COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL

Wheat Loses a Trifle More Than a Cent of Tuesday's Advance.

THAT CEREAL OPENS WITHOUT CHANGE

Corn Firms Up at the Start, While Oats Display an Easy Feeling Which Later Develops Into Heaviness.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—Wheat today lost a trifle more than 1 cent of the 2 cents advance it made yesterday. The recent rise in prices finally proved too tempting to holders and profit-taking on a liberal scale was the main reason for the decline of the other markets. Oats were especially heavy, breaking ⅝c. Corn declined ⅝c and provisions wound up the session at substantially unchanged figures.

Wheat opened at substantially the price it closed at yesterday. It did not remain long at that, but quite a lot of long wheat had to be dumped into the pit before the bull spirits became sufficiently diluted to assume the appearance of bearishness, which a subsequent drop of 1¼c per bu. would indicate. The discouraging item of the early news which caused those longs who had profits to conclude to take them was an opening Liverpool advance of only ⅛d. Opening prices for May ranged from 83¾c to 84c, and there was a large give and take trade for about half an hour, between the lower of these figures and 84⅛c, only a very little, however, bringing the latter price. It worked down to 83⅝c, recovered to 83⅞c, and then took a long, deliberate slide to 82⅝c, getting to the latter point before 12 o'clock. The greater part of the news, other than the indifference of the Liverpool trade, was far from bearish. Receipts at Minneapolis and Duluth were 227 cars, compared with 373 cars on the corresponding day of the week before. Export clearances were 250,000 bu. in wheat and flour from Atlantic ports. Argentine news was more unfavorable than any hitherto reported. A reliable Liverpool firm cabled that the surplus of wheat for export would not exceed 12,000,000 bu. Russian shipments were also said to be light. The decline brought out some buying orders for export into line, it was claimed, but details were not forthcoming up to the end of the session. The quantity claimed to have been worked was about 100,000 bu. of No. 2 spring. The market got decidedly weak during the last hour on the weak closing cables, foreign selling at the seaboard and heavy realizing. May finally sold down to 82½c, but rallied to from 82⅞c to 83c on buying against puts, and closed at that figure.

Corn was firm early in sympathy with wheat, but weakened later as that market declined. The liberal exports—over 400,000 bu.—helped to steady the market, but did not prevent some decline, the weakness being especially marked in the latter part of the session. Trade was slow and principally of a scalping nature. May opened unchanged at 25⅞c, sold between 25⅞c and 26c, and from 25⅝c to 25½c, closing easy at 25½c.

Oats displayed an easy feeling at the start, which later developed into a very heavy tone. The market for a time received good support and held fairly steady, but during the last hour heavy sales by some important interests caused a sharp break. Part of this was recovered on a good local demand. May opened unchanged at 20⅛c, declined to from 19½c to 19¾c, and rallied to 19⅞c bid, where it closed.

Trading in provisions was almost exclusively of a changing over character. The trend of prices was slightly downward and there was in the end a slight loss established in pork, other products showing practically no change, and at no time did prices have more than a cent fluctuation. May pork closed at $7.80, May lard at $3.97½ and May ribs at from $3.95 to $3.97½.

Estimated receipts for Thursday: Wheat, 13 cars; corn, 290 cars; oats, 200 cars; hogs, 29,000 head.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yest'y.
*Wheat—					
Dec....	80⅝@81	81	79	79⅛	80⅝
May ...	83⅝ @84	84⅛	82⅛	82⅞@83	83⅞@84
July....	79⅝@80	80	78⅛	78½@⅝	80
*Corn—					
Dec....	22⅝@⅞	22⅞	22⅝	22⅝	22¾
Jan	23	23	22⅝	22⅝	23
May....	25⅝	25⅞@26	25⅝@⅞	25½	25⅞
July....	26⅛	26⅛	26⅛	25⅞@⅝	26⅛@⅞
*Oats—					
Dec....	16⅝	16⅝	15⅛	15⅛	16⅝
May....	20⅛	20⅛	19⅛@¾	19⅛	20⅛
Pork—					
Jan....	7 50	7 52½	7 47½	7 52½	7 52½
May....	7 82½	7 82½	7 77½	7 80	7 85
Lard—					
Jan....	3 77½	3 80	3 75	3 80	3 77½
May....	3 97½	3 97½	3 95	3 97½	3 97½
Sh't Ribs					
Jan....	3 75	3 77½	3 72½	3 77½	3 77½
May....	3 95	3 97½	3 92½	3 97½	3 95

*No. 2.

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Firm; 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@3.25.

WHEAT—No. 2 spring, 79½@79¾c; No. 3 spring, 73@75c; No. 2 red, 90¾c.

CORN—No. 2, 22⅝c; No. 2 yellow, 22⅝c.

OATS—No. 2, 16½c; No. 2 white, f. o. b., 18⅝@19½c; No. 3 white, 17c.

RYE—No. 2, 37½c.

BARLEY—No. 2, nominal; No. 3, f. o. b., 24@31c; No. 4, f. o. b., 23½@26c.

FLAXSEED—No. 1, 73@75½c.

TIMOTHY SEED—Prime, $2.70.

PROVISIONS—Mess pork, per bbl., $6.50@6.60; lard, per 100 lbs., $3.75@3.80; short ribs sides (loose), $3.65@3.80; dry salted shoulders (boxed), $4.25@4.50; short clear sides (boxed), $3.87½@4.00.

DRESSED POULTRY—Steady; 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.....	5,000	7,000
Wheat, bu.....	32,000	46,000
Corn, bu.....	253,000	83,000
Oats, bu.....	356,000	135,000
Rye, bu.....	15,000	.....
Barley, bu.....	84,000	29,000

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was steady; creamery, 15@20c; dairy, 10@17c. Eggs, weak; fresh, 16c. Cheese, firm; 8@9½c.

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKET.

Quotations of the Day on General Commodities.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—FLOUR—Receipts, 16,600 bbls.; exports, 26,551 bbls.; dull, business being checked by the high views of sellers; Minnesota patents, $4.45@4.70; Minnesota bakers, $3.40@3.95; winter low grades, $2.75@3.05. Rye flour, dull; superfine, $2.85@3.05. Buckwheat flour, dull; $1.35.

BUCKWHEAT—Quiet at 35c.

CORN MEAL—Dull; yellow, western, 60c.

BARLEY MALT—Nominal; western, 50@55c.

WHEAT—Receipts, 21,800 bu.; exports, 27,800 bu.; spot, weaker; No. 1 hard, 96¾c. Options opened easy; rallied sharply on higher cables and covering, but relapsed into weakness again, burdened by extensive liquidation, lower closing cables, slow export demand and indications of larger spring wheat receipts; closed ⅜@1⅛c net lower; No. 2 red, May, 88⅝@89c, closing 88⅜c; December, 91¼@92⅛c, closing 91⅜c.

CORN—Receipts, 87,100 bu.; exports, 91,673 bu.; spot, weaker; No. 2, 29⅛@29⅜c. Options opened steady on local covering, but weakened later with wheat, and closed at ⅛c net decline; May, 31⅝@31 15-16c, closing 31⅝c; December, closed, 29⅛c.

OATS—Receipts, 27,000 bu.; exports, 21,100 bu.; spot, weaker; No. 2, 22⅛c. Options fairly active and weaker on large western stocks, closing ⅛c net lower; May, 23⅝@24⅛c, closing, 23⅝c; December, closed, 21⅝c.

HAY—Steady; shipping, 52½@57½c; good to choice, 67½@70c.

HOPS—Quiet; Pacific coast, 1895 crop, 3½@7c; 1896 crop, 9@13c; London, nominal, 60@80c.

HIDES—Quiet; California, 15½c; Buenos Ayres, nominal.

LEATHER—Steady; hemlock sole, Buenos Ayres, 19½@20½c.

PROVISIONS—Beef, steady; family, $9.50@11.00; extra mess, $7.25@8.00; beef hams, $18.50. Cut meats, firm; pickled bellies, 4.25@4.75; pickled shoulders, $4.25; pickled hams, $8.50. Lard, dull; western steam, $4.07½; refined, steady. Pork, dull; mess, $8.25@8.75; short clear, $8.75@10.50; family, $10.00@10.50.

TALLOW—Firm; city, 3 5-16c; country, 3 7-16c.

OILS—Petroleum, steady; United closed at 20c bid. Rosin, firm; strained, common to good, $1.35. Turpentine, firm; 26½@27c.

BUTTER—Receipts, 4,800 pkgs.; steady; Elgins, 22c; factory, 16@22c.

CHEESE—Receipts, 2,067 pkgs.; part skims 3½@7½c; full skims, 2½@3c.

EGGS—Receipts, 8,890 pkgs.; steady; state and Pennsylvania, 21@22c; western, 18@20c.

RICE—Quiet; 3¼@4¼c; Japan, 4¼@4¾c.

MOLASSES—Dull; New Orleans, open kettle, 24@34c.

METALS—Pig iron, dull; southern, $11.00@11.25; northern, $12.50@13.00. Copper, steady; brokers, $11.37½; exchange, $11.45 for buyers. Tin, firmer; straits, $13; plates, dull. Spelter, easy; domestic, $4.00@4.10. Pig lead, strong, with holders inclined to ask more money, although brokers are quoting the old price of $2.90; exchange price, $3.05. Trading is light.

Sugar Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—SUGAR—Raw, easier; fair refining, 2 13-16c; centrifugal, 96 test, 3 5-16c; refined, quiet; mold "A," 4⅝c; standard "A," 4⅛c; confectioners' "A," 4⅛c; cut loaf and crushed, 5c; powdered and cubes, 4⅝c; granulated, 4⅜c; molasses, 89 test, 2⅝c.

LONDON, Dec. 30.—SUGAR—Cane, quiet; centrifugal, Java, 11s 3d; Muscovado, fair refining, 3 7-16d. Beet sugar, steady; December, 9s 7½d.

STOCKS AND BONDS.

Security Market is Irregular, but Mainly Inclines Lower.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—The stock market ruled irregular, but mainly lower, today. Fluctuations were narrow and the dealings were confined to the usual leaders. Lower London prices and realizing by local traders were the only apparent influences bearing upon the speculation. The contraction of business was ascribed to the approaching holiday, the frequency of reports of bank failures in the west and the nearby reassembling of congress. Delaware & Hudson displayed further weakness and lost 2 per cent on liquidation, due to theories of a probable reduction in the dividend for 1897. Supporting orders checked the general reactionary movement, but the improvements were of brief duration. The changes in some of the usually inactive specialties were particularly wide, including Oregon Navigation preferred, which fell 3 per cent. The market lapsed into extreme dullness after midday, and the dealings lacked special significance until near the close, when a brisk purchasing movement in Sugar developed, advancing the price 2 per cent. The traders were the principal purchasers, but the buying was called good, and was attributed to alleged expectations of favorable news for the property from Washington. London was a moderate seller of the prominent western as well as low-priced stocks. St. Paul lost a sharp fraction in the forenoon, but later made a slight recovery, in spite of foreign selling and the publishing of the December statement, showing a decrease in net of $398,198. The declaration of a dividend of 3 per cent on Tobacco common stock influenced covering in the shares, and sharp advances from the low prices. The preceding dividend on the common was 2 per cent cash and 20 per cent in scrip. The market closed steady at slight net losses generally.

The bond market displayed increased activity and strength, with some notable improvements in gilt-edged issues on investment orders. Long Island 4s were conspicuous for a decline to 75, as compared with 88¾, the preceding sale, on December 11. The aggregate sales were $1,742,000. The advances included: Omaha & St. Louis, 1st trust receipts, 7½; Chicago, Burlington & Northern 5s, 5½; Northern Pacific collateral trust 6s, 5; Burlington, Iowa division, 4s, 1¾; St. Paul 7s and Standard Rope 6s, 1¼. Declines: Fort Worth & Denver City lists, 3 per cent; Chicago, St. Louis & New Orleans, gold 5s, 1¾, and St. Paul, Minneapolis & Milwaukee 4s, 1.

The Evening Post's London financial cablegram says: The improvement in the stock markets continued today, most markets closing at the best. Americans, however, closed below the highest point on selling here. The recovery in mines was very marked. Home rails were especially strong on good earnings. The settlement was satisfactorily concluded. Japan bought a quarter million sterling in gold here this week. This is not generally known, the continent being the supposed destination. Bills to arrive in January are quoted at 2¾, while £1,000,000 in treasury bills were allotted today, in most bills at an average of 2¾ per cent discount. Nevertheless, extreme ease of money early in January is not expected to last so very long, unless New York sends gold. The Paris and Berlin bourses were steady.

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

Atchison.....	14	Oregon Nav.....	10
Adams Ex.....	150	O. S. L. & U. N....	14
Alton. T H.....	54	Pacific Mail.....	24
Am. Express.....	109	Peoria, Dec. & E..	2
Baltimore & Ohio.	15¾	Pittsburg	160
Canada Pacific....	55	Pullman Palace...	152
Canada Southern..	45⅝	Reading.....	26
Central Pacific....	15	R. G. W.....	15
Ches. & Ohio.....	16⅛	do pfd.....	40
Chicago & Alton...	160	Rock Island.....	66⅛
C. B. & Q.....	69⅝	St. Paul.....	73
Chicago Gas.....	73¾	do pfd.....	130½
Consolidated Gas.	140	St. Paul & Omaha.	47¾
C. C. C. & St. L...	29¾	do pfd.....	130
Colo. Coal & Iron..	½	Southern Pacific..	14⅝
Cotton Oil Cert...	11	Sugar Refinery....	111⅛
Delaware & Hud..	117¾	Tenn. Coal & Iron.	25⅝
Del., Lack. & W...	156¾	Texas Pacific.....	8⅝
D. & R. G. pfd.....	42⅛	Tol. & O. Cen. pfd.	10
East Tenn.....	14⅞	Union Pacific.....	9¾
Erie.....	34	U. S. Express.....	45
Erie pfd.....	109¾	W. St. L. & Pac...	6½
Fort Wayne.....	160	W. St. L. & P. pfd.	16
G. Northern pfd...	118	Wells Fargo Ex...	98
C. & E. I. pfd.....	95	Western Union....	83⅛
Hocking Valley....	12	Wheeling & L. E...	6¼
Illinois Central...	92	do pfd.....	27
St. P. & Duluth....	19	Minn. & St. Louis.	18
K. & T. pfd.....	28⅛	Den. & R. G.....	11⅝
Lake Erie & West.	16⅛	Gen. Electric.....	32
do pfd.....	67	Nat'l Linseed.....	13
Lake Shore.....	135⅛	Col. Fuel & I.....	24
Lead Trust.....	22⅝	do pfd.....	70
Louisville & N....	48	Tol. St. L. & K. C..	4½
Manhattan Con....	89	do pfd.....	10
Memphis & C.....	15	Southern.....	9¼
Michigan Central.	90	do pfd.....	20⅝
Mo. Pacific.....	20⅛	Tobacco.....	59¾
Mobile & Ohio.....	21⅛	do pfd.....	101
Nashville Chat....	68	Am. T. & C. Co....	85
N. & W. pfd.....	16⅝	C. C. Co.....	160
North Am. Co.....	4½	Am. Sugar pfd....	100½
Northern Pacific..	13½	Leather pfd.....	61½
N. Pacific pfd.....	23¾	Rubber.....	24¾
U. P., D. & G.....	2	Rubber pfd.....	77
Northwestern.....	101¾	Cotton Oil pfd....	58½
do pfd.....	151¾	P. C. C. & St. L pfd	40½
N. Y. Central.....	93	Am. Spirits.....	11¾
N. Y. & N. E.....	45	do pfd.....	25⅝
Ontario & W.....	14¾	*S. L., S. & E. 1st s.	35⅝

*all assessments paid.

The total sales of stocks today were 124,215 shares, including the following: American Tobacco, 11,700; American Sugar, 37,400; Burlington, 12,700; Reading, 6,000; St. Paul, 9,500.

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—MONEY ON CALL—Easy at 1½@2 per cent; last loan, 2 per cent, closed at 1½@2 per cent.

PRIME MERCANTILE PAPER—4@5½ per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.84¼@4.84½ for demand, and $4.83@4.84 for sixty days; posted rates, $4.84@4.85 and $4.87@4.87½; commercial bills, $4.82¾@4.83¼.

BAR SILVER—65c.

SILVER CERTIFICATES—65@65½c.

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

Closing quotations on bonds were as follows:

U. S. new reg.....	119⅞	N. P. 3ds.....	76
U. S. new coup....	119⅞	C. P. 1sts of '95...	102⅞
U. S. 5s reg.....	109	D. & R. G. 4s.....	110
U. S. 5s. coup.....	114	D. & R. G. 4s.....	89½
U. S. 4s, reg.....	110	Erie 2ds.....	65
U. S. 4s, coup.....	111⅛	G. H. & S. A. 6s...	106¼
U. S. 2s, reg.....	95⅛	do 7s.....	95
Pacific 6s of '95...	108⅛	H. & T. C. 5s.....	106¼
Ala., class A.....	104	do 6s.....	105
Ala., class B.....	104	M., K. & T. 1st 4s.	81⅛
Ala., class C.....	96	do 2ds 4s.....	60¼
Ala. Currency.....	93	Mutual Union 6s..	111
La. New Con. 4s...	96	N. J. C. Gen. 5s...	118
Missouri 6s.....	100	No. Pacific 1sts...	116¾
N. C. 6s.....	120	do 2ds.....	117
N. C. 4s.....	102	N. W. Consols.....	139½
S. C. nonfund.....	⅛	O. S. L. Deb. 5s..	121¼
Tenn. new settle...	81⅛	R. G. West. 1sts...	75¼
Tenn. new set 5s..	105	St. P. Consols 7s..	130
Tenn. old 6s.....	60	do C. & P. W. 5s.	114
Va. Centuries.....	62¼	St. L. & I. M. Gen. 5	75½
do deferred.....	6	St. L. & S. F. Gen. 6	110½
Atchison 4s.....	79¼	Texas Pac. 1sts...	80
Atchison 2d A.....	43	Texas Pac. 2ds...	19¾
Canada So. 2d.....	105⅞	U. P. 1sts of '96...	103
L. & N. unified 4s.	79⅛	West Shore 4s....	107
Southern 5s.....	91⅝	O. R. & N. 1sts...	112⅛

Boston Stock Quotations.

BOSTON, Dec. 30.—Call loans, 2½@3 per cent; time loans, 3½@4 per cent. Closing prices for stocks, bonds and mining shares:

A. T. & S. F.....	14	W. Elec. pfd.....	50⅝
American Sugar....	113	Bel. Elec. Ill.....	115
do Sugar pfd.....	102⅝	Gen. Elec. pfd....	71
Bay State Gas.....	5½	Atchison pfd.....	23¾
Bell Telephone....	209½	Atchison 4s.....	78¾
Boston & Albany..	204	New England 6s..	11⅛
Boston & Maine...	192	Allouez Mining Co	50
C., B. & Q.....	70	Atlantic.....	22
Fitchburg.....	93	Boston & Montana	94⅛
General Electric..	32¼	Butte & Bost n....	6⅞
Illinois Steel.....	18	Calumet & Hecla..	325
Mexican Central..	7⅜	Centennial.....	2⅛
N. Y. & N. E.....	60	Franklin.....	10
Old Colony.....	175½	Kearsarge.....	16
Ore. Short Line...	14	Osceola.....	28½
Rubber.....	24¾	Quincy.....	120
Union Pacific.....	9¾	Tamarack.....	51
West End.....	63¾	Wolverine.....	8¾
Westinh. Elec....	23¾		

New York Mining Quotations.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—The following are the closing mining quotations:

Bulwer.....	38	Ontario.....	800
Chollar.....	75	Ophir.....	85
Crown Point.....	20	Plymouth.....	20
Con. Cal. & Va....	105	Quicksilver.....	100
Deadwood.....	100	Quicksilver pfd...	1200
Gould & Curry....	25	Sierra Nevada....	40
Hale & Norcross..	105	Standard.....	120
Homestake.....	30	Union Con.....	30
Iron Silver.....	300	Yellow Jacket....	25
Mexican.....	40		

London Stock Quotations.

LONDON, Dec. 30.—4 p. m. closing:

Consols, m'y.....	111¾	St. Paul common..	75⅞
Consols, acc't.....	111⅛	N. Y. Central.....	93¾
Can. Pacific.....	57⅝	Pennsylvania.....	53⅝
Erie	15⅝	Reading.....	13⅝
Erie 1st pfd.....	35¾	Mex. Cen. new 4s.	70½
Ill. Central.....	94¾	Atchison.....	14⅛
Mexican ordinary.	22¼		

BAR SILVER—29⅞d per ounce.

MONEY—3½@4 per cent.

The rate in the open market for short bills, 3⅝ per cent; for three months' bills, 3⅝ per cent.

Foreign Financial.

BERLIN, Dec. 30.—Exchange on London, eight days' sight, 20 marks 36½ pfg.

PARIS, Dec. 30.—Three per cent rentes, 102f 45c for the account; exchange on London, 25f 22½c for checks.

LONDON, Dec. 30.—American eagles are quoted at 76s 3d. Gold is quoted at Buenos Ayres today at 184; Lisbon, 39.25; Rome, 164.75. Amount of bullion gone into the Bank of England on balance today, £64,000.

Financial Notes.

BOSTON, Dec. 30.—Clearings, $15,209,977; balances, $2,189,235.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 30.—Clearings, $2,062,982; balances, $346,638.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—Clearings, $93,098,172; balances, $6,458,461.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 30.—Clearings, $9,821,308; balances, $1,595,462.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 30.—Clearings, $3,718,619; balances, $527,313; money, 5@7 per cent; New York exchange, par bid; 25c premium asked.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—Clearings, $13,154,986; money, steady; unchanged; New York exchange, 40c premium; foreign exchange, demand, $4.86⅝; sixty days, $4.83¼.

OMAHA LIVE STOCK MARKET

Slump in Cattle Values Followed by Decline in Receipts.

SHIPPERS HOLDING BACK THEIR STOCK

Limited Offerings Compel Buyers to Put Up Stronger Prices—Hogs Fairly Active and a Shade Easier.

SOUTH OMAHA, Dec. 30.—Receipts for the days indicated were:

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.	Horses.
December 30.....	1,039	5,931	1,883	....
December 29.....	2,181	7,584	1,201	47
December 28.....	1,549	2,743	3 200	....
December 26.....	1,031	4,093	252	....
December 24.....	1,088	6,030	849	....
December 23.....	1,351	6,323	1,779	....
December 22.....	3,316	8,158	1,177	....
December 21.....	2,239	4,172	2,010	....
December 19.....	1,751	5,482	662	....
December 18.....	1,948	5,947	1,087	....
December 17.....	2,242	7,379	1,232	23

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

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
C. M. & St. P. Ry....	2	1	..
O. & St. L. Ry.....	..	3	..
Missouri Pacific Ry.....	..	2	..
Union Pacific system....	12	16	..
C. & N. W. Ry.....	1	3	..
F. E. & M. V. R. R.....	8	18	2
C. St. P. M. & O. Ry....	2	9	..
B. & M. R. R. R.....	12	22	6
C. B. & Q. Ry.....	..	17	..
C. R. I. & P., east.....	..	5	..
C. R. I. & P., west.....	..	1	3
Total receipts	37	97	11

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.....	....	962	....
G. H. Hammond Co....	100	1,304	462
Swift and Company....	165	1,483	237
Cudahy Packing Co.....	207	1,976	776
R. Becker & Degan.....	89	....	....
J. L. Carey	13	....	....
Lobman & Rothschilds..	53	....	....
W. I. Stephens.....	65	....	....
Benton & Underwood...	8	....	....
Huston & Co.....	35	....	....
J. W. Watson.....	....	....	24
Other buyers	197	....	....
Left over	100	200	384
Totals	1,032	5,925	1,883

CATTLE—It was a poor day for cattle, the receipts being extremely light for the middle of the week. It is very evident that the slump in values the first of the week is having its effect and that shippers are holding back in anticipation of a reaction. For the three days of the week the receipts foot up only 4,848 head, as against 6,501 head for the corresponding three days of last week.

The light receipts have been of considerable advantage to sellers at this point and the market has been much better sustained in consequence of the very moderate offerings of all kinds of cattle. Today the very light receipts taken in connection with more favorable advices from Chicago brought about an advance in the market for killing cattle of all kinds. Beef steers and butchers' stock as well sold 5@10c higher than yesterday, and the market was active at the advance. Everything in the yards was sold and weighed up long before noonday. There were no prime beeves here, so that the sales did not make a very good showing on paper.

The few feeding cattle here sold fully as well as at any time, and were picked up by buyers as soon as offered. Representative sales:

NATIVES.

BEEF STEERS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
1....	850	$5 25	2....	1625	$3 75	18....	1193	$4 10
1....	1350	3 60	19....	1346	3 50	5....	1276	4 10
6....	940	3 65	20....	1255	3 50	5....	1184	4 15
17....	1055	3 70	13....	1067	3 80	18....	1350	4 15
5....	1100	3 75	18....	1240	3 90	19....	1171	4 15
9....	1106	3 75	21....	1165	4 00	3....	1203	4 20

COWS.

1....	960	1 50	1....	950	2 40	1....	1000	2 75
2....	795	1 75	1....	1010	2 40	1....	1190	2 75
1....	870	1 75	1....	900	2 40	1....	1090	2 75
1....	760	1 80	1....	970	2 40	1....	1160	2 80
1....	820	1 90	3....	1293	2 45	1....	850	2 80
1....	1050	2 00	3....	769	2 45	11....	1025	2 80
1....	1090	2 00	11....	1000	2 45	2....	1060	2 80
3....	926	2 00	1....	980	2 50	12....	1119	2 80
1....	850	2 00	1....	880	2 50	2....	1165	2 85
1....	940	2 00	1....	1260	2 50	1....	1120	2 90
2....	945	2 00	1....	930	2 50	3....	950	2 90
2....	1015	2 00	2....	880	2 50	16....	1149	2 95
1....	1090	2 00	1....	1060	2 50	2....	1125	3 00
2....	1060	2 10	5....	1100	2 50	2....	1250	3 65
1....	1040	2 10	1....	830	2 50	7....	1128	3 65
1....	1160	2 10	22....	1070	2 50	1....	1220	3 10
3....	916	2 15	1....	880	2 50	2....	1045	3 10
1....	900	2 25	3....	1146	2 50	1....	1380	3 10
1....	1120	2 25	1....	1120	2 50	1....	1200	3 10
4....	1037	2 25	4....	835	2 55	1....	1020	3 15
2....	1085	2 25	1....	900	2 55	1....	1120	3 15
2....	1150	2 25	1....	990	2 60	1....	1450	3 15
1....	1010	2 30	2....	1100	2 60	1....	1300	3 15
1....	710	2 40	1....	1010	2 65	4....	1015	3 25
2....	1250	2 40	1....	970	2 65	1....	1330	3 25
1....	960	2 40	2....	1210	2 70	2....	955	3 40
1....	920	2 40	4....	1085	2 70	1....	1120	3 40
1....	780	2 40	20....	837	2 70	1....	1270	3 40
4....	950	2 40						

HEIFERS.

1....	450	2 40	2....	675	2 90	24....	837	3 30
3....	553	2 75	1....	560	2 90	1....	890	3 30
6....	458	2 75	2....	450	3 00	13....	816	3 30
5....	610	2 80	2....	810	3 00	4....	1027	3 35
1....	550	2 80	6....	686	3 20	2....	1140	3 45
1....	410	2 85	2....	860	3 25	5....	880	3 50
9....	626	2 90	3....	816	3 25			

BULLS.

1....	710	1 75	1....	1500	2 55	1....	1350	2 75
1....	520	2 00	1....	1170	2 55	1....	860	2 80
1....	1150	2 10	1....	950	2 60	1....	1240	2 85
1....	1030	2 25	1....	1040	2 60	1....	1050	2 90
1....	1350	2 25	1....	660	2 60	1....	1760	3 00
1....	1600	2 35	1....	1220	2 65	1....	1060	3 00
1....	1360	2 50	1....	1850	2 75	1....	1560	3 00
1....	540	2 50	1....	1030	2 50	2....	1170	3 25

STAGS.

CALVES.

1....	220	1 75	6....	325	3 10	1....	110	4 00
3....	333	2 50	6....	308	3 10	1....	210	4 00
2....	350	2 75	1....	250	3 25	1....	140	4 75
2....	270	2 75	1....	260	3 50	1....	110	4 75
1....	290	2 75	13....	189	3 65	2....	190	4 75
2....	320	2 85	17....	237	3 75	1....	150	5 00
5....	328	2 90	7....	265	3 80	1....	160	5 00
2....	345	3 00	21....	313	3 80	1....	140	5 00

STOCKERS AND FEEDERS.

7....	971	2 75	3....	560	3 50	1....	750	3 60
1....	390	2 75	20....	548	3 50	16....	653	3 65
3....	436	3 00	4....	667	3 50	10....	744	3 65
1....	770	3 00	1....	580	3 50	9....	766	3 65
2....	1110	3 00	42....	599	3 50	41....	704	3 70
1....	650	3 00	2....	625	3 50	4....	632	3 70
1....	740	3 10	1....	680	3 50	7....	711	3 70
1....	740	3 25	1....	720	3 50	3....	1156	3 75
56....	481	3 25	2....	625	3 50	6....	486	3 75
31....	704	3 25	1....	1110	3 50	7....	857	3 75
1....	520	3 25	2....	805	3 60	10....	688	3 75
2....	815	3 25	1....	700	3 60	6....	1283	3 80
1....	710	3 35	2....	560	3 60	7....	915	3 80

WESTERNS.

COLORADO.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
4 bulls.....	1347	$