CONDITION OF OMAHA'S TRADE

A Very Fair Movement of Goods in a Jobbing Way.

MONEY IS STILL SCARCE IN THE COUNTRY

South Omaha Packers Not Troubled with Overproduction Problem_Statistleian Compares Wheat Crop with Value of Sugar Imported.

Trade conditions as regards the local business have shown no very

marked change during the week just closed. On the contrary, there has been a steady movement along well approved lines, and

benefit to the city.

This feeling that the business interests of the city have arrived at the turning point appears to be quite general. There are rumors of many enterprises being all ready to launch as soon as a revival of business to launch as soon as a revival of business. ors of many enterprises being all ready auch as soon as a revival of business littons can safely be regarded as at littons can safely be regarded as at littons for all classes of goods are much litter and meanly per ton, \$6.00@12.00; dry country, damp and meanly per ton, \$6.00@12.00; dry country,

conditions can safely be regarded as at hand.

Values for all classes of goods are much lower than ever before, and the trade cannot recall a time when merchandising was conducted so legitimately, and when concessions in prices were of so little effect in stimulating transactions. It has been of very rare occurrence when at this date in past years the obligations of merchants were so small, and yet no temptation other than a consuming demand can induce an enlargement of them. Everything is ripe for improvement, and business men seem to feel that the coming of spring must see the upward movement start at last.

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At a time when the manufacturers of the country are complaining about small demand for manufactured goods, and consequent overproduction and low prices, it is comething in the nature of a surprise to hear of a case where the reverse is true, where factories are unable to meet the demand for their product. Such is the case, however, at South Omaha, where the business of the packers has grown so much faster than the ability of the state to produce live stock, that it is a question with the packers how to take care of their trade with such a limited supply of the raw material—cattle and hogs.

During the short crop years of 1894 and 1895 Nebraska lost ground in the production of live stock, while the demand for the product kept right on growing until the demand exceeds the supply. A few sensons of good crops, together with the large number of new farms that will be opened up on irrigated lands, will in all probability place the state in a position to supply all the live stock that the South Duraha

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SUGAR AND WHEAT. A local jobber who has had considerable to do with sugar figures that it would re-quire the product of 14,000,000 acres sown to wheat to pay for the sugar annually imported into the United States which might be produced on 2,000,000 acres of ground.

The consumption of sugar in the United States is placed at sixty-six pounds per capita, or a total of 2,310,000 tons. To meet this demand it is necessary to import about 2,680,000 tons at a cost of \$120,000,000 at seaports, It is estimated that twelve tons of beets

per acre can be raised on an average, which should yield at least one ton of sugar. Hence to produce the 2,000,000 tons of sugar imported would require 2,000,000 of sugar imported would require 2,000,000 acres planted with beets.

During the past five years the yield of wheat in the United States has averaged only tweive bushels per acre. The average price to the farmer has not been to exceed 70 cents per bushel or \$8.40 per acre. On this basis it requires the product of seven acres of wheat to pay for the sugar obtained for one acre of beets. This looks like a poor business policy to the man who has taken the trouble to make the figures heretofore given, and he believes figures heretofore given, and he believes that so long as we have the land, the labor and the requisite skill we ought to produce

HOPEFUL IF NOT PROSPEROUS. Nebraska People Do Not Despair Beeause of Low Prices. W. H. Roberson, manager of R. G. Dun

& Co., speaking of local trade for the week Tebruary up to date is remarkably outet and there is no activity or snap about trade in any of the principal lines. Neverthe-

and there is no activity or snap about trade in any of the principal lines. Nevertheless only one failure was reported for my district during the week—and this is a very significant fact, for it is many weeks since this situation was paralleled.

"In and about lown there are a number of incidents all pointing to improved conditions. The interest in beet sugar and the suggestion of glucose factories are omens of good to the community. If our business men generally avoid lend a more helpful hand to the Commercial club it would belp on the good work. That institution is in excellent hands and is accomplishing a vast amount of good in the community—more than business men appreciate.

"Among the straws indicating the change of the course of the current is the fact that plans have been approved for the construction of a four-story fireproof building on one of the best corners in Omaha just as soon as work can be undertaken. The building is all rented for a term of years and will be ready for occupancy before the fall trade sets in.

"A representative of the agency made a flying trip to the interior over the Elkhorn Valley during the piast week and reports more activity in all the smaller towns than he has seen before for over five years. Corn is cribbed and piled all along the line in tremendous quantities, stock looks sleek and in spite of low prices people appear decidedly more hopeful and more comfortable, if not actually more prosperious.

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"An Omaha man, who is traveling continually, selling Omaha property and negotiating Omaha loans, says Omaha's chief
danger is dry rot. He says business property in *Kansas City, for instance, went
lower than the same class of property in
Omaha and yet every Kansas City man
talks for his town and will not admit for a
moment that any sort of general depression retarded its growth.

"For the first time perhaps in the history
of the country New York last week went
into the London market for loans. The
congestion of our great metropolis must be
very unusual when this is possible and it
cannot be long until eastern captus, wat
be venturing again into this safe and
profitable field.

"The good grace with which the friends

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"The good grace with which the friends of other sites yielded to the will of a narrow majority in favor of locating the exposition in Miller park augurs well for the great enterprise—it shows conclusively that upon this subject at lenst citizens of Omaha are of one mind. Now let the legislature do the decent thing and the Transmississippi Exposition will surprise everybody by its extent and character."

OMAHA GENERAL MARKET.

Condition of Trade and Quotations on Staple and Fancy Produce.

EGGS-Fresh gathered, 11%@12c. BUTTER-Common to fair, 9@16c; choice to fancy roll, 132714c; separator creamery, 20c; gathered creamery, 154916c, GAME,-illue winged teal ducks, \$1.75; green

wing, \$1.50; redheads and mallards, \$3.75; small rabbits, 40g50c; jacks, \$1.00g1.25; squirrels, 60g f0c; Canada geese, large, \$6.00g7.00; small, \$4.00g 6.00. CHEESE—Domestic bricks, 10½c; Edam, per doz., #9; club house, 1-lb. jars, per doz., #3.15; Lamberger, fancy, per lb., 9½c; Roquefort, ½-lb. jars, per doz., #3.60; Young Americas, 10½c; voins, fancy, 10½c;

vins, fancy, 101/c. Vical.—Choice fat, 80 to 120 lbs., are quoted at VEAL COLOR OF THE WAY OF THE COLOR OF THE CO

PROFONS—Live, Tagiste; dead pigeons, not wanted.

HAY—Upland, \$4.50; midland, \$4; lowland, \$5.50; rye strow, \$1.50; color makes the price on hay; light bales sell the best; only top grades bring top prices.

RROOM CORN—Extremely slow sale; new crop, delivered on track in country; choice green self-working carpet, per lb. 25715c; choice green. running to hurl, \$25745c; common, 14c.

YEGETABLES.

SWEET POTATOES—On orders, per bbl., \$1.75, ONIONS—Good stock, per bu., \$1.

LIMA BEANS—Per lb., 4c.

BEANS—Hand picked navy, per bu., \$1.2561.25.

CABBAGE—Fancy stock, per 100 lbs., \$2.

CELERY-Per don., 25c; fancy, large, 45c, POTATOES-Good native stock, per bu., 30c. FRUITS.
MALAGA GRAPES-Per keg, \$1.
CRANBERRIES-Cape Cod, per bbl., \$6.003

CALIFORNIA PEARS—For box. 32.
TROFICAL FRUITS.
ORANGES—Mexican, 12.7543.00; California navels, 150s to 2008, 33.75; large sizes, 13.2543.50; seeding, 12.75.
LEMONS—Messinas, 13.0063.50; choice California, 12.75; family, 12.75493.00.
HANANAS—Choice, large stock, per bunch, 12.0092.25; medium-sized bunches, 11.2042.00. MISCELLANEOUS.

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HONEY-Choice 13g14c.
CIDER-Clarified juice, per half bbl., \$2.50; per bbl., \$4.0004.25.
MAPLE SYRUP-Five gal cans, each, \$2.50g 2.75; gal cans, per doz., \$12; half-gal cans, \$5.25; quart cans, \$13.00.
NUTS-Aliphones, California, per lb., large size, \$13c, Brazils, per lb., 10c; English walnuts, per lb., fancy, soft shell, \$12g124cc; standards, \$16114cc; filberts, per lb., 10c; pecans, polished, large, \$200; jumbo, \$14017c, large bickery puts, \$1.25 per bu; small, \$1.50; cocoanuts, 5c cach.

on the contrary there has been a steady movement along well approved lines, and it is only when one looks back some distance that any appreciable change is to be detected.

Generally speaking, there is a fair volume of business doing, and some houses have been quite busy, but the greatest change is noted in the sentiment held by representative jobbers. It may be due to the near approach of spring, or to the prospects of a successful issue of the exposition scheme, or it may be due to the combination scheme, or it may be due to the combination scheme, or it may be due to the combination of a variety of causes, but the fact remains the same that there appears to be a feeling of encouragement among most all classes of business men. Nearly all are talking in a more hopeful tone, and the general opinion seems to be that with something like the exposition to give a start there would be a decided revival in business operations that would give employment to idle labor and be of great benefit to the city.

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country, bleached, per ton, \$10.00@12.00; dry country, damp and meaty, per ton, \$6.00@8.00.

BEEF—Good native steers, 400 to 500 lbs., 6@ 7c; western steers, 5½95c; good cows and heifers, 5½95c; medium cows and heifers, 5½c; good forequarters cows and heifers, 4½c; good forequarters cows and heifers, 4½c; good forequarters steers, 5c; good hindquarters cows and heifers, 7½c; good hindquarters native steers, 5½c; chadelons, 20c; boneless strips, 9c; strip loins, 7c; rolls, 8½c; sirloin butts, 5½c; shoulder clods, 5½c; rump butts, 5c; steer chucks, 4½c; cow chucks, 3½c; boneless chucks, 4c; plates, 3½c; tlank steak, 6c; loins, No, 1, 12½c; loins, No, 2, 10½c; loins, No, 3, 8½c; ribs, No, 1, 10½c; ribs, No, 2, 8½c; ribs, No, 3, 6½c; steer rounds, 6¼c; cow rounds, 64½c; rounds, shank and rump off, 7c; trimmings, 3½c; brains, per doz., 35c; sweetbreads, per lb., 15c; kidneys, each 5c; ox tails, each, 3c; livers, per lb., 3c; hearts, 2c, tongues, per lb., 12c.

PORK—Dressed bors, 4½c; tenderloins, 13c; loins, 6c; spare ribs, 4c; ham sausage butts, 5c; shoulders, rough, 4½c; shoulders, skinned, 5c; trimmings, 5c; leaf lard, not rendered, 5c; thearts, 12c; rocktones, 2½c; play tails, 3c; plucks, each, 5c; chitterlings, 5c; hucks, 4c; hearts, per doz., 25c; stomachs, cach, 5c; tungues, each, 8c; kidneys, per doz., 10c; brains, per doz., 15c.

MUETON—Dressed lambs, 7c; dressed sheep,

MUTTON-Dressed lambs, 7c: dressed sheep, 6c; racks, 5½c; legs and saddles, 5c; breasts, and stews, 2½c; tongues, each, 5c; plucks, each,

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKET. Quotations of the Day on General

Commodities.

NEW YORK, Feb. 13.—FLOUR—Receipts, \$3,-700 bbls.; experts, 18.524 bbls. Quiet and only barely steady; city, winter patents, \$4.0064.55; Minnesota patents, \$4.2564.45; Minnesota bakers, \$3.7062.90; winter low grades, \$2.00662.90. Southern flour, steady. Rye flour, slow; superfine, \$2.256(2.75; fancy, \$2.89(3.00). Buckwheat flour, firm; \$1.25.

87.5572.75; fancy. \$2.5073.00. Buckwheat flour, firm: \$1.25.
BUCKWHEAT—Quiet at 34c.
CORNMEAL—Quiet: yellow western, 58c.
RYE—Easy, No. 2 western, 354.6730c.
BARLEY—Weak; feeding, 274.0274c.
BARLEY MALT—Dull.
WHEAT—Receipts, 42.550 bu.; exports, 103.127 bu. Spot, weak; No. 1 hard, New York, 884c.
Options opened firm on strong southwestern markets and bad crop reports, but later turned weak and declined sharply under liquidation, absence of cash business and small weekly exports; near months led the decline, closing 14c lower, with furthest closing 3449c lower; No. 2 red. February, closed at 819c; February, 80548 804c; closed, 8054c.
CORN—Receipts, 123.825 bu.; exports, 130.200 bu. Spot, quiet; No. 2, 285c. Options opened steady, but later ruled a shade easier with wheat; closed unchanged; February closed at 283c; May, 203c; closed at 2294c.
OATS—Receipts, 91.200 bu; exports, 149,519 bu. Spot, dull; No. 2, 214c. Options, dull and barely steady, closing unchanged; February, 213c; May, 213c; Cosed at 294c.
HAY—Quiet; shipping, 50@55c; good to choice,

HIDES-Firm; Texas, dry, 10@18c; Galveston, HIDES—Firm; Texas, dry, 10g18c; Galveston, 13c; California, 10½c; 1. LEATHER—Firm; hemlock sole, Buenos Ayres, light to heavy weights, 19½6/20½c.
PROVISIONS—Heef, firm; family, \$8,50@10.00, Beef hams, \$18; packet, \$8,50@4.62½; pickled shouling; pickled belies, \$4,50@4.62½; pickled shoulders, \$5; pickled hams, \$8,50, Lard, firm; western steam, \$4; refined, steady, Pork, steady; old mess, \$8,25@9.50; short clear, \$8,50@10.00, Tallow, dull; city, 3½c; country, 3½c.
BUTTER—Receipts, 5,633 pkgs,; steady; western creamery, 124/21½c; Elgins, 21½c; factory, 7@14c.

ern creamery, sector, 1886 pkgs.; quiet; state, CHEESE-Receipts, 1886 pkgs.; quiet; state, large, 987124c; small, 967124c; part skims, 548 994c; tull skims, 36334c. EGGS-Receipts, 5,143 pkgs.; firm; state and Pennsylvania, 1694c; western, 12678c; southern,

14,4810%; OILS Petroleum, steady, United closed, 921/c; OILS Petroleum, steady, March, 921/c bid. Rosin, strained, common to good, 10c. RICE-Firm; fair to extra, 3%66/c; Japan, 4974%c. MOLASSES-Steady; open kettle, good to FREIGHTS TO LIVERPOOL-Quiet; grain by teant, 24:45.
METALS—Pig iron, easy; southern, \$10.25@ 2.00; northern, \$10.00@12.50. Copper, stendy; rokers, \$11.90. Lead, strong; brokers, \$3.05.

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APPLES Fancy, New York, \$1.00g1.65; extra fancy, large, \$1.75.
CALIFORNIA PEARS—Per box, \$2.

Almost a Stampede in Wheat Carries the Price Down a Good Fraction.

point for the day and it went down in two long rolls, landing first at 75½c and after a reaction to 75½c it renewed its quick descent, 74½c being the next terrace upon which it rested for a time. St. Louis was at the bottom of the early advance, although the disturbed condition of European politics had a slight influence at the immediate opening. This factor was lost slight of, however, when the Liverpool cables were received, showing no effects of the war talk, and the attention of speculators was directed to a 2-cent jump in the May obtion at St. Louis. There was no apparent reason for the jump and it scared the local operators into a general scramble to cover that resulted in an advance to 76½C.C. That was the high point of the day. Then came the deluge. When the shorts came to rescue some of their early purchases they found no market. Here was another painful surprise to the already somewhat rattled speculators and a regular stampede of holders took place, checked once or twice by purchases of the cooler headed ones who were oft the right side of the market and satisfied with their profits. Local and northwest receipts had little effect. Receipts in Chicago since Thursday morning were thirty-two cars, cumpared with 349 carloads on the corresponding two days of last year. At Minneaphis and Duluth they were 586 cars, which includes yesterday's inspection, against \$82 a year ago. Atlantic port clearances for two days were only \$5,000 bushels in wheat and flour together. Bad erop reports from Missouri, Indiana, Illinoic and Ohlo were received by nearly all houses having correspondence from there. Minneaphis sales of flour as telegraphed were only \$6,000 bushels in wheat and flour together. Bad erop reports from Missouri, Indiana, Illinoic and Ohlo were received by nearly all houses having correspondence from there. Minneaphis sales of flour as telegraphed were only \$6,000 bushels in what and flour together. Bad erop reports from Missouri, Indiana, Illinoic and Ohlo were received by nearly all houses having corr

at 73% (273%).

Corn was rather heavy and trade confined strictly to small scalping transactions until wheat began to show so much weakness. It opened unchanged at 23%c, sold as low as 22%c and closed at 23%c. Exports since Thursday amounted to 972,000 bushels. Another low price record was also established for oats. The opening was steady and a slight advance ensued. Under some scattered buying when wheat broke, however, oats did likewise, and the bottom price was bid at the finish. May opened a shade higher at 17607%c, sold to 17%607%c. then declined to 16%016%c, where it closed. Business was more active than usual on Saturday.

Provisions were strong all day. The government report on hogs in the country showing 5.2 yer cent fewer than at the corresponding time a year ago and much under the number for many years caused the firmness at the opening and the advance which followed. The extreme weakness of grain caused some reaction, but a good advance was nevertheless scored. At the close May pork was 12½c higher at \$7.80, May lard about 10c higher at \$3.8150 (24.02%). Corn was rather heavy and trade con-

Estimated receipts Monday: Wheat, 208 cars; corn, 500 cars; oats, 575 cars; hogs, 37,000 head.

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yest'y.
July	74 75% 8% 71% 6%	74% 76%%% 72%	7214 7314 6914	7334 6634	7536
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reb May July		1736@34 1736@34	1436 1036 1796@84		15 17 1736
Pork— May July	7 75 7 85	7 8734 8 00	7 75 7 85	7 80 7 95	7 6736 7 80
Lard— May July	3 82% 3 90	3 90 3 97½	3 82% 3 90	3 90 3 97%	3 80 3 8714
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*No. 2. Cash quotations were as follows: FLOUIR-Easy: winter patents, \$4.25@4.60; traights, \$4.10@4.30; spring specials, \$4.50; spring atents. \$4.00@4.30; spring straights, \$3.40@3.70;

No. 3 white, L. o. b., 1612@193@C.
RYE—No. 2, 350.

RARLEY—No. 2, no. 1612@193@C.

24@24c: No. 4, f. o. b., 2342&c.
FLANSEED—No. 1, 734@176c.
TIMOTHY SEED—Frime, \$2.00.
PROVISIONS—Mess pork, per bbl., \$7.70@7.75.
Lard, per 100 bbs., \$3.77\documents. Short ribs sides (loose),
\$3.55\documents. Dry saited shoulders (boxed), \$4.25\documents.
WHISKY—Distillers' finished goods, per gal.,
\$1.15.

\$1.15. SUGARS—Cut lonf, \$5.14; granulated, \$4.51. The following were the receipts and shipmen today:

13.000 33.000 \$60.000 903.000 11.000 194.000 flour, bbls..... 141,000 207,000 355,000 1,000 23,000 On the Produce exchange to lay the butter market was firm: creamery, 13@20%c; dairy, 9% 17c. Eggs, firm: fresh, 16c. Cheese, steady; 9%16@10%d, Dressed poultry, firm: turkeys, 11%12c; chickens, 6%7c; ducks, 10%11c.

STOCKS AND BONDS.

Bear Influences Continue to Have Their Effect on Wall Street. NEW YORK, Feb. 13.-Today's stock market was characterized by still further declines as a

lose to a week that has shown an almost interrupted fall of prices of stocks. The shares of firon and steel companios were rather more of trong at 13.694.10.

WHISKY-11.8.
METALS-Spelter, strong at \$2.90. Lead, strong at 13.694.10.

RETO, choice \$1.70. Lead, bixer; prime steam, \$2.00 kes. \$2.00. Lead, \$1.00. Lead, \$1.0 terrupted fall of prices of stocks. The shares of iron and steel companies were rather more conspicuous than any others and fell off mate-

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL

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CORN AND OATS DROP IN SYMPATHY

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The Provisions Are Strong All Day, on Government Report of Searcelty in Hogs, and Close at an Advance,

CHICAGO, Feb. 13.—Wheat suffered today from Hquidation that at one time almost took on the nature of a stampede to the nature of a stampede took on the nature of a sta

leaders. London sales of stocks were in increased volume as the week progressed, and were attributed to the unsettled political situation abroad and the resultant uneasiness in financial centers. The week closed weak and sluggist, with railways sustaining losses averaging a point. The concessions in specialties were not important, The total sales for the week were 684,554 shares.

Atchison 1513 Texas Pacine.
40 Tol. & O. Cen. pfd.
144 Union Pacine.
154 U.S. Express.
195 W. St. L. & P. pfd.
127 Wells Farro Ex.
195 Western Union.
754 Wheeling & L. E.
192 do pfd.
193 Union. & St. Louis.
2834 Den. & R. G.
16 Gen. Electric. ast Tenn-----G. Northern pfd...
C. & E. I. pfd...
Hocking Valley...
Illinois Central...
St. P. & Duluth...
K. & T. pfd

L. & N. A..... Manhattan Co Memphis & C. Michigan Co. hattan Con.... 2 Cetton O.1 pfd ... 1034 P. C. C. & St. L. pfd 1516 Am. Spirits ... 934 Am. Spirits pfd ... 37 O. R. & N. 48. ... Northwestern....
do pfd......
N. Y. Central....
N. Y. & N. E....

The total sales of stock today were 106,257 shares, including the following: American Tobacco, 7,590; Sugar, 23,790; Burlington, 5,190; Chicago Gas, 6,590; General Electric, 2,900; Louisville & Nashville, 43,199; Manhattam, 3,000; Northern Pacific preferred, 3,199; St. Paul, 7,400; Tennessee Coal and Iron, 3,500.

New York Money Market. NEW YORK. Feb. 13.—MONEY ON CALL—Nominally, 14-62 per cent.
PRIME MERCANTILE PAPER—364 per cent.
STERLING ENCHANGE—Market steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at \$4.563,64.48.48.48.5 for sixty days; obsted rates, \$1.851-64.864, and \$4.872-64.88; commercial bills: \$4.874. BAR SILVER-64%c.

BAR SILVER -64%c.
SILVER CERTIFICATES -62% 662%c.
MENICAN DOLLARS -50%c.
BONDS - Railroad bonds weak; state bonds quiet; government bonds steady; new 4s, reg., 122%; new 4s, coupon, 122%; 5s, reg., 112%; coupon, 112%; 4s, reg., 111%; coupon, 112%; 2s, reg., 16%; Pacific 6s of '98, 163%.
Closing quotations on bonds were as follows:

S. new 4s, reg. 1224 D. & R. G. 7s. 1113/ S. new coup. 1224 D. & R. G. 4s. 8s S. 5s, reg. 11335 Eric 2ds. 653/ S. 5s, coup. 1134 G. H. & S. A. 6s. 104 S. 4s, reg. 1114 do 7s. 963/ S. 4s, coup. 1124 do 7s. 1074/ S. 4s, coup. 1125 do 7s. 1074/ S. 4s, coup. 1125 do 7s. 1074/ Pacific 6s of 95 103% M. K. & T 1st 4s 844 Ala., class A 105 do 2d 4s 59% 59% Ala., class B 104 Mutant Union 6s 111 Ala., class C 98 N. J. C. Gen. 5s 117% N. J. C. Gen. 5s 110% N. J. C. Gen. 5s 112 N. J. C. Gen. 5s 113% Gen. 5s 120 N. J. C. Gen. 5s 113% Gen. 5s 120 N. J. C. Gen. 5s 113% Gen. 5s 120 N. J. C. Gen. 5s 111% Gen. 5s 120 N. J. C. Gen. 5s 111% Gen. 5s 120 N. J. C. Gen. 5s 111% Gen. 5s 120 N. J. C. Gen. 5s 111% Gen. 5s 120 N. J. C. Gen. 5s 111% Gen. 5s 120 N. J. C. Gen. 5s 111% Gen. 5s 120 N. J. C. Gen. 5s 111% Gen. 5s 120 N. J. C. Gen. 5s 120 N. J. No.

Boston Stock Quotations. BOSTON, Feb. 13.—Call loans, 2% \$4 per cent; time loans, 324% per cent, Closing prices for stocks, bonds and mining shares;

176% Centennial..... 15 Frankiin...... 184 Keacsarge..... Short Line ... 7 Oscielate 65)s Quiney 90 Tamarack 241q Wolverine ton Pacific.... West End pfd.... West Edec

San Francisco Mining Quotations. SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 12.—The official closing quetations for mining stocks to lay were as fol-lows: 4 Kentucky Con... 8 Lady Wash Con.. 14 Mexican 24 Occidental Con...

Overman.... hallenge Con.... 44

Silver bars, 64%c; Mexican dollars, 51% \$51%c. Sight drafts, 25c; telegraphiq, 27%c. London Stock Quotations. LONDON, Feb. 13.

Consols, m.y. 11274 Mexican ordinary,
Consols, acc't. 112 p-14 St. Pant common.,
Can Pacific 5654 N. Y. Central
Eric 15b Reading.
Eric 1st pfd 8.54 Max C m new 4s.
Til Central 943, Atchison.

BAR GOLD—Quoted at 778 19d, AMERICAN EAGLES—76 5d, BAR SILVER—295 d per punce. MONEY—15 61% per vent. The rate of discound in the open market for thort and three months, bills, 1% per cent. New York Mining Quotations.

NEW YORK, Feb. 13. - The following are the using mining quotations: | Closing situate quotations | Choliar | S0 Octario | S59 | Choliar | G0 Ophir | D0 Ophi

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—The hank statement shows the following changes: Reserve, increase, 121,561,925; banes, increase, 12.54,105 specie, increase, 1633,606; legal tenders, decrease, 13,756,560, deposits, decrease, 1855,769; circulation, decrease, 164, 4. The banks now hold \$11,538,225 in excess of the requirements of the 25 per centrule. Weekly Bank Statement.

OMAHA LIVE STOCK MARKET

Saturday's Usual Light Run Sees Trade Conditions Improved.

SATURDAY'S BUSINESS FAIRLY BRISK

Cattle Active at Fully Steady Prices on All Grades_Hogs Close Strong and Five Cents Higher.

SOUTH OMAHA, Feb. 13.-Receipts for the days indicated were: February February February February February February February January 30...... 765 5,096 613 The official number of cars of brought in today by each road was: Cattle, Hogs. Sheep. Horses

light, but about the same as a week ago. The most of the cattle here were suitable

reported in. The market on beef steers was fairly The market on beef steers was fairly active and just about steady on all grades. The demand was brisk and the few loads on sale were all taken early in the day. Cows and heifers were also in demand at steady prices, and were all sold early. Stockers and feeders sold at yesterday's prices, though there were hardly enough here in first hands to make much of a test of the market. Representative sales: NATIVES.

1...1080 2 25 1...1050 2 25 5...1082 2 30 1....910 2 40 2...1030 2 40 BULLS. 1....1410 2 50 .1570 2 75 .1468 2 80 .1235 2 85 1. . . 1250 2 10 1. . . 1510 2 50 1. . . 1450 3 00 2. . . 1290 3 00 1. . . 1530 3 00 1. . . 1080 3 00 .. 1580 2 60 2....1190 2 75

CALVES. STAGS. 1.... 920 3 40 3....1466 3 40 STOCKERS AND FEEDERS.

HOGS-The hog market opened this morning about steady, but under the influence of a brist demand it took on more strength. The close was strong to 5c higher.

The trade was active and the pens were cleared.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK MARKET. Hogs Are Strong with an Active Demand_Other Markets Nominal. CHICAGO, Feb. 17 .- There was the usual Sat-

urday market for cattle, receipts being only 200

head, and prices in consequence being largely nominal. Quotations were firm, with a good lemand for good feeding cattle and the few ings were readily disposed of at yesterday's prices.
There was an active demand for hogs and prices ruled stronger to 5c higher per 100 fbs. Sales were made of common heavy to prime light weights at from \$1.29 to \$41.575. The bulk of the sales were at from \$1.59 to \$41.575. The bulk of the sales were at from \$1.59 to \$1.55.

The few sheep received today were disposed of readily at firm and unchanged prices. Common to prime flocks were salished all the way from \$2.75 up to \$4.55. westerns fetching from \$2.75 to \$4. yearlings brought from \$4 to \$4.0, and lambs sold for from \$4.75 to \$5.

Receipts: Cattle, 250 head; hogs, 18.69 head; sheep, 1,500 head.

KANSAS CITY, Feb. 12 - CATTLET Receipts, 200 head; market unchanned; only retail trade; frexas steers, \$1.509 and feeders, \$1.503.10; native steers, \$1.509 and feeders, \$1.503.10; native steers, \$1.509 and feeders, \$1.503.10; native steers, \$1.509 head; shipments, \$1.60 head; shipments, \$1.600 head; shipments, \$1.600

head; market strong; lambs, \$3,0094.65; muttons

St. Louis Live Stock ST. LOUIS, Feb. 13.—(ATTLE—Receipts, 600 head; market steady; native stupping steers, 13.100%, 00; stockers and feeders, 12.100%, 00; stockers and feeders, 12.100%, 10; feb. steers, 12.00%, 10; cows and mixed, 11.500%, 15. 2.55. HOGS-Receipts, 2.600 head; market 54715 higher: light, \$3.45472.55; mixed, \$3.2042.50; heavy 53.10572.55. 53.10973.55, SHEEP Receipts, 300 head; market steady; muttons, \$3.0094.40; lambs, \$3.7593.40.

Stock in Sight. | Stock in Sight. | Record of receipts of live stock at the four principal markets for February 13: | Cattle. | Hogs. Sheep Omaha | 880 | 8,903 | 1.01 | Chicago | 200 | 15,000 | 1.60 | Kansas City | 200 | 2,000 | 30 | St. Louis | 600 | 2,000 | 30 | ...2,090 31,405 5,811 Totals

Financial Notes. BOSTON, Feb. 13.—Cleurings, \$13,871,982; bal-nnces, \$2,106,432, BALUIMORE, Feb. 12.—Clearings, \$1,947,260; balances, \$378,162. NEW YORK, Feb. 13.—Clearings, \$110,989,558; balances, \$6,578,567. PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 13.—Clearings, \$7,760. 11; balances, \$1,037,700. ST. LOUIS, Feb. 13.—Clearings, 32,464,945; balances, 3994,668. Money, 9677 per cent; New York exchange, 25c bid; \$1 asked.
CHICAGO, Feb. 13.—Clearings, \$15,273,282.
New York exchange, 50c discount; foreign exchange, steady; demand, \$4,86%; for sixty days, \$4.84%.

Foreign Financial.

BERLIN, Feb. 12.—Exchange on London, eight days' sight, 20 marks 41½ pfg.

PARIS, Feb. 13.—Three per cent rentes, 102f for the account; exchange on London, 25f 18½ for checks.

LONION, Feb. 12.—Gold is quoted at linenos Ayres today at 201.25; Lisbon, 42.50, Rome, 105.55. The amount of buillon gone into the Bank of England on balance today is £46,660.

Cotton Markets.

Coffee Markets.

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NEW YORK, Feb. 13.—COFFEE—Options opened steady, unchanged to 5 points lower; further declined 5 points under local selling; fiberal receipts checked speculative buying; closed steady at 5 to 10 points net lower; March, 49.05. Spot coffee, Rio, quiet; No. 7, invoice, 49.25; jobbing, Sie.25, Mild, steady; Cordova, 315.50g/16.75. Total warehouse deliveries from the United States, 15.498 bags, including; 14.109 bags from New York; New York stock, 235,459 bags; United States, 814,600 bags; total visible for the United States, 314,600 bags; total visible for the United States, 392,114 bags, against 453,107 bags last year. for killers, few fresh stock cattle being last year.
SANTOS, Feb. 12.—COFFEE—Steady; good average Santos, 10,809 reis; receipts, 11,000 bags; stock, 456,000 bags.
HAMBURG, Feb. 12.—COFFEE—Quiet and unchanged; sales, 3,000 bags.

Kansas City Markets.

EGGS-Market firm, supply light, 12c. Peorin Markets. PEORIA, Feb. 13.—CORN—Easy; new No. 2. ominal, OATS-Irregular, ensy; No. 2 white, 18@19c. RYE—Dull, nominal,
WHISKY—Market steady; finished goods, on
the burds of \$1.17 for high wines,
RECEIPTS—Corn, 20,000 has; oats, 29,000 bus.;
Whisky, 75 bbls.; wheat, 5,600 bus.;
SHITMENTS—Corn, 31,390 bus.; oats, 12,650
bus.; whisky, 720 bbls.; wheat, 7,800 bus.

New York Imports and Exports. NEW YORK, Feb. 13.—The imports of dry goods and general merchandise at this port this week were valued at \$10.771,859. The imports of specie were \$60,623, of which \$40,150 were gold. The exports of specie at this port for the week ending today aggregate \$678,060, of which \$5,000 was rold.

closed at 71%c; May, 71%c; July, 72c. On track No. 1 hard, 73%c; No. 1 northern, 71%c; receipts 45 cars. Wool Markets.

Minneapolis Wheat Quotations.

NEW YORK Feb. 13.—WOOL—Quiet; fleece 159:29c; pulled, 159:18c. ST. LOUIS, Feb. 13.—WOOL—Unchanged. OH City Markets. OIL CITY, Pa., Feb. 13.—Balances, 90c; certifi-cates, 90c; sales, 1,000 bbls.

POLICE HAVE BOY ON THEIR HANDS. Charley Samuelson Appears to Be Without Home or Friends.

An unclaimed boy is at the police station and the authorities are absolutely without a elew regarding the identity of his parents or guardians. He gives his name as Charley Samuelson and says that he is 8 years of age He was picked up Friday afternoon in the western part of the city by an officer.
The lad says that his father and mother are oth dead and that he has been making his home with a Mrs. Wilson, who lives at 100 South Tenth street. He states that three weeks ago this woman told him to depart and he left. During this three weeks he has been stopping at various residences in the

city, staying a few days at each place. The little chap, however, tells some conflicting stories in regard to his experience and it is believed that he is not telling the truth.

Frank Marsh, an attache of the Council Bluffs Christian home, took charge of the runaway yesterday afternoon and returned his former residence at the home where he has lived for several months

MERCER EXPLAINS HIS VOTE. Tells Why He Voted Against City Levy Ordinance.

Councilman Mercer of the Ninth ward is one of the five members who voted against the levy ordinance which was passed Thursday night. In explaining his vote Mr. Mercer said that in his opinion the levy was exorbitant and in the face of public opinion. He called attention to the fact that the levy was 13 mills in excess of the levy of last year. The amount raised in 1896 was \$667,-776, while the new levy contemplates a revenue of \$\$46,396, or an increase of \$178,-639. He admitted that the increase in the park levy was commendable on account of the exposition, but contended that the other increases were unjustified and unnecessary The increase in taxation was in round numbers \$189,000. This was \$15,000 a month or \$500 a day. He wanted some one to explain why it was necessary to spend \$500 a day more in 1897 than was expended in 1896.

The city treasurer's office is experiencing a great deal of difficulty in calling in warrants. The fact that the warrants are to be called in is advertised in the official paper of the city, but it does not seem to reach the public. Comparatively few of the

holders call for their warrants, and when they drop in two or three months after to

inquire when they are to be redeemed they are indignant because they were not given

Public Feels Indignant.

zetice of the fact before. Henry Sykes, a farmer who lives about seven miles northwest of the city, took a large quantity of antidote against the cole large quantity of antidote against the cold weather yesterday and then turned loose his team upon the pedestrions on Dousias street. At the corner of Fourteenth and Douglas streets he narrowly nived running down a couple of women, and at Sixteenth he turned the corner on two wheels with his team on the lope. Sykes was gathered in by an officer and taken to the station, where he was coursed with being drunk and with reckless driving.

OF ALLEGED ROYAL BLOOD

He Played Omaha Society in Good Old Plebean Fashion.

ANNOYED BY DELAY IN MONEY FROM HOME

Crailers in His Royal Wake Readily Advanced Needed Sums to Tide Temporary Embarrassments and Are Now Wondering.

Before the memory of the mean imposttion played upon it by two alleged German barons during the Ak-Sar-Ben festivities of last fall has been forgotten by the elite circle of Omaha society the members of the same swagger set are now enacting a sequel to their attentions then shown the mythical representatives of Teutonic royalty. This time it is a Scottish chief to whom obeisance is being paid and who is enjoying the kindnesses of such gullible Omahans as delight to do homage to anything that is thought to have been imported.

The Honorable Herbert George Percy Dunblane of Dunblane Hall, St. James' Square, London, England-Bristol address: St. George's Mansion, Clifton, Bristol, England, as he himself wrote it for an Omaha man not many days ago, may have royal blood in his veins, but the persons about town whom he has been warking for suckers for the past fortnight wish that he were some-what more prompt in his financial obligations. He is a dapper young man, of good address and better dress. He has a most prepossessing manner and those who have had the rare privilege of social intercourse with him say that his manner is absolutely charming, that he is perfectly irresistible. He alleges that he is a descendant of one of the most honorable houses of Scottish royalty

and that he is visiting America just to pleasantly pass his time away.

He has been in town something more than two weeks and among the first persons he met were a number of young society swells, who were delighted to offer him some good Scottish whisky and to introduce him to a few more modern dripks of this country. to a few more modern drinks of this country, to a lew more modern arises of this country.

He appeared like a jolly good fellow and the
young men began presenting him to their
friends, not without the exhibition of considerable pride. All went well until "me
lawd's" money began to run short. Then he couldn't understand why his parents should keep him waiting to long for his February allowance, as it was the custom for his monthly allowance to arrive very close to the first of the month, no matter in what corner of the world he was located. He hated to trouble his new acquaintances for any money, but really he muss have some ready cash. It was forthcoming instantly. BORROWS RIGHT AND LEFT.

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He borrowed money freely, and then he changed his trade and dealt in another commodity. From a young society man, the head of a Farnam street firm, he borrowed an overcoat. It has not yet been returned. In the meanwhile, as his monthly allowance of something over \$2,000 did not arrive, the young men of Omaha grew suspicious. One of them overlied the wearer of the plaid as to KANSAS CITY. Feb. 12.—WHEAT—Market closed 182c lawer on Chicago's break; No. 2 hard, 1736-16c, No. 3, 78975c; No. 3, nominally, 836 fee, No. 4, nominally, 856 fee, No. 3, nominally, 836 fee, No. 4, nominally, 856 fee, No. 3, nominally, 836 fee, No. 4, nominally, 856 fee, No. 3, nominally, 70673c, CORN—Market firm, No. 2 mixed, 17c. OATS—Market slow, slightly lower; No. 2 white, nominally, 17620c. HAY—Market steady, unchanged; timothy, \$5.50 fee, 900 prairie, \$5.006550. HOTTER—Best steady; creamery, 1661c; dairy, 16663c. he had been requested to return the money he had berrowed, he said he had just received a letter from home. The letter in-formed him that a draft in his favor had been sent to Grand Island, as his parents thought he would be there. He gave the name of the bank to which the much needed sum had been remitted. But somehow or cther the draft must have been lost in transit, as the officials of the institution, in reply to a query from one of the Omaha young men, stated that Herbert George Percy Dunblane had no credit there, and Percy Dunblane had no credit there, and added that they were inclined to believe he was an impostor.
When confronted with this startling piece

of news 'me lawd' became neither vehement nor violent, as an outraged and insuited lord really should have done, but quietly remarked that the Omaha swells would discover the truth of his story before many days rolled around. The days have been rolling around ever since this incident occurred, now about a week ago, but the representative of St. George's Channei mansion has yet to show his credentials or to prove that he has been insulted.

Tribe of Ben Hur.

A new tribe of the order has been organized at Ord. The charter list contains twenty-four names and it is said that soveral more will be added before the charter s closed. The new body starts out with is closed. The new body starts out with flattering prospects. The officers are: J. W. Johnston, P. C.; George W. Pratt, C.; R. T. Derringer, J.; M. E. Getter, S.; C. H. Snow, K. T.; Mrs. Billings, G.; P. L. Plejdrup, C.; Mrs. Derringer, T.; D. H. Huss, J. D.; J. C. Drake, O. D. Huss, I. D.; J. C. Drake, O. D.

Royal Highlanders.

A new lodge, named Dunn Ottar, has been organized at Grand Island with fifty charter members. The following officers have been Cosh, C. C.; J. Lue Sutherland, W. E.; C. H. Menck, S.; A. C. Lederman, T.; P. H. Menck, S.; A. C. Lederman, T.; P. H. Cornfield, W.; R. W. Bock, S.; A. C. Koenig, G.; John Nicholson, H.; William McLellan, C. A.; Allen Craig, C. S.; W. B. Hoge, F. W. ; H. L. McMeans, S. W. S.; P. L. Moore,

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