COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL

Wheat Holds Remarkably Steady and Closes One-Fourth Cent Higher.

BANK FAILURE DISCOURAGING FEATURE

Crop Damage Reports Are No Less Numerous Than Before and the Injury from Unfavorable Weather is Spreading.

CHICAGO, Dec. 21.—It was foreign news against the local bank suspension in the wheat pit today, and the former won. Wheat held remarkably steady and closed only ⅛c lower than Saturday's final figures. The large export demand has a marked effect on sustaining the market. Corn and oats closed a shade lower and provisions unchanged.

Wheat got a body blow from an unexpected quarter before the opening. The failure of the National Bank of Illinois came as a great surprise. It caused an immediate drop of about ¾c per bushel in wheat at the opening. The failure of the bank was succeeded by rumors of further financial trouble, and the suspension of two private banks soon followed. Notwithstanding wheat made its lowest price for the day at the opening, when May was quoted from 79c to 79¾c. It rose to 79⅞c soon after and had a long struggle between 79¾c and 79⅝c before it finally rose and struck a stronger upward gait. The news otherwise regarding the wheat situation was pronounced bullish. The amount of wheat on ocean passage was found to have been decreased 640,000 bu. since Monday last; the Black Sea ports exported to Europe 3,621,000 bu., compared with 5,272,000 bu. on the week before, and the Liverpool grain market in consequence was from ⅛d to ¼d per cental higher at the opening today than it closed Saturday. The receipts at Chicago and in the northwest were very light. Chicago got 53 cars, against 226 last year, and Minneapolis and Duluth got 563, compared with 810 a week ago and 980 on the corresponding day of the year before. The visible supply statement was somewhat of a disappointment. It was generally expected to show a small decrease, 250,000 bu, or so, but instead there was an increase of 859,000 bu., and was the cause of one of the rather frequent fluctuations. A great deal of the strength of wheat, in face of the bad financial news, was accredited to the great demand from the United Kingdom for cash wheat at the seaboard and for May wheat here. New York had buying orders here for May wheat before the opening at 79¼c, when they knew at the same time that it was quoted at 78⅞c on the curb here. The buying orders came in a steady stream from there all day. Crop damage reports were no less numerous than before, and the injury from the prevailing unfavorable weather appeared to be spreading. The world's exports to Europe as officially reported were only 6,780,000 bu. The closing figures for May wheat were at from 79⅝c to 79¾c, against 79⅝c on Saturday.

Corn was slow and weak early in sympathy with wheat, and the causes which made that cereal weak but reacted some later when wheat improved and the financial skies became clearer. Trading, however, was extremely dull, and the variation in prices covered only a ¼c range. May opened about 5-16c lower at 25c and sold up from 25⅛c to 25¼c, closing steady at 25⅛c.

Oats were weak and lower during the early part of the session, but advanced later and recovered the loss with a fraction in the bargain. There was considerable buying on the decline and a few short lines besides were covered. The heaviness was the most influence through sympathy with wheat. May opened a shade lower at from 13⅝c to 13¾c, sold up to from 13¾c to 13⅞c and rested at from 13⅝c to 13¾c bid.

The provision market was dull but firm, and although prices at the close today were almost identical with Saturday's closing the tone of the trade was firm. Fair support was given by packers, who are not anxious for a break in prices at present. May pork closed unchanged at $7.92½; May lard a shade lower at $4.02½; May ribs unchanged at $4.02½.

Estimated receipts Tuesday: Wheat, 35 cars; corn, 425 cars; oats, 540 cars; hogs, 30,000 head.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Sat'dy
*Wheat—					
Dec.....	76¾	77	76½	76⅝	76⅞
May.....	79-79¼	80¼	79	79⅝@¾	79⅞
July.....	73⅞	74¾	73⅞	74¼	74⅜
*Corn—					
Dec.....	22⅝	22⅝	22⅝@⅞	22⅝	22¾@⅞
Jan.....	22⅝@⅝	22⅝@⅝	22⅝@⅞	22⅝	22⅝@⅞
May.....	25	25⅛@⅛	25	25⅛	25⅛@¼
*Oats—					
Dec.....	16⅛	16⅛	13⅞	16⅛	16⅛
May.....	19⅝@¾	19¾@⅞	19½	19⅝@¾	19¾
Pork—					
Jan.....	7 60	7 67½	7 60	7 67½	7 65
May.....	7 92½	7 95	7 90	7 95	7 92½
Lard—					
Jan.....	3 82½	3 85	3 82½	3 85	3 85
May.....	4 05	4 05	4 02½	4 02½	4 05
Sh't Ribs—					
Jan.....	3 85	3 87½	3 85	3 85	3 87½
May.....	4 02½	4 05	4 02½	4 02½	4 05

* No. 2.

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Easy; winter patents, $4.50@4.75; straights, $4.50@4.75; spring specials, 4.50; spring patents, $4.15@4.50; straights, $3.75@4.00; bakers, $3.10@3.40.

WHEAT—No. 2 spring, 76⅝@76¾c; No. 3 spring, 72@75c; No. 2 red, 88⅝@88¾c.

CORN—No. 2, 22⅝@22¾c; No. 2 yellow, 22⅝@22¾c.

OATS—No. 2, 16¾c; No. 2 white, f. o. b., 19@20½c; No. 3 white, 17@17½c.

RYE—No. 2, 37c.

BARLEY—No. 2, nominal; No. 3, f. o. b., 23@34c; No. 4, f. o. b., 20@25c.

FLAXSEED—No. 1, 71½@73½c.

TIMOTHY SEED—Prime, $2.65.

PROVISIONS—Mess pork, per bbl., $6.85@6.90; lard, per 100 lbs., $4.00@4.02½; short ribs sides (loose), $3.75@4.00; dry salted shoulders (boxed), $4.25@4.50; short clear sides (boxed), $4.00@4.12½.

POULTRY—Firm; turkeys, 11c; chickens, 6@6½c; ducks, 9@10c.

WHISKY—Distillers' finished goods, per gal., $1.18.

The following were the receipts and shipments today:

Articles.	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls.....	6,000	5,000
Wheat, bu.....	28,000	92,000
Corn, bu.....	200,000	500,000
Oats, bu.....	390,000	176,000
Rye, bu.....	16,000	.....
Barley, bu.....	92,000	33,000

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was firm; creamery, 15@21c; dairy, 10@17c. Eggs, firm; fresh, 20c. Cheese, steady; 8½@9c.

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKET.

Quotations of the Day on General Commodities.

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—FLOUR—Receipts, 31,000 bbls.; exports, 33,545 bbls.; dull, with free offerings of spring patents; Minnesota patents, $4.45@4.65; Minnesota bakers, $2.40@4.00; winter patents, $4.00@5.10. Rye flour, dull; superfine, $2.85@3.05. Buckwheat flour, dull, $1.30@1.35.

BUCKWHEAT—Dull at 38@38½c.

CORN MEAL—Yellow eastern, 50c.

RYE—Nominal, 40@42c.

BARLEY—Dull, 28@28½c.

BARLEY MALT—Western, $5.30@5.50.

WHEAT—Receipts, 120,400 bu.; exports, 24,815 bu.; spot firmer; No. 1 hard, 92½c. Options opened weak and declined, owing to the Chicago bank failure and the larger visible supply; later rallied sharply on large export orders, covering of nearby options and firm cables, closing unsettled at ⅛@¼c advance on nearby months and ¼c lower on late months; No. 2 red, May, 85@85⅛c, closed at 85½c; December, 80⅝@81⅛c, closed at 81⅛c.

CORN—Receipts, 71,600 bu.; exports, 54,285 bu.; spot steady; No. 2, 28⅝c. Options opened steady, eased off under dull trading, rallied partially on covering of nearby options, and closed ⅛c higher to ¼@⅛c net lower; May, 31 1-16@31⅛c, closed at 31⅛c; December, closed at 28⅝c.

OATS—Receipts, 93,700 bu.; exports, 33,534 bu.; spot, No. 2, 22c. Options moderately active and firmer, closing partially ⅛@¼c higher; May, 23⅝@23¾c, closed at 24c; December, closed at 22c.

HAY—Dull; shipping, $5.50@6.00; good to choice, $7.00@7.50.

HOPS—Dull; 1895 crop, 26@34c; 1896 crop, 8@15c; Pacific coast, 1895 crop, 30@34c; 1896 crop, 9@15c; London market dull.

HIDES—Dull; Galveston, 12@13c; Buenos Ayres, dry, nominal; Texas, dry, 9½c; California, 15@25c.

LEATHER—Steady; hemlock sole, Buenos Ayres, light to heavy weight, 19½@20½c.

WOOL—Quiet; Bosce, 15@20c; pulled, 15@18c.

PROVISIONS—Beef hams, $18.00 asked; packet, $8.00@9.50. Cut meats, quiet; pickled bellies, 4 to 6 lbs., 4½c; pickled shoulders, $4.00@4.25; pickled hams, $8.50@8.75. Lard, steady; western steam, $4.12½; refined, firm. Pork, firm; mess, $8.25@8.75; short clear, extra prime, $8.75@10.50. Tallow, steady; city, 3½@3¾c; country, 3½@3¾c.

OILS—Petroleum, dull; unchanged; closed at 94c bid. Rosin, quiet; strained, common to good, $1.80. Turpentine, quiet at 27@27½c. Cottonseed, nominally steady; prime crude, 26c; prime summer yellow, 29c, off summer yellow, 27½@28c.

BUTTER—Receipts, 3,580 pkgs.; steady; western creamery, 19@22c; Elgins, 22c; factory, 16@12c.

CHEESE—Receipts, 2,366 pkgs.; market quiet; large, 7½@8½c; small, 7½@8⅛c; part skims, 3½@4½c.

EGGS—Receipts, 3,067 pkgs.; market steady; state and Pennsylvania, 21@22c; western, 19@22c.

RICE—Steady; fair to extra, 3¾@4¼c; Japan, 4¼@4½c.

MOLASSES—Quiet; New Orleans, open kettle, good to choice, 26@34c, for new crop.

METALS—Pig iron, easy; southern, $11.00@12.25; northern, $11.00@13.00. Copper, quiet; brokers, $11.25; exchange, $11.20@11.50. Tin, steady; straits $12.90. Plates, dull. Spelter, dull at $4.12½@4.25. Pig lead shows firmness, with offerings small.

Review of European Crops.

LONDON, Dec. 21.—The Mark Lane Express referring today to crop prospects, says: While the wheat is somewhat late in growth, this is no drawback, for a favorable growth of the autumn sown wheat and rye is reported from all the districts of central Europe; but in France matters are not nearly so satisfactory. The weather in Russia is very unsettled, frost and thaw reigning in rapid succession, with bad effect on the autumn sown grain. The Argentine crop is not thought to be very large, not advices conflict. Foreign wheat does not sell well, even at a decline, and everybody expects an inert trade until after Christmas, and brisk business during the first fortnight of January.

STOCKS AND BONDS.

Security Market Dealings Clearly in Favor of the Bulls.

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—The stock market today was clearly in favor of the bulls, and a number of the bear professionals and also bulls without stocks, miscalculated the speculative conditions by heavy sales, in connection with a western bank failure. The financial community at large, however, was much more impressed by the absence of a scare abroad on the Cuban imbroglio and the belief that there was no possibility of hasty action on the part of this government and by the nonmaterialization of the confidentially expected exports of gold to Germany. The news that the Cameron Cuban resolution had been hung up until after the holidays, thus affording ample time for full deliberation, and increasing indications of protracted debate on the subject, resulted in the execution of a larger proportion of commission orders than has been noted for some time past. London prices for American securities came higher and fairly large buying orders for foreign account were executed in this market. The bears tested the speculative spirit early, but soon gave up the contest and covered extensively until the reported failure of the National Bank of Illinois and two minor institutions, caused the putting out of fresh short lines. The market was active, according to recent averages, and the dealings well distributed, the more confident temper being also reflected in decided strength in the railway and miscellaneous bond markets. The course of prices in the forenoon was somewhat irregular, owing to the changes of front by the bears, and moderate liquidation of long stocks. In the specialties the bears made some successes. Manhattan was attacked, the prices yielding 2½ per cent to 85¾, on liquidation of long stock, induced by the legal attack on the company. The stock was well supported at the low level, and in the subsequent transactions jumped to 90, closing at a net improvement of 1¾ per cent. The Gould shares were especially strong, improving steadily as the day progressed, and resisting persistent attacks by the interests that have recently been free sellers. Consolidated Gas moved violently, resulting 3 per cent carry, with a subsequent rally of 2 per cent. A favorable impression was created by the exchange in the market in the afternoon and heavy buying was noted all around, with Sugar, Chicago Gas and the grangers leading the dealings. Houses with Washington connections were prominent in the rise. The inactive stocks received more attention than of late, and, as a rule, advanced sharply. In the active list, Burlington, Western Union, Rock Island and Tobacco scrip gained 2 per cent. The closing was strong at slight recessions from the top figures. The bond market displayed strength on a renewed investment inquiry, which introduced a large variety of issues. The sales were $1,129,000. Some exceptions to the general upward tendency were recorded, but the losses were generally unimportant.

Governments ruled steady, except for the new 4s, which fell a sharp fraction in the early dealings on heavy sales, a block of $1,000,000 of the coupons changing hands at 119. Subsequently a better tone developed, with the closing generally steady; large amounts were traded in over the counter, with the dealings at the board footing up $1,044,000.

The Evening Post's London financial cablegram says: The stock markets were idle and of a holiday character, but with a cheerful tone. Americans took their cue this morning from the tone of the Madrid cable dispatches and opened firm. They remained above the parity until New York prices were learned and then fell on the reported bank failure in Chicago. They rallied again at the close, which was good. Spanish stocks were strong here and in Paris. Mines were better. The Paris bourse was steady, as was also the Berlin market, where money is easier.

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

Atchison.....	13⅝	N. Y. & N. E.....	45
Adams Ex.....	148	Ontario & W.....	14½
Alton, T. H.....	50	Oregon Nav.....	14
Am. Express.....	109	O. S. L. & U. N.....	13
Baltimore & Ohio.	14¾	Pacific Mail.....	24
Canada Pacific.....	55	Peoria, Dec. & E...	2
Canada Southern..	47⅝	Pittsburg.....	163
Central Pacific....	14¾	Pullman Palace....	151½
Ches. & Ohio.....	15⅝	Reading.....	25¾
Chicago & Alton..	160	R. G. W.....	15
C. B. & Q.....	74½	do pfd.....	40
Chicago Gas.....	73	Rock Island.....	66⅝
Consolidated Gas.	146	St. Paul.....	73⅛
C., C., C. & St. L..	26⅝	do pfd.....	130
Colo. Coal & Iron..	36	St. Paul & Omaha.	47¾
Cotton Oil Cert....	10¾	do pfd.....	125
Delaware & Hud..	123	Southern Pacific...	14⅝
Del., Lack. & W...	158⅝	Sugar Refinery....	110½
D. & R. G. pfd.....	42	Tenn. Coal & Iron.	25¼
East Tenn.....	14⅝	Texas Pacific.....	8⅝
Erie.....	32	Tol. & O. Cen. pfd.	50
do pfd.....	90	Union Pacific.....	14
Fort Wayne.....	163	U. S. Express.....	40
G. Northern pfd...	118	W. St. L. & Pac...	6¼
C. & E. I. pfd.....	95	do pfd.....	15⅝
Hocking Valley....	15¾	Wells Fargo Ex...	95
Illinois Central...	93	Western Union...	83¾
St. P. & Duluth...	20	Wheeling & L. E...	7
R. & T. pfd.....	27¾	do pfd.....	27
Lake Erie & West.	16	Minn. & St. Louis.	18
do pfd.....	68	Den. & R. G.....	11½
Lake Shore.....	153½	Gen. Electric.....	30¾
Lead Trust.....	22¾	Nat'l Linseed.....	12
Louisville & N....	48⅝	Col. Fuel & I.....	23⅝
L. & N. A.....	4	do pfd.....	70
Manhattan Con....	89	Tol. St. L. & K. C.	4½
Memphis & C....	15	do pfd.....	10
Michigan Central.	90	Southern.....	15¾
Mo. Pacific.....	29	do pfd.....	26⅝
Mobile & Ohio....	20	Tobacco.....	76¾
Nashville Chat....	68	do pfd.....	101
National Cordage.	5	Am. T. & C. Co....	18
do pfd.....	10	C. C. Co.....	105
N. J. Central.....	102	Am. Sugar pfd....	100
N. & W. pfd.....	15¾	Cordage pfd.....	20
North Am. Co.....	4⅝	Leather pfd.....	50¾
Northern Pacific..	12⅝	Rubber.....	25¾
N. Pacific pfd.....	22¾	Rubber pfd.....	80¼
U. P., D. & G.....	29	Cotton Oil pfd.....	50¾
Northwestern.....	101½	H. C. & F. L. pfd	45
do pfd.....	140	Am. Spirits.....	11⅞
N. Y. Central.....	93⅝	do pfd.....	26

The total sales of stocks today were 256,625 shares, including the following: American Sugar, 39,200; Burlington, 29,600; General Electric, 3,300; Chicago Gas, 33,000; Lead, 10,600; Manhattan, 16,600; Missouri Pacific, 5,100; Reading, 17,000; Rock Island, 8,000; St. Paul, 32,000; Tennessee Coal and Iron, 5,600; Western Union, 7,300; Wabash & Lake Erie, 3,700. Southern railroad preferred, 5,500.

New York Money.

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—MONEY ON CALL—Easier at 1@1½ per cent; last loan, 1½ per cent, closed offered at 1 per cent.

PRIME MERCANTILE PAPER—4@5 per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Easier, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.87¼ for demand and $4.83¾ for sixty days; posted rates, $4.84½@4.85¼ and $4.87½@4.88¼; commercial bills, $4.82½.

BAR SILVER—65¾c.

SILVER CERTIFICATES—65½@65¾c.

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

Closing quotations on bonds were as follows:

U. S. new reg.....	119¾	C. P. 1sts of '95....	102¾
U. S. new coup.....	119¾	D. & R. G. 7s.....	119
U. S. 5s. reg.....	113½	D. & R. G. 4s.....	89
U. S. 5s. coup.....	113½	Erie 2ds.....	64⅛
U. S. 4s. reg.....	109¾	G. H. & S. A. 6s....	106¾
U. S. 4s. coup.....	110¼	do 7s.....	95
U. S. 2s. reg.....	95	H. & T. C. 5s.....	108
Pacific 6s of '95...	93¾	do 6s.....	105
Ala., class A.....	104	M., K. & T. 1st 4s.	80
Ala., class B.....	104	do 2d 4s.....	58¾
Ala., class C.....	96	Mutual Union 6s...	111½
Ala. Currency.....	95	N. J. C. Gen. 5s....	118
La. New Con. 4s...	90¾	No. Pacific 1sts....	115½
Missouri 6s.....	100	do 2ds.....	80
N. C. 6s.....	120	N. W. Consols.....	139
N. C. 4s.....	101	do S. F. Deb. 5s...	110
S. C. nonfund.....	¼	R. G. West. 1sts...	75
Tenn. new settl.....	82¾	St. P. Consols 7s...	130
Tenn. new set 5s...	105	do C. & P. W. 5s.	114¼
Tenn. old 6s.....	60	St. L. & I. M. Gen. 5	75⅝
Va. Centuries.....	61½	St. L. & S. F. Gen. 6	110⅛
do deferred.....	6⅝	Texas Pac. 1sts...	86⅝
Atchison 4s.....	78⅝	Texas Pac. 2ds...	19¾
Atchis. o. 2d A....	41⅝	U. P. 1sts of '96...	103
Canada So. 2d.....	105¼	West Shore 4s.....	107
L. & N. unified 4s.	78	O. R. & N. 1sts....	113
Southern 5s.....	90½	N. P. 3ds.....	78

Boston Stock Quotations.

BOSTON, Dec. 20.—Call loans, 2½@4 per cent; time loans, 3¾@4½ per cent. Closing prices for stocks, bonds and mining shares:

A. T. & S. F.....	13⅝	Atchison pfd.....	22⅝
American Sugar...	110⅝	El. Elec. Ill.....	145
Am. Sugar pfd....	100⅝	Atchison 4s.....	79
Bay State Gas.....	5⅝	New England 6s...	112
Bell Telephone...	200⅝	Gen. Elec. 5s.....	90½
Boston & Albany..	204	Wis. Cent. 1sts....	38
Boston & Maine...	162	Allouez Mining Co	60
C. B. & Q.....	74¼	Atlantic.....	21
Fitchburg.....	134	Boston & Montana	92⅝
General Electric...	31⅛	Butte & Bost m...	4
Mexican Central..	7½	Calumet & Hecla..	323
Old Colony.....	177	Centennial.....	24
Old Dominion.....	14½	Franklin.....	16
Union Pacific.....	9¾	Rearsarge.....	15
West End.....	63½	Osceola.....	28½
West End pfd.....	85	Quincy.....	119
Westingh. Elec....	24	Tamarack.....	92
W. Elec. pfd.....	50⅝	Wolverine.....	8¾

San Francisco Mining Quotations.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 20.—The official closing quotations for mining stocks today were as follows:

Alta.....	3	Hale & Norcross..	115
Alpha Con.....	8	Justice.....	4
Andes.....	13	Keutucky Con....	1
Belcher.....	34	Mexican.....	42
Best & Belcher....	50	Mono.....	21
Bullion.....	9	Occidental Con....	8
Bulwer Con.....	40	Ophir.....	93
Caledonia.....	11	Overman.....	40
Challenge Con....	33	Potosi.....	60
Chollar.....	80	Savage.....	32
Confidence.....	75	Sierra Nevada....	43
Con. Cal. & Va....	105	Union Con.....	48
Crown Point.....	18	Utah Con.....	16
Gould & Curry....	28	Yellow Jacket....	28

Silver bars, 65⅛c; Mexican dollars, 51½@52c. Sight drafts, 12½c; telegraphic, 15c.

New York Mining Quotations.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—The following are the closing mining quotations:

Bulwer.....	50	Ontario.....	700
Chollar.....	80	Ophir.....	90
Crown Point.....	15	Plymouth.....	20
Con. Cal. & Va....	50	Quicksilver.....	100
Deadwood.....	100	Quicksilver pfd...	1200
Gould & Curry....	30	Sierra Nevada....	40
Hale & Norcross..	100	Standard Con.....	160
Homestake.....	2900	Union Con.....	50
Iron Silver.....	30	Yellow Jacket....	25
Mexican.....	38		

OMAHA LIVE STOCK MARKET

Light Offerings of Cattle of Generally Poor Quality.

GOOD BEEVES BRING STEADY PRICES

Under Grades Sell Freely at Saturday's Figures—Hogs Start Higher, but Sag Badly, Closing About Steady.

SOUTH OMAHA, Dec. 21.—Receipts for the days indicated were:

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.	Horses.
December 21.....	2,239	4,172	2,010	....
December 19.....	1,751	5,482	662	....
December 18.....	1,948	5,947	1,057	....
December 17.....	2,242	7,379	1,232	23
December 16.....	3,601	6,778	1,244	....
December 15.....	3,289	8,418	2,950	....
December 14.....	3,105	2,490	2,103	....
December 12.....	952	3,923	779	....
December 11.....	1,314	4,590	729	....
December 10.....	2,393	5,393	546	....
December 9.....	3,528	4,559	980	....
December 8.....	3,268	4,292	2,055	56
December 7.....	2,700	1,730	833	....

The official number of cars of stock brought in today by each road was:

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
C., M. & St. P. Ry.....	..	6	..
Missouri Pacific.....	1	..	..
Union Pacific, system.....	42	16	8
F., E. & M. V. R. R.....	18	13	..
C., St. P., M. & O. Ry.....	1	7	..
B. & M. R. R. R.....	13	12	1
C., B. & Q. Ry.....	5	3	..
C., R. I. & P. Ry., east.....	..	2	..
C., R. I. & P. Ry., west.....	2	1	..
Totals.....	82	60	9

The disposition of the day's receipts was as follows, each buyer purchasing the number of head indicated:

Buyers.	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
Omaha Packing Co.....	....	1,082	....
G. H. Hammond Co.....	50	1,289	....
Swift and Company.....	211	1,132	11
Cudahy Packing Co.....	440	657	344
R. Becker and Degan....	243	....	....
Vansant & Co.....	39	....	....
J. L. Carey.....	138	....	....
Lobman & Rothschilds....	83	....	....
W. I. Stephens.....	370	....	....
Hill & Lewis company...	105	....	....
Benton & Underwood.....	95	....	....
Huston & Co.....	6	....	....
Hayes, Jackson & Reives.	..	....	739
Other buyers.....	319	18	....
Left over.....	100	....	916
Totals.....	2,198	4,178	2,010

CATTLE—The week did not open with a very liberal run of cattle, the receipts being smaller than last Monday by about 1,000 head, and smaller than two weeks' ago by 500 head. Besides being few in number the quality of the killing cattle was not good on an average, though there were cattle here fully as good or better than anything on sale at the close of last week.

The supply of dressed beef steers was limited to a dozen or fifteen loads of corn-fed cattle, none of them good or well finished. The market opened fully steady on handy cattle that suited the buyers' purposes, and some decent kind of stuff sold at $4.00@4.10. The less attractive cattle were slow and the market was easier.

Butchers' stock, especially the better grades of cows and heifers, was in good request, and sold freely at last week's closing prices. All told there were about ten or a dozen loads on sale and the demand was sufficiently active to effect an early clearance of everything in the yards.

The strength that was developed in the market for stockers and feeders last week still continues, and values today on that kind of stock were firm and the demand active. As showing the strength of the market one bunch of choice feeders sold up to $4.00. The springers were all taken in good season. Representative sales:

NATIVES.

BEEF STEERS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
7	895	$3 15	2	1000	$3 65	21	1070	$3 90
1	1050	3 35	20	1185	3 70	32	1224	3 90
1	1060	3 40	44	1247	3 80	11	1151	4 00
40	1305	3 65	1	1200	3 85	1	1270	4 00
1	1010	3 65	19	1191	3 85	10	1258	4 10

COWS.

1	740	1 00	1	1120	2 25	1	890	2 55
1	960	1 75	1	1020	2 30	2	1130	2 55
1	1030	1 85	3	1016	2 30	3	1240	2 60
1	1070	2 00	3	1160	2 30	1	1010	2 60
2	1015	2 00	4	1115	2 35	2	1060	2 60
1	1090	2 00	1	980	2 35	2	1195	2 70
1	940	2 00	1	1140	2 40	25	918	2 75
1	960	2 00	3	1176	2 40	1	1000	2 80
2	1075	2 00	2	1260	2 40	11	1117	2 85
2	1335	2 10	2	1210	2 40	3	1226	2 85
1	1030	2 10	6	1049	2 45	7	880	2 90
1	850	2 10	7	880	2 50	2	1210	2 90
1	970	2 10	1	1010	2 50	1	1190	2 90
1	984	2 15	1	1070	2 50	16	1033	2 95
1	1020	2 15	1	1140	2 50	1	1310	3 00
1	1080	2 15	2	1160	2 50	2	1040	3 00
3	966	2 15	3	966	2 50	1	1100	3 00
1	830	2 20	1	1100	2 50	2	794	3 10

HEIFERS.

1	510	2 25	6	785	2 85	3	753	3 10
1	740	2 50	1	580	2 85	1	640	3 20
2	1060	2 65	2	660	3 00	2	435	3 50
3	743	2 75	2	825	3 00	11	698	3 60
3	563	2 75						

BULLS.

2	1515	1 90	1	1230	2 35	1	1410	2 60
1	950	2 00	1	1160	2 40	4	1290	2 65
1	1120	2 00	1	1460	2 40	1	1350	2 65
1	1360	2 15	2	1525	2 45	2	1000	2 65
1	1280	2 15	1	1470	2 50	4	1093	2 65
1	1680	2 15	1	1400	2 50	1	1080	2 65
1	1260	2 25	2	1430	2 50	1	1410	2 80
20	1178	2 25	5	1596	2 55	1	1390	2 80
1	1050	2 30	13	1195	2 55	1	1830	2 90
1	1300	2 35	1	920	2 60	1	1280	3 00

CALVES.

4	360	2 80	1	220	3 00	2	155	5 25
1	250	3 00	1	210	3 25	1	150	5 25
1	80	3 00	14	342	3 50	1	190	5 50
1	90	3 00	1	320	4 00			

STOCKERS AND FEEDERS.

2	1160	3 00	17	747	3 60	16	526	3 75
1	1080	3 00	5	896	3 60	1	470	3 75
1	640	3 00	22	902	3 60	2	420	3 85
1	470	3 00	13	712	3 65	1	480	3 85
2	1250	3 40	1	940	3 65	4	470	3 95
7	607	3 20	41	1130	3 65	1	420	3 95
3	820	3 60						

MILKERS AND SPRINGERS.

No.		Pr.
1 springer.....		$25 00
1 cow and calf.....		25 00

WESTERNS.

NEBRASKA.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
1 cow.....	1090	$1 75	1 bull.....	800	$2 75
1 bull.....	1030	2 00	2 cows.....	950	2 90
5 cows.....	1050	2 25	13 feeders.....	1169	3 45
3 bulls.....	1266	2 40	4 feeders.....	1017	3 75
1 bull.....	1280	2 40	29 feeders.....	895	4 00

H. B. Reed.

8 cows.....	915	2 30	21 heifers.....	836	2 80

COLORADO.

1 bull.....	1110	1 50	4 bulls.....	1077	2 50
1 cow.....	710	1 50	6 feeders.....	1058	3 60
2 cows.....	775	2 00	60 calves.....	291	3 25
2 bulls.....	1290	2 00	52 feeders.....	836	3 65
1 bull.....	1230	2 15	33 feeders.....	890	3 75
1 bull.....	1120	2 25	70 feeders.....	863	3 85
1 str. tig.....	1050	2 35			

WYOMING.

1 bull.....	1450	1 85	2 steers.....	1245	3 50
3 cows.....	1060	2 10	3 steers.....	1310	3 50
1 bull.....	1300	2 40	29 feeders.....	962	3 55
70 cows.....	690	2 65	24 feeders.....	1159	3 65
1 heifer.....	550	2 80	17 feeders.....	1000	3 70
6 heifers.....	998	2 00			

IDAHO.

A. M. Harris.

1 bull.....	1670	2 20	103 feeders.....	1078	3 55
4 steers.....	920	2 50	6 steers.....	1256	3 60
10 feeders.....	1120	3 00	44 feeders.....	1337	3 80

SOUTH DAKOTA.

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