CONDITION OF OMAHA'S TRADE

Jobbers Work Evenings to Keep Even with Country Orders.

COLLECTIONS ARE QUITE SATISFACTORY

Drop in Cattle Values Causes Stock Men Losses. Retailers Reap a Harvest from Demand for Holiday Merchandise.

Local jobbers have found the weather very favorable for the distribution of winter goods of all descriptions, and without exception are reporting the trade of the last week as highly satisfactory. The excessive cold weather has started up heavy buying on the part of consumers in the country, which has been followed by hurry-up orders from retail merchants. As a rule the demand for staple lines of merchandise at this season of the year, when the approaching holiday dwarfs everything else, is light, bu this year has proven an exception, Most ed! local jobbing houses have been forced to work two or three nights in the week to

keep up with orders. While the demand for staple lines of mer chandise has been unprecedentedly large, it has in nowise interfered with the move ment of holiday goods. All kinds of fancy goods that could be made to serve as holiday glfts have been in active demand and the sales this year have been as large, or larger, than for any previous season, showing that the people in tributary territory have money to spend and are willing to part with some of it, at least,

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Among the retailers of the city the same accounts are heard on every hand, business men having only good reports to give out concerning the character of trade, Money is more plentiful in Omaha owing to the greater number of people employed, and it has been a long time since the downtown stores have been so thronged with shoppers as during the last week. Everything would seem to indicate so far that this is to be one of the most prosperous holiday seasons ever experienced by the trade of this city. The clearings of local banks show large gains over previous years, and to that extent, at least, bear out the statement made above as to the most excellent character of above as to the most excellent character of the week's business. Omaha continues, as usual, to lend all the large cities in the per-centage of increase over last year. ONLY ONE COMPLAINT,

The only unfortunate circumstance within the whole circle of the week's business experiences was the heavy break in cattle values. The packers and other busers have without doubt regarded the prevailing prices at which beef cattle have been selling as too high in comparison with the extent of the demand for product and the number of the demand for product and the number of cattle in the country with which to supply that demand. All the efforts of buyers for some time past have been put forth with the very evident determination of breaking the market. They had already met with a very fair measure of success, values having dropped considerably from the extreme high point, but the last seek the bear methods of buyers were crowned with more than the full measure of success, the decline on an average amounting to 25 cents per hundred on all kinds but even more on some grades. of buyers were crowned with more than the full measure of success, the decline on an average amounting to 25 cents per hundred on all kinds, but even more on some grades. This has carried the market to a point where feeders are losing plenty of money and loud complaints may be looked for from the country. A good many cattle were sold the last week at prices that netted the owners little, or no more, than the first cost, the corn fed, together with the labor and cost of feeding, being a total loss. Should the market remain long at the present point the losses in the country could hardly help but be very large and general business would most likely feel the effects most keenly. The great majority of the cattle fed in this state were bought during the late summer or early fall at high prices and on borrowed money, so that it they do not sell at a profit the farmer who feeds receives nothing for his corn crop.

While Nebraska feeders are feeling somewhat blue just now the stockmen of the western states are generally quite happy. A prominent stockman from Utah the other day explained the situation in his state as follows: "The cattle men in our state have made lots of money. We all had plenty of cattle on the ranges and when prices commenced to go up and grew stiffer and stiffer we loaded our cattle onto the cars and sent them to Omaha and Kansas City. The prices what up much higher than they had gone for years. We realized that a reaction would come some day and that when it did we could stock up again at lower prices. It would be safe to say that fully one-third of all the cattle in the state was disposed of and possibly more."

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The same was true of the other range cattle states, as Colorado, Wyoming and Montana. The cattle men of those states were cellers at the high time, while the farmers of the corn states were buyers. All last summer and fall the farmers with large crops of corn in view bought largely and seemingly without regard to prices. What the outcome will be no one is wise enough to say, but one thing is certain that the corn growers will be heavy losers unless the market recovers some of the decline of the last few weeks.

JOBBERS AND MANUFACTURERS, JOBBERS AND MANUFACTURERS. Branch & Co, report a shipment of straw-berries, on the way from Los Angeles, to be here the first of this week. The berries have been unusually good this year and for that reason have been more popular with buyers.

A considerable break is noted in California oranges. The sales on the coast for the

oranges. The sales on the coast for the holiday trade were quite large, but after it became too late for shipments to be made to eastern markets in time for the holidays, holders on the coast weakened and the market broke about 50 cents per box. the market broke about 50 cents per box.

S. G. Lund of this city, who was recently on an extended trip through the south, visited the large Cuban clear factories near Tampa, Fla., where hundreds of men and women are employed. One feature that struck him as entirely novel was the custom of the Cuban clear makers in employing a reader. This personage occupies an elevated seat in the rooms where a large number of people are working and reads to them. It is his regular business to go through the daily papers at hand and then put in the balance of the day reading from some book. In this way the monotonous labor of rolling clears all day is somewhat relieved.

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Down in the produce district there is some inclination to smile at the great scheme proposed by the Commercial club of surrounding Omaha with a chain of gardens and hot houses. Some of the gardeners, who sold their vegetables last summer and fall at prices that would only pay for their time and hot houses, Some of the gardeners, who sold their trime and the time of the women and children in growing them, might be willing to sell out their truck patches to the Commercial club. One wholesale produce man said that there was no reason why hot house vegetables could not be grown in Omaha as well as in other cities, except that the demand for such vegetables is too limited. The people of Omaha do not consume encush winter vegetables to keep one house running. Besides that Omaha is a very poor market for anything in the line of eatables that is very expensive. The minute that the price advances so that there is money in it the demand stops immediately and there is no further sale. Moreover, Omaha is so situated that during a good share of the season green vegetables can be shipped in from California or from the southern states cheaper than they could be grown in local hot houses.

A new industry has been introduced into Omaha, which promises great things in the way of furnishing employment. For something like a year or more the firm of L. C. Huntington & Son has been investigating the question of the manufacture of legsins and overgaiters. Having satisfied themselves that the goods could be made in Omaha to compete with eastern manufacturers, they put out a line of samples as a sort of feeler, which met with such a flattering reception that they are now pushing the business, They have just put in tweive machines operated by electric power and common canvas leggin, such as is used by vite messenger boys, up to the finest leather legsin. The trade has taken

OMAHA OFFICE, Dec. 18.—The market had no particular significant features or attraction about it today. At the same time the firmness prevailing for the last week was apparent, closing the price of May wheat at like higher than a week ago, with December at 5½ less and corn closing the strenger and oats aboving but half that strength. This strength is unnatural for this time in this month when commared with former years and confirms our belief in the strength of the market.

Prior to this time the advance and strength in oats have been in excess of corn but the last week you will note has developed more strength in corn on better clearance.

The delivery of some of the contracted December wheat, together with the increasing amount of it, no doubt has had something to do with the 6tic decline in the processing amount of it, no doubt has had something to do with the 6tic decline in the processing amount of it, no doubt has had something to do with the 6tic decline in the processing amount of it, no doubt has had something to do with the 6tic decline in the processing amount of it, no doubt has had something to do with the first processing amount of it, no doubt has had something to do with the first processing amount of it, no doubt has had something to do with the first process of the contracted December wheat, together with the increasing amount of it, no doubt has had something to do with the first process of the contracted December wheat, together with the increasing amount of it, no doubt has had something to do with the first process of the contracted December wheat the has been and will be delivered on these contracts be shipped out. Weare Commission Company.

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With this condition it, he wheat market and continued clearances corn should make an admine of from ic to 2c by the beginning of the new year.

OMAHA GENERAL MARKETS,

Condition of Trade and Quotations on Staple and Fancy Produce.

EGGS-Strictly fresh, 15c. BUTTER-Common to fair, 1091le: choice to ancy, 1461%; separator creamery, 22c; gathered reamery, Ele. VEAL-Choice fat, 80 to 120 lbs., quoted at Sc. arge and course. 465 c.

VEGETABLES. CELERY-Good stock, large, 40c; small, 259

ONIONS—Per bu., 50g65c,
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BEANS—Hand-picked navy, per bu., \$1.25.
SWEET PUTATOES—Per bbl., \$2.50.
CABBAGE—Good stock, per bb., 1%cc.
POTATOES—Home grown, 50g55c; western FRUITS.

CALIFORNIA STRAWBERRIES-Per pt., 20c. CALIFORNIA STRAWBERHHES—Per pl., 30c. QUINCES—California per box. 1.25.
APPLES—Winter stock, 12.75@3.09; California Hollelour, boxes, 11.50; Colorado Jonathans, boxes, 11.75; Oregon, boxes, 11.25.
CRANBERRIES—Jerseys, per bbl., 17.00@1.25; Wisconsin Beli and Bugle, 17.50; Wisconsin Beli and Cherry, 15.50.
GRAPES—Catawbas, 5-lb, baskets, 14@15c; Malagas, 15.00@8, 30.

agns, \$5.0000,00.

TROPICAL FRUITS.

ORANGES—Mexican per box, \$3.5000.75; California navals, \$3.5000,00.

LEMONS—Messinas, \$1.00004.00; California, \$60, \$1.2500.30; \$30, \$3.50

BANANAS—Choice, large stock, per bunch, \$2.00

\$2.25; medium sizeb bunches, \$1.7500.00.

MISCELLANEOUS.

NUTS—Almonda per lb. large stock \$1.7500.00.

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NUTS—Almonds, per lb., large size, 12½@12c; smail, 11c; Brazils, per lb., 2@10c; English walmuts, per lb., fancy soft shell, 11c; standards, 5 @10c. filberts, per lb., 10c; pecans, polished, medium, 8@6c; extra large, 10c; large hickory nuts, \$1.00g1.10 per bu.; small, \$1.25@1.35 per bu.; cocoanuts, per 100, \$4.00; peanuts, raw. 5@55c; roacted. 6@65c.

FIGS—Imported fancy, 3 crown, 14-lb. boxes, 12c; 3 crown, 44-lb. boxes, 14@15c; 2-lb, boxes, 22 @25c per box: California, 10-lb. box, \$1.00.

HONEY—Choice white, 12c; Colorado amber, 10 @11c. 611c.

RRAUT-Per bbl. \$4.00; half bbl. \$2.25@2.35,
MAPLE SYRUP-Five-gal. cans. each. \$2.75;
gal. cans. pure, per dox., \$12.00; half-gal. cans.
\$4.22; quart cans. \$3.50.

DATES-Hallowee, 50 to 70-1b. boxes, \$c; Sair.
\$5\text{4c}: Fard. \$2.1b. boxes, \$0.0; bbls., \$5.23.

FRESH MEATS.

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DRESSED BEEF-Good native steers, 7c; good ERESSED HEEF-Good native steers, 7c; good forequarters, steers, 64c; good hindquarters, 8%c; western steers, 64c; fancy heifers, 64c; good heifers, 64c; good forequarters, heifers, 64c; good hindquarters heifers, 8c; good cows, 64c; fair cows, 54c; heifers, 8c; good cows, 64c; fair cows, 54c; like CUTS-Tenderloins, 18c; boneless strips, 16c; strip loins, 8c; rolls, boneless, 94c; rolls, 5c; strip loins, 8c; rolls, boneless, 94c; rolls, 6c; strip loins, 8c; rolls, boneless, 94c; stroin butts, boneless, 64c; stroin butts, boneless, 5c; No. 3 chucks, 5c; boneless chucks, 5c; cow plates, 34c; steep plates, 5d; cow plates, 34c; steep plates less, 5%c; No. 1 chucks, 5%c; No. 2 chucks, 5c; No. 3 chucks, 4½c; beneless chucks, 5c; cowplates, 3½c; steer plates, 4½c; flank steaks, 6½c; loins, No. 1 ½c; loins, No. 2, 10½c; loins, No. 3, 5½c; short loins, market style, 2 above loins; short loins, market style, 2 above loins; short loins, hotel style, 5c above loins; cow loin ends, 8c; citer loin ends, 9c; hanging tender loins, 4½c; ribs, No. 1, 12½c; ribs, No. 2, 5½c; ribs, No. 2, 5½c; ribs, No. 3, 5½c; steer rounds, 7c; cow rounds, shank and rounp off, 5½c; trimmings, 4½c beef shanks, 3¼c; brains, per doz, 35c; sweetbreads, per lb., 12½c; sweetbreads (calves), per lb., 40c, thins, per doz, 35c; sweetbreads, per lb., 3c; bearts, per lb., 3c; tongues, per lb., 3c; bearts, per lb., 3c; tongues, per lb., 3c; hearts, per lb., 3c; tongues, per lb., 12½c; calf livers, ench. 35c; calves, whole carcass or sides, 9c; calf head and feet, scalded, per set, 7c.

MUTTON—Spring lambs, 8½c; lambs, 8c; sheep, 7c; market racks (long), 5½c; hotel racks short), 11c; loins, 9c; saddles, 8½c; legs, 9½c; MUTTON-Spring lambs, 8%c; lambs, Sc; sheep, 7c; markey rarks (fong), 9%c; hotel racks (short), 11c; loins, 9c; saddles, 8%c; legs, 9%c; lamb legs, 10%c; breasts and stews, 3%c tongues, each, 3c; forequarters, 6c.
PORK-Dressed pigs, 5c; dressed hogs, 4%c; tenderloins, 12%c; loins, selected, 6c; regular, 5%c; spare ribs, 4%c; ham sausage, butts, 5%c; floston butts, 5c; shoulders, rough, 4%c; shoulders, skinned, 5c; trimmings, 4%c; leaf lard, not randered, 5c; heads, cleaned, 4c; snouts and ears, 4c; neckbones, 2½c; slip bones, 2%c; check mests, 4%c; neckbones, 2c; pigs' talls, 4c; plucks, each, 5c; chitrilings, 5c; hocks, 4c; hearts, per doz, 25c; stommens, each, 3c; longues, each, 7c; kidneys, per doz, 16c; brains, per doz, 15c; pigs' feet, per doz, 5c; lorens, each, 3c; hog rinds, 3c; blade bones, 5c.
HIDES, TALLOW, ETC.
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HIDES—No. 1 green hides, 7c; No. 2 green hides, 6c; No. 1 saited hides, 85; No. 2 green saited hides, 7c; No. 1 yeal calf, 8 to 12 lbs., 10c; No. 2 veal calf, 12 to 15 lbs., 8c.

SHEEP PELITS—Green saited, each, 15@75c; green saited shearlings (short wooled early skins), each, 15c; dry hearlings (short wooled early skins), each, 15c; dry hearlings (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, 15@4c.

HORSE HIDES—Each, 11.50@2.25.

TALLOW, GREASE, ETC.—Tallow, No. 1, 23c; tallow, No. 2, 23c; rough tallow, 114c; white greaze, 214@23c; yellow and brown grease, 114@23c.

white greate, 2724-40;

Wigney C. FURS—Bear (black or brown), \$5.00@20.00;

otter, \$1.50@8.00; mink, 15.700c; beaver, \$1.00

@5.00; skunk, 15c, 25c, 50c; muskrat, 3c, 5c, 5c;

raccoon, 15650c; red fox, 25c@51.25; grey fox,

25@25c; wolf (timber), 25c@32.50; wolf (prairie coyote), 19@50c; wildcat, 10@25c; badger, 5@40c;

silver fox, \$50.00@75.00.

St. Louis General Markets.

ST. LOUIS. Dec. 18.—FLOUR—Quiet and unchanged; patents. 44.664485; straights, \$4.5584.50; clear. 54.6664.85; straights, \$4.5584.50; which are to closing the for December, \$4.6664.85; which are to closing the for December, \$4.666. The comber of the comber of the comber of the comber of the closing firm, with buyers the closing firm, with buyers the closw the top. Spot. higher; No. 2 red cash, elevator, \$4.56; track. 19. \$41.00; No. 2 hard cash, selevator, \$4.56; track. 19. \$41.00; No. 2 hard cash, selevator, \$4.56; Locamber, \$4.56; January, St. Louis General Markets.

BUTTER-Quiet; creamery, 1892c, day, 180.
EGGS-17½c, WHISKY-41.19.
COUTTONTIES-65c,
BAGGING-61¼66½c,
METALS-Lead, higher, \$2.51@3.57. Spelter,
mominal, 33.75.
PROVISIONS-Pork, blaber; standard mee;
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choice, \$4.42½, Placon, extra short cleur, boxed tots, \$4.42½, Placon, extra short cleur, boxed lots, \$4.57½@5.00; ribs \$3.25@3.50; shorts, \$5.77½-6;
5.02½, Dry sait meats, boxed shoulders, \$4.77.60;
5.00; extra short clears, \$4.37½@4.62½; ribs, \$4.756;
5.00; shorts, \$4.575.00.
RECEIPTS-Flour, 5.000 bbls; wheat, 50.00 bull; corn, \$11.00 bul, cots, \$2.000 bul.; corn, \$11.000 bul, cots, \$2.000 bul.; corn, \$11.000 bul, cots, \$2.000 bul.

Baltimore Markets.

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Baltimore Dec. 18.—FLOUR—Dull; receipts, 22:403 bbls.; exports, 13.686 bbls.; western superfine, 42.70; extra, 32.3641.10; femily, 34.4064.65; winter western patents, 34.565.10; spring, 35.00 65.20 spring wheat stocks, 34.4064.05.

WHEAT—Steady; spot and month, 97469714c; receipts, 91.190 bu; exports, 129.786 bu, CORN—Leasy; spot, 324692c; month, 3246925, erceipts, 11.00,425 bu; exports, 210,239 bu; OATS—Easier; No. 2 white, 294c No. 2 mixed, 256774c; receipts, 25.220 bu; exports, 20.939 bu; exports, 80.6.

RYE—Firm: No. 2 nearby, 52c; No. 2 western, 134c; exports, 68.570 bu.

HAY—Steady; choice timothy, 313 asked, GRAIN FREIGHTS—Steam to Liverpool, per bu., 4d December: Cork for orders, per quarter, 2s.44d Jenuary; 2s.3674c; fancy ladle, 156916c; store packed, 136914c.

EGGS—Steady; fresh, 196720c.

CHEESE—Steady and unchanged; market stock heavy; fancy New York, large, 946610c; fancy New York, small, 10466164c.

Liverpool Market. Bultimore Markets.

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Liverpool Det. 18 - WHEAT-Spot. No. 2 red western, winter, stocks exhausted; No. 1 northern, spring, steady, 7s 83₂d.

CORN-Steady; futures steady; December, 8s 23₂d. 3anuary, 8s 24₂d. February, 2s 53₂d.

FLOUR-St. Louis fance winter, steady, 10s 21, HOPS-At London, Pacific coast, firm, £413₆g. 25 5s.

FROVISIONS-Beef, firm; extra India mess, 6s 5d; prime mess, 56s 2d, Pork, firm; prime mess, fine western, 4's 8d. Hams, short cut, 14 to 15 be. 28. Hacon, short ribs, duil, 24s 6d; long clear middles, light, duil, 39s; long clear middles, heavy, duil, 29s; clear belies, firm, 28s 6d; shoulders, square, firm, 28s. Lard, prime western, steady, 23s 6d, Tallow, prime city, steady, 1's 61, CHEESE-American finest white and colored, duil, 42s 6d. Liverpool Market.

Gruin Receipts at Principal Markets. CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—Receipts today: Wheat. 228 cars: corn. 220 cars: cats. 233 cars. Esti-mated carlots for Monday: Wheat, 425 cars; corn. 250 cars; cats. 358 cars. 50 cars; cats, 250 cars. MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 18.—Receipts: Wheat, 593 ST. LOUIS, Dec. 18.—Receipts: Wheat, 81 CAPS. KANSAS CITY, Dec. 18.—Receipts: Wheat, 79 cars.
DILUTH, Dec. 18.—Receipts: Wheat, 57 cars.
PEORIA, Dec. 18.—Receipts: Corn, 4:20 bu;
oats, 52:500 bu; tye, 600 bu; whisky 1:50 bbls;
wheat, none. Shipments: Carn, 16:800 bu; cats,
50,600 bu; rye, none; whisky 1:60 bbls; wheat,
none.

Strong Outs'de and Foreign Markets Assist Advance in Wheat.

OTHER MARKETS ARE ALSO SOME HIGHER

Inland Receipts of Wheat Are Falling Off and the Clearances Are Otherwise Showing a Decrease.

CHICAGO, Dec. 18,-Wheat was very dull but firm today. Strong outside and foreign markets and anticipations of less bearish statistics Monday, caused some covering by shorts, resulting in %6%c advance in May, Other markets also leaned decidedly toward the bull side, corn and oats advancing about 14c each, and provisions closing 2149714c higher.

Wheat opened very tame, but quite firm at about %c higher than it closed the day before, May 91%c. It sold a few moments later at 92c, and for some time held at 91%292c. The Liverpool market, which yesterday refused to be governed by Thursday's advance, was equally indifferent to yesterday's decline in this market. The Paris market was a shade higher than it closed the day before. Some other items of early news were also helpful to the firm-

closed the day before. Some other items of early news were also helpful to the firmness the market showed at the opening, and for the greater part of the session.

The week's clearances of wheat and flour, as reported by Bradstreet's, were considerably smaller than they have been running for a long time back. The amount of clearances from both coasts is 4,604,000 bu, against 6,222,000 bu, a week ago, and 6,222,000 bu, the corresponding week of the year before. The Minneapolis and Duluth receipts today were 550 cars, against 58 last week, and 376 the corresponding day of 1896, Chicago received 228 cars, against 35 last year on the similar day. It was reported from Minneapolis that 140 cars of their receip's today were Armour & Co,'s wheat, en route from the northwest to Chicago.

Weather in Argentine was reported more favorable. Beerbohm estimated the world's shipments for the week to Europe at 8,000,000 bu, and expects a decrease in the quantity in ocean passage, Minneapolis announced its estimate to its stock of wheat for the week from 1,000,000 bu, increase as reported yesterday, to from 500,000 to 600,000 bu, increase, In addition to wheat delivered yesterday afternoon for December contracts, 1,220,000 bu, were delivered out by Armour & Co, and paid for by Alien, Grier & Zeller, It had already been taken for granted, however, by the trade, that all the wheat sold to French Leiter would be taken care of, and that they have for some time had the money in bank ready to pay on demand. Outside markets all showed strength, The day's clearances of wheat and flour were swelled to a total of 550,000 bu, bu, of wheat, The market became much firmer in tone near the close, and made its best prices for the day then. Shorts covered quite for the day then.

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| Dec Jan Pork— | 21¼ 22¾ | 2156@56 2236@56 | | 21%@% 22%@% | 2194@% 229s |
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HOPS-Steady; state, common to choice. 1835
erop, 468c; 1836 crop, 468c; 1836 crop, 18618;
Pacific coast, 1836 crop, 468c; 1836 crop, 18618;
Pacific coast, 1836 crop, 468c; 1836 crop, 1862;
HIDES-Steady; Galveston, 20 to 25 bs., 15c;
Texas dry, 24 to 30 bs., 12c; California, 21 to 25 its., 17618c.

LEATHER-Quiet; hemlock sole, Buenos Ayres, 2046213c.

WOOL-Quiet; fleece, 27631c; Texas, 13617c.
PROVISIONS-Beef, steady; famly, 18.56611.0;
extra mesa, 37.5663.00; beef hams, 122.06622.50;
packet, 18.06612.60. Cut meats, dull; pickled belies, 18.2566.50; pickled shoulders, 15.75;
pickled hams, 17.0667.25. Lard steady; western steamed, 14.75; refined, dull. Pork, dull; mess, 18.2569.00; short clear, 19.006612.00; family, 19.00.

Gill. O. Tallow, very firm; city, 3½c bid; country, 18.635c.

OILS-Petroleum, quiet; United closed at 66c bid. Rosin, steady; strained, common to good, 11.066145. Turpentine, firm at 336335c. Cotton-seed oil, duil, but steadily held at unchanged prices; prime crude, 18618; crome crude, 6. c. b. mills, 18.56616; prime summer yellow, 214c6
The Steady; fair to extra, 18.277c.

MCLASSES-Quiet; New Orleans open kettle, good to choice, 256710.

METALS-Pig iron warrants, duil at 46.75 bid, 18.56 asked. Copper, duil; brokers, 110.874; Lead, strong; brokers, 13.00; fight akims, 1574c; full skims, 1546; city full skims, 1540; light akims, 1546c; full skims, 1540; light akims, 1540; light

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL large, colored, \$14834c; small, colored, \$6204c; large, late made, 7526c; small, late made, \$14005cc, small, colored, \$14005cc, small, colored, \$14005cc, small, late made, \$ EGGS Receipts, 2,130 pkgr. firm at the decline: state and Pennsylvania, Bill Fig. western, Mc.

> London Grain Market. London Grain Market.
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> London Dec. 18.—WHEAT—The market has been quiet. There was a small demand for near positions. California wheat was quoted at 30s 5d; November, 50s 7d red water, December and January, 76s 9d; Argentine wheat. March and April delivery, was quoted at 34s 7d.
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> FLOUR—Quiet and unaltered:
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> MAINE—Steady; mixed, December delivery, was quoted at 15s 5d; new maize, January desilvery, was quoted at 15s 3d.
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> BARLEY—Steady at 15s 7d. Barded.
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> GATS—Active; mixed clipped and unclipped. January and February delivery, were quoted at 14s 3d.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 18.—WHEAT—Offerings (ight, feeling firm; Mec higher; No. 1 hard, 85%e; No. 2, 84%e; No. 3, 81%e; No. 4, 80%e No. 1 soft, 94e; No. 2, 25e; No. 3, 91e; No. 4, 89e; No. 2 spring, 82%e; No. 3, 75%e.
CORN—Firm, Mec higher; No. 2 white, 13%e.
OATS—Firm and in good demand; No. 2 mixed, 259224%e. OATS-Firm and in good demand; No. 2 mixed, 22g2134c.

RYE-No. 2, 44c.

HAY-Firm; choice prairie, \$7.25g7.50; choice timothy, \$5.50g8.75,

RUTTER-Quiet; creamery, 19c; dairy, 15c.

EGGS-Firm; fresh, 15c; storage, 11g13c.

RECEIPTS-Wheat, 474,000 bu.; corn, 21,800 bu.; cats, 2,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS-Wheat, 478,000 bu.; corn, 25,000 bu.; cats, 2,000 bu.; corn, 25,000

Kansas City Grain and Provisions.

Toledo Market. Toledo Market.

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No. 2 white and December, 594c; May, 944ce asked.

CORN—Active and steady; No. 2 mixed cash and December, 27c.

OATS—Duil, steady; No. 2 mixed, 22c.

RYE—Nominal; No. 2 cash, 464c.

CLOVERSEED—Lower, active; prime cash and December, \$1.174.

Detroit Market. DETROIT, Dec. 18.—WHEAT—No. 1 white, 92c; No. 2 red, 83c; May, 8345c, CORN—No. 2 mixed, 254c. CORN—No. 2 white, 25c, RYE—No. 2, 45c.

Peoria Markets. PEORIA, Dec. 18.—CORN—Steady; No. 2, 20c. RYE—Firm; No. 2, 48c. WHISKY—Market steady; high proof spirits,

San Francesco Wheat Market. SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 18.—WHEAT—Quiet; December, \$1.43%; May. \$1.39%.

STOCKS AND BONDS.

More or Less Rise in Prices in All the List.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—The rise of prices was practically uninterrupted during the short session of the Stock exchange today, Some very sharp fluctuations are the result, exceeding 2 per out in some of the specialties, over a point in

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ature in this city during the twenty-four hours ended at 8 a. m. today was three de-grees below zero. At 8 a. m. it was two degrees below here and four above at Pueblo. Weekly Bank Statement. NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—The weekly bank state-ment shows the following changes: Surplus, re-

PRIME ARCHANGE Steadier, with actual business in bankers bills at 14.55 for demand, and 14.524.834 for sixty days; poeted rates, 14.534.834 and \$4.554.554; commercial bills,

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Boston Stock Quotations. BOSTON, Dec. 18.—Call loans, 263 per cent; time loans, 2464 per cent. Closing prices for stocks, bonds and mining shares;

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American Securities in London.

LONDON, Dec. 18.—The market for American securities, after slight fluctuations, improved and closed steady, with 2 moderate demand. There were no special features.

age Santos, \$50 rds; recepts, 17.90 bags; stock, 958.00 bags.

HAMBURG. Dec. 13.—COFFEE—Opened unshanced, closed with partial net advance of 1269 bgs; sales, 15.00 bags.

If AVRE, Dec. 18.—COFFEE—Opened steady, 157 higher; at noon, 34 higher; rales, 14.00 bags.

RIO DE JANEIRO Dec. 18.—COFFEE—Pirm. No. 7 Rio, \$62 reds; exchange, 7.3-23d; receipts, 4.000 bags; cleared for the United States, 18.00 bags; for Europe, 1,600 bags; stock, 423,600 bags.

Wool Markets. Wool Markets.

BOSTON, Dec. 18.—Following are the quotations for leading descriptions:
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ST. LOUIS Dec, 18—WOOL—Quiet and unchanged; medium, 15g19c; heavy fine, 5g14c; light fine, 13g17c; tub washed, 22g3045c.

Continued Cold in the Northwest. ST, PAUL, Dec. 18,-The intense cold continues today, Battleford, with 34 below, being the cold center at 7 o'clock this morning and St. Paul and Huron with 16 below being the warmest of the entire territory this side of Calgary, where a warm streak at 14 above was reported. Cold Wave Strikes Denver.

DENVER, Dec. 18.—The minimum temper

Cattle Salesmen Willing to Let Things Go Over Until Next Monday-Rogs Close the Week with

a Slump.

SOUTH OMAHA, Dec. 18,-Receipts for the days indicated were: Receipts for the week with comparisons:

Week ending Dec. 18. 13,277 32,223 14,279
Week ending Dec. 11. 13,351 40,402 11,168
Week ending Nov. 4. 12,749 36,445 14,682
Week ending Nov. 27. 15,288 36,248 1,310
Week ending Nov. 20. 17,727 26,143 9,965
The official number of The official number of cars of stock brought in today by each road was: Cattle, Hogs, Sheep, H'r's

Total receipts 27 118 6 2
The disposition of the day's receipts was as follows, each buyer purchasing the number of head indicated; Cattle, Hogs, Sheep,

ber of head indicated;

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Omaha Packing Co. 1153
The G. H. Hammond Co. 84
Swift and Company. 309
The Cudahy Facking Co. 265
J. L. Carey
Hammond, from K. C. 292
Cudahy, Kansas City. 977
Chicago, Nebraska City. 301
Other buyers 53 1,290 Totals 731 2,196

any special feature worthy of note.

The past week was one to be remembered with very little pleasure by the sellers of cattle, as it was characterized by the continued and successful assaults of packers on values, resulting in heavy losses to shippers and feeders. At this season of the year, when all interests are looking forward to the holiday trade, which requires the best of everything, it very often happens that immature or rough cattle are negto the holiday trade, which requires the best of everything, it very often happens that immature or rough cattle are neglected, and consequently, suffer a decline in prices. This season not only have the common and medium kinds experienced a severe break, but the choicest have followed the downward track as well.

Ask twenty men at the yards how much lower the market was for the week, and the reply of eighteen would be a quarter, that being about the average for all classes of cattle. To go more into detail it would be safe to say that the choicest beeves, both steers and helfers, which would meet the requirements of the Christmas trade, were not in all cases, perhaps, that much lower, as they were in pretty fair demand all the week. On the other hand, common and medium cattle, many of them cattle that would be considered pretty fair stuff, some seasons, were anywhere from 25040c lower, and extremely slow sale on most days at that.

Feeders and stock cattle followed breves

that, Feeders and stock cattle followed beeve Feeders and stock cattle followed beeves downward, no exception to the general break in values being made in their case. In fact, at this season there is, as a rule, comparatively little doing in the feeder mar-ket, and only a few cattle of that description were handled the past week, Representa-tive sales;

BRILIN, Dec. 15.—The weekly statement of the Imperial Bank of Germany shows the following changes as compared with the previous account: Cash in hand, increase, 18,389,099 marks; treasury notes, increase, 403,000 marks; other securities, increase, 12,350,000 marks; notes in circulation, decrease, 2,330,000 marks.

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the buyers filled their orders and dropped out, the market eased off and closed weak to 5c lower.

While the most of the hogs sold in about the same notches as yesterday, the top was higher. The average of all the sales was \$2c higher than yesterday.

The hog market of the past week was as pleasing to the reliers as the cattle market was distressing, as there was a steady upward movement in values, each day's market showing a gain over the day previous. The heaviest advance of the week was at the opening, when there was a gain of a big 5c, but on most days the market showed only slight gains. The aggregate for the week amounted to 15c, which carried the market to the high point of the month to date.

The demand was very gon's all the week and each day's arrivals met with quit ready sale at current prices. The packers evidently wanted the hogs and with the demand as good as at the present time a still further stiffening of values would not be surprising if receipts can be kept down to a reasonable figure. Representative sales:

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St. Louis Live Stock.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 18.—CATTLE—Receipts, 1,000 head; shipments, 1,700 head; market, strong for natives; Texans, steady; steers, weighing 1,500

off. (80): specie. increase, E3.101,E75; loans, decrease, E3.200; legal tenders, legal

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Cattle Receipts for the Week Lighter and Prices Higher.
CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—Today's cattle market was practically nominal, with receipts of less than 500 head. These were disposed of at yesterday's ruling prices. Receipts all week have been materially lighter than the week before and prices improved, although the requirements of the trade were much less than at other seasons of year. During the latter part of the week the market weakened on common cattle and sales were made at from \$2.50 to \$1.65 for the poorest lots. Dressed beef firms are now pretty well stocked with meat, and as the Christmas holiday season is near no large cattle receipts are needed at this time.

Trade in hors was fairly active early at steady prices, but the market weakened later. The bulk of the hoss sold at from \$3.75 to \$2.30 and prime butchers' and mixed hogs at from \$5.50 to \$2.50. As compared with a week ago, prices were about 55c higher and the salvance is expected to bring in much large supplies next.

Sales of lambs were at from \$4 to \$6 for inferior to choice flocks, a good many Mexican yearlings that averaged 72 and 75 lbs. Fetching \$1.50. Most of the sales of lambs were at from \$2 to \$6. Sheep sold freely at from \$3 to \$4.75. Exporters took heavy sheep at from \$4.15 to \$4.75. Heavings: Cattle, 350 head; hogs, 17,000 head; sheep, 2,000 head. trade were much less than at other seasons of

Indianapolis Live Stock. INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 18.—CATTLIS—Receipts, 29 head; shipments, 150 head; market quiet; good to prime steers, M.6352,00; fair to medium steers, M.3094,63; common to good stockers a 2525 f. 13.75(13.5).
HOGS-Receipts, 5,700 head: shipments, 2,000 head: market active, 50 De higher; good to choice medium and heavy, 53.40(3.5); mixed, 53.40(3.5); common lights, 53.40(3.5); mixed, 53.40(3.5); SHEEP AND LAMBS-Receipts, light; shipments, none; market quiet, lower; good to choice lambs, 53.25(5.7); common to medium lambs, 53.25(5.17; common to medium lambs, 53.25(5.17; common to medium lambs, 53.25(5.17; common sheep, 52.25(2.75).

Kansas City Live Stock Market. KANSAS CITY, Dec. 18.—CATTLE—Receipts, 1,000 head; market unchanged; only retail trade; Texas steers, 33.50g4.50; Texas cows, 32.10g3.50; nutive steers, 33.50g5.515; native cows and helfers, 15.50g4.25; stockers and feeders, 43.00g4.50; bulls, trades of the company of the com \$1.508[4.25]; tickers and read; market fairly active and steady; bulk of sales, \$1,2503.424; tive and steady; bulk of sales, \$1,2503.424; heavy, \$1,3 671.45, park rs \$1.2,63.15, mixed \$1.50 63.45; lights, \$1.2563.40; yorkers, \$2.3563.40; pigs, \$3.0073.25.

No sheep.

East Buffalo Live Stock. EAST BUFFALO, N. Y. Dec, 18.—CATTLE—Receipts, only a load of stock.
HOGS—Receipts, 58 cars; stronger on all grades; Yorkers, good to choice, \$3.60; roughs, common to choice \$1.0053.25,
SHEEP AND LAMIS—Rec lots 15 cars; lambs. choice to extra, \$5.9003.10; culls to common, \$4.5005.50 sheep, choice to relected wethers, \$4.60 \$34.70; culls to common, \$2.6003.25.

New York Live Stock. NEW YORK, Dec. IS.—BEEVVES—Receipts.
1,009 head; no trading; exports, 1,709 beeves.
CALVES—Receipts, 229 head; sierdy; veals,
15,7008,25; grassers, 33,9923,59; western, 33,
SHEEP, AND LAMIS—Receipt, 28,3 head;
sleady; sheep, 43,5094,624; lamis, 55,5095,49,
HOGS—Receipts, 2,716 head; steady, 32,63673,90. Cincinnati Live Stock. CINCINNATI, Dec. 18,-HOGS-Active, \$2,400

.55, CATTLE—Stendy, \$2,2545,10, SHEEP—Dull, weak, \$2,5044.40, LAMBS—43,5965.50, Stock in Sight.

Record of receipts of live stock at the four principal markets for December 18: Catle, Hozs, Shep. principal markets for December 18:
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Chicago 209 17,000 2,000
Kansas City 1,000 9,939
St. Louis 10.0 4,000 100 New York Dry Goods Market.

New York Dry Goods Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—The dry goods district in the scene of more activity at the cleae of the week than was the case at the opening. The shipments of goods are heavy, particularly in stople cottons, buyers having taken goods in large quantities since the reduction of the last three days. Sellers at first hand as a rule are paying little attention to the future, but are selling freely wherever they can obtain their prices. Several of the leading lines of bleached goods have been well sold up and the report is that "Fruit of the Loom" is "at value." It is probable that the present condition of stable goods will result in working the market into better shape all around. Other staple cotton goods besides bleached are in unchanged condition as ter shape all around. Other staple cotton goods besides bleached are in unchanged condition as far as the price situation is concerned. Brown goods have gained only slightly in sympathy with bleached cottons. Export goods continue dull and quiet. Coarse colored cottons are unchanged in any important particular.

Sugar Markets.

NEW OBLEANS, Dec. 18.—SUGAR—Open kettle, steady at 234,624; centrifusal steady; granulated, 47-166411-16c; whites, 33,643,c; yellows, 311-16641-16c; reconds, 23,633,c. Molassen, kettle, steady at 1236c; centrifusal, easy at 56126; syrup, steady at 16671c, CINCINNATI, Dec. 18.—SUGAR—Firm; hard refined, 34,1676,91.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—SUGAR—Raw, firm; fair refining, 25c; centrifugal, 96 test, 4c; refined, firm; cruthed, fige; powdered, 53-15c; granulated, 54c; mould A. 55c; standard A. 5c; confectioners, A. 5c; cut loaf, 54c; cutes, 55-15c, LONDON, Dec. 18.—SUGAR—Beet sugar, 28,84d. 28 334d.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—SI'GAR—Raw, strong: fair refining, 31/c; centringal, 96 tett, 4c; refined, strong: mould A, 58/c; standard A, 5c; confectioners A, 5c; cut leaf, 53/c; crushed, 54/c; powdered, 5.5-16c; granulated, 54/c; cubes, 5.5-16c.

California Dried Fruits. NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—CALIFORNIA DRIPD PRUITS—Quiet and steady; evaporated apples, common 5670 per lb, pr me wire tray, 81 wood dried, prime 816784c; choice, 54c; fancy, 9691c, Prunes, 368c, Apricots, Royal, 76834c; Moor Park, 9611c, Peaches, unpecied, 7610c; peeled, 10620c.

Honors Requisition for Warner. JEFFERSON CITY, Dec. 18.—Governor Stephens today honored the requisition of Governor Black of New York for the return of Albert S. Warner, in jail at Kansas City, Assistant District Attorney Cook of Albany, N. Y., left here at noon for Kansas City with the necessary papers for the return of Warner to New York for trial on the charge of kidnaping. Whisky Distillers Assign.

OWENSBORO, Ky., Dec. 18,-R. Monarch, for himself, the Glenmore Distilling ompany and the Eagle Distilling company. assigned today to the Columbus Finance and Trust company of Louisville. The assets and liabilities are estimated to be each about \$750,000. The long depression in the whisky business and inability to continue loans are given as the causes.

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