	2	685	2 80	7	892	3 00
10	838	2 35	20	714	2 80	3	856	3 00
5	664	2 35	1	650	2 80	20	922	3 10
6	501	2 40	11	798	2 80	13	932	3 10
2	263	2 40	1	890	2 65	5	942	3 10
2	520	2 50	40	884	2 80	2	1060	3 25
2	700	2 50	2	875	2 85			

WESTERNS.

COLORADO-TEXAS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
53 feeders	867	$2 25			

MILKERS AND SPRINGERS.

1 cow and calf $20 00
1 springer 23 00
1 cow and calf 25 00
1 cow and calf 26 00
1 cow and calf 27 00
1 cow and calf 28 00

HOGS—The receipts of hogs today were 114 cars or a total of 9,288 head, being the largest run of any day since December 5. As to quality the average was high in comparison with previous days, there being more good hogs than have been seen here for some time. Everything seemed to be in the buyer's favor. Not only were the receipts large here, but reports from Chicago indicated a heavy run there and lower markets. As a result of excessive receipts and lower eastern markets, the market here opened with the buyers bidding 10c lower on an average. Sellers were naturally reluctant to make the concession and the market was a drag from beginning to end. The buyers were indifferent, there being more hogs here than were required to fill all orders, and the market did not improve any toward the close. It was a regular old-time market, like those which were so common in the early history of the yards, when buyers and sellers would contend all day over a few loads of hogs. As will be noted from the sales given below, the bulk of the hogs went at $4 to $4.20, as against $4 to $4.25 yesterday, while the top was $4.35, as against $4.37½ yesterday. The figures would not show much change in the market, but there was a big difference in the quality of the hogs today, as compared with yesterday. Light hogs sold principally at $3.60 to $4.10, and heavy at $4.20 to $4.35. Pigs weighing from 50 to 100 lbs., went at $2 to $3.25. Representative sales:

No.	Av.	Sh.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Sh.	Pr.
24	146	80	$3 45	75	230	280	$4 10
56	148	40	3 60	101	193	40	4 10
56	147	40	3 60	90	188	40	4 10
91	142	80	3 65	12	230	...	4 10
67	148	80	3 70	7	207	...	4 10
114	139	...	3 70	41	264	80	4 10
56	157	40	3 75	14	231	...	4 10
109	149	120	3 75	5	216	...	4 10
1	150	...	3 80	6	215	...	4 10
95	163	40	3 80	10	281	...	4 10
87	158	...	3 85	3	170	...	4 10
5	174	...	3 90	5	296	...	4 10
82	173	80	3 90	71	217	120	4 10
5	270	80	3 90	79	194	...	4 10
103	178	40	4 00	88	196	...	4 10
7	161	...	4 00	76	197	40	4 10
77	175	...	4 00	88	210	40	4 10
4	167	...	4 00	6	205	...	4 10
6	185	...	4 00	65	233	40	4 10
102	176	40	4 00	7	287	...	4 12½
8	160	...	4 00	78	218	...	4 15
17	187	...	4 00	67	230	...	4 15
6	193	...	4 00	71	197	...	4 15
27	201	80	4 00	3	236	...	4 15
77	180	...	4 00	2	250	...	4 15
2	245	...	4 00	8	187	...	4 15
72	199	200	4 00	7	218	...	4 15
93	166	...	4 00	6	230	...	4 15
90	199	240	4 00	6	245	...	4 15
97	196	80	4 00	74	230	...	4 15
81	202	40	4 05	16	236	...	4 15
5	244	...	4 05	63	252	160	4 15
4	210	...	4 05	77	235	...	4 20
4	210	...	4 05	64	239	...	4 20
1	220	...	4 05	59	260	...	4 20
2	211	...	4 05	77	207	40	4 20
65	188	40	4 05	58	223	...	4 20
66	203	40	4 05	6	226	...	4 20
71	199	80	4 05	58	321	120	4 22½
79	202	40	4 05	68	263	80	4 22½
82	189	120	4 05	65	273	...	4 25
30	213	...	4 10	62	279	40	4 25
77	221	...	4 10	66	284	80	4 25
66	206	40	4 10	51	342	80	4 25
86	222	...	4 10	65	280	...	4 25
54	244	80	4 10	66	268	...	4 25
72	211	80	4 10	58	266	...	4 25
79	228	...	4 10	54	411	...	4 30
89	207	...	4 10	63	304	80	4 30
20	274	...	4 10	54	278	...	4 35
67	194	...	4 10	64	322	...	4 35

SKIPS AND CULLS.

1	250	...	2 50	1	250	...	3 50
1	189	...	2 85				

PIGS.

20	53	...	2 00	33	99	...	3 25
10	50	...	2 50	25	105	...	3 30
30	83	...	3 15	9	138	...	3 35
78	99	...	3 25	35	102	...	3 35
3	86	...	3 25	24	120	...	3 40
132	97	...	3 25	120	125	...	3 65
8	100	...	3 25	49	137	...	3 65

SHEEP—The receipts were large, but the market was rather quiet on anything but the best mutton sheep. The market was steady on the better grades and weak on others. Representative sales:

No.		Wt.	Pr.
100	mixed natives	83	$3 00
9	native ewes	107	3 25
53	mixed natives	119	3 25

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK.

Supply Proved More Than Sufficient to Fill the Orders on Hand.

CHICAGO, Jan. 15.—About 5,000 cattle arrived today, but there were many left over from yesterday, and the supply proved more than sufficient to fill the orders on hand. Extra 1,500 to 1,600-lb. steers were quoted around $5.65 and extra bulls and heifers were salable at from $3.50 to $3.75. Prices were without quotable change. There was a sharp down turn today in prices of hogs. The average was about 10c lower than for Monday, the greater part of the light weights selling at from $4 to $4.25, from $4.30 to $4.35 buying the bulk of the hogs weighing over 200 lbs., though the quality was much better than yesterday. Shipping orders appeared to be light and the packing demand lacked the activity noted yesterday. The top of the market at the close was $4.65 for heavy and $4.30 for light.

In sheep the opening was strong and active and prices were generally considered to be a shade higher. There were about 10,00 head on th markt today, which is also a moderate number for the second day of the week. Sheep, poor to extra, were quoted from $2 to $3.75. Lambs sold from $2.75 to $4.40, and something choice could command as high as $4.50. The bulk of the sales were at from $3.50 to $4.25.

RECEIPTS—Cattle, 5,000 head; calves, 4,000 head; hogs, 35,000 head; sheep, 10,000 head.

Kansas City Live Stock Market.

KANSAS CITY, Jan. 15.—CATTLE—Receipts, 5,700 head; shipments, 1,700 head; market steady; Texas steers, $2.50@3.90; Texas cows, $1.50@3.25; Colorado steers, $3.25@4.10; beef steers, $3.50@5.25; native cows, $1.65@3.40; stockers and feeders, $2.55@3.80; bulls, $1.50@3.00.

HOGS—Receipts, 16,000 head; shipments, none; market weak to 10c lower; bulk of sales, $4.00@4.25; heavy, $4.10@4.45; packers, $4.00@4.45; mixed, $3.90@4.30; lights, $3.50@3.95; Yorkers, $3.85@3.90; pigs, $2.70@3.60.

SHEEP—Receipts, 2,200 head; shipments, none; market steady.

St. Louis Live Stock Market.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 15.—CATTLE—Receipts, 5,200 head; shipments, 200 head; market about steady; light native steers, $3.00@3.25; fair to good, $3.75@5.00; feeders, $2.20@3.35. Cows, $2.00@2.25; Texas fed steers, $2.30@3.30; grass cows, $1.70@2.25.

HOGS—Receipts, 9,500 head; shipments, 300 head; market 5@10c lower; heavy, $4.35@4.55; mixed, $4.00@4.40; lights, $4.00@4.25.

SHEEP—Receipts, 2,400 head; shipments, none; market 15c lower; native mixed, $2.50@3.50.

New York Live Stock Market.

NEW YORK, Jan. 15.—BEEVES—Receipts, 999 head; no trading.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Receipts, 1,812 head; all for sale; market firm; some sales of lambs at 15@25c higher. Sheep, $2.00@3.75; car of export wethers, $4.50; lambs, $4.00@5.25; dressed muttons, firm at 5@7c; dressed lambs, higher at 6½@8c.

HOGS—Receipts, 2,338 head; market higher at $5.00@5.25.

Liverpool Markets.

LIVERPOOL, Jan. 15.—WHEAT—Spot, steady; demand steady; No. 2 red, winter, 4s 9d; No. 2 red, spring, 5s 5d; No. 1 hard, Manitoba, 5s 4½d; No. 1 California, 5s 1½d. Futures opened steady, with near and distant positions ½@1d lower, closing quiet, with near positions 1@3 farthings lower, and distant positions 1d lower; business about equally distributed; January, 4s 9d; February, 4s 9¼d; March, 4s 10¼d; April, 4s 10½d; May, 4s 10¾d; June, 4s 11d.

CORN—Spot, quiet; mixed, new, 4s 3d. Futures opened dull, with near and distant positions ½d lower; closed dull, with near positions a farthing to ½d lower, and distant positions ½d lower; business heaviest on early positions; January, 4s 2½d; February, 4s 2½d; March, 4s 2¼d; April, 4s 2¾d; May, 4s 3d; June, 4s 3d.

FLOUR—Steady; demand moderate; St. Louis fancy winters, 5s 9d.

PROVISIONS—Bacon, firm; demand fair; Cumberland cut, 28@30 lbs., 33s 6d; short ribs, 28 lbs., 32s; long clear, light, 38@45 lbs., 31s 6d; long clear, heavy, 55 lbs., 31s 6d; short clear backs, light, 18 lbs., 32s; short clear middles, heavy, 55 lbs., 31s 6d; clear bellies, 14@16 lbs., 43s. Shoulders, square, 12@18 lbs., 29s. Hams, short cut, 14@16 lbs., 43s. Beef, extra India mess, 70s; prime mess, 58s 9d. Pork, prime mess, fine western, 57s 6d; prime medium, 52s 6d. Lard, steady; prime western, 35s 3d; refined, in pails, 36s 6d. Refrigerator beef, fore quarters, 4¼d; hind quarters, 6¼d.

TALLOW—Fine North American, nominal, 39s 9d.

CHEESE—Steady; demand moderate; finest American white, 50s 6d; finest American colored, 51s 6d.

BUTTER—Finest United States, 75s; good, 60s.

TURPENTINE—Spirits, 20s 9d.

COTTON SEED OIL—Liverpool, refined, 18s 6d.

LINSEED OIL—21s 3d.

PETROLEUM—5⅜d.

BLEACHING POWDER—Hard wood, f. o. b., Liverpool, £7 10s.

HOPS—At London (Pacific coast), £2 15s.

The receipts of wheat during the past three days were 123,000 centals, including 99,000 American.

Receipts of American corn for three days past were 89,500 centals. Weather thawing.

Coffee Market.

NEW YORK, Jan. 15.—COFFEE—Options opened steady at unchanged prices to 10 points advance; ruled generally firm on local buying and foreign liquidation, closed barely steady for near months and steady for distant months at 10@25 points advance; sales, 35,500 bags, including: January, $14.20@14.30; March, $14.05@14.10; May, $14.00@14.25; June, $14.20; September, $14.05@14.30; October, $14.10@14.25; December, $14.10. Spot coffee, Rio, quiet; No. 7, 15⅛c; mild, quiet; Cordova, 18½@19c; sales, 1,000 bags Rio, Nos. 7 and 8, afloat, at 15⅜c; 500 bags Santos, No. 5, minus 10, at $17; late yesterday, 1,000 bags Santos, Nos. 5 to 8, afloat, $13.37½. Contracts opened steady with prices unchanged to 10 points higher; sales to noon, 20,000 bags, including: January, $14.30; March, $14.00@14.05; May, $14.00@14.10; September, $14.05@14.15; December, $14.10. The market at noon was firm at an advance of 10@15 points over yesterday's closing figures. The demand has come chiefly from local traders. Warehouse deliveries are fair. The spot market is somewhat irregular and vague, as to the quotations with the recent sales of No. 2 Santos at 17⅝c, and sals of small lots of strictly Rio, No. 7 at 15⅜c; sellers generally firm in view of further advance in contracts and full average warehouse deliveries; warehouse deliveries from New York yesterday, 13,421 bags; stock today, 282,839 bags; United States stock, 292,600 bags; afloat for the United States, 243,000 bags; total visible for the United States, 535,600 bags, against 537,627 bags last year.

SANTOS, Jan. 15.—Firm; good average Santos, $14.50; receipts today, 16,000 bags; stock, 443,000 bags.

HAMBURG, Jan. 15.—Steady; prices unchanged to 1½ pfg. advance; no sales reported.

HAVRE, Jan. 15.—Opened firm, ¼f advance; closed quiet at ¼@1f net advance; sales, 18,000 bags; January, 91.50f; February, 91.50f; March, 91.75f; April, 91.75f; May, 91.50f; June, 91.25f; July, 91.25f; August, 91.25f; September, 91.50f; October, 90.75f; November, 90.75f; December, 90.75f.

RIO JANEIRO, Jan. 15.—Firm; No. 7, Rio, $13.45; exchange, 10 9-16d; receipts, two days, 21,000 bags; cleared for the United States, 5,000 bags; cleared for Europe, 1,000 bags; stock, 23,000 bags.

Cotton Market.

LIVERPOOL, Jan. 15.—COTTON—Spot, fair demand; prices easier; American middling, 3 11-16d. The sales of the day were 12,000 bales, of which 1,000 were for speculation and export, and included 11,200 American; receipts, 3,000 bales, including 2,229 American. Futures opened quiet at the decline, varied but little during the day and closed quiet at the decline; American middling, L. M. C., January, 2 62-64d buyers; January and February, 2 62-64d sellers; February and March, 2 63-64d buyers; March and April, 3d buyers; April and May, 3 2-64d sellers; May and June, 3 3-64d buyers; June and July, 3 4-64d values; July and August, 3 6-64d sellers; August and September, 3 7-64d sellers; September and October, 3 8-64d buyers.

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 15.—COTTON—Futures, quiet; sales, 28,300 bales; January, $5.09@5.11; February, $5.17@5.18; March, $5.29@5.30; April, $5.32@5.33; May, $5.37@5.38; June, $5.43@5.44; July, $5.48@5.49; August, $5.53@5.54; September, $5.57@5.59; October, $5.61@5.62.

NORFOLK, Jan. 15.—COTTON—Quiet; middling, 5¼c; low middling, 5 3-16c; good ordinary, 4 3-16c; net and gross receipts, 2,172 bales; exports to Great Britian, 638 bales; coastwise, 252 bales; sales, 543 bales; stock, 53,956 bales.

BALTIMORE, Jan. 15.—COTTON—Dull; middling, 5⅝c; low middling, 5 3-16c; good ordinary, 4⅝c; net receipts, none; gross receipts, 1,136 bales; exports to Great Britain, 200 bales; to the continent, 2,411 bales; stock, 14,876 bales.

BOSTON, Jan. 15.—COTTON—Dull; middling, 5⅜c; low middling, 5⅛c; good ordinary, 4⅛c; net receipts, 447 bales; gross, 4,533 bales.

WILMINGTON, Jan. 15.—COTTON—Firm; middling, 5c; low middling, 4 9-16c; net and gross receipts, 422 bales; stock, 21,374 bales.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 15.—COTTON—Steady; middling, 6c; low middling, 5⅝c; good ordinary, 4⅝c; net receipts, 251 bales; gross, 1,083 bales; stock, 10,255 bales.

St. Louis General Market.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 15.—FLOUR—Unchanged.

WHEAT—Opened ⅛@¼c lower early, then recovered, but went off again and closed ⅛c under yesterday's close. Cash and January, 52⅝c; May, 55⅝c; July, 55⅞c.

CORN—Weak and slow and closed a fraction below yesterday. Cash and January, 42⅝c; February, 52⅜c; May, 44⅜c; July, 44⅞@45c.

OATS—Easier and slow; cash, 30c bid; January, 30⅛c; May, 30⅞c.

RYE—Dull; 52c bid.

BARLEY—Firm; Minnesota sold 58@58½c.

HAY—Quiet; prairie, $7.00@10.50; timothy, $10.00@12.00.

BRAN—Scarce and firm; 67c, east track.

FLAX SEED—Quiet; $1.37.

CLOVER—Poor to fair, $7.50@8.25; choice, $8.40@8.50.

TIMOTHY SEED—$4.75@5.25.

BUTTER—Steady and unchanged.

EGGS—Steady and unchanged.

LEAD—Firm; $2.90.

SPELTER—$3.07½.

WHISKY—Steady; $1.22.

BAGGING—Unchanged.

COTTON TIES—Unchanged.

PROVISIONS—Pork, lower; $11.75. Lard, lower; prime, $6.62½; choice, $6.72½. Bacon, shoulders, $5.75@5.87½; ribs, $6.75; shorts, $6.87½; dry salted shoulders, boxed, $4.75; longs, $5.75; ribs, $5.87½; shorts, $6.

RECEIPTS—Flour, 3,000 bbls.; wheat, 5,000 bu.; corn, 28,000 bu.; oats, 52,000.

SHIPMENTS—Flour, 7,000 bbls.; wheat, 68,000 bu.; corn, 2,000 bu.; oats, 16,000 bu.

Baltimore Markets.

BALTIMORE, Jan. 15.—FLOUR—Firm, unchanged; receipts, 9,277 bbls.; shipments, 235 bbls.; sales, 2,450 bbls.

CORN—Easy; spot and month, 48⅛@48¼c; February, 48½@48⅝c; May, 50⅛c bid; steamer mixed, 47⅛@48c; receipts, 20,000 bu.; stock, 569,000 bu.; sales, 7,000 bu.; southern white, 48@50c; southern yellow, 47@49c.

WHEAT—Dull; spot and month, 59⅞@60c; February, 60⅛@61⅛c; March, 61⅛@61½c; May, 62⅛@62½c; steamer, No. 2 red, 57c bid; receipts, 5,329 bu.; stock, 638,107 bu.; sales, 111,000 bu.; southern by sample, 60@62c; southern, on grade, 57½@60½c.

OATS—Firm; good demand; No. 2 white, and western, 35⅛c; No. 2 mixed, 35½@36c; receipts, 19,737 bu.; stock, 108,700 bu.

RYE—Slow; No. 2, 67c; receipts, 944 bu.; stock, 2,599 bu.

HAY—Easy and quiet; timothy, $12.50@13.00.

GRAIN FREIGHTS—Quiet and easy; steam, to Liverpool, per quarter, January, 1⅝@1⅛s 2d; cork, for orders, per quarter, January, 2s 9d@2s 10d.

SUGAR—Active, unchanged.

BUTTER—Steady, unchanged.

EGGS—Steady, unchanged.

CHEESE—Firm, unchanged.

Philadelphia Markets.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 15.—WHEAT—½@¼c lower; No. 2 red, 60⅛@60½c; February, 60⅝@61c; March, 61⅛@62c; April, 62½@62⅝c.

CORN—Steady; No. 2 mixed, January, 49⅛c; February, 49⅛@49⅝c; March, 49⅝@50⅛c; April, 49⅛c.

OATS—Unchanged; No. 2 mixed, January, 37⅛@37½c; February, 37⅛@37⅝c; March, 37⅛@38c; April, 37⅜@38⅛c.

PROVISIONS—Quiet and steady. Beef, city family, $9.00@10.00; smoked beef, 11½@12c; beef hams, 17@17½c. Pork, family, $14.00@14.50. Hams, 8⅜@9⅛c; smoked, 10@11c; sides, ribbed, in salt, 7@7⅛c; side ribs, smoked, 8@8⅛c; shoulders, pickled, 6@6⅛c; shoulders, smoked, 6⅛@7c; breakfast bacon, 8½@9c. Lard, pure city, refined, in tierces, 7⅜@8⅛c; pure city, refined, in tubs, 8@8⅛c.

BUTTER—Slower; fancy western creamery, 25c; fancy Pennsylvania prints, 25c; fancy jobbing, 27@30c.

EGGS—Firm; fresh, near by 23c; fresh western, 23c.

SUGARS—Refined, strong and in good demand.

CHEESE—Steady.

RECEIPTS—Flour, 2,467 bbls., 12,000 sacks; wheat, 8,000 bu.; corn, 12,000 bu.; oats, 26,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Wheat, 5,000 bu.; corn, 12,000 bu.; oats, 26,000 bu.

Kansas City Markets.

KANSAS CITY, Jan. 15.—WHEAT—Firm and ½c higher; No. 2 hard, 53c; No. 2 red, 53@53½c; rejected, 48@49c; sample sales, f. o. b., Mississippi river, No. 2 hard, 58@59c; No. 2 red, 59c.

CORN—Slow and ½c lower; No. 2 mixed, 39½@40c; No. 2 white, 40½@41c.

OATS—Steady; No. 2 mixed, 30½c; No. 2 white, 32@33c.

RYE—Firm; No. 2, 53c.

FLAX SEED—Dull; $1.30@1.31.

BRAN—Firm; 68@69c.

HAY—Steady; timothy, $9.00@10.00; prairie, $7.50@8.50.

BUTTER—Steady, unchanged.

EGGS—Weak; 15c.

RECEIPTS—Wheat, 4,000 bu.; corn, 212,000 bu.; oats, 4,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Wheat, 20,000 bu.; corn, none; oats, none.

Toledo Grain Market.

TOLEDO, Jan. 15.—WHEAT—Dull, steady; No. 2, cash and January, 55⅛c; May, 58⅛c.

CORN—Dull, steady; No. 2 mixed, 43½c; No. 3 mixed, 42½c.

OATS—Inactive; No. 2 mixed, 30c; No. 2 white, 32½c.

RYE—Dull, quiet; cash, 52c.

CLOVER SEED—Steady; prime, cash, January and February, $5.55.

RECEIPTS—Wheat, 10,000 bu.; corn, 77,000 bu.; cloverseed, 550 bags.

SHIPMENTS—Corn, 1,000 bu.; rye, 500 bu.; clover seed, 416 bags.

Milwaukee Markets.

MILWAUKEE, Jan. 15.—FLOUR—Nominal.

WHEAT—Quiet, weak; No. 2 spring, 55⅛c; No. 1 northern, 54⅛c; May, 58⅛c.

CORN—Steady; No. 2 white, 31⅜c; No. 3 white, 31⅛c.

BARLEY—Firm; No. 2, 54½c; sample, 53@56c.

RYE—Nominal; No. 1, 51⅛c.

PROVISIONS—Lower. Pork, $11.45. Lard, $6.80.

RECEIPTS—Flour, 4,000 bbls.; wheat, 13,000 bu.; barley, 31,200 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Flour, 10,500 bbls.; wheat, none; barley, 1,000 bu.

New York Dry Goods Market.

An irregular demand for staple and colored cottons has returned a good volume of business, but such engagements were unevenly distributed. Domestics were sought after, and, for leading makes, good selections were placed, with the delivery dates that could be accepted. As usual on Tuesday it was a slow market, yet deliveries on former purchases returned a good total. Printing cloths in good demand at 2½c, with sales of about 100,000 pieces at that price.

Minneapolis Wheat Market.

MINNEAPOLIS, Jan. 15.—WHEAT—Options weak; cash, steady; demand, good; receipts were 75 cars today, against 132 cars last year. Close: January, 59c; May, 59⅝c; July, 60⅛@60⅜c; on track, No. 1 hard, 60⅜c; No. 1 northern, 59⅛c; No. 2 northern, 58⅛c.

FLOUR—Steady; first patents, $3.20@3.60; second patents, $2.85@3.10; fancy and export bakers, $2.10@2.30; red dog, $1.65@1.75.

Oil Market.

CHARLESTON, Jan. 15.—TURPENTINE—Firm, 25½c.

ROSIN—Firm, $1.

SAVANNAH, Jan. 51.—ROSIN—Firm; strained, $1; good, quiet, $1.05.

SPIRITS—Steady, 26c.

TAR—Steady, 95c.

TURPENTINE—Firm; hard, $1.10; soft, $1.50; virgin, $1.70.

At Peoria.

PEORIA, Jan. 15.—CORN—Steady; No. 2, 41⅛c; No. 3, 41c.

OATS—Steady; No. 2 white, 31@31¼c; No. 3 white, 30@31c.

RYE—Nominal; No. 2, 50c.

WHISKY—Firm; high wine, $1.23.

Sugar Market.

NEW YORK, Jan. 15.—SUGAR—Raw, steady; sales, 2,068 bags centrifugal, 96 test, at 3c, ex-shipment; refined, steady.

LONDON, Jan. 15.—SUGAR—Cane, quiet; centrifugal Java, 11s; muscovado, fair refining, 9s.

'Frisco Wheat Quotations.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 15.—WHEAT—Dull; May, 95⅝c.

TROUBLE WITH ENGLAND.

Dispute Over Some Fine Harbors on the Alaskan Coast.

TACOMA, Wash., Jan. 15.—The Alaskan News, published at Juneau City, makes the sensational prediction that the Takou inlet and the head of Lynn canal will become famous the world over as affording grounds for a fierce international dispute between Great Britain and the United States, and a cause of arbitration by the European powers to determine which country shall hold possession of it, according to the provisions of the Russian treaty and the subsequent purchase of Alaska by the United States.

"Each nation," says the News, "holds fast to a different construction of the Russian treaty, England maintaining that the boundary line does not follow up and around the deep inlets and bays, as held by the United States, but follows the general coast lines ten marine leagues in the interior from salt water. Great Britain sees a flaw in the treaty, and with her usual aggressiveness will endeavor to wrest from the government at Washington the harbors and inlets about Juneau, so that a British seaport will hold the portal to the Yukon country and the undeveloped northwest territory. The good results following to the commerce of England's provinces by reason of a seaport is too important to be overlooked by England's aggressive foreign policy.

"Will Uncle Sam, under Gresham's policy, lose valuable possessions in southeastern Alaska? Since Japan is coming to the front as a commercial power, England has her tentacles upon Alaska to snatch a seaport for her navy and commerce laden ships."

Two Women Drowned in the Mississippi

HARDIN, Ill., Jan. 15.—While crossing the Mississippi river on the ice at the Calhoun club house Miss Ida Trembling and Miss Mollie Rodgers broke through the ice and were drowned. Frank Phillips of Hamburg narrowly escaped drowning in his efforts to save the unfortunate women. The bodies were recovered.

WEATHER FORECAST.

Fair and Colder, with Westerly Winds, for Nebraska Today.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—The forecast for Wednesday is:

For Nebraska, South Dakota and Kansas—Fair; colder; westerly to northwesterly winds.

For Missouri—Clearing in the southeastern portions; fair in the northwestern portions; slightly cooler; northwesterly winds.

For Iowa—Fair; colder; westerly winds.

Local Record.

OFFICE OF THE WEATHER BUREAU, OMAHA, Jan. 15.—Omaha record of temperature and rainfall, compared with the corresponding day of the past four years:

	1895.	1894.	1893.	1892.
Maximum temperature	38	44	14	13
Minimum temperature	22	28	−5	−9
Average temperature	30	36	4	2
Precipitation	.00	.00	.00	.00

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

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Deficiency for the day .... .02 inch
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Deficiency since March 1 .... 15.98 inches

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CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

Commercial Club Urges Speedy Action in the Market House Matter.

STATEMENTS OF ITS COMMITTEE

Insinuating Complaint of Ex-Inspector Roberts to Be Carefully Investigated—Strong Sentiment Against Buying More Engines Before Mains Are Enlarged.

The market house project received substantial impetus at the regular council meeting last night. Ex-Governor Saunders, J. T. Lindsey and F. P. Kirkendall, representing the Commercial club, appeared to ask the co-operation of the council in that project. Governor Saunders stated that the members of the Commercial club were unanimous in the desire for a market house. They had taken pains to secure statements, indicating the success of similar projects in other cities, which they wished to refer to the council for consideration. He declared that the high cost of living had kept scores of families away from Omaha. If a market house was established the commissions that now went into the pockets of the middlemen and retailers would revert to the people, and the result would be that the cost of living would be largely reduced.

On motion of Prince the following special committee was appointed to co-operate with the Commercial club in pushing the market house scheme; Prince, Kennard, Cahn, Lemly and Mercer.

The mayor communicated estimates of the amounts that would be necessary to run the various departments of the city through the year. It was placed on file. In this connection the mayor gave notice that he should call an informal meeting of members of the council at an early date to discuss the extent of the proposed levy.

The contract and bond of C. N. Deitz & Co., for lumber during 1895 were approved.

A proposal from Kate N. Doolittle to settle her claim for damages, accruing from the condemnation on Southeast avenue for $350, was referred.

The contract and bond of Henry Hall for grading Thirty-third street, from Dodge to Davenport, was approved.

The Board of Public Works called the attention of the council to the fact that the ordinance and contract for the South Tenth street repaving made the district extend from the south line of Mason street to the north line of Williams. At the northern end of the district about seventy-five feet of stone paving had been left undisturbed. The board wanted to be instructed as to passing the final estimate, on the ground that the failure to repave the entire district might involve the validity of the special tax levy. City Engineer Rosewater said that the portion of stone pavement had not been taken up, because the property owners had petitioned against it. In his opinion, it was nonsensical to assert that this would affect the validity of the tax. The matter was finally referred to the judiciary committee.

Chairman Winspear of the Board of Public Works was given a ten days leave of absence.

A communication from the building inspector, chief of the fire department and Chris Hartman, asking for an amendment to the building ordinance, was referred. They want more stringent regulations adopted, with regard to putting fire proof walls between suites of apartments in apartment houses, and fire proof ceilings in hotels.

Police Judge Berka was given a brief leave of absence.

GRIEVANCE WITH HINTS.

C. H. Roberts was a petitioner with a grievance. He declared that he had been discharged from his position as an inspector because he had condemned certain sewer pipes which Katz & Co. used in sewer district No. 203. He hinted that an investigation might develop something worth knowing, and the matter was referred to a special committee consisting of Mercer, Saunders and Jaynes.

The latest move in the Sherman avenue paving squabble materialized in the shape of a petition from property owners asking that all bids be rejected on the ground that lower bids could be secured by a readvertisement. Saunders wanted the petition referred to the committees on paving, curbing and guttering. Howell amended to refer to the city engineer. After some discussion a compromise was effected by referring it to both the committee and the engineer.

The Omaha Gas Manufacturing company submitted a sworn statement of the amount of gas sold by it during the past year. This indicated 119,931,596 cubic feet on which the city was entitled to its royalty of 5 cents per 1,000 feet.

Councilman Mercer indicated his zeal for the interests of his constituency by a series of electric light resolutions, which were referred.

Thomas presented a long resolution in which he told how he had been flimflammed in the matter of drawing seats. The resolution provided that he should be given the third choice, to which he claimed he was entitled, and that the remaining members be compelled to draw a second time. Howell offered to give up his seat to his colleague and the controversy was thus amicably settled.

The new judiciary committee submitted a resolution that will materially reduce the perquisites of appraisers on public improvements. Their policy, as outlined by the resolution, will be to only allow each appraiser for two days' service at $3 per day and to give the chairman one or two additional days and reasonable compensation for serving notices on property owners. The resolution was adopted without discussion.

The Board of Fire and Police Commissioners was authorized to purchase two new first-class steamers, or one steamer or a hook and ladder truck, at its discretion. This was with the understanding that the expenditure involved would be provided for out of the next levy.

CHANGE IN MAINS FIRST.

In this connection Burkley said that he was opposed to the purchase of any additional engines until the mains in the business districts of the city had been sufficiently enlarged to furnish water to supply them. In his opinion it was putting the cart before the horse to buy engines until a change was made in the mains.

Saunders said that no time should be lost in reinforcing the fire department. The people were demanding better fire protection, and the engines should be purchased at once, and if the Water Works company had taken no action by spring it should be compelled to enlarge its mains to meet the necessities of the city.

Howell also favored the resolution on the ground that he had been assured that the present additional rate of insurance above the third story would be removed as soon as the resolution was passed.

The recommendation of the committee on public property and buildings that nothing be done at present toward repairing the elevators in the city hall was adopted. The committee found that the trouble was due to the improper construction of the elevators, and that it could not be remedied without an entire overhauling of the apparatus.

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