COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL

Old Year Died with the Bears Much Discomfited.

WHEAT WAS UNSETTLED AND WEAK

Longs Begun to Liquidate Early in an Effort to Even Up, Not Being Willing to Carry the Lines Over.

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—Wheat bid the old year goodbye with its bull hat cocked on the side of its head and its nose in the air in derision of the discomfited bears. It closed with a gain of ⅝c, after an early decline of ½c. Corn and oats did not change their value materially for future deliveries, but the cash stuff was weaker. Provisions sold off on increased receipts of hogs.

Wheat was unsettled, showing decided weakness early in the session and selling off ⅜c, but made a sharp reaction later and went up ⅝c from the low point, but eased off some. The only weak factor early was the Liverpool cable, which quoted that market as opening higher, but losing all the improvement. But trade was dull, the financial outlook unsatisfactory, with money said to be growing more difficult to borrow and interest rates hardening, and as tomorrow will be a holiday, the longs, in view of the nervous uncertainty attending the market, began to liquidate and even up, which was an important factor in bringing about the early decline. Later, however, the trade began to consider the real bull news of the day, and good buying followed. The world's shipments last week were officially reported at only 5,800,000 bu., or 1,800,000 bu. less than the estimated weekly consumption. There was no contradiction of yesterday's report on the big decrease in the English visible supply, and there were confirmatory reports of a wet Australian harvest. Another strong factor was found in the big clearances from New York—nearly 600,000 bu.—and then the shorts got nervous and began to buy, not being willing to stand short over the holiday when there was so much that was bullish in the air. New York sent heavy buying orders and all domestic markets were on the up grade. May sold from 59⅜c, off to 59c, then up to 60c, off to 59⅝c, closing at 59⅝c.

The business in the speculative department of the corn trade was dull, but prices were held steady by the firmness of wheat. The cash branch of the business was heavy and depressed by the anticipated effect of the adherence to tariff rates which the railroads are expected to observe from the beginning of the new year. Through billed carloads were sold at from ¾c to 1c under yesterday's rates, and local billed was ½c lower. December corn closed ⅛c lower for the day, at 25⅛c; January lost from ⅛c to ¼c, and May is unchanged.

In oats the trading in futures was moderate only, and only in the way of evening up trades previous to the holiday. May moved over only a 3-16c range from top to bottom, opening at 19c, selling up to 19⅛c, off to from 18⅞c to 19c, and closed at from 19c to 19⅛c, as against 19c on the day before.

Provisions, which advanced yesterday because of the day's run of hogs being smaller than expected, declined today because of a disappointment of a totally different character, the run of hogs reported from the yards this morning being 27,000 head, in place of 19,000 head, as expected. Trade was of the recent moderate volume, and without especial significance in the matter of individual operations. Compared with yesterday's closing prices, the following declines have occurred: In January pork, 7½c; in May, 12½c; January and May lard, each 7½c, and in January and May ribs, each 5c.

Estimated receipts for tomorrow: Wheat, 60 cars; corn, 170 cars; oats, 150 cars; hogs, 34,000 head.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat, No. 2				
Dec	56⅜	57	56⅛	56⅝
Jan	56⅝	57	56¼	56⅝
May	59⅛@⅜	60	59	59⅝
Corn, No. 2				
Dec	25⅛	25⅛	25⅛	25⅛
Jan	25⅛	25⅜	25⅛@¼	25⅛
May	28¼	28⅜@¼	28	28⅛
July	29			29
Oats, No. 2				
Dec	17	17	17	17
May	19	19⅛	18⅞@19	19@19⅛
Pork, per bbl				
Dec				7 75
Jan	8 70	8 70	8 57½	8 57½
May	9 05	9 10	8 97½	8 97½
Lard, 100 lbs				
Dec				5 22½
Jan	5 27½	5 30	5 27½	5 27½
May	5 55	5 55	5 52½	5 55
Short Ribs—				
Dec				4 17½
Jan	4 25	4 25	4 17½	4 17½
May	4 55	4 57½	4 52½	4 52½

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Easier; spring patents, $3.10@3.25; spring straights, $2.40@2.75; winter patents, $3.40@3.60; winter straights, $3.20@3.35; export bakers, $2.00@2.25.

WHEAT—No. 2 spring, 57@57⅝c; No. 3 spring, 56½c; No. 2 red, 61¾@62c.

CORN—No. 2, 25⅛@25⅜c.

OATS—No. 2, 17½c; No. 2 white, 19½c, f. o. b.; No. 3 white, 17@19c, f. o. b.

RYE—No. 2, 32½c.

BARLEY—No. 2, nominal; No. 3, f. o. b., 22@36c; No. 4, f. o. b., 20½@22c.

FLAX SEED—No. 1, 92½c.

TIMOTHY SEED—Prime, $3.60.

PROVISIONS—Mess pork, per bbl., $7.75@7.87½; lard, per 100 lbs., $5.27½; short ribs, sides (loose), $4.20@4.25; dry salted shoulders (boxed), $4.37½@4.62½; short clear sides (boxed), $4.37½@4.50.

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

SUGARS—Cut loaf, $5.50; granulated, $4.87; standard "A," $4.75.

The following were the receipts and shipments today:

Articles.	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls	8,000	11,000
Wheat, bu	51,000	75,000
Corn, bu	243,000	164,000
Oats, bu	342,000	288,000
Rye, bu	4,000	8,000
Barley, bu	46,000	26,000

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was steady; creamery, 19@24c; dairy, 12@20c. Eggs, steady; fresh, 20@21c. Cheese, quiet; 8¾@9½c.

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKET.

Closing Quotations on the Principal Commodities and Staples.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—FLOUR—Receipts, 35,300 bbls.; exports, 37,100 bbls.; fairly active; spring patents and bakers at former prices. The close was steady to firm; winter patents, $3.50@3.65; city mill clears, $3.90@4.00; Minnesota patents, $3.30@3.85; winter extras, $2.65@3.05; winter low grades, $2.10@2.60; shipping low grades, $1.90@2.60. Rye flour, steady; superfine, $2.50@2.75; fancy, $2.75@2.90. Buckwheat flour, dull; $1.30@1.35.

CORN MEAL—Steady; yellow western, coarse, 70c; Brandywine, $2.35.

RYE—Nominal; western, 42@45c.

BARLEY—Dull; western, 39@46c.

BARLEY MALT—Dull; western, 49@56c.

BUCKWHEAT—Dull; 36@39c.

WHEAT—Receipts, none; exports, 409,500 bu. Spot market, firm; No. 2 red, 68⅝c; No. 1 hard, 68⅝c. Options opened weaker under Liverpool news and liquidation, advanced on decreased world's shipments and heavy local clearances, finally eased and ended up with a foot ball match; closed ⅛@¼c lower; No. 2 red, January, 66¼@67c, closed 66⅝c; May, 66¼@67c, closed 66½c; December, 66⅝c.

CORN—Receipts, 2,900 bu.; exports, 235,700 bu. Spot, dull; No. 2, 34½c. Options dull, but steady, all day, closing unchanged; January, closed 34½c.

OATS—Receipts, 141,500 bu.; exports, 3,700 bu. Options dull and featureless, closing unchanged; January, closed 23½c; May, closed 21c.

HAY—Easy; shipping, $7.00@7.50; good to choice, $8.50@9.00.

HOPS—Weak; state, common to choice, 1894 crop, 2½@5c; 1895 crop, 4@10c; Pacific coast, 1894 crop, 3@5c; 1895 crop, 4@10c.

HIDES—Quiet; Galveston, 12c; Buenos Ayres, dry, 18c; Texas, dry, 10c; California, 15c.

WOOL—Quiet; domestic fleece, 16@22c; pulled, 19@26c.

LEATHER—Firm; hemlock sole, Buenos Ayres, light to heavy weights, 22c.

PROVISIONS—Beef, quiet; family, $10.00@12.00; beef hams, $15.50@16.00. Cut meats, steady; pickled hams, 8¼@8⅝c. Lard, steady; western steam closed at $5.55 asked; December, $5.50, nominal. Pork, active, firmer; mess, $9.00@9.25.

PETROLEUM—Stronger; United closed at $1.50 bid.

TURPENTINE—Dull; 30@30½c.

BUTTER—Receipts, 3,323 pkgs.; western dairy, 11@19c; western creamery, 17@25c; Elgins, 25c.

CHEESE—Receipts, 1,504 pkgs.; quiet; large, 7¾@10c; small, 7¾@10½c; part skims, 3¼@6c; full skims, 2@3c.

EGGS—Receipts, 2,568 pkgs.; steady; state and Pennsylvania, 20@25c; western, 20@21c; southern, 19½@20c.

TALLOW—Steady; city, 3⅝@4c; country, 4@4¼c.

PETROLEUM—Firmer; United closed at $1.41 bid; refined, New York, $7.75; Philadelphia and Baltimore, $7.70; Philadelphia and Baltimore in bulk, $5.50.

ROSIN—Steady; strained, common to good, $1.70@1.75.

RICE—Steady; domestic, fair to extra, 3⅝@6c; Japan, 3⅝@4c.

MOLASSES—Steady; New Orleans, open kettle, good to choice, 29@36c.

METALS—Pig iron, easy. Copper, quiet; brokers' price, $10.12½; exchange price, $10. Lead, easy; brokers' price, $3; exchange price, $3.12½@3.15. Tin, quiet; straits, $13.30; plates, market quiet. Spelter, quiet; domestic, $3.60.

COTTON SEED OIL—Slow and weak; prime crude, 24@24½c; butter grades, 30c; prime summer yellow, 28@30c.

Coffee Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—COFFEE—Options opened at 10 points decline, ruled generally featureless and rather weak under local pressure and slack spot demand. European markets closed tomorrow and Havre closed till Friday. Close barely steady at 10@15 points net decline; sales 2,000 bags, including March $13.50. Spot coffee, Rio, dull; No. 7, $14.50. Mild, dull; Cordova, $17.25 to $18.50; sales, 512 bags Maracaibo and 100 bags new crop Guatemala, p. t. Warehouse deliveries from New York yesterday, 11,196 bags; New York stock today, 259,087 bags; United States stock, 227,218 bags; afloat for the United States, 298,000 bags; total visible for the United States, 625,218 bags, against 519,022 bags last year.

SANTOS, Dec. 31.—Good Santos, $15.00; receipts, 13,000 bags, two days; stock, 4,200 bags.

HAMBURG, Dec. 31.—Quiet; unchanged to ¼ pfg advance; sales, 11,000 bags.

RIO DE JANEIRO, Dec. 31.—Steady; No. 7 Rio, $14.75; exchange 9 5-32d; receipts, 21,000 bags for three days; cleared for the United States, 5,000 bags; for Europe, 1,000 bags; stock, 255,000 bags.

OMAHA GENERAL MARKET.

Condition of Trade and Quotations on Staple and Fancy Produce.

EGGS—Strictly fresh stock, 17½@18c.

BUTTER—Packing stock, 11c; fair to good country, 13@14c; choice to fancy country, 15@16c.

VEAL—Choice fat, 70 to 100 lbs., are quoted at 6@7c; large and coarse, 4@6c.

CHEESE—Domestic brick, 11½c; Edam, per doz., $9.50; Club House, 1-lb. jars, per doz., $3.50; Limburger, fancy, per lb., 11½c; Roquefort, ½-lb. jars, per doz., $3.60; Young Americas, 11½c; Twins, fancy, 11c.

POULTRY—Dressed—Chickens, 6@7c; ducks, choice, 9@10c; turkeys, choice, 10@11c; geese, 8@9c.

HAY—Upland, $5.50; midland, $5.00; lowland, $4.50; rye straw, $4.00; color makes the price on hay; light bales sell the best. Only top grades bring top prices.

BROOM CORN—New crop, delivered on track in country, choice green self-working carpet, per lb., 2¼c; choice green, running to hurl, 2¼c; common, 1½c.

GAME—Prairie chickens, undrawn, per doz., $6.00@6.50; drawn, $5.00@5.50; quail, $1.50@1.75; jack snipe, 75c@$1.00; grouse, $5.50@6.00; snipe, 60@75c; golden plover, $1.25; jack rabbits, per doz., $1.75@2.00; small rabbits, 75c@$1.00; mallard ducks, $3.50@3.75; redheads, $3.75@4.00; canvasback ducks, $5.00@8.00; teal, blue wing, $2.00@2.25; teal, green wing, $1.75@2.00; mixed ducks, $1.75@2.25; Canada geese, $6.00@7.50; small geese, $4.50@5.00; brants, $3.50; deer saddles, 15@16c; deer carcasses, 11@13c; elk saddles, 11@13c; elk carcasses, 9@10c; antelope saddles, 15@16c; antelope carcasses, 10@11c; squirrels, per doz., 60@75c.

PIGEONS—Live, very slow; dead pigeons not wanted.

VEGETABLES.

CAULIFLOWER—Per doz. heads, $2.00.

CABBAGE—Holland seed, heads small and hard, per lb., 1½c; California stock, per lb., 2c.

MUSHROOMS—Per 1½-lb. box, 60@75c.

POTATOES—Fancy native stock, 30c; from store in small lots, 30@35c; Colorado stock, 50@55c.

ONIONS—Per bu., 25@35c.

BEANS—Hand picked navy, per bu., $1.50.

SWEET POTATOES—Choice stock, $2.75 per bbl.

CELERY—California, per doz., 90c@$1.00; Colorado, 35@40c; Kalamazoo, 30@35c.

LIMA BEANS—Per lb., 5c.

WATER CRESS—Per 16-qt. case, $1.50@1.75.

SCOTCH PEAS—In sacks, per bu., $1.00.

FRUITS.

CALIFORNIA STRAWBERRIES—None.

APPLES—Fancy New York, $3.25@3.50; choice stock, $2.50@2.75; Utah apples, per box, $1.50.

CALIFORNIA QUINCES—None.

OREGON PEARS—None.

CRANBERRIES—Jersey, $8.75; Cape Cod, $10; McFarlin's, $10.

MALAGA GRAPES—Per 60-lb. bbl., $6; per 65 to 70 lbs., gross, $7.50.

TROPICAL FRUITS.

ORANGES—California budded seedlings, regular sizes, $3.75; 96 to 126 sizes, $3.50@3.75; navels, $4.

LEMONS—California, per box, $3.75@4.50; Messinas, $4.00@4.50.

BANANAS—Choice large stock, per bunch, $2.00@2.25; medium sized bunches, $1.75@2.00.

MISCELLANEOUS.

OYSTERS—Mediums, 15c; standards, 19c; extra selects, 21c; Branch & Co. selects, 26c; New York counts, 29c; standard bulk, per gal., $1.10.

HONEY—Fancy white, per lb., 15c.

MAPLE SYRUP—Five-gal. cans, each, $2.75; gal. cans, per doz., $12; ½-gal. cans, $6.25; quart cans, $3.75.

CIDER—Pure juice, per half bbl., $3; per bbl., $4.75.

SAUER KRAUT—Per bbl., $3.75; half bbl., $2.25.

FIGS—New crop, California, 10-lb. boxes, per lb., 10c; imported fancy, 30-lb. boxes, 15c; choice, 10-lb. boxes, 11½@12c.

DATES—New Persian, 60-lb. boxes, per lb., 5½c; fards, 10-lb. boxes, per lb., 9c.

MAPLE SUGAR—Choice, per lb., 9@10c.

PRESERVES—Assorted, 20-lb. pails, each $1.40.

COCOANUTS—Per 100, $4.50; each, 5c.

NUTS—Almonds, California, per lb., medium size, 16c; Tarragona almonds, per lb., large, 12½c; Brazils, per lb., 9c; English walnuts, per lb., fancy soft shell, 12c; standards, 11@11½c; filberts, per lb., 10c; pecans, polished medium, 10c; large, 12c; peanuts, raw, 5½c; roasted, 7@7½c; hickory nuts, small, per bu., $1.75; hickory nuts, large, per bu., $1.50; black walnuts, per bbl., $2.

DRESSED MEATS.

BEEF—Light western steers, 400 to 600 lbs., 5¼@6c; good cows and heifers, 4¾@5c; medium cows and heifers, 4½c; good forequarters cows and heifers, 3¼@3½c; good hindquarters cows and heifers, 6@6½c; cow rounds, 5c; cow chucks, 3½c; steer chucks, 4½c; beef tenderloins, fresh, 14c; beef rolls, boneless, 8½c; sirloin butts, boneless, 8½c; loin backs, boneless, 8½c; loin backs, 6½c; cow ribs, No. 3, 6½c; cow loins, No. 3, 7½c.

MUTTON—Dressed mutton, 5½c; racks, 8½c; legs, 7c; saddles, 7c; stews, 2½c.

PORK—Dressed hogs, 5c; pork loins, 5c; spare ribs, 4½c; pork shoulders, 4½c; pork shoulders, skinned, 4¾c; pork trimmings, 4c; tenderloins, 12c; pigs' feet, cleaned, per doz., 35c.

FURS.

	No. 1 Lge.	No. 1 Md'm	No. 1 Sm'll	2	3
BEAR—					
Black	$20@25	$15 00	$8@10	$10@12	$5 00
Black Yearlings	12@15	10 00	7 00	7 00	3 00
Black Cubs	6@8	5@6	4 00	5 00	2 00
Black Montana & Mountain	18@22	14 00	10 00	10 00	4 00
Black Montana Yearlings	12 00	8 00	5 00	5 00	2 50
Black Montana Cubs	6 50	4 50	3 00	4 00	2 00
Silver Tip	20 00	12 00	8 00	9 00	4 00
Silver Tip Yrlgs	11 00	8 00	5 00	5 00	2 50
Silver Tip Cubs	6 00	4 50	3 00	3 00	1 50
Brown	20@25	16 00	12 00	12 00	5 00
Yearlings	10@12	8 00	6 00	8 00	4 00
Cubs	7 00	5 00	4 00	4 00	2 00
Badger	1@1 50	60	50	50	10
Fisher	8 00	6 00	4 00	4 00	2 00
FOX—					
Silver (according to beauty)	100 00	60 00	40 00	30 00	10 00
Silver Pale (accord'g to bea'y)	50 00	30 00	20 00	15 00	6 00
Cross	7 00	3 00	2 00	1 50	1 00
Red	1 50	1 25	1 00	75	25
Gray	75	50	40	25	15
Kit	50	40	30	20	10
Lynx	3 00	2 00	1 50	1 25	50
Marten	2 00	1 50	1 00	1 00	50
Mink	80@85	60	45	25	10
Mink Dark	85	65	45	20	10
Mountain Lion (perfect head and feet)	1@2				
Otter	8 00	6@7	5 00	4 00	2 00
Otter Pale	7 00	5 00	4 00	3 00	1 50
Raccoon	60@70	50	35	20	10
Raccoon, Black (as to beauty)	50@2				
SKUNK—					
Black, cased	1 25	75	50	50	25
Short striped	1 00	70	45	40	20
Narrow striped	70	40	25	20	10
Broad striped	20@25				
Wolverine	4 00	3 00	2 00	2 00	1 00
Wolf Mountain	3 00	2 00	1 50	75	40
Wolf Prairie	65@90	60	40	20	10
Beaver, per skin	5@6	4 50	2 00	4 00	2 00
Beaver Kits	2 00	1 50	75	50	25
MUSKRATS—					
Spring					
Winter	8@10	9	7		
Fall		7	6		
Kits		2	3		

HIDES AND TALLOW.

HIDES—No. 1 green hides, 4½c; No. 2 green hides, 3½c; No. 1 green salted hides, 6c; No. 2 green salted hides, 5c; No. 1 green salted hides, 25 to 40 lbs., 6c; No. 2 green salted hides, 25 to 40 lbs., 5c; No. 1 veal calf, 8 to 15 lbs., 7c; No. 2 veal calf, 8 to 15 lbs., 5c; No. 1 dry flint hides, 8@9c; No. 2 dry flint hides, 6@7c; No. 1 dry salted hides, 7c; 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 15c; dry shearlings (short wooled early skins), No. 1, each, 10c; dry shearlings (short wooled early skins), No. 1, each, 5c; dry flint Kansas and Nebraska butcher wool pelts, per lb., actual weight, 5@6c; dry flint Kansas and Nebraska Murrain wool pelts, per lb., actual weight, 4@5c; dry flint Colorado butcher wool pelts, per lb., actual weight, 4@6½c; dry flint Colorado Murrain wool pelts, per lb., actual weight, 4@5c; dry pieces and bucks, actual weight, 4@5c; feet cut off, as it is useless to pay freight on them.

TALLOW AND GREASE—Tallow, No. 1, 3¼c; tallow No. 2, 3c; grease, white A, 3¼c; grease, white B, 3c; grease, yellow, 2½c; grease, dark, 2c; old butter, 2@2½c; beeswax, prime, 15@22c; rough tallow, 1½c.

BONES—In car lots weighed and delivered in Chicago: Dry buffalo, per ton, $12.00@14.00; dry country, bleached, per ton, $10.00@12.00; dry country, damp and meaty, per ton, $6.00@8.00.

WOOL—Unwashed, fine heavy, 6@7c; fine light, 8@9c; quarter blood, 10@12c; seedy, burry and chaffy, 8@9c; cotted and broken, coarse, 7@9c; cotted and broken, fine, 6@8c. Fleece washed—Medium, 15@18c; fine, 14@16c; tub washed, 16@18c; black, 8c; bucks, 6c; tag locks, 2@3c; dead pulled, 5@6c.

Cotton Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—COTTON—Closed very steady; sales, 127,700 bales; January, $7.89; February, $7.96; March, $8.04; April, $8.09; May, $8.15; July, $8.24; August, $8.25; September, $8.05; October, $7.88; November, $7.84; December, nominal. Futures closed steady; sales, 250,400 bales; January, $8.04; February, $8.13; March, $8.21; April, $8.24; May, $8.31; June, $8.36; July, $8.41; August, $8.42; September, $8.22; October, $8.02; November, $7.92.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 31.—COTTON—Steady; middling, 7⅞c; sales, 50 bales; receipts, 2,753 bales; shipments, 2,226 bales; stock, 70,792 bales.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 31.—COTTON—Firm; middling, 7⅝c; good ordinary, 7 5-16c.

Dry Goods Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—There has been practically no business, as sellers and buyers are waiting for the developments of the new year. Weather conditions and an advance in cotton have given a different and better tone to the market and greater cheerfulness was manifested in all directions. The printing cloth market was dull at 3c.

MANCHESTER, Dec. 31.—Cloths and yarns quiet and less disposition to buy.

FALL RIVER, Mass., Dec. 31.—Print cloths dull at 3c.

Accumulation of Grain Stocks.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—Special cable and telegraphic dispatches to Bradstreet's, covering principal points of accumulation, indicate the following changes in available stocks last Saturday, as compared with the preceding Saturday: Available supplies—Wheat, United States and Canada, east of the Rocky mountains, increase, 1,727,000 bu.; afloat for and in Europe, decrease, 1,744,000 bu.; corn, United States and Canada, east of the Rockies, increase, 523,000 bu.; oats, United States and Canada, east of the Rockies, increase, 626,000 bu. The more important increases in available wheat stocks last week, which were not included in the official visible supply statement, are 500,000 bu. in the northwestern interior elevators, 366,000 bu. at Fort William, Ont., 243,000 bu. in Chicago private elevators and 186,000 bu. at Omaha. There were decreases of 63,000 bu. at Burlington, 26,000 bu. at Galveston and 25,000 bu. each in Minneapolis private elevators and at Pittsburg.

WOOL MARKET REVIEW.

Product Selling at a Good Advance Over Last Week.

BOSTON, Jan. 1.—The American Wool and Cotton Reporter will say tomorrow of the wool trade: The sales in the three principal markets of the country in the last week of 1895 have amounted to 12,215,000 lbs., nearly 7,500,000 lbs. of which was domestic stock of every known description. This wool has been sold on the average at prices 5 per cent in advance of the actual pre-Christmas selling rates and at least four-fifths of it has gone into consumption. Nevertheless the stock purchased last week was all bought cheap and was good property, even at the utmost advance paid for any particular class of wool. While a large part of the business has been done with the worsted people the wool manufacturer has been well represented, which is regarded on all hands as a healthy symptom.

In Boston, 8,156,000 lbs., 6,000,000 lbs. of which was domestic, is the market record for the last week of 1895. The year went out without incident, with the market firm on all kinds of wool.

Liverpool Markets.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 31.—WHEAT—Spot firm; demand moderate; No. 2 red winter, 5s 3d; No. 2 red spring, stocks exhausted; No. 1 hard Manitoba, 5s 3d; No. 1 California, 5s 4½d. Futures opened quiet and unchanged; closed steady, with near positions ¼@½d lower and distant positions ½d lower; business about equally distributed; January, 5s 3d; February, 5s 3¾d; March, 5s 4½d; April, 5s 4¾d; May, 5s 5d; June, 5s 5¼d.

CORN—Spot steady; American mixed new 3s 2d. Futures opened steady, with near and distant positions ½d lower; business about equally distributed; January, 3s 2d; February, 3s 2d; March, 3s 2½d; April, 3s 2½d; May, 3s 2½d; June, 3s 2½d.

FLOUR—Firm; demand poor; St. Louis fancy winter, 7s 3d.

PROVISIONS—Bacon, steady; Cumberland cut, 28 to 30 lbs., 26s; short ribs, 28 lbs., 26s; long clear, light, 38 to 45 lbs., 26s; long clear, heavy, 55 lbs., 25s 6d; short clear backs, light, 18 lbs., 26s; short clear middles, heavy, 55 lbs., 25s 6d; clear bellies, 14 to 16 lbs., 31s; shoulders, square, 12 to 18 lbs., 28s; hams, short cut, 14 to 16 lbs., 36s. Tallow, fine North American, 22s. Beef, extra India, 72s 6d; prime mess, 57s 6d. Pork, prime mess, fine western, 50s; prime mess, medium, 45s. Lard, firm; prime western, 27s 9d; refined in pails, 29s.

CHEESE—Firm; finest American white, 45s; finest American colored, 45s.

BUTTER—Finest United States, 95s; good, 60s.

TURPENTINE SPIRITS—20s 6d.

ROSIN—Common, 4s 7½d.

COTTON SEED OIL—Liverpool refined, 17s.

LINSEED OIL—20s.

PETROLEUM—Refined, 5¼d.

REFRIGERATOR BEEF—Forequarter, 3½d; hindquarter, 6¼d.

BLEACHING POWDER—Hardwood, f. o. b., Liverpool, £7.

HOPS—At London (Pacific coast), £2 5s.

The receipts of wheat during the past three days were 167,000 centals, including 64,000 American. The receipts of American corn, 51,200 centals.

Weather mild.

St. Louis General Market.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 31.—FLOUR—Firmer, with increasing demand from abroad, owing to trouble between this country and England over the Venezuelan question; local trade dull; patents, $3.20@3.40; extra fancy, $3.10@3.20; fancy, $2.85@3.00; choice, $2.60@2.75.

WHEAT—Unsettled and easier early, but later on heavy clearances rallied and advanced, eased off, but closed ¼@1⅜c higher than yesterday; No. 2 red, cash, 65¾c; No. 2 hard, 54½c; May, 59⅜c; July, 59⅜c.

CORN—Dull, but strong with wheat, closing a shade better for futures than yesterday; spot steady; No. 2 mixed, cash, 23½c; January, 23⅝c; May, 25⅛c; July, 27c asked.

OATS—Futures opened weak and lower, but recovered and closed lower. Spot, steady; No. 2, cash, 16⅝c; May, 19¼c.

RYE—Quiet; 32c.

CORN MEAL—$1.30@1.35.

BRAN—Nothing doing; sacked east track quotable at 45c.

FLAX SEED—Nominal at 87c.

TIMOTHY SEED—$3.00@3.40.

HAY—Steady; prairie, $7.00@8.50; timothy, $9.00@14.00, this side.

BUTTER—Steady; separator creamery, 20@21c; fancy Elgin, 24@25c; dairy, 17@20c.

EGGS—Dull; lower and in large supply; 16c.

WHISKY—$1.22.

LEAD—Nothing doing; holders asking $2.50, with no buyers.

SPELTER—Nominal; $3.50@3.60.

PROVISIONS—Pork, standard mess, jobbing, new, $9.00; old, $8.25. Lard, lower; prime, $5.55; choice, $5.22½. Bacon, boxed shoulders, $5.25; longs, $5.12½; ribs, $5.12½; shorts, $5.25. Dry boxed meats, boxed shoulders, $4.37½; longs, $4.50; ribs, $4.62½; shorts, $4.75.

RECEIPTS—Flour, 5,000 bbls.; wheat 42,000 bu.; corn, 45,000 bu.; oats, 18,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Flour, 9,000 bbls.; wheat, 25,000 bu.; corn, 57,000 bu.; oats, 16,000 bu.

Mercantile Failures for 1895.

In its last issue "Bradstreet's" gives a summary of the mercantile failures throughout the United States for the calendar year just closed, says the St. Louis Republic. The total number in 1895 is 13,013, as contrasted with 12,721 in 1894, an increase of 2.2 per cent. A somewhat unusual condition is apparent during the past year in that, although it is the second year after the panic, the failures are slightly in excess of the number in the year immediately following the panic.

The commercial death rate during the year was 1.23 per cent, as compared with 1.21 per cent in 1894, and 1.50 per cent in 1893. The percentage of assets to liabilities in 1895 was 55.4 per cent, as against 53 per cent in 1894, and 65 per cent in 1893.

Commenting upon the foregoing, "Bradstreet's" says: "The total increase in business failures in 1895 contrasted with 1894 amounts to only 292, for which gains in the western, northwestern and middle states are responsible, they having been respectively 333, 77 and 64. While the increase in the total number of business failures in the western states was apparently large—about 11 per cent—the increase in total liabilities of failing traders did not amount to more than 7 per cent, from which it may be perceived that commercial and industrial embarrassments in that region were largely among smaller concerns."

Toledo Grain Market.

TOLEDO, Dec. 31.—WHEAT—Higher, firm; No. 2, cash, 67¼c; May, 66⅝c.

CORN—Dull, steady; No. 2 mixed, 28c; No. 3 mixed, 27½c; May, 28⅝c.

OATS—Quiet; No. 2 mixed, 19c bid; No. 2 white, 20c bid; May, 20c bid.

RYE—Dull; No. 2, cash, 37½c.

CLOVER SEED—Higher, dull; prime, cash, $4.30; January, $4.25.

RECEIPTS—Flour, 500 bbls.; wheat, 14,000 bu.; corn, 47,500 bu.; oats, 9,000 bu.; clover seed, 133 bags.

SHIPMENTS—Flour, 5,500 bbls.; wheat, 6,100 bu.

Peoria Markets.

PEORIA, Dec. 31.—CORN—Steady; new No. 2, 25⅝c; new No. 3, 25½c.

OATS—Slow; No. 2 white, 17⅝@17⅞c; No. 3 white, 16⅝@17c.

RYE—Dull, nominal.

WHISKY—Market steady; finished goods on the basis of $1.22 for high wines.

RECEIPTS—Corn, 56,500 bus.; oats, 44,550 bus.; rye, none; whisky, none; wheat, 3,600 bus.

SHIPMENTS—Corn, 29,800 bus.; oats, 40,800 bus.; rye, none; whisky, 525 gals.; wheat, 1,800 bus.

Minneapolis Wheat Market.

MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 31.—WHEAT—Firm; closed: December, 53⅝c; May, 55⅝c. On track: No. 1 hard, 56c; No. 1 northern, 54⅝c; No. 2 northern, 53⅝c; receipts, 177 cars.

FLOUR—Quiet; first patents, $3.00@3.40; domestic bakers, $2.50; export bakers, $2.00@2.25.

Kansas City Produce Market.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 31.—No grain market today.

BUTTER—Weak; creamery, 18½@22½c; dairy, firm, 14@15c.

EGGS—Slightly firmer; 17½c.

Sugar Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—SUGAR—Raw, market firmer; fair refining, 3⅜c; centrifugal, 96 test, 3⅞c; refined, moderately active; mould A, 5¼c; standard A, 4⅞c; cut loaf, 5⅝c; granulated, 5c.

Print Cloths Dull.

FALL RIVER, Mass., Jan. 1.—Print cloths were dull at 3c.

'Frisco Wheat Quotations.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 31.—Cleared, 115,322 centals wheat.

First on the 1896 Record.

The first trip of the patrol wagon for the year 1896 was to the tenderloin district. John Milley was being shown a bit of high life New Year's eve by Luther F. Brown. They are white men, but were not deterred by the fact from entering a disreputable colored joint. While in there Miller was robbed of $30, two-thirds of which amount was recovered. The two men, and Lulu Peoples and Jessie Carter, colored women, were arrested.

Notice.

The "ROCK ISLAND" vestibuled limited leaving Omaha Union Depot DAILY at 4:50 p. m., with sleeping car for Omaha passengers, is the BEST train from Omaha to Chicago, as the ROCK ISLAND depot in Chicago is located in the heart of the city, thus avoiding transfer, and lands passengers within easy distance of all prominent hotels and business houses. Ticket office 1602 Farnam street.

Democrats Switch Candidates.

ANNAPOLIS, Jan. 1.—Senator W. Cabel Bruce of Baltimore was nominated for president of the senate by the democratic caucus this morning, thus reconsidering its action of last night in nominating John Walter Smith for that office. Senator Bruce will accept, and the democrats will therefore organize the senate, in which they have a majority of fourteen to twelve.

Was Improperly Accoutred.

William Jackson, a strapping big colored fellow, was arrested at Twenty-fourth and Wirt streets New Year's morning at 4 o'clock, for being a vagrant and a suspicious character. He carried a roomy sack which looked as though it could carry a dozen fowls without any trouble whatever. In addition to the bag he had the useful end of an axe in his possession.

OMAHA LIVE STOCK MARKET

Holiday Character of Business Warranted by All Aspects at the Yards.

CATTLE TOO SCARCE TO MAKE A STIR

Few Cornfeds Offered Bring a Dime Higher and Everything Sells Early—Fair Showing of Hogs at Steady Prices.

WEDNESDAY, Jan. 1.

Receipts and shipments for the past twenty-four hours, as compared with the previous six days, are as follows:

RECEIPTS.

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.	Horses.
January 1	596	2,482	599	22
December 31	1,998	5,051	1,314	24
December 30	682	946	....	162
December 28	673	2,951	1,127	....
December 27	704	2,230	....	....
December 26	1,035	1,931	....	....
December 24	509	3,820	409	....

SHIPMENTS.

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.	Horses.
December 30	173	....	....	162
December 28	153	....	678	....
December 27	190	....	....	....
December 26	341	....	....	....
December 24	219	....	312	....
December 23	478	....	....	27
December 21	813	....	513	....

CATTLE—The market today partook very largely of the holiday character. Only a few cattle of any kind were received, and not enough to really call it a market.

A few pretty decent corn fed steers were among the offerings, and the market on that kind of stuff was strong to 10c higher. One load reached $4, and a few other loads brought from $3.40 to $3.70.

Cows and heifers sold at about the same old prices, but the trade was by no means active. In the end the offerings, which were very light, were all taken.

There were no stockers and feeders to make a test of the market. The few offered changed hands at about steady prices. Representative sales:

BEEF STEERS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
1	1320	$3 00	7	1062	$3 25	20	1281	$3 60
1	1210	3 00	3	1086	3 50	21	1350	3 60
2	930	3 25	1	540	3 40	20	1143	3 70
3	1016	3 35	12	1220	3 40	20	1323	4 00

COWS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
1	860	1 75	3	1040	2 25	2	995	2 45
1	1190	1 75	4	1125	2 25	3	1280	2 45
1	1000	1 80	8	947	2 30	5	1018	2 50
3	1083	1 90	5	1072	2 30	30	958	2 50
3	1000	2 00	3	1163	2 35	1	890	2 50
6	1008	2 00	1	920	2 35	2	1020	2 50
2	895	2 00	1	1120	2 40	2	1245	2 50
4	1050	2 00	20	1166	2 40	1	1070	2 50
4	895	2 00	1	850	2 40	17	801	2 55
2	1035	2 10	18	911	2 40	7	1097	2 60
1	1180	2 20	6	1076	2 40	14	1011	2 60
7	964	2 20	2	1175	2 40	12	833	2 65
1	1250	2 25	3	1040	2 45	2	1110	2 75

HEIFERS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
9	672	2 20	4	705	2 30	6	780	2 50
1	760	2 25	4	785	2 40	3	441	2 50
4	620	2 25	1	1050	2 40	4	852	2 55
5	660	2 25	1	780	2 40	1	1020	2 65
1	590	2 30	1	690	2 50	3	1290	2 95
5	706	2 30						

BULLS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
1	1240	1 50	1	1060	2 15	1	1480	2 35
1	1100	1 50	1	1780	2 15	1	950	2 40
1	1190	1 60	1	1240	2 20	2	1110	2 40
1	700	1 75	1	1270	2 20	3	903	2 40
1	1140	2 00	3	1070	2 20	1	1620	2 60
1	1330	2 15	1	1130	2 25	1	1290	2 65

CALVES.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
1	210	2 00	5	362	2 75	2	165	4 00
4	205	2 10	1	250	3 00	1	250	4 00
1	250	2 50	1	90	3 00	1	180	4 00
2	300	2 50	1	100	3 50	1	220	5 00
2	80	2 75						

STOCKERS AND FEEDERS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
1	550	2 50	2	485	3 00	1	960	3 15
1	1030	2 50	1	400	3 00	46	870	3 15
4	890	2 75	3	670	3 10	1	880	3 15
2	770	2 75	32	1000	3 10	1	670	3 15
1	880	2 75	5	722	3 10	3	450	3 15
2	555	2 75	1	850	3 15	1	780	3 20
5	484	3 00	30	763	3 15	1	820	3 25
15	1213	3 00	1	940	3 15			

HOGS—There were only a few hogs in today, but the demand was good and the offerings were all taken in good season and at about yesterday morning's prices. The bulk of all the hogs sold at $3.40, with a top at $3.45 and a sprinkling at $3.42½. Representative sales:

No.	Av.	Sh.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Sh.	Pr.
92	156	40	$3 25	63	281	80	$3 40
57	194	...	3 35	59	310	80	3 40
83	201	80	3 35	73	302	...	3 40
28	283	...	3 37½	72	253	160	3 40
23	329	160	3 37½	61	274	120	3 40
69	280	280	3 37½	120	229	120	3 40
62	268	200	3 37½	70	319	120	3 40
93	290	...	3 40	66	228	...	3 40
62	293	40	3 40	53	365	80	3 40
70	253	40	3 40	20	214	...	3 40
86	276	80	3 40	55	272	80	3 40
82	215	40	3 40	70	308	120	3 40
38	272	40	3 40	51	307	80	3 40
25	246	80	3 40	41	285	80	3 40
52	295	...	3 40	64	279	80	3 40
61	276	40	3 40	55	278	...	3 42½
37	323	40	3 40	57	317	...	3 42½
60	279	120	3 40	79	268	...	3 42½
74	237	...	3 40	78	262	80	3 42½
66	240	...	3 45				

PIGS—ODDS AND ENDS.

No.	Av.	Sh.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Sh.	Pr.
1	280	...	2 00	3	270	...	3 37½
5	290	...	3 35				

SHEEP—There was not much business doing in the sheep market. The offerings were all feeders. The demand for muttons is good and values firm.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK.

Good Ripe Cattle Were Again Scarce Yesterday.

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—Choice lots of cattle were steady, but others were weak. Sales were on a basis of from $3.20 to $4.60 for common to strictly choice beeves, few going under $3.50 or over $4.25. Good ripe cattle were again scarce and the supply consisted principally of medium to rather good designations. The stocker and feeder market was dull as ever with light offerings and a poor demand from country buyers, but choice canners' stuff was again in good demand at steady prices, the moderate supply preventing any weakness. Cows and heifers sold largely at from $1.85 to $3, and calves were firm under continued light receipts. Fed Texans weighing 980 and 1,275 lbs., were in demand at from $3.10 to $3.75, and grass Mexicans weighing around 800 lbs., were steady at $2.70.

Chicago packers have been paying the recently advanced prices for hogs very reluctantly, and they have succeeded in forcing a decline of 5c today. The principal bear argument was expected larger receipts during the remainder of the week, the late fall of snow having made good sledding in Illinois and Iowa; and large receipts at Kansas City and St. Louis were looked upon as forerunners of better supplies here. A few sales of fancy light weights at from $3.67½ to $3.70 cut no figure, and most of the sales occurred at from $3.40 to $3.65, with the bulk of the transactions at from $3.55 to $3.60. Choice pigs sold about as high as choice hogs.

There was a very good demand for good sheep and lambs, and prices remained strong. Common to choice sheep were salable at from $2 to $3.50, the bulk fetching from $2.50 to $3.25. Westerns were in demand at from $2.70 to $3.35, and lambs sold at from $3.25 to $4.65 for poor to prime lots. Exporters were not buying many sheep and heavy sheep were hard to sell.

Receipts: Cattle, 5,000 head; hogs, 26,000 head; sheep, 11,000 head.

WEEKLY PACKING HOUSE OUTPUT.

Holidays and Weather Conditions Retard the Movement Considerably.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 1.—(Special Telegram.)—Tomorrow's Price Current will say: Holidays and weather conditions have retarded the hog movement. The week's packing is 215,000, against 415,000 the previous week, and 240,000 last year; total, 3,920,000 head since November 1, against 3,890,000 head last year. The current season's cotton oil production is estimated to be 50 per cent short of last year, the decrease equalling 750,000 tierces. Prominent packing points compare as follows:

	1895.	1894.
Chicago	1,455,000	1,515,000
Kansas City	482,000	470,000
Omaha	251,000	255,000
St. Louis	181,000	195,000
Indianapolis	218,000	194,000
Cincinnati	128,000	145,000
Milwaukee	222,000	210,000
Cedar Rapids	83,000	81,000
Ottumwa	94,000	92,000
St. Paul	79,000	106,000
Sioux City	68,000	82,000

Kansas City Live Stock.

KANSAS CITY, Jan. 1.—CATTLE—Receipts, 2,500 head; shipments, 2,400 head; market steady; Texas steers, $2.51@3.25; Texas cows, $2.00@2.60; beef steers, $3.00@4.30; native cows, $1.50@3.25; stockers and feeders, $2.50@2.45; bulls, $1.80@3.00.

HOGS—Receipts, 8,000 head; shipments, 300 head; market slow, 5c higher; bulk of sales, $4.35@4.55; heavies, $3.30@3.72½; packers, $3.40@3.52½; mixed, $3.35@3.45; lights, $3.00@3.45; yorkers, $3.35@3.45; pigs, $3.00@3.40.

SHEEP—Receipts, 800 head; shipments, none; market steady; lambs, $3.20@4.85; muttons, $2.50@3.25.

St. Louis Live Stock.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 31.—CATTLE—Receipts, 3,500 head; market steady, but slow; native beeves, $3.25@4.65; Texas steers, $2.10@3.65; cows and heifers, bulk of sales, $2.00@2.25.

HOGS—Receipts, 9,000 head; market 5c lower; heavy, $3.40@3.60; mixed, $3.30@3.55; light, $3.25@3.50.

SHEEP—Receipts, 2,100 head; market strong; natives, $2.40@3.40; southern, $2.25@3.10.

Stock in Sight.

Record of receipts at the four principal markets for Tuesday, December 31, 1895:

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
South Omaha	1,998	5,051	1,314
Chicago	5,000	27,000	10,000
Kansas City	5,100	14,700	3,000
St. Louis	3,500	9,000	2,100
Totals	15,598	55,751	16,414

New York Live Stock.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—BEEVES—Receipts, 466 head. European cables quote American steers at 9@11c dressed weight; refrigerator beef at 8@9¼c.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Receipts, 1,551 head; firm and higher.

HOGS—Receipts, 1,256 head; firm at $4.20@4.50.

WESTERN PENSIONS.

Veterans of the Late War Remembered by the General Government.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1.—(Special)—Pensions granted, issue of December 12, were:

Nebraska: Original—Frederick L. Snyder, Tekamah, Burt; James E. Palmer, Sidney, Cheyenne. Additional—Lewis L. Catlin, Fairbury, Jefferson. Increase—John B. Davis, York, York. Original widows, etc—Cordelia Duffield, Osceola, Polk; Emeline Wood, Huntley, Harlan; Elizabeth Krueger, Humphrey, Platte; Caroline Wright, Plainview, Pierce; Minors of William B. Daymude, Osceola, Polk.

Iowa: Original—Garret Hinson, Huron, Des Moines; Henry J. Wyman, Mount Pleasant, Henry; Mathew Feeny, Littleport, Clayton. Renewal and reissue—Jacob Coppock, Henderson, Mills. Reissue—Benjamin F. Trimble, Montrose, Lee. Increase—Thomas F. Falkner, Promise City, Wayne; David B. Heizer, Corning, Adams; Michael Lone, Marshalltown, Marshall. Original widow—Sarah A. Crook, Dudley, Wapello.

Colorado: Renewal and increase—Edward Wayman, Denver, Arapahoe. Reissue—Jesse Knowles, Greenland, Douglas.

Montana: Original—John Burkman, Fort Custer, Custer.

Issue of December 13, were:

Nebraska: Original — Benjamin Fye, Aurora, Hamilton; Asa C. Downer, Nebraska City, Otoe; John O. Link, Cozad, Dawson; William H. H. Ralston, Grand Island, Hall; Heymon S. McGraw, Hastings, Adams; Martin V. Easterday, Tecumseh, Johnson. Original widows, etc—Sarah Thompson, Barada, Richardson; minors of Norton M. Standard, Grafton, Fillmore.

Iowa: Original—Robert W. Clark, Des Moines, Polk; Walter O. Carpenter, Creston, Union; Ralph Shatto, Toledo, Lucas. Additional—Simeon Bartley, Marshalltown, Marshall. Renewal and increase—Charles E. Upham, Des Moines, Polk. Increase—Lucius Harrington, Oxford, Johnson. Original widows, etc—Frances E. Saxton, DeWitt, Clinton; Celia A. Johnson, Adel, Dallas.

South Dakota: Original—Eugene A. West, Watertown, Codington. Increase—Edward J. Crofoot, Hot Springs, Fall River.

Colorado: Original widow—America Anderson, Denver, Arapahoe.

Montana: Original—William H. Brown, Melrose, Silver Bow.

Issue of December 14, were:

Nebraska: Reissue—Michael R. Murphy, Hemingford, Box Butte.

Iowa: Increase—Simon A. Bendon, Portsmouth, Shelby; William McBeth, Keosauqua, Van Buren. Reissue—Henry M Waldsmith, Sheldon, O'Brien. Widow Indian wars—Louisa Welthom, Watson, Clayton. Original Widow—Renewal—Elizabeth Copple (mother), Ottumwa, Wapello.

South Dakota: Renewal and increase—James M. Kintner, Hot Springs, Fall River.

Montana: Mexican war survivor—Sophia M. Wilkinson, Deer Lodge, Deer Lodge.

California: Original—Robert Welsh, Soldiers' home, Los Angeles. Original widow—Ella V. Hannum, San Francisco, San Francisco.

Issue of December 15, were:

Nebraska: Additional—Dwight B. Hall, Pearl, Chase. Renewal—Jonathan E. Hawley, Arcadia, Valley. Renewal and increase—Alexander B. Rogers, Omaha, Douglas.

Iowa: Original—Theodore Stewart, Muscatine, Muscatine; James Armstrong, Murray, Clarke. Reissue—John M. Cochran, Lacona, Warren; Michael Muldoon, Marshalltown, Marshall. Original widow etc.—Roene Jamison (mother), Perry, Dallas; Julia A. Doan, Des Moines, Polk.

South Dakota: Original—James M. Sutterfield, Hot Springs, Fall River. Additional—Joseph E. Calkins, Oelrichs, Fall River. Reissue and increase—James Lewis, Canover, Miner. Original widow—Margaret E. Devine, Hetland, Kingsbury.

Colorado: Original—James H. Clark, Denver, Arapahoe; Charles L. Phelps, Alma, Park. Reissue—Benjamin F. Todd, Castle Rock, Douglas.

North Dakota: Original—Charles P. Hinman, Grand Forks, Grand Forks. Increase—Ole N. Orland, Hatton, Traill.

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Killed the Heavily Weighted Ones.

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 1.—This was the thirty-fourth day of the Crescent City Jockey club's winter meeting. The new Year's handicap was the feature of the day's card. A long delay at the post beat the weight carriers, and Lillian E. a light weight, coming through at the end, won very cleverly. Captain Kidd was the only winning favorite. Weather clear and cool; track slow and attendance large. Summaries:

First race, fifteen-sixteenths of a mile, selling: Donation (4 to 1) won, Sauterne (3 to 1) second, Del Coronado (4 to 1) third. Time: 1:41¼.

Second race, selling, seven furlongs: Miss Rowett (4 to 1) won, Miss Clark (8 to 5) second, Invade (2 to 1) third. Time: 1:32.

Third race, mile and an eighth, selling, 3-year-olds and upward: Captain Kidd (2 to 1) won, Clarus (12 to 1) second, Dr. Parke (40 to 1) third. Time: 2:00½.

Fourth race, one mile, New Year's handicap, 2-year-olds and upward: Lillian E (15 to 1) won, Squire G (8 to 1) second, Nikata (15 to 1) third. Time: 1:46¼.

Fifth race, seven and a half furlongs, selling: Blitzen (10 to 1) won, Nicolini (5 to 1) second, Imp. Marden's Pet (50 to 1) third. Time: 1:39¼.

Association Foot Ball.

The Scottish Thistles went to Fort Omaha yesterday morning and rubbed up against the Second infantry foot ball team for the second time this season, and came out even, each side scoring one goal. The soldiers beat the Thistles on the last occasion, but yesterday the city team was assisted by several good players, which materially helped them out and enabled them to put up a closer game. The struggle throughout was fairly even, and occasionally some good play was shown on both sides. North scored for the infantry team in the middle of the first half, and it looked as though his side would pile up a score, but after changing ends the Thistles worked better together, and Bublitz retired from the soldiers' side and the Thistles secured a goal off one of their opponents' backs, and thus the game ended in a tie of one goal each.

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Sparring Exhibitions at Lincoln.

LINCOLN, Jan. 1.—(Special Telegram.)—A sparring exhibition of four bouts was given tonight at Germania hall for the benefit of Ben Floyd. Five rounds were sparred by John Kessler and John Patterson, with little incident, and they were followed by a five-round go between M. Tobin and Tom Esty, the latter a colored amateur, with the advantage heavily in favor of Tobin. Better work was illustrated by John Turner and George Bagley, the latter of Beatrice, in a five-round contest. The program closed with four rounds between M. F. McIntyre and William King, in which considerable bad blood was manifested. At the conclusion of the bout King walked over into McIntyre's corner and offered to whip him then and there, but the men were kept apart by the police. The benefit netted about $100 for Floyd.

The Doctor Out of Town When Most Needed.

Mr. J. Y. Schenck, editor of the Caddo, I. T., Banner, when his little girl, 2 years of age, was threatened with a severe attack of the croup. He says: "My wife insisted that I go for the doctor, but as our family physician was out of town I purchased a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, which relieved her immediately. I will not be without it in the future."

Wind Handicapped the Golf Players.

LAKEWOOD, N. J., Jan. 1.—The golf players were forced to face a strong wind today in the match for the cup offered by George J. Gould, and high scores were the exceptions. There were forty-five entries for the matches. Rev. Dr. W. S. Rainsford of St. Andrews club won the cup with a net score of eighty-eight. He had a handicap of three. George A. Armstrong, also of St. Andrews, won the gold medal given by the Lakewood club as second prize.

It Saves the Croupy Children.

SEAVIEW, Va., March 9, 1895.

We have a splendid sale on Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, and our customers coming from far and near, speak of it in the highest terms. Many have said that their children would have died of croup if Chamberlain's Cough Remedy had not been given.—Kellam & Ourren.

Fitzsimmons Played Foot Ball.

EL PASO, Tex., Jan. 1.—Fitzsimmons played at foot ball today. A team composed of Indian students from the territorial Indian school at Albuquerque, N. M., and said to be the crack foot ball team of the territory, met El Paso's eleven on the gridiron this afternoon, and were defeated by the latter. Fitzsimmons played right tackle for El Paso, and enjoyed the sport of throwing Indians heels over head immensely. The score was 12 to 4.

HAD HOT WORK AT THE TRAPS

Shotgun Experts Spend the Afternoon in Close Competition.

OMAHA OUTSHOOTS COUNCIL BLUFFS

Team from Iowa Loses Again by a Narrow Margin to the Nebraska Men — Scores of the Match.

There was a large and hilarious crowd of Omaha and Council Bluffs shooters assembled on the Omaha Gun club grounds, across the river, yesterday, the occasion being a grand holiday sweepstakes, a match shoot between a team of the Omaha and Council Bluffs clubs, and a number of special shoots. The principal interest was centered in the club shoot, ten men on a side, fifteen live birds, for the price of the birds. The day was all that could have been desired for the sport, still and cloudy, but of just the right temperature to make outdoor exercise delightful. The Omaha men were in particularly good form, and fairly and squarely outshot their Iowa cousins. The latter will banquet the Omaha team in honor of their victory some evening this week. In the score the figure 1 stands for a kill with the first barrel, figure 2 for a kill with the second barrel, and x for dead out of bounds, and o for a miss. The score:

OMAHA.

Montmorency	11220	22121	2*021	—12
Smead	22112	21111	12111	—15
Blake	*1110	22121	02022	—11
Peterson	1211*	01121	12011	—12
Nason	100*2	122*1	21222	—11
McFarlane	21201	12112	22012	—13
Field	220*2	22011	22000	— 9
Read	10021	22111	12011	—12
Loomis	12111	12111	21121	—15
Parmelee	21111	11211	12110	—14
Total				124

COUNCIL BLUFFS.

Rickman	21022	20222	12221	—13
Hardin	2201*	22011	11102	—11
West	20211	22121	2*202	—12
Heinrich	20201	212*2	01*21	—10
Kingsbury	222*1	11201	00122	—11
Hart	00222	22000	21112	—10
Pyper	02102	12101	10222	—11
Beershiem	11222	01211	21120	—13
Harle	21002	21101	11200	—10
Graham	01110	20211	11111	—12
Total				113

Following the team shoot was a special shoot for the price of the birds between D. T. Stubbs and H. B. Kennedy of this city and Billy Hardin of Council Bluffs, which resulted as follows:

Stubbs	01012	12202	—7
Kennedy	01221	12102	—8
Hardin	20011	10011	—6

The day's sport closed with a grand sweepstakes shoot, ten birds to the man, $4 entrance, four moneys. Score:

Montmorency	11211	10112	— 9
Field	02012	11111	— 8
West	10021	22022	— 8
Beresheim	11012	12212	— 9
McFarlane	11121	21122	—10
Highsmith	21102	21220	— 8
Loomis	11021	21122	— 9
Pyper	22020	02111	— 7
Nason	22020	00100	— 4
Kingsbury	12111	01122	— 9
Smead	12012	12002	— 7
Kennedy	12121	01211	— 9
Heinrich	12011	11110	— 8
Parmelee	11111	21112	—10
Patterson	00211	11011	— 7

Parmelee and McFarlane divided first money; Montmorency, Beresheim, Loomis, Kingsbury and Kennedy second; Field, West, Highsmith and Heinrich third; Patterson, Smead and Pyper fourth.

LEAD NOT ENOUGH TO WIN OUT.

Doggett on Argentina Got the Best of the Send Off by Six Lengths.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 1.—The largest crowd that ever gathered within the gates at the Bay District track was present today to witness the Rosemead stakes. So great was the crush that it was impossible for the bookmakers to handle all the bets and hundreds were unable to place their money on their respective choices. W. O. B. McDonough's filly, Imp. Santa Bella, demonstrated that she is the fastest filly in the west, giving away weight, getting off none too well, and then winning so impressively as to set all doubts at rest regarding her superiority over Green B. Morris' filly, Sallie Clicquot. The latter was a strong favorite at 6 to 5, with Imp. Santa Bella and Imp. Miss Brummell coupled at 2 to 1. E. J. Baldwin's Argentina was at 6 to 1. Doggett, on Argentina, beat the flag three lengths, and was six lengths in front before the others realized that it was a go. Turning into the stretch, Sallie Clicquot and Santa Bella closed up on the flying leader, the latter winning by three lengths, with Argentina two lengths in front of Sallie Clicquot. "Pittsburg Phil" started his horses for the first time today, running second with Ed Kearney, and winning the handicap with Derfargilla, who he backed heavily. Two favorites, two second and two third choices secured first money today. Weather clear and pleasant; track fast. Griffin, the famous jockey, who rode Long Lady in the Rosemead stakes, was thrown from the horse and badly shaken up, but though he was unconscious some time, he was not seriously injured. Summaries:

First race, five and a half furlongs: Two Cheers, 107 (Chorn), 2½ to 1, won; Irma, 101 (T. Sloan), 2 to 1, second; My Sweetheart, 105 (Hinrichs), 8 to 1, third. Time: 1:08½. Imp. Lady Splendor, Vernon, Syndicate, Finslaughter, Swiftsure, Chartreuse, Orphan Boy, Cerrinne and Buckingham also ran.

Second race, mile and seventy yards, selling: St. Lee, 86 (Hewitt), 4 to 1, won; Ed Kearney, 110 (Doggett), 7 to 10, second; Montalvo, 105 (Cochran), 10 to 1, third. Time: 1:45. Joe K, Janus and Instigator also ran.

Third race, seven furlongs, handicap: Joan, 108 (Cochran), 8 to 1, won; Laviente, 98 (T. Sloan), 4 to 1, second; Ferris Hartman, 100 (Slaughter), 2½ to 1, third. Time: 1:24½. Benham, Caliente, Unity, Don Pio Pico and Lucretia Borgia also ran.

Fourth race, five and a half furlongs, the Rosemead stakes: Imp. Santa Bella, 115 (T. Sloan), 2 to 1, won; Argentina, 108 (Doggett), 6 to 1, second; Sallie Clicquot, 108 (Martin), 7 to 5, third. Time: 1:07. Una Que Amo, Imp. Miss Brummell, Long Lady, Heart's Ease, Marionette, Clara Johnson, Carrara and Josephine II also ran.

Fifth race, about a mile and a half, the Delmonte steeplechase: St. Brandon, 139 (Kenny), 5 to 1, won; J. O. C., 133 (Hennessy), 7 to 5, second; Colonel Weightman, 128 (Mara), 7 to 5, third. Time: 3:21½. Templemore, Oregon Eclipse, The Lark and Wyandotte also ran.

Sixth race, about six furlongs, handicap: Derfargilla, 111 (Doggett), 7 to 5, won; Me Light, 112 (Chorn), 8 to 1, second; Imp. Star Ruby, 115 (W. Martin), 2 to 1, third. Time: 1:12¼. Hueneme, Morven, Bellicose, Blue Bell, Ferrier, Mainstay and Quirt also ran.

HARVARD THE CHESS CHAMPION.

Old Rivals from New Haven at the Bottom of the List.

NEW YORK, Jan. 1.—The fifth round of the intercollegiate chess tourney was played at the Harvard school yesterday. The playing was as follows: Price, Columbia, beat Murdoch, Yale, Evans gambit declined, in thirty-nine moves; Seymour, Princeton, beat Rider, Harvard, Vienna opening, after forty-seven moves; Ross, Columbia, beat Arnstein, Yale, pgi, fifty-nine moves; Southard, Harvard, beat Elmer, Princeton, Vienna, after thirty-eight moves.

Today the intercollegiate chess tournament concluded and Harvard came out victorious. Today's playing resulted as follows: Seymour, Princeton, beat Price of Columbia, after forty-seven moves; Ryder of Harvard beat Murdoch, Yale, after fifty-three moves; Southard, Harvard, beat Arnstein, Yale, after thirty-eight moves; Ross, Columbia, beat Elmer, Princeton, after fifty moves.

The following is the final record:

	Won.	Lost.
Harvard	8½	3½
Columbia	8	4
Princeton	4	8
Yale	3½	8½

The following is the individual record of the players:

	Won.	Lost.
Price	3	3
Ross	5	1
Rider	4½	1½
Southard	4½	1½
Arnstein	1	5
Murdoch	2	4
Elmer	0	6
Seymour	4	2

ST. PETERSBURG, Jan. 1.—Yesterday at the local club the chess players met in another round of the international chess tournament, the result being as follows: Lasker (white) and Pillsbury drew a Petroff after thirty moves; Steinitz (white) beat Tschigorin in a queen's gambit, after thirty moves. The record:

	Won.	Lost.
Pillsbury	5½	2½
Lasker	5	3
Steinitz	4	4
Tschigorin	1½	6½

DRANK WITH A NIGGER.

How Frederick Douglass Overcame the Prejudices of a Virginian.

Here is a new story about the late Frederick Douglass, contributed to history by John I. Wise of Virginia. A prominent gentleman of that state was traveling with the colored orator, and their business brought them in contact with Colonel Dinwiddie, a Virginia gentleman of the old school.

"Colonel Dinwiddie," said he, "allow me to introduce my friend, Frederick Douglass. You must have heard of him."

The colonel put his hands behind him as Mr. Douglass stepped forward and extended his. "Douglass," said the Virginian, "I am glad to see you. But you will excuse me; I have made it the rule of my life never to shake hands with niggers."

"Oh, certainly," said Douglass, "I am an ex-slave, and I know the prejudices of the old slave owners."

There was some further conversation and then Douglass said to the courtly son of the old dominion: "By the way, colonel, we are just going to take a drink. Will you join us?"

The old gentleman hesitated, cleared his throat and then replied: "Well, Douglass, I have made it another rule of my life never to refuse to take a drink. I don't mind if I do."

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