COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL

Misunderstanding of an Order Comes Near Demoralizing the Market.

OFFERS TO SELL INSTEAD OF BUYING WHEAT

Price Drops in Consequence, and Other Influences Later Cause the Market to Close Lower.

CHICAGO, Dec. 1.—Wheat was firm today, but very dull until about twenty minutes from the close of the session, when it started on a decline that left it ⅝@¾c lower for May than it closed yesterday. Lack of export demand was apparently the weakening feature finally. Corn, oats and provisions were all dull and price changes at the close were insignificant.

The misunderstanding of an order to buy December wheat came near demoralizing the market at the opening. A commission firm's order to its broker to buy 25,000 bu. December wheat was misconstrued, and the wheat was instead offered for sale, resulting in some other small lots coming on the market and an almost immediate decline to 94c, as against 95⅝c at the close yesterday. The mistake was soon discovered and the buying of not more than 50,000 bu. put the price up again to 96⅛c in quicker time than it took it to go down.

May started unchanged at 91⅛c, but the effect of the disorganization in December caused a temporary depression in May to 90⅝c. It quickly recovered, however, and in the course of the forenoon it reached 91⅝c.

The cold weather continued throughout the winter wheat region and the fields were still uncovered. The St. Louis crop experts evidently thought the trials that the plant was being subjected to were more than it could live through, as several orders came from there to buy July wheat. That future in consequence was relatively stronger than May.

Minneapolis and Duluth receipts this week showed some falling off, compared with the previous week, but were still discouragingly heavy as against those of a year ago. Those places reported 715 cars, against 762 last week and 316 cars the like day of 1896. Chicago received 115 cars, against only 34 cars last year and shipments hence were 234,000 bu.

Atlantic port clearances were equal to 575,000 bu. in wheat and flour. The western primary market receipts were 1,009,000 bu., compared with only 504,000 bu. last year. Zero weather prevailed in the region around Duluth, so that it was considered very questionable if any further shipments would be made by lake from there this season. This was delivery day, but notwithstanding this fact there was hardly any wheat turned over and it is the belief that little will be until navigation is closed.

Liverpool opened unchanged for all futures, but May, which was ⅝d higher, but it closed strong at from ⅜d to 1d higher, March, the active trading month, being the strongest.

Notwithstanding the rather encouraging situation, the trade was so light and the active local traders so reluctant to retire with any unfinished business on their hands, that in their efforts to dispose of long wheat they accumulated during the forenoon rise, the market slipped from under them and the price of May went down from 91⅝c to 90⅝c about fifteen minutes from the close.

New York reported but ten loads for export. This lack of export demand started the unloading, which was rendered difficult by the almost utter lack of buyers, and prices slipped down very easily. May closed at 90⅝@90¾c. December behaved better after its morning gymnastics and closed at 96⅛c, an advance of ½c.

Corn was firm and very little affected by either the early strength or closing weakness of wheat. The better feeling was due in a measure to the belief that the December liquidation is about over and the spread today narrowed some. There were no deliveries on December contracts. Cables were firm and exports good, amounting to 89,000 bu. Receipts were 319 cars. Country offerings were moderate, but the weather is favorable for the movement. Trade was unimportant. May ranged from 29⅛c to 29⅝c, closing a shade higher at 29⅛@29⅜c.

Up to a short time before the close the market for oats was firm, active and higher, December especially showing strength. Good elevator buying, firm cash market and sympathy with wheat, all helped in advancing the price. Deliveries were small. The late break in wheat started May liquidation, however, and the market lost all its early advance, selling at the bottom at the close. Receipts were 255 cars. May ranged from 22⅝c to 22@22⅛c, the latter being the final price; December maintained its strength and closed ⅝c higher at 22⅝c.

The market for provisions was for a time smothered under the enormous receipts of hogs today. This feature, coupled with rather free deliveries of pork and lard on December contracts, caused lower prices. At the decline the demand improved and the market slowly rallied and closed fairly steady. There was a moderate shipping demand at the close. January pork was 5c lower at $8.15, January lard a shade lower at $4.25½, and January ribs unchanged at $4.20.

Estimated receipts Thursday: Wheat, 170 cars; corn, 435 cars; oats, 330 cars; hogs, 47,000 head.

Leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yes'y.
*Wheat—					
Dec....	94¾	96¾	94	96¼	95⅝
May....	91⅛	91⅝	90⅝	90⅝@¾	95⅛
* Jan....	92⅛	92⅛	91⅛	91⅛	91⅛
Corn—					
Dec....	25¼	25⅜	25¼	25⅜	25¼@⅜
May....	29⅛	29⅜	29⅛	29⅛@⅜	29⅛
*Oats—					
Dec....	20⅛	20⅛@1	20⅛	20⅝	20⅛
May....	22⅛	22⅛	22	22⅛	22⅛
Pork—					
Dec....	7 12½	7 12½	7 02½	7 12½	7 15
Jan....	8 12½	8 17½	8 12½	8 15	8 20
May....	8 40	8 45	8 40	8 40	8 45
Lard—					
Dec....	4 00	4 05	4 00	4 05	4 07½
Jan....	4 20	4 22½	4 17½	4 22½	4 25
May....	4 37½	4 40	4 37½	4 40	4 45
Sh'tribs—					
Dec....	4 15	4 17½	4 15	4 17½	4 15
Jan....	4 15	4 20	4 15	4 20	4 20
May....	4 27½	4 32½	4 27½	4 32½	4 32½

*No. 2.

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Steady; winter patents, $4.65@4.80; straights, $4.15@4.50; spring specials, $5.10; spring patents, $4.25@4.50; straights, $4.25@4.40.

WHEAT—No. 2 spring, 90@90½c; No. 3 spring, 85@88c; No. 2 red, 86⅛@86⅝c.

CORN—No. 2, 25⅛c.

OATS—No. 2, 21⅛c f. o. b.; No. 2 white, 23⅛c; No. 3 white, 23⅛@24c.

RYE—No. 2, 45⅛c.

BARLEY—No. 2, 26@41c.

FLAXSEED—No. 1, $1.04@1.09½.

TIMOTHY SEED—Prime, $2.65.

PROVISIONS—Mess pork, per bbl., $7.15@7.20. Lard, per 100 lbs., $4.20@4.22. Short ribs sides (loose), $4.10@4.60. Dry salted shoulders (boxed), $4.75@5.00. Short clear sides (boxed), $4.45@5.60.

WHISKY—Distillers' finished goods, per gal., $1.19.

SUGARS—Cut loaf, $5.81; granulated, $5.21.

Articles.	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls....	12,000	12,000
Wheat, bu....	171,000	205,000
Corn, bu....	423,000	318,000
Oats, bu....	574,000	410,000
Rye, bu....	20,000	....
Barley, bu....	11,000	25,000

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was steady; creameries, 15@22c; dairies, 12@19c. Cheese, quiet, 8@8⅝c. Eggs, firm; fresh, 19c. Dressed poultry, market steady; turkeys, 10c; chickens, 6⅛c; springs, 7@7½c; ducks, 7@7½c.

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKET.

Quotations of the Day on General Commodities.

NEW YORK, Dec. 1.—FLOUR—Receipts, 12,606 bbls.; exports, 5,525 bbls.; quiet and lower; Minnesota patents, $5.10@5.40; Minnesota bakers', $4.25@4.50; winter patents, $4.95@5.25; winter straights, $4.60@4.70; winter extras, $3.40@4.00; winter low grades, $2.90@3.10. Rye flour, dull; fancy, $2.75@3.25. Buckwheat flour, quiet at $1.45@1.50.

BUCKWHEAT—Dull at 38@38½c.

CORNMEAL—Dull; yellow western, 63c.

RYE—Weak; No. 2 western, 50½c.

BARLEY—Weak at 28c bid.

BARLEY MALT—Dull; western, 55@60c.

WHEAT—Receipts, 262,725 bu.; exports, 173,772 bu. Spot, weak; No. 2 red, 98⅛c. Options opened steady on foreign buying, eased off under local selling pressure, advanced sharply on a squeeze of December shorts and strong late cables, but finally collapsed under a bear raid and closed ⅛@½c net lower; January, 96⅝@97 13-16c; closed, 96⅝c; December, 96⅝@98c; closed, 96⅝c.

CORN—Receipts, 49,000 bu.; exports, 140,365 bu. Spot, steady; No. 2, 33⅛c. Options opened steady on cables, advanced on big clearances, but subsequently eased off with wheat and closed practically unchanged; May, 34⅛@34 7-16c; closed, 34⅛c; December, 31 1-16@31 3-16c; closed, 31⅛c.

OATS—Receipts, 210,300 bu.; exports, 139,001 bu. Spot, steady; No. 2, 25⅛@26⅛c. Options active and firmer, closing at ⅛c net advance; February, closed, 27c; May, closed, 27⅛c; December, 26@26⅛c; closed, 26⅛c.

HAY—Steady; shipping, 40@45c; good to choice, 50@70c.

HOPS—Steady; state, common to choice, 1895 crop, 4@6c; 1896 crop, 6@9c; 1897 crop, 15@18c; Pacific coast 1895 crop, 4@6c; 1896 crop, 6@9c; 1897 crop, 15@18c.

HIDES—Steady; Galveston, 15c; Texas, 12c; California, 17@18c.

LEATHER—Quiet; hemlock sole, Buenos Ayres, 20⅛@21⅛c.

WOOL—Unchanged; Texas, 14@17c.

PROVISIONS—Beef, steady; family, $9.50@10.00; extra mess, $7.50@8.00; beef hams, $22.00@22.50; packet, $9.00@10.00. Cut meats, quiet; pickled bellies, $6.00@7.50; pickled shoulders, $5.75; pickled hams, $7.25@7.50. Lard, dull; prime steam, $4.40; western steam, $4.45@4.50; refined, quiet. Pork, quiet; mess, $8.25@9.00; shorts, clear, $10.00@12.00; family, $11.50@12.00. Tallow, dull; city, 3 3-16c; country, 3¼@3⅝c, as to quality.

OILS—Cottonseed, quiet; prime crude, 18⅛c; prime yellow, 21⅛c; butter oil, 24⅛@27c. Petroleum closed at 67c bid. Rosin, steady; strained, common to good, $1.40@1.45. Turpentine, firm at 27@32c.

METALS—Pig iron, warrants quiet, $6.85 bid, $6.90 asked. Lake copper, quiet, $10.75. Tin, dull at $13.70 bid, $13.75 asked. Spelter, quiet at $4.00 asked. Lead, exchange very quiet at $3.75; brokers, steady at $3.50.

BUTTER—Receipts, 4,555 pkgs.; market steady; western creamery, 14@23c; Elgins, 23c; factory, 11½@14c.

CHEESE—Receipts, 5,681 pkgs.; market quiet; light skims, 6@6½c; part skims, 5@6c; full skims, 2½@6c.

EGGS—Receipts, 8,120 pkgs.; state and Pennsylvania, 20@25c; western, 22c.

OMAHA GENERAL MARKETS.

Condition of Trade and Quotations on Staple and Fancy Produce.

EGGS—Strictly fresh, 17c.

BUTTER—Common to fair, 10@11c; choice to fancy, 14@17c; separator creamery, 22c; gathered creamery, 20c.

VEAL—Choice fat, 80 to 120 lbs., quoted at 8c; large and coarse, 4@5c.

DRESSED POULTRY—Chickens, 5@6c; turkeys, not wanted; geese, 8c; ducks, 7c.

PIGEONS—Live, 75c; dead pigeons not wanted.

HAY—Upland, $6.50; midland, $5.50; lowland, $5.00; rye straw, $4; color makes the price on hay; light bales sell the best; only top grades bring top prices.

VEGETABLES.

CELERY—Good stock, large, 40c; small, 25@30c.

ONIONS—Per bu., 55@60c.

BEANS—Hand-picked navy, per bu., $1.40.

SWEET POTATOES—Per bbl., $2.75.

CABBAGE—Home grown, per lb., 1¼@1½c.

POTATOES—Home grown, 40@55c; western stock, 60@70c.

FRUITS.

CALIFORNIA STRAWBERRIES—Per pt., 30c.

QUINCES—California, per box, $1.25.

APPLES—Winter stock, $2.75@3.00; California Bellflower, boxes, $1.50@1.60; Colorado Jonathans, boxes, $1.75.

CRANBERRIES—Jerseys, per bbl., $7.00; Wisconsin Bell & Bugle, $7.50.

CALIFORNIA AND COLORADO PEARS—Good winter Nelis, $2.00.

GRAPES—Catawbas, 5-lb. baskets, 14@15c; Malagas, $5.50@6.50.

TROPICAL FRUITS.

ORANGES—Mexican, per box, $4.00; Louisiana, $4.00.

LEMONS—Messinas, 360, $3.00@3.50; 300, $4.00@4.50; California, 360, $3.00@3.75; 300, $3.75@4.25.

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

MISCELLANEOUS.

NUTS—Almonds, per lb., large size, 14@15c; Brazils, per lb., 10c; English walnuts, per lb., fancy, soft shell, 13c; standards, 10@11c; filberts, per lb., 10c; pecans, polished, large, 9@10c; jumbo, 12c; large hickory nuts, $1.25 per bu.; small, $1.50 per bu.; cocoanuts, per 100, $3.75@4.00; peanuts, raw, 5@5½c; roasted, 6@6½c.

FIGS—Imported fancy, 3 crown, 14-lb. boxes, 12½c; 5 crown, 44-lb. boxes, 15c; 2-lb. boxes, 25c per box.

HONEY—Choice white, 13c.

KRAUT—Per bbl., $4.00@4.25; half bbl., $2.30@2.40.

MAPLE SYRUP—Five-gal. cans, each, $2.25; gal. cans, pure, per doz., $12.00; half-gal. cans, $6.25; quart cans, $3.50.

DATES—Per 60 to 70-lb. boxes, 5½c; Fard 9-lb. boxes, 9c.

CIDER—Per half bbl., $3; bbls., $5.50.

FRESH MEATS.

DRESSED BEEF—Good native steers, 7c; good forequarters, steers, 6c; good hindquarters, 9c; western steers, 6@6½c; fancy heifers, 6½c; good heifers, 6c; good forequarters, heifers, 5½c; good hindquarters, heifers, 8½c; good cows, 5⅝c; fair cows, 5c.

BEEF CUTS—Tenderloins, 18c; boneless strips, 9c; strip loins, 7c; rolls, 8½c; sirloin butts 8½c; shoulder clods, 5½c; rump butts, 5½c; steer shoulder clods, 5½c; rump butts, 8½c; steer chucks, 5½c; cow chucks, 4½c; boneless chucks, 4½c; cow plates, 3c; steer plates, 3½c; flank steak, 6½c; loins, No. 1, 14c; loins, No. 2, 10½c; loins, No. 3, 8c; sirloin ends, No. 1, 9c; ribs, No. 1, 11c; No. 2, 8½c; ribs, No. 3, 6c; steer rounds, 7½c; cow rounds, 6½c; cow rounds shank off, 8½c; trimmings, 4⅛c; beef shanks, 3c; brains, per doz., 35c; sweetbreads, per lb., 10c; sweetbreads (calves), per lb., 40c; kidneys, per doz., 35c; ox tails, each, 4c; livers, per lb., 3c; hearts, per lb., 3c; tongues, per lb., 12½c.

MUTTON—Lambs, 7c; sheep, 6½c; market racks (long), 8c; hotel racks (short), 11c; legs and saddles, 9c; lamb legs, 9c; breasts and stews, 3c; tongues, each, 3c.

PORK—Dressed pigs, 5½c; dressed hogs, 5c; tenderloins, 15c; loins, 7c; spare ribs, 5c; ham sausage butts, 6½c; shoulders, rough, 5c; shoulders, skinned, 5½c; trimmings, 5½c; leaf lard, not rendered, 5½c; heads, cleaned, 4c; snout and ears, 4c; backbones, 1½c; cheek meats, 4½c; neck bones, 2c; pigs' tails, 4c; plucks, each, 5c; chitterlings, 5c; hocks, 4c; hearts, per doz., 25c; stomachs, each, 3c; tongues, each, 7c; kidneys, per doz., 10c; brains, per doz., 15c; pigs' feet, per doz., 25c; livers, each, 3c.

HIDES, TALLOW, ETC.

HIDES—No. 1 green hides, 7c; No. 2 green hides, 6c; No. 1 salted hides, 8⅝c; No. 2 green salted hides, 7⅝c; No. 1 veal calf, 8 to 12 lbs., 10c; No. 2 veal calf, 12 to 15 lbs., 8c.

SHEEP PELTS—Green salted, each, 15@75c; green salted shearlings (short wooled early skins), each, 15c; dry shearlings (short wooled early skins), No. 1, each, 5c; dry flint, Kansas and Nebraska butcher wool pelts, per lb., actual weight, 4@5c; dry flint, Kansas and Nebraska murrain wool pelts, per lb., actual weight, 3@4c; dry flint Colorado butcher wool pelts, per lb., actual weight, 4@5c; dry flint Colorado murrain wool pelts, per lb., actual weight, 3@4c.

HORSE HIDES—Each, $1.50@2.25.

TALLOW, GREASE, ETC.—Tallow, No. 1, 2⅝c; tallow, No. 2, 2⅛c; rough tallow, 1½c; white grease, 2½@2⅝c; yellow and brown grease, 1½@2⅛c.

FURS—Bear (black or brown), $5.00@20.00; otter, $1.50@8.00; mink, 15@60c; beaver, $1.00@6.00; skunk, 15c, 25c, 50c; muskrat, 3c, 5c, 7c; raccoon, 15@50c; red fox, 25c@$1.25; grey fox, 25@50c; wolf (timber), 25c@$2.50; wolf (prairie coyote), 10@50c; wildcat, 10@25c; badger, 5@40c; silver fox, $50.00@75.00.

St. Louis General Market.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 1.—FLOUR—Quiet; patents, $4.65@4.90; straights, $4.40@4.60; clear, $4.00@4.25; medium, $3.50@3.75.

WHEAT—Lower for May, closing ⅛c below yesterday, but December holding up well and was steady; December sold at 1c advance early and on call, but lost that subsequently; May opened ⅛c off, advanced ⅝c, declined 1⅛c and closed with sellers ⅛c above the bottom. Spot, firm, No. 2 red, cash, elevator, 95c; track, 97½@98½c; December, 95c; May, 95⅝c; July, 81⅛c; No. 2 hard, cash, 88@88½c.

CORN—Futures advanced early, later fell off, closing firm, fractions higher than yesterday for December and January; May steady. Spot, steady; No. 2, cash, 24½c; December, 24½c; January, 25⅛c; May, 27⅛c.

OATS—Futures steady to a shade higher. Spot, steady; No. 2, cash, elevator, 20½c; track, 22c; December, 20½@20⅝c; May, 22⅝c; No. 2 white, 24@24½c.

RYE—Lower at 45½c.

FLAXSEED—Higher at $1.20.

CORNMEAL—$1.40.

BRAN—Firm; sacked, east track, 55c.

TIMOTHY SEED—Prime, $2.60.

HAY—Quiet and strong for choice timothy; prairie active, but prices no better; prairie, $6.50@8.25; timothy, $8.00@10.50.

BUTTER—Easier; creamery, 18@23c; dairy, 11@18c.

EGGS—Steady at 17½c.

WHISKY—Steady at $1.19.

COTTON TIES—72c.

BAGGING—5⅝@7⅛c.

METALS—Lead, quiet, $3.57½ bid. Spelter, dull, $3.77½ sellers.

PROVISIONS—Pork, steady; standard mess, jobbing, $8.25@8.50. Lard, lower; prime steam, $4.2½; choice, $4.03. Bacon (boxed lots), extra short clear, $5.12½@5.25; ribs, $5.50@5.62½; shorts, $5.62½@5.75. Dry salt meats (boxed), shoulders, $5.12½; extra short clear, $4.75@4.87½; ribs and shorts, $5.12½@5.25.

RECEIPTS—Flour, 3,600 bbls.; wheat, 22,000 bu.; corn, 133,000 bu.; oats, 17,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Flour, 6,000 bbls.; wheat, 9,000 bu.; corn, 108,000 bu.; oats, 8,000 bu.

Baltimore Market.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 1.—FLOUR—Dull and unchanged; receipts, 16,353 bbls.; western superfine, $3.80@3.20; western extra, $3.45@4.20; western family, $4.50@4.75; winter wheat patents, $4.50@5.10; spring wheat patents, $5.00@5.25; spring wheat straights, $4.85@5.00.

WHEAT—Firmer; spot, 97⅜@97½c; month, 97⅛@97½c; May, 94⅛c bid; steamer, No. 2 red, 92⅝@92⅝c; receipts, 86,029 bu.; exports, 162,585 bu.; southern wheat, by sample, 92@98c; southern wheat, on grade, 92⅛@97⅛c.

CORN—Firmer; spot, 32⅛@33c; month, 32⅛@32⅛c; December, new or old, 32⅛@32⅛c; January, 32@32⅛c; steamer mixed, 30⅛@31c; receipts, 266,253 bu.; exports, 581,225 bu.; southern white corn, 35c; southern yellow corn, 31@34c.

OATS—Firm; No. 2 white, 29@29½c; receipts, 51,362 bu.; exports, 25,060 bu.

RYE—Easier; No. 2 western, 53⅛@53⅛c; receipts, 22,125 bu.

HAY—Steady; choice timothy, $13 asked.

GRAIN FREIGHTS—Steamers, easy; parcels firm; steam to Liverpool per bu., 4⅛d December; Cork for orders, per quarter, 3s 10½d December; 3s 7½d January.

BUTTER—Steady; fancy creamery, 23@24c.

EGGS—Steady; fresh, 20c.

CHEESE—Market stock heavy; fancy New York, large, 9⅛@10c; fancy New York, small, 10⅛@10⅛c.

Kansas City Grain and Provisions.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 1.—WHEAT—Fairly active and about ⅛c higher; No. 1 hard, 85@86c; No. 2, 82@86c; No. 3, 80½@83c; No. 4, 77@81c; No. 1 red, 93c; No. 2, 90@93c, latter for fancy; No. 3, 87½@89c; No. 4, 85c; No. 2 spring, 82@83½c; No. 3, 81c.

CORN—Rather slow and about steady; No. 2 mixed, 23⅛c.

OATS—Very firm, but slow; No. 2 white, 23⅛@23⅜c.

RYE—Steady; No. 2, 43½c.

HAY—Rather slow, but steady; choice timothy, $8.50@8.75; choice prairie, $7.00@7.25.

BUTTER—Firm; receipts barely equal to demand; creamery, 18@20c; dairy, 13@15c.

EGGS—Firm at yesterday's advance; fresh candled, 17½c; storage, 12c.

RECEIPTS—Wheat, 66,600 bu.; corn, 57,800 bu.; oats, 7,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Wheat, 139,800 bu.; corn, 57,200 bu.; oats, none.

Grain Receipts at Principal Markets.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 1.—Receipts: Wheat, 44 cars.

CHICAGO, Dec. 1.—Receipts today: Wheat, 115 cars; corn, 319 cars; oats, 255 cars. Estimated car lots tomorrow: Wheat, 175; corn, 435; oats, 330.

MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 1.—Receipts: Wheat, 453 cars.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 1.—Receipts: Wheat, 111 cars.

DULUTH, Dec. 1.—Receipts: Wheat, 122 cars.

PEORIA, Dec. 1.—Receipts: Corn, 53,450 bu.; oats, 28,500 bu.; rye, none; whisky, none; wheat, 1,400 bu. Shipments: Corn, 17,100 bu.; oats, 47,400 bu.; rye, 600 bu.; whisky, 1,350 bbls.; wheat, none.

Weare Commission Company.

OMAHA OFFICE, Dec. 1.—The market today was dull, due largely to lack of definite news. The December price advanced ⅛c, while May declined ⅝c, which again increased the premium and indicates strong manipulation at fictitious values for the present month. A close investigation of the prices in effect in all grain markets for the actual wheat will show any inquirer that the prevailing prices are not far from legitimate and not as far off a legitimate basis as speculation generally carries prices. The extreme premium paid for cash wheat in nearly every market over the natural hedging option is accountable for the sharp marketing of wheat from every territory to terminal markets, rather than any changes in grades, notwithstanding the tremendous premium of December over the deferred future.

Wheat has been selling high on its merits and the getting into December will furnish proofs of what have heretofore been theories and which have been the influences in advancing wheat prices.

If there is any truth in continued foreign reports of the prospective demand on America for wheat and the estimated percentage of the marketing of our crop is approximately correct, we cannot advise going short on any of the list of cereals except on sharp bulges and then for a scalp.

Corn and oats are steady.

New Orleans Markets.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 1.—HOG PRODUCTS—Steady; pork, standard mess, $8.37½. Lard, refined tierce, $3.75. Boxed meats, dry salt shoulders, $5; sides, $4.62½. Bacon, clear rib sides, $5.50. Hams, choice sugar cured, $8.50@9.00.

COFFEE—Dull; Rio, ordinary to fair, $7.50@9.50.

FLOUR—Easy; extra fancy, $4.50@4.60; patents, $4.90@5.00.

CORNMEAL—Quiet at $1.60.

BRAN—Quiet at 68@69c.

HAY—Easy; prime, $12.50@14.00; choice, $14.50@15.00.

CORN—Steady; No. 2, sacked, white, 35c; mixed, 35c; yellows, 36c.

OATS—Steady; No. 2, sacked, 27½c.

RICE—Quiet; ordinary to good, 3⅛@4½c.

Cincinnati Market.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 1.—FLOUR—Quiet; fancy, $4.20@4.40; family, $3.50@3.75.

WHEAT—Steady; No. 2 red, 94c.

CORN—Steady; No. 2 mixed, 27¼@27½c.

OATS—Easier; No. 2 mixed, 23⅛c.

RYE—Quiet; No. 2, 46c.

PROVISIONS—Lard, steady at $4.10@4.12½. Bulk meats, quiet at $4.50. Bacon, steady at $5.85.

WHISKY—Quiet at $1.19.

BUTTER—Steady and unchanged.

EGGS—Firm at 16½c.

CHEESE—Steady; good to prime Ohio flat, 9@9½c.

Liverpool Market.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 1.—PROVISIONS—Hams, short cut, steady at 31s. Bacon, long clear middles, light, steady at 23s 6d; long clear middles, heavy, steady at 23s; short clear backs, steady at 30s 6d. Lard, prime western, firm, 22s, 9d. Clear bellies, 12 to 14 lbs., firm at 27s.

WHEAT—Spot No. 1 red, northern spring, dull at 7s 8d.

CORN—Spot American mixed, quiet at 3s 3d; December, 3s 3d; January, 3s 2⅛d.

FLOUR—St. Louis, fancy winter, dull at 10s.

New York Produce Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 1.—BUTTER—Receipts, 4,555 pkgs.; market steady; western creamery, 14@23c; Elgins, 23c; factory, 11½@14c.

CHEESE—Receipts, 5,681 pkgs.; market quiet; light skims, 6@6½c; part skims, 5@6c; full skims, 2½@6c.

EGGS—Receipts, 8,120 pkgs.; state and Pennsylvania, 20@25c; western, 23c.

SUGAR—Raw firm; granulated, 5c.

COFFEE—Market steady; No. 7, 6¼c.

STOCKS AND BONDS.

Prices Rise Generally All Along the Line.

NEW YORK, Dec. 1.—With only insignificant interruptions prices tended steadily upward on the Stock exchange, closing about the highest, with a very buoyant tone. Net gains exceeded a point in nearly all stocks. The advances at the opening were trivial and trading was not very active, but as the day advanced the scope of speculation advanced and assumed a more aggressive and confident tone.

The strength of the market developed first in Sugar and spread gradually through the market, separate stocks being advanced one after the other before the whole market took up the movement. Missouri Pacific, American Tobacco, Michigan Central, Illinois Central and Cotton Oil preferred were among the earliest affected, in the order named. Later the coalers developed strength and it was not until the closing hours that the grangers and the market generally responded in any marked degree.

Some of the stocks which showed most strength yesterday were somewhat weaker today, while the rest of the market rose to a proportionate level. The bear movement did not yield without a struggle and was not forced to retire until late in the day. There was no news of importance during the day, the sentiment on 'change being rather a crystallizing of several days' impressions.

The successful conclusion of the Rock Island refunding scheme continued to be much talked of, as did the favorable railroad statements for October. The Burlington statement especially was interpreted more favorably than yesterday, the earnings reported being exceeded only by those of September this year. The small excess shown over the earnings of October last year is due to the fact that last year's earnings for that month were exceptionally large.

The almost total subsidence of apprehension over the Cuban question also had its effect. There was some awakening of outside interest manifest in the buying through commission houses. These were not on a large scale, however, and the day's rise for the most part was due to operations of a powerful combined interest.

The stock of the southern railroads showed a notable tendency to lag. The October statement of the Louisville & Nashville probably had its influence on this group, showing, as it did, a heavy decrease in gross earnings, combined, as it did, with an increase in operating expenses which brought the decrease in net earnings up to $127,831.

It is significant of the dullness of business which has prevailed in Wall street for some time past that a Stock exchange seat, which was offered at auction today, found no bidders, and was bought in for $17,000 for the estate which offered it. It should be stated in this connection that the ownership of a seat does not carry with it membership in the exchange without election, and the customary method of selling seats is through the officials of the exchange itself.

No impression was made on the money market today by the periodical interest and dividend disbursement.

The bond market was strong and very active, the speculative issues showing notable advances. Total sales, $3,650,000. United States new 4s advanced ⅛ per cent bid.

The Evening Post's London financial cablegram says: "The stock markets were quiet today, but firm on the whole, a pleasant feature being the rather smart rise in Americans at the close. New York responded to the improvement and was bidding for leading shares. Grand Trunks were also strong on the excellent monthly revenue statement. Great interest is shown here in Speyer & Co.'s purchase of the new 4 per cent Rock Island bonds, and there are many applications on this side to join the syndicate. The Paris bourse was firm. The settlement there is going smoothly and exchange is rising on the purchase of foreign stocks in London. The Bank of England is again beginning to borrow from the market. This fact is not generally known here. The Berlin market was steady."

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

Atchison	12¾	do pfd	141⅛
do pfd	28⅜	St. P. & Om	79
Baltimore & Ohio	12	do pfd	149
Canada Pacific	80¾	St. P. M. & M	122
Canada Southern	54⅛	So. Pacific	20⅛
Central Pacific	11	So. Railway	9
Ches. & Ohio	21⅛	do pfd	30⅛
Chicago & Alton	161	Texas & Pacific	11¼
C. B. & Q	96⅛	*Union Pacific t. r.	24⅛
C. & E. I	52⅛	U. P. D. & G	7⅛
C. C. C. & St. L	34⅛	Wabash	7⅛
do pfd	78	do pfd	18¼
Del. & Hudson	110	Wheel. & L. E	2⅜
Del. L. & W	154	Wheel. & L. E. pfd	9
Den. & Rio G	11¼	Adams Ex	156
do pfd	44¼	American Ex	117
Erie (new)	15	United States Ex	40
Erie 1st pfd	37¾	Wells Fargo Ex	110
Ft. Wayne	169¼	A. Cot. Oil	24⅛
Great Northern pfd	131	do pfd	73¼
Hocking Valley	5⅛	Am. Spirits	7⅝
Illinois Central	102¼	Am. Spirits pfd	19
Lake Erie & W	16	Am. Tobacco	83⅛
do pfd	69	do pfd	110
Lake Shore	171	People's Gas	94¼
Louisville & Nash	55⅛	Cons. Gas	186½
Manhattan L	107⅛	Com. Cable Co	175
Met. St. Ry	118⅛	Col. F. & Iron	21¼
Michigan Central	103	do pfd	80
Minn. & St. L	26⅛	Gen. Electric	33⅛
do 1st pfd	87	Illinois Steel	42
Mo. Pacific	31¼	La Clede Gas	43
Mobile & Ohio	25⅛	Lead	34
Mo. K. & T	13⅛	do pfd	103
do pfd	34⅛	Nat. Lin. Oil	16
Chicago, Ind. & L	8⅛	Oregon Imp. Co	15⅛
do pfd	29	Pacific Mail	30
N. J. Central	87	Pullman Pal	172
N. Y. Central	107⅛	Silver Certificates	59⅛
N. Y. Chi. & St. L	13⅛	Stand. Rope & T	4⅛
do 1st pfd	73	Sugar	139⅛
do 2d pfd	33	do pfd	113¼
Norfolk & Western	13	T. C. & Iron	15⅛
No. Amer. Co	4¼	U. S. Leather	7
No. Pacific	19⅛	do pfd	63⅛
do pfd	50⅛	U. S. Rubber	16⅛
Ontario & W	15⅛	do pfd	65
Ore. R. & Nav	35	Western Union	88¾
Ore. Short Line	18⅛	Northwestern	123⅛
Pittsburg	167¾	do pfd	164⅛
Reading	22¾	Rio Grande West	22
Rock Island	89⅛	do pfd	53⅛
St. Louis & S. F	7⅛	Chicago, G. W	13⅛
do pfd	23⅜	S. L. & S. W	4⅛
St. Paul	94⅛	do pfd	9⅜

*All assessments paid.

Total sales of stocks today were 390,400 shares, including: Atchison preferred, 5,729; Chicago, Burlington & Quincy, 27,638; Louisville & Nashville, 10,656; Manhattan L, 10,825; Missouri Pacific, 17,936; New Jersey Central, 3,930; New York Central, 5,264; Northern Pacific, 4,210; Northern Pacific preferred, 13,543; Northwestern, 4,995; Rock Island, 25,189; St. Louis & San Francisco second preferred, 3,360; St. Paul, 49,548; St. Paul & Omaha, 5,179; Union Pacific, 5,234; American Cotton Oil, 3,830; American Tobacco, 18,555; Bay State Gas, 3,190; People's Gas, 12,645; Consolidated Gas, ex-dividend, 1,225; Sugar, 67,829; Sugar preferred, 1,480; Western Union, 5,700; Chicago Great Western, 8,245.

American Securities in London.

LONDON, Dec. 1.—American securities opened better, improved somewhat, then eased off and remained quiet. Trading was mostly professional. The market closed with a generally light demand, but firm.

On the Berlin Bourse.

BERLIN, Dec. 1.—On the bourse here today business was well disposed in all departments. Italian securities were animated in anticipation of a favorable financial showing by the Italian minister of finance in his budget. Securities rose sharply, apparently on the bears covering. Bank shares attracted attention, the features being Deutsche bank shares, on the completion of an electrical trust company under the control of the Siemens-Halske company.

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 1.—MONEY ON CALL—Easy at 1½@2 per cent; last loan, 1½ per cent; closing offered at 1⅛ per cent.

PRIME MERCANTILE PAPER—3@3¾ per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Easy, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.85⅛@4.86 for demand and at $4.83@4.83½ for sixty days; posted rates, $4.84@4.87; commercial bills, $4.82½.

SILVER CERTIFICATES—59½@60c.

BAR SILVER—59⅝.

MEXICAN DOLLARS—46½c.

GOVERNMENT BONDS—Firm.

STATE BONDS—Dull.

RAILWAY BONDS—Strong.

Closing quotations on bonds were as follows:

U. S. new 4s, reg	128⅝	N. J. C. 5s	112½
U. S. new 4s cou	128⅝	N. C. 6s	122
U. S. 4s, reg	112¼	N. C. 4s	105
U. S. 4s, coup	114	No. Pacific 1sts	118⅛
U. S. 2s, reg	98½	No. Pacific 3s	59⅛
U. S. 5s, reg	114¼	No. Pacific 4s	92⅝
U. S. 5s, coup	114¼	N. Y. C. & St. L. 4s	106⅛
District 3.65s	109¼	N. & W. 6s	120
Ala., class A	108	N. W. Consols	143
Ala., class B	108	N. W. Deb. 5s	116
Ala., class C	98	Ore. Nav. 1sts	114
Ala. Currency	98	Ore. Nav. 4s	92⅛
Atchison 4s	88⅜	O. S. L. 6s, t. r	123
Atchison adj. 4s	55⅝	O. S. L. 5s, t. r	95⅛
Canada So. 2nds	107	O. Imp. 1sts, t. r	99
Chicago Terminal	44¼	O. Imp. 5s, t. r	42⅝
C. & O. 5s	112¼	Pacific 6s of '95	99⅝
C. H. & D. 4½s	104⅛	Reading 4s	85⅛
D. & R. G. 1sts	108	R. G. West 1sts	81⅝
D. & R. G. 4s	90	St. L. & I. M. Con. 5	86⅛
East Tenn. 1sts	110	St. L. & S. F. Gen. 6	117⅛
Erie Gen. 4s	70⅜	St. P. Consols	130⅝
F. W. & D. 1s, t. r	68	St. P. C. & P. 1sts	120
Gen. Elec. 5s	98⅛	St. P. C. & P. 5s	117
G. H. & S. A. 6s	104	S. C. nonfund	¾
G. H. & S. A. 2ds	100	Southern Ry. 5s	92⅛
H. & T. Cent. 5s	111⅝	S. R. & T. 6s	58⅛
H. & T. C. con 6s	105	Tenn. new set 3s	90
Iowa C. 1sts	97½	Tex. Pac. L. G. 1sts	95⅛
K. P. Con., t. r	89⅛	Tex. Pac. Rg. 2ds	18⅛
K. P. 1sts, t. r	110	U. P. 1sts	102⅛
La. New Con. 4s	100	U. P. D. & G. 1sts	48⅛
L. & N. Uni. 4s	84⅛	Wab. 1st 5s	105⅛
Missouri 6s	100	Wab. 2ds	79⅛
M. K. & T. 2ds	63	West Shore 4s	111⅛
M. K. & T. 4s	86⅛	Va. Centuries	67⅛
N. Y. C. 1sts	119	Va. deferred	3⅛

Boston Stock Quotations.

BOSTON, Dec. 1.—Call loans, 2@3½ per cent; time loans, 2½@4 per cent. Closing prices for stocks, bonds and mining shares:

A. T. & S. F	12⅜	West End pfd	100⅛
American Sugar	139⅝	W. Elec	29⅛
Am. Sugar pfd	113	W. Elec. pfd	57⅛
Bay State Gas	2⅜	Ed. Elec. Il	160
Bell Telephone	263	Atchison pfd	28⅜
Boston & Albany	218	General Elec. 5s	100
Boston & Maine	165⅛	Wis. Cent 6s	124
C. B. & Q	96⅛	Allouez Mining Co	50
Fitchburg	95	Atlantic	23⅛
General Electric	33	Boston & Montana	144⅛
Illinois Steel	42	Calumet & Hecla	470
Mexican Central	5⅛	Centennial	17⅛
N. Y. & N. E	82	Franklin	18
Old Colony	184	Kearsarge	18⅛
O. S. L	18⅛	Osceola	38⅛
Rubber	16	Quincy	113
Union Pacific	24⅛	Tamarack	129
West End	83⅛	Wolverine	16⅛

San Francisco Mining Quotations.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 1.—The official closing quotations on mining stocks today were as follows:

Alta	8	Justice	50
Alpha Con	7	Kentucky Con	5
Andes	20	Mexican	32
Belcher	29	Occidental Con	120
Best & Belcher	34	Ophir	73
Bullion	8	Overman	6
Caledonia	21	Potosi	43
Challenge Con	23	Savage	26
Chollar	43	Sierra Nevada	57
Confidence	77	Silver Hill	3
Con. Cal. & Va	110	Union Con	28
Con. Imperial	1	Utah Con	6
Crown Point	14	Yellow Jacket	32
Gould & Curry	21	Standard	145
Hale & Norcross	145		

Silver bars, 60c; Mexican dollars, 47@47½c; drafts (sight), 15; telegraph, 17½.

London Stock Quotations.

LONDON, Dec. 1.—4 p. m.—Closing:

*Consols, m'y	112¼	St. Paul common	95⅛
*Consols, acc't	113⅛	N. Y. Central	110
Can. Pacific	83⅛	Pennsylvania	58⅛
Erie	15	Reading	11⅛
Erie 1st pfd	36⅛	Mex. Cen. new 4s	68
Ill. Central	104⅛	Atchison	13
Mexican ordinary	16⅛	L. & N	56⅛

*ex. int.

BAR SILVER—Dull at 27⅛d per ounce.

MONEY—2⅛@2½ per cent.

The rate of discount in the open market for short and three months' bills, 2 15-16 per cent.

New York Mining Quotations.

NEW YORK, Dec. 1.—The following are the closing mining quotations:

Chollar	40	Ontario	250
Crown Point	15	Ophir	68
Con. Cal. & Va	100	Plymouth	08
Deadwood	90	Quicksilver	100
Gould & Curry	16	Quicksilver pfd	900
Hale & Norcross	140	Sierra Nevada	50
Homestake	3000	Standard	50
Iron Silver	25	Union Con	20
Mexican	30	Yellow Jacket	28

Financial Notes.

CHICAGO, Dec. 1.—Stocks dull and easy early, but became stronger later; good inquiry for Biscuit and City Railway; closing: West Chicago, 102½; Diamond Match, 142; North Chicago, 227; bid and 235 asked; Lake Street, 16⅛; New York Biscuit, 61⅛; Strawboard, 79⅛; South Side L, 65; City Railway, 237½.

NEW YORK, Dec. 1.—Clearings, $132,372,564; balances, $7,503,552. Currency to the amount of $200,000, for which gold has been deposited, was today sent to the subtreasury in New Orleans.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 1.—Clearings, $1,704,454; New York exchange, bank, par; commercial, $1.25 per $1,000 discount.

BOSTON, Dec. 1.—Clearings, $18,609,382; balances, $1,710,191.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 1.—Clearings, $5,590,098; balances, $825,017. Money, 5@8 per cent; New York exchange, 25c premium bid; 50c premium asked.

MEMPHIS, Dec. 1.—Clearings, $404,268; balances, $45,699. New York exchange, selling at par.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 1.—Money, 2½@6 per cent. New York exchange, 30@40c premium. Clearings, $2,331,150.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 1.—Clearings, $13,612,605; balances, $2,049,985.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 1.—Clearings, $3,239,679; balances, $337,620.

Foreign Financial.

BERLIN, Dec. 1.—Exchange on London, 20 marks 37 pfgs. for checks.

LONDON, Dec. 1.—Gold bars are quoted at 7s 10d; American eagles, 76s 6⅛d. Gold is quoted at Buenos Ayres today at 179.20; at Lisbon, 47½; at Paris, 1⅛.

PARIS, Dec. 1.—Three per cent rentes, 102f 72½c for the account. Exchange on London, 25f 21½c for checks.

Oil Markets.

OIL CITY, Pa., Dec. 1.—Credit balances, 65c; certificates, first sale, 68⅛c; highest bid, 68c; closed, 67c bid; shipments, 32,322 bbls.; runs, 126,459 bbls.; sales, 21,000 bbls.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Dec. 1.—OILS—Turpentine, market firm at 30c; sales, none. Rosin, firm; sales, none; A, B, C, D, $1.10; E, F, $1.15; G, $1.20; H, $1.25; I, $1.30; K, $1.45; M, $1.60; N, $2.05; WG, $2.30; WW, $2.70.

SAVANNAH, Ga., Dec. 1.—OILS—Spirits turpentine, firm at 30⅛c bid; sales, 223 bbls.; receipts, 1,683 bbls. Rosin, firm and unchanged; sales, none; receipts, 3,980 bbls.; A, B, C, D, $1.15; E, F, $1.20; G, $1.25; H, $1.30; I, $1.35; K, $1.50; M, $1.70; N, $2.15; WG, $2.40; WW, $2.78.

WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 1.—OILS—Spirits of turpentine, firm at 29½@30c. Rosin, steady at $1.15@1.20. Crude turpentine, steady at $1.40@1.90. Tar, quiet at $1.05.

LONDON, Dec. 1.—OILS—Cottonseed oil, Liverpool refined, dull at 21s 9d. Turpentine spirits, firm at 23@23⅛d. Rosin, common, steady at 4s 3d. Petroleum, American refined, 4 7-16@4 9-16d petroleum spirits, 5⅜@6d.

CALCUTTA, Dec. 1.—OILS—Linseed, spot, 35s; December, 34s 9d.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 1.—OILS—Turpentine spirits, steady at 24s. Rosin, common, steady at 4s 1½d.

Coffee Markets.

NEW YORK, Dec. 1.—COFFEE—Options opened steady at an advance of 10 points and ruled moderately active on local covering and switching to more remote deliveries on fears of reaction from over-discounting heavy actual and prospective supplies and predicted smaller Brazilian shipments; closed steady net unchanged to 10 points advance; sales, 15,750 bags, including December (1897), 15.60; March, $5.80@5.90. Spot coffee, Rio, steady; No. 7 invoice, 6⅝c; No. 7 jobbing, 6⅞c. Mild, steady; Cordova, 8½@16c.

SANTOS, Dec. 1.—COFFEE—Steady; good average Santos, 7,700 reis; stock, 1,081,000 bags.

HAMBURG, Dec. 1.—COFFEE—Opened unchanged, closed with net advance of ¼ to ½ pfgs; sales, 19,000 bags.

RIO DE JANEIRO, Dec. 1.—COFFEE—Steady; exchange, 7 9-32d; receipts, 16,000 bags; cleared for the United States, 4,000 bags; cleared for Europe, 4,000 bags; stock, 471,000 bags.

HAVRE, Dec. 1.—COFFEE—Closed ¼f net lower; sales, 25,000 bags.

New York Dry Goods Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 1.—The dry goods market shows signs of an increase in interest in some quarters, though the tone of the market shows no advance of moment. The reductions in staple calicoes on the part of Americans and Merrimacs was followed by a reduction of Algonquin indigo prints, and there is a stimulation of interest in nearly all lines of fancy cottons, printed and woolen goods. This is not, however, true of staple cottons in any grade nor print cloths. In prints the last price to be made in indigoes shows a 2½c reduction in Algonquin indigo blues. This is in conformity to the market as made by the Merrimacs and Americans. Buyers still clamor for concessions. The trade in spring, both in prints and organdies and other sheer goods, has been quite fair. Birminghams are firm.

Toledo Market.

TOLEDO, O., Dec. 1.—WHEAT—Dull and weak; No. 2, cash and December, 94½c; May, 94⅛c.

CORN—Active and easier; No. 2 mixed, 26⅛c.

OATS—Dull and steady; No. 2 mixed, 21⅛c.

RYE—Higher and steady; No. 2, cash, 46⅛c.

CLOVERSEED—Active and steady; prime, cash and December, $3.12½.

Detroit Market.

DETROIT, Dec. 1.—WHEAT—No. 1 white, 91⅛c; No. 2 red, 96c; December, 96c; May, 92⅛c.

CORN—No. 2 mixed, 27c.

OATS—No. 2 white, 24⅛c.

RYE—No. 2, 46⅛c.

San Francisco Wheat Market.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 1.—WHEAT—Weak; December, $1.44⅛; May, $1.39½.

OMAHA LIVE STOCK MARKET

Fairly Liberal Receipts Meet a Decline Half Way.

BEEF PRICES BREAK FULLY A DIME

Local Business Follows the Course of Other Markets—Butchers' Steady—Hogs Also Drop a Big Nickel.

SOUTH OMAHA, Dec. 1.—Receipts for the days indicated were:

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.	Horses
December 1	2,206	9,397	1,420	2
November 30	2,144	7,375	3,640	....
November 29	2,171	2,330	1,223	71
November 27	841	6,572	37	1
November 26	1,224	5,920	4,838	25
November 25	1,300	5,000	700	....
November 24	4,235	7,785	1,556	....
November 23	4,589	8,270	1,592	....
November 22	3,617	2,708	1,086	25
November 20	1,209	5,600	286	....
November 19	1,919	4,041	1,509	27
November 18	4,490	5,587	2,337	....
November 17	3,162	4,622	1,467	26
November 16	4,308	4,285	2,338	....
November 15	2,618	2,008	1,837	....

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

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
C., M. & St. P. Ry	..	9	..
Mo. Pac. Ry	2	10	..
Union Pacific system	18	24	3
C. & N. W. Ry	..	..	1
F., E. & M. V. R. R	20	31	..
S. C. & P. Ry	1	..	..
C., St. P., M. & O. Ry	13	14	..
B. & M. R. R. R	32	36	1
C., B. & Q. Ry	1	9	..
K. C. & St. J	17	2	..
C., R. I. & P. Ry., east	..	9	..
C., R. I. & P. Ry., west	..	2	1
Total receipts	104	146	6

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

Buyers.	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
Omaha Packing Company	1	2,076	....
G. H. Hammond Co	195	1,567	....
Swift and Company	575	2,300	541
The Cudahy Packing Co	497	1,969	....
R. Becker and Degan	185	....	....
J. L. Carey	5	....	879
W. I. Stephens	8	....	....
Huston & Co	105	....	....
Livingston & Shaler	26	....	....
G. H. Hammond, St. Joe	...	297	....
G. H. Hammond, K. C	...	716	....
Cudahy P. Co., K. C	448	685	....
Other buyers	220	....	....
Left over	200	200	....
Totals	2,465	9,810	1,420

CATTLE—Receipts were not large at this point, but they were large enough at other points to more than make up for it, and the effect upon this market was almost the same as if there had been a large run here. With other markets filled up with cattle, and with all reports indicating a general break in values, buyers here were in no frame of mind to pay strong prices.

As a result of the situation governing the cattle market, cornfed beeves sold generally about 10c lower. Handy little cattle sold to the best advantage, the decline on such being small, while coarse heavy cattle suffered the most severely. As salesmen were slow to make the concession demanded by buyers, the trade was draggy and it was late before a clearance was effected, in spite of the very moderate size of the offerings.

Butchers' stock was in small supply, and consisted for the most part of odds and ends of cow stuff. Owing to the small offerings the market did not show any material change, values being just about steady with yesterday.

Stock cattle and feeders were not very plentiful, and for that reason values held just about steady, in spite of the break in beef cattle. The country continues a moderate buyer, and so long as the receipts are not excessive the market keeps in a good, healthy condition. Representative sales:

BEEF STEERS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
20	1170	$4 10	24	1201	$4 15	24	1134	$4 15
41	1107	4 30	23	1178	4 40	1	1300	4 00
11	911	4 25	19	1313	4 30	1	670	4 00
20	1092	4 10	2	835	4 60	19	975	4 25
41	1155	4 35	21	1206	4 50	1	1730	3 75
41	1059	3 80	8	982	3 90	2	1025	4 00
2	840	4 15	2	875	4 20	17	977	4 20
2	790	4 20	19	1415	4 30	1	1440	4 40
24	941	4 40	54	1213	4 45	22	1154	4 45
32	1223	4 50	9	1236	4 50	26	1287	4 60
20	1170	4 90						

COWS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
24	822	2 85	3	1213	3 20	1	1570	3 60
15	1076	2 55	46	982	3 45	1	830	2 50
1	960	2 65	2	1255	3 00			
1	1120	3 05	1	970	3 20	1	1020	3 20
1	1110	3 25	1	980	3 25	12	1001	3 30
21	1004	3 40	1	1090	2 50	1	1360	3 25
1	1190	3 30	1	1450	3 40	1	1010	2 50
1	1040	2 75	19	965	2 80	3	810	2 80
1	920	3 00	7	1117	3 15	4	1012	3 60
2	895	2 50	5	1002	3 05	4	1250	3 85
22	1122	3 40	1	1200	3 25	2	1135	3 25
20	946	2 60	2	910	2 65	5	894	2 65

HEIFERS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
1	760	3 25	1	770	3 40	10	570	3 35
1	480	3 00	1	790	2 60	1	800	3 00

BULLS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
1	1490	2 85	1	1440	2 25	1	940	2 65
1	1200	2 65	1	1100	2 50	1	1110	2 90
1	1240	2 50	4	1225	2 50	2	810	2 50
1	1510	3 40	1	1750	3 85	1	1158	3 00
1	1633	3 25						

STAGS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
4	1065	2 65	3	1256	2 75

CALVES.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
1	220	5 50	2	185	5 50	1	130	5 75
1	130	4 25	2	90	4 75			

STOCKERS AND FEEDERS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
6	616	3 75	8	850	3 80	4	727	3 25
63	582	4 15	24	547	4 10			

MILKERS AND SPRINGERS.

No.	Pr.
1 milker	$26 00
1 cow and calf	28 00
2 cows and calves	30 00
1 springer	30 00
1 springer	31 00
1 cow and calf	35 00
1 cow and calf	40 00
1 cow and calf	42 00
1 cow and calf	45 00

WESTERNS.

WYOMING.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
21 steers	1272	4 00	1 steer	800	3 50
12 bulls	1350	2 60	5 bulls	1088	2 80
2 bulls	1095	2 80	5 cows	986	3 40
1 steer	1020	3 50	19 feeders	995	4 25
33 steers	1021	3 50	1 steer	1020	3 50
1 steer	1130	4 00	10 feeders	925	4 25

COLORADO.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
2 bulls	1240	$2 55	1 stag	950	$3 00
10 feeders	1120	3 90	58 feeders	981	3 90
7 feeders	972	4 00	13 feeders	969	4 00
4 feeders	1065	4 25	29 feeders	927	4 25

IDAHO.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
24 bulls	1125	2 50	42 feeders	1159	3 70

NEW MEXICO.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
1 tailing	530	2 00	1 cow	740	2 50
5 bulls	928	2 25	2 steers	985	3 15
1 bull	860	2 25	3 steers	1056	3 15
51 cows	698	2 35	9 feeders	906	3 40
10 cows	676	2 55	2 feeders	785	3 40
1 bull	1030	2 60	2 feeders	1125	3 40
7 bulls	998	2 60	6 feeders	1123	3 40
3 cows	773	2 90	1 feeder	540	3 50

HOGS—Yesterday's liberal run of hogs was followed by another still larger today. Heavy receipts for two days in succession, coupled with the reported break at other market points, had a decidedly weakening influence upon values here. The result was that the market took a drop of a big 5c. The trade was fairly active at the decline, and the bulk of the hogs sold early. Quite a good many loads, however, did not arrive until late, so that the whole forenoon was consumed in effecting a clearance. The market closed weak at the decline.

The prices paid ranged from $3.15 to $3.37½, as against $3.20 to $3.42½ yesterday. Heavy hogs sold at $3.15@3.25, but principally at $3.20, while the leading price yesterday was $3.25, with quite a sprinkling at $3.27½. The medium weights averaging less than 300 pounds sold principally at $3.25@3.30, with the light weights at $3.25@3.37½. The average of all the sales was 5c and a fraction lower than yesterday. Representative sales:

No.	Av.	Sh.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Sh.	Pr.
50	337	80	$3 15	57	284	160	$3 20
56	354	...	3 15	48	375	400	3 20
12	423	...	3 15	50	354	120	3 20
19	258	...	3 15	45	351	120	3 20
30	332	...	3 15	46	324	...	3 20
28	427	80	3 17½	50	333	...	3 20
24	395	80	3 17½	50	356	80	3 20
47	347	160	3 17½	49	372	...	3 20
50	362	80	3 17½	62	305	200	3 22½
49	367	200	3 17½	65	271	80	3 22½
44	404	80	3 17½	60	321	40	3 22½
50	372	80	3 17½	57	322	160	3 22½
47	335	120	3 17½	63	339	80	3 22½
53	386	160	3 17½	56	317	80	3 22½
64	328	200	3 17½	59	335	240	3 22½
57	356	280	3 17½	61	299	40	3 22½
58	316	...	3 20	59	288	...	3 22½
59	351	160	3 20	57	274	...	3 25
65	324	240	3 20	67	276	40	3 25
59	301	40	3 20	58	259	80	3 25
54	345	40	3 20	69	299	...	3 25
45	420	80	3 20	55	285	40	3 25
51	365	...	3 20	52	316	...	3 25
59	310	80	3 20	61	286	80	3 25
27	512	80	3 20	57	281	80	3 25
60	306	200	3 20	64	285	80	3 25
65	326	40	3 20	61	287	40	3 25
59	315	40	3 20	68	303	80	3 25
65	329	120	3 20	67	274	...	3 25
54	335	120	3 20	47	293	40	3 25
50	331	80	3 20	58	314	...	3 25
71	296	120	3 20	19	397	...	3 25
62	356	...	3 20	54	274	80	3 25
44	397	...	3 20	68	297	40	3 25
52	381	80	3 20	18	227	...	3 25
55	335	280	3 20	27	262	...	3 25
25	386	...	3 20	50	332	80	3 25
55	322	120	3 20	62	308	...	3 27½
51	319	160	3 20	66	243	80	3 27½
53	327	...	3 20	62	297	...	3 30
61	335	120	3 20	69	238	40	3 30
56	353	240	3 20	73	222	...	3 30
43	413	80	3 20	12	225	...	3 30
44	341	...	3 20	54	291	40	3 30
58	379	...	3 20	64	213	...	3 32½
51	359	...	3 20	73	250	80	3 32½
47	338	80	3 20	82	226	...	3 35
65	352	80	3 20	87	162	...	3 35
50	352	40	3 20	32	198	...	3 35
55	338	40	3 20	80	223	...	3 35
54	301	40	3 20	76	212	40	3 35
75	285	40	3 20	68	223	160	3 35
59	307	40	3 20	80	199	...	3 35
55	329	160	3 20	24	247	...	3 35
47	298	...	3 20	75	223	...	3 35
51	347	160	3 20	102	147	...	3 37½
40	367	120	3 20	94	128	...	3 37½

PIGS—ODDS AND ENDS.

No.	Av.	Sh.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Sh.	Pr.
1	480	80	2 60	2	379	...	3 15
1	320	...	3 12½	4	370	80	3 15
4	250	...	3 12½	8	228	80	3 15
7	316	40	3 15	5	264	...	3 20
5	328	...	3 15	5	278	80	3 20
5	284	...	3 20	1	210	...	3 25
5	454	...	3 20	7	164	...	3 25
5	204	...	3 20	2	255	...	3 25
6	291	...	3 20	7	228	...	3 25
6	331	...	3 25	5	220	...	3 30
7	142	...	3 27½	1	220	...	3 30

SHEEP—There were only a few sheep here, but the market, under the influence of the heavy receipts and lower market at Chicago, broke about 10c. Representative sales:

No.	Av.	Pr.
85 western ewes	102	$3 75
241 native wethers	101	4 15
29 culls	80	2 50
191 western ewes	87	3 75

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Heavy Receipts of Cattle Produce Lower Prices.

CHICAGO, Dec. 1.—Heavy receipts of cattle caused a weak and lower market today. A few Christmas beeves sold at recent prices and $5.30 was paid for forty-nine extra fine black polled Angus steers, but the general run of cattle sold off 10@15c. Trade was fairly active within a range of $3.75@5.30 for common to prime beef steers, with sales largely at $4.30@5.10. The offerings included a good many choice cattle, as well as great numbers of half fat steers. Cornfed Texas cattle were in good supply and sold freely and there was a rather animated trade in bulls, cows and heifers at the decline, not many cows going below $2. Calves were unchanged, with sales mostly at $6.00@6.55 for good lots and good milkers and springers were not any lower. The stocker and feeder trade was very good at $3.00@4.25 and prime feeders salable at $4.40@4.50.

Hogs opened at a decline of 5@10c per 100 lbs. and the day's business was largely done at a drop of 10c, the bulk of the sales being at $3.25@3.40. There were very choice hogs sold at $3.40@3.42½, a few going as high as $3.45. Common packing hogs sold at $3.15@3.25 and pigs went chiefly at $3.00@3.35. All classes of buyers operated freely and a big business was transacted.

There was an unexpectedly large supply of sheep and lambs. Buyers took hold with a fair amount of freedom, but prices were off about 10c for sheep and 15@25c for lambs. Sheep were wanted at $2.75@3.00 for inferior lots up to $4.00@4.65 for fair to choice flocks, the western-fed sheep going at $4.10@4.75. Lambs were in demand at $3.75@4.00 for culls, up to $5.50@5.75 for choice to prime lots. A few prime sheep sold at $4.70@4.85.

Receipts: Cattle, 26,000 head; hogs, 53,000 head; sheep, 19,000 head.

St. Louis Live Stock.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 1.—CATTLE—Receipts, 4,800 head, of which 2,000 were Texans; shipments, 1,500 head; market 10@20c lower for natives, with no very good cattle sold; Texans slow, 10@15c lower; fair to fancy native shipping and export steers, $4.40@5.35; bulk of sales, $4.65@4.90; dressed beef and butcher steers, $3.75@4.75; bulk of sales, $4.00@4.55; steers under 1,000 lbs., $3.25@4.50; bulk of sales, $3.35@3.90; stockers and feeders, $2.00@4.30; bulk of sales, $2.70@4.00; cows and heifers, $2.00@4.50; Texas and Indian steers, $3.00@4.25; bulk of sales, $3.25@4.00; cows and heifers, $2.25@3.50.

HOGS—Receipts, 9,700 head; shipments, 2,100 head; market 10c lower than yesterday's close; light, $3.20@3.30; mixed, $3.25@3.39; heavy, $3.30@3.35.

SHEEP—Receipts, 2,100 head; shipments, 500 head; market steady; native muttons, $3.00@4.50; lambs, $3.60@5.75.

Indianapolis Live Stock.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 1.—CATTLE—Receipts, 850 head; shipments, 500 head; market steady; shipping steers 25c lower; good to prime steers, $4.75@5.00; fair to medium steers, $4.25@4.60; common to good stockers, $2.75@3.40.

HOGS—Receipts, 13,000 head; shipments, 4,000 head; market lower but active; good to choice medium and heavy, $3.00@3.37½; mixed and heavies, $3.25@3.30; common lights, $3.25@3.30.

SHEEP—Receipts, 100 head; shipments, none; all sold; steady to strong prices; common to medium lambs, $3.75@4.75; good to choice sheep, $3.75@4.25; common sheep, $2.25@2.75.

New York Live Stock.

NEW YORK, Dec. 1.—BEEVES—Receipts, 1,847 head; native steers, $4.25@5.00; stags and oxen, $2.50@4.50; bulls, $2.75@3.40; dry cows, $1.70@3.50; cables quote American steers at 11½@12c; refrigerator beef at 8½@8⅝c; exports, 25 sheep and 2,100 quarters of beef.

CALVES—Receipts, 1,040 head; veals, $5.00@8.00; grassers, $3.00@3.50.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Receipts, 10,218 head; market, active; sheep, $2.50@4.75; lambs, $5.25@6.40.

HOGS—Receipts, 8,484 head; weak at $3.60@3.85.

East Buffalo Live Stock.

EAST BUFFALO, Dec. 1.—CATTLE—Steady; choice to prime fat steers, $4.80@4.90; fair to good, $3.25@4.10; fair to good butcher cows, $3.15@3.50; common, old to fair cows, $2.10@2.75.

HOGS—Yorkers, good to choice, $3.52@3.55; roughs, common to good, $3.10@3.25; pigs, common to choice, $3.60@3.65.

LAMBS—Choice to extra, $5.75@5.95; culls to common, $5.35@5.60.

SHEEP—Choice to selected wethers, $4.65@4.85; culls to common, $3.00@3.75.

Stock in Sight.

Record of receipts of live stock at the four principal markets for December 1:

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
Omaha	2,206	9,397	1,420
Chicago	26,000	53,000	19,000
Kansas City	6,500	15,000	2,000
St. Louis	4,800	9,700	2,100
Totals	39,506	87,097	24,520

Louisville Live Stock.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Dec. 1.—CATTLE—Steady and unchanged.

HOGS—Opened 15c lower; all hogs from 120 lbs. up selling at $3.30; lighter weights, $3.00@3.25; roughs, $2.25@3.00.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Barely steady and unchanged.

Cincinnati Live Stock.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 1.—HOGS—Dull and lower, $2.75@3.42½.

CATTLE—Steady at $2.25@5.10.

SHEEP—Steady at $2.45@4.50; lambs, strong, $3.75@5.50.

Peoria Markets.

PEORIA, Dec. 1.—CORN—Market steady; No. 2, 25⅛c.

OATS—Market firm and steady; No. 2 white, 22⅛c.

WHISKY—Market steady; high proof spirits, $1.18; alcohols, $2.21.

Philadelphia Produce.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 1.—BUTTER—Steady, fair demand; fancy western creamery, 23½c.

EGGS—Firm, good demand; fresh nearby, 24c; fresh western, 23c.

CHEESE—Steady.

Sugar Markets.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 1.—SUGAR—Open kettle, steady at 2⅝@2⅞c; centrifugal, firm; granulated, 4 1-16@4⅛c; whites, 3 11-16@4⅛c; yellows, 3⅛@3 13-16c; seconds, 2⅛@3⅜c. Molasses, open kettle, steady at 12@29c; centrifugal, easy at 4@12c; syrup, steady at 17@22c.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 1.—SUGAR—Steady; hard refined, $4.03@5.85.

LONDON, Dec. 1.—SUGAR—Beet sugar, December-March, 9s 1d.

NEW YORK, Dec. 1.—SUGAR—Raw, firm; fair refining, 2 5-16c; centrifugal, 96 test, 3⅞c; refined, firm; crushed, 5⅝c; powdered, 5 3-16c; granulated, 5c; mould A, 4⅞c; standard A, 4⅞c; confectioners' A, 4⅞c; cut loaf, 5⅝c; cubes, 5⅛c.

California Dried Fruits.

NEW YORK, Dec. 1.—CALIFORNIA DRIED FRUITS—Apples firm; other fruits steady; evaporated apples, 5@7c; prime wire tray, 7⅛@8c; wood dried, prime, 8⅛c; choice, 8½c; fancy, 9@9½c. Prunes, 3½@8c, as to size and quality. Apricots, Royal, 7@8½c; Moor Park, 9@11c. Peaches, unpeeled, 7@10c; peeled, 12@20c.

Young George is to Wed.

CHICAGO, Dec. 1.—A marriage license was issued today to Henry George, Jr., son of the late Henry George of New York, to marry Marie M. Hitch of this city.

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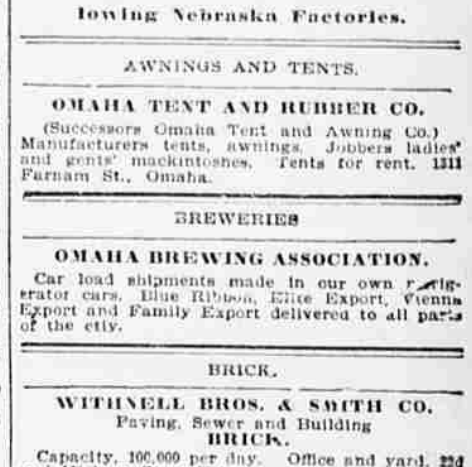

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