CONDITION OF OMAHA'S TRADE

Jobbing Trade Shows Improvement as Spring Season Approaches.

COUNTRY COLLECTIONS SATISFACTORY

Threatening Weather Somewhat Against the Retail Trade, but General Results Fairly Good—Satisfactory at South Omaha.

Weather conditions continue to exert a somewhat depressing influence upon the demand for merchandise appropriate to the season, but the total volume of business transacted is evidently very considerable and in the main entirely satisfactory. The jobbers are reporting a very fair business to meet current demand, while spring orders are coming in quite freely for this early in the season. In hardware, especially, jobbers are reporting more snap than for a long time back and it is noted that the mills in the east have been half busy without the customary two or three weeks shut-down at the holidays. The boot and shoe people report no very active business in winter goods, but spring business is opening up under very encouraging prospects. The grocery jobbers are all very busy and agricultural implement people are looking forward to a prosperous season. On every side there are only good reports to be heard.

In the local retail field the weather on a good many days has been dark and threatening so that shoppers have not ventured out in as large numbers as might otherwise have been the case. Still there was a pretty good volume of business doing on most days of the week and the general results of the week's operations were satisfactory, in fact most retail houses seemed well pleased.

At South Omaha a good volume of business was disposed of in the stock market and the mild weather enabled the work on the new packing plant to be pushed with vigor.

JOBBERS AND MANUFACTURERS.

St. Paul manufactures and ships to South Omaha a carload of lard pails per week.

E. H. Sprague of E. H. Sprague & Co. spent a few days of the past week in Missouri.

The shoe stock which was assigned by J. E. Brown of Kearney will be sold on February 5 for the benefit of creditors.

H. G. Harte of the Williams-Hayward Shoe company was in Denver the past week and took the occasion to look over the shoe situation in that city.

Present indications would seem to point to a great boom in creamery building this year in Nebraska. Creamery enterprises are being talked up in all sections of the state.

Lininger & Metcalf Co. report an unusually brisk demand for feed grinders consequent upon the very large number of cattle, hogs and sheep on feed in Nebraska.

The carriage people are very busy just now with repair work and are expecting a very good business the coming spring. Drummond says that it looks very much as if pneumatic tires would supersede the solid tires on buggies, just as they have in the case of bicycles.

The Sharples Co. of this city will have one of their new separators on exhibit at the National Creamery Buttermakers' convention to be held in Topeka next month. It is understood that the leading creamery men of Nebraska have signified their intention of attending and a very large meeting is expected.

Paxton & Gallagher company are very much pleased at the large number of letters which they have received from eastern manufacturers and jobbers in relation to the exposition souvenir which they sent out a few days ago. The best firms in the country responded and the majority of the letters express surprise and pleasure at the enterprise shown by the city of Omaha in pushing forward such a large undertaking. While the souvenir was primarily designed as an advertisement of Paxton & Gallagher company, it has proven to be a most valuable advertisement of the exposition.

J. P. Israel, the editor of the Benkleman Chronicle and proprietor of a grocery store as well, was in the city the other day buying goods in the jobbing district. Mr. Israel is a poet of no ordinary talent and some times favors his friends in the jobbing district with copies of his effusions. He recently addressed a poem to Mr. Francis of the Burlington bewailing the change from the good old times when railroads not only made out passes, but forced editors to take them. It is understood that the poem brought the coveted bit of pasteboard, but the query down in the jobbing district is whether Mr. Francis acted on the theory that genius should be rewarded or from fear that the author might write another.

The Paxton & Vierling Iron works held their annual meeting the past week and the following were re-elected directors: W. A. Paxton, Robert Vierling, Louis Vierling, Adolph J. Vierling and W. A. Paxton, jr. The officers for the ensuing year are: W. A. Paxton, president; Robert Vierling, vice president; Louis Vierling, secretary and treasurer; Adolph J. Vierling, manager. The reports indicated the affairs of the company to be in a most prosperous condition. Contracts now in hand are for iron to be used in the construction of the buildings to be erected by Armour & Co., the Union Stock Yards company, P. E. Iler and the company for the exposition grounds. In addition to these there are several smaller contracts being carried out.

E. B. Branch of the wholesale produce and commission firm of Branch & Co. returned from Buffalo the early part of the week, where he went to attend the meeting of the National League of Commission Merchants. The attendance was very large and the meeting in every respect a great success. There were present men prominently identified with the fruit and produce trade in almost every city of any importance in the union. The next annual meeting will be held in New Orleans. The league was organized for the purpose of raising the standard of the commission business and at the same time to afford shippers protection by furnishing them a list of responsible and reputable firms from which all snide houses would be excluded. So far the league is pronounced to be a great success by those who are in a position to best judge.

The cigar manufacturers, who have experienced a rather quiet business since the holidays, as usual at this season, report that the demand for goods shows material improvement during the past few days. A very encouraging feature is the fact that there is call for goods from distant points, showing that the goods turned out at this point are appreciated and are wanted. Hene & Co. will increase their force the first of the month to about sixty people to meet the requirements of the increased demand. They are preparing to make a very large exhibit at the exposition, the project being to operate a complete cigar factory, showing visitors just how tobacco is handled, how made into cigars and how packed for shipment. The cigar-making industry of this city is growing and if smokers who have the good of the city at heart would take the trouble to ask for home made cigars it would be a great assistance in building up this industry, which is one of the most valuable a city can have, by reason of the large number of people that can be employed.

It is remarked that the public appears to have an oyster appetite this winter, as the volume of sales is running away ahead of a year ago and it is not by reason of any cut in the price, as prices are about the same as a year ago. There have been no freeze-ups at Baltimore, so that it has been possible to supply all demands without interruption. The quality of the stock furnished consumers has been exceptionally good so far this season. Omaha is quite an important oyster distributing point and during the season, which embraces the months containing the letter R, fully fifty men are given steady employment in all departments. The cans are made here and that one branch employs a good many tin workers. Speaking of oysters naturally brings the subject of celery to mind and it may be of interest to know that Nebraska promises to cut a still more important figure next year as a grower of this most popular vegetable. David Cole & Co., who bought a large share of the Kearney crop last season, announce that the acreage will be much greater the coming season. The land surrounding Kearney appears to be especially well adapted to that crop and as there are many thousands of acres there is almost no limit to the possibilities of the future. The growers last year reaped a rich harvest, one man realizing in round numbers $5,000 for fourteen acres of celery grown on land that cost him only $7 per acre four or five years ago.

Henry Streight of the wholesale fruit and produce firm of Streight & Howes has returned from a trip to the strawberry-growing sections of the south. He found good prospects for a large crop south of the Ozark mountains in Arkansas. The one town of Van Buren expects to ship 250 carloads and there are three or four other smaller shipping points near by which expect to have twenty-five to fifty cars each. North of the Ozarks the prospects are not so good, but the acreage is larger, which will go a long way toward making up for any failing off in the yield. Sarcoxie is figuring on 150 cars and there are a half dozen or more towns in that section which will in all probability have as many more. According to the reports there would not seem to be much danger of a strawberry famine in Omaha the coming spring, still it is claimed that the Tennessee and southern Illinois crop will be short and that a good many berries will accordingly go from Arkansas to the eastern markets. The experience has been that the western markets pay the Arkansas shippers the best, so that it may be put down as certain that the Missouri river markets will not be forgotten in the general distribution. Mr. Streight was only a few miles from Fort Smith the night that the cyclone struck the town and visited the scene early the next morning. In places buildings were torn away and the merchandise was left almost intact, while other buildings were cut through the middle, one-half with the contents being carried away, while the other portion would be left almost undisturbed. Fortunately the storm did not touch the best portion of the town or the havoc would have been much greater.

OMAHA GENERAL MARKETS.

Condition of Trade and Quotations on Staple and Fancy Produce.

The egg market is badly demoralized, the mild weather having brought in a flood of receipts. Stocks are accumulating and it is impossible to give an accurate quotation.

EGGS—Good stock, 12½@14c.

BUTTER—Creamery, fancy, 20@21c; separator creamery, 20c; gathered creamery, 15@18c.

VEAL—Choice fat, 80 to 120 lbs., quoted at 8c; large and coarse, 46@7c.

DRESSED POULTRY—Chickens, 6@7c; turkeys, 10@11c; geese, 8c; ducks, 7½c.

GAME—Small rabbits, per doz., 75c; large, $1.25; squirrels, 50@60c.

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

HAY—Upland, $6.50; midland, $5.00; lowland, $5; 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., $1.

BEANS—Hand-picked navy, per bu., $1.25@1.50.

SWEET POTATOES—Kansas, 10-peck bbls., $2.50; fancy Muscatine, 11-peck bbls., $3.25.

CABBAGE—Good stock, per lb., 1½c.

POTATOES—Home grown, 55@65c; western stock, 70c.

FRUITS.

APPLES—Winter stock, $3.00@3.50; California Bellefleur, boxes, $1.50; Colorado Jonathans, boxes, $1.75; Oregon, boxes, $1.25.

CRANBERRIES—Jerseys, per bbl., $7.00@7.25; Wisconsin Bell and Bugle, $7.50@7.75; Wisconsin Bell and Cherry, $6.

GRAPES—Malagas, $5.00@6.50.

TROPICAL FRUITS.

ORANGES—Mexican, per box, $2.75@3.00; California navels, $3.00@3.25.

LEMONS—California, fancy, $3.25; choice, $3.

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

MISCELLANEOUS.

NUTS—Almonds, per lb., large size, 12@13c; small, 11c; Brazils, per lb., 9@10c; English walnuts, per lb., soft shell, 10@11c; standards, 8@9c; filberts, per lb., 10c; pecans polished, medium, 8@9c; extra large, 8@9c; large hickory nuts, $1.00@1.10 per bu.; small, $1.25@1.35 per bu.; cocoanuts, per 100, $4; peanuts, raw, 5@5½c; roasted, 6@6½c.

FIGS—Imported fancy, 2 crown, 14-lb. boxes, 12c; 5 crown, 44-lb. boxes, 14@15c; 2-lb. boxes, 22@23c per box; California, 10-lb. box, $1.

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

KRAUT—Per bbl., $4; half bbl., $2.25@2.35.

MAPLE SYRUP—Five-gal. cans, each, $2.75; gal. cans, pure, per doz., $12; half gal. cans, $6.50; quart cans, $3.50.

PICKLES—Medium, 60 to 70-lb. boxes, 6c; Sair, 5½c; Fard, 9-lb. boxes, 9c.

CIDER—Per half bbl., $3; bbls, $5.25.

FRESH MEATS.

DRESSED BEEF—Good native steers, 6½c; good forequarters steers, 5½c; good hindquarters steers, 8½c; western steers, 6c; fancy heifers, 6½c; good heifers, 6c; good forequarters heifers, 5c; good hindquarters heifers, 8c; good cows, 5½c; fair cows, 5½c; cow forequarters, 4½c; cow hindquarters, 7½c.

BEEF CUTS—Hanging tenderloins, 4½c; ribs, No. 1, 11c; ribs, No. 2, 8c; ribs, No. 3, 6c; steer rounds, 7c; cow rounds, 6½c; cow rounds, shank off, 8c; cow rounds, shank and rump off, 8½c; trimmings, 4c; boneless chucks, 5c; briskets, per doz., 25c; sweetbreads, per lb., 12½c; sweetbreads (calves), per lb., 40c; kidneys, per doz., 35c; ox tails, each, 3c; livers, per lb., 3c; hearts, per lb., 3c; tongues, per lb., 12½c; calf livers, each, 35c; calves, whole carcass or sides, 8c; calf head and feet, scalded, per set, 75c; tenderloins, fresh, 18c; tenderloins, frozen, 16c; boneless strips, fresh, 9c; boneless strips, frozen, 8c; strip loins, fresh, 9½c; strip loins, frozen, 6½c; rolls, boneless, 9½c; rolls, spencer cuts, 9c; sirloin butts, boneless, 9c; shoulder clods, boneless, 6c; rump butts, boneless, 5½c; No. 1 chucks, 5½c; No. 2 chucks, 4½c; No. 3 chucks, 4½c; boneless chucks, 4½c; cow plates, 2½c; steer plates, 4c; flank steak, 6c; loins, No. 1, 13c; loins, No. 2, 10c; loins, No. 3, 8c; short loins, market style, 2c above loins; short loins hotel style, 5c above loins; cow loin ends, 8c; steer loin ends, 9c.

MUTTON—Fancy lambs, 5c per lb.; lambs, 7½c; sheep, 6½c; market racks, long, 9c; hotel racks, short, 11c; loins, 8½c; saddles, 8¾c; legs, 10c; lamb legs, 12½c; lamb fronts and stews, 3½c; tongues, each, 3c; forequarters, 5½c.

PORK—Dressed pigs, 5c per lb.; dressed hogs, 4½c; tenderloins, 12½c; loins, short, 5½c; long, 5c; spare ribs, 4½c; ham sausage butts, 5½c; Boston butts, 5c; shoulders, rough, 4¾c; shoulders, skinned, 5c; trimmings, 4c; leaf lard, not rendered, 5c; heads, cleaned, 4c; snouts and ears, 3c; hocks, each, 2c; slip bones, 2½c; cheek meat, 3½c; neck bones, 2c; pigs' tails, 3c; plucks, each, 5c; chitterlings, 5c; hocks, 4c; hearts, per doz., 25c; stomachs each, 3c; tongues, each, 7c; kidneys, per doz., 15c; brains, per doz., 15c; pigs' feet, per doz., 25c; livers, each, 3c; hog rinds, 5c; blade bones, 5c.

HIDES, TALLOW, ETC.

HIDES—No. 1 green hides, 7c; No. 2 green hides, 6c; No. 1 salted hides, 8½c; No. 2 green salted hides, 7½c; 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), each, 15c; 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.

TALLOW, GREASE, ETC.—Tallow, No. 1, 2¾c; tallow, No. 2, 2¼c; rough tallow, 1½c; white grease, 2½@2¾c; yellow and brown grease, 1½@2¼c.

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@$2.00; wolf (prairie coyote), 10@50c; wildcat, 10@25c; badger, 50@60c; silver fox, $50.00@75.00.

HORSE HIDES—Each, $1.50@2.25.

Cincinnati Markets.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 22.—FLOUR—Firm; fancy, $4.20@4.40; family, $3.50@3.75.

WHEAT—Firm; No. 2 red, 95c.

CORN—Steady; No. 2 mixed, 29c.

OATS—Quiet; No. 2 mixed, 24¾@24⅞c.

RYE—Firmer; No. 2, 46c.

PROVISIONS—Lard, quiet, $4.60@4.65. Bulk meats, firm, $4.60. Bacon, firm, $5.50.

WHISKY—Steady, $1.19.

BUTTER—Lower; fancy Elgin creamery, 21c; Ohio, 13@18c; dairy, 10c.

SUGAR—Firm; hard refined, $4.16@6.10.

EGGS—Firm at 17c.

CHEESE—Firm; good to prime Ohio flat, 8½@9c.

Grain Receipts at Principal Markets.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 22.—Receipts. Wheat, 133 cars. CHICAGO, Jan. 22.—Receipts today: Wheat, 41 cars; corn, 484 cars; oats, 280 cars. MINNEAPOLIS, Jan. 22.—Receipts: Wheat, 280 cars. DULUTH, Jan. 22.—Receipts: Wheat, 158 cars.

Peoria Markets.

PEORIA, Jan. 22.—CORN—Market firm and higher; No. 2, 27c.

OATS—Market firm and steady; No. 2 white, nominal; No. 3 white, 22¾@23c.

WHISKY—Market steady at $1.18.

Toledo Market.

TOLEDO, O., Jan. 22.—WHEAT—Higher and dull; No. 2, cash, 93c; May, 93¾c.

CORN—Dull and steady; No. 2, cash, 27¾c.

OATS—Dull and unchanged; No. 3 mixed 22½c.

New York Dry Goods Market.

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—The week closes with a quiet market in nearly all classes of cotton goods. Woolens show no change of moment. The number of buyers in the market through the week has been a fair one. They were fairly liberal buyers, too. In jobbing circles the result has been generally satisfactory, a fairly good movement of goods having taken place. Strike troubles have had a disquieting effect on the local market, but the final effect has been to add strength to the demand for all staple lines and to sustain prices. The advance in print cloths has helped the general market. Brown and bleached goods are firm at the quoted prices prevailing and colored coarse cottons show no weakening. Prints have gained in interest during the week, the latter part of it showing much better results than the early part. Print cloths are firm. The bids for extras at 2⅛c plus 1 per cent are refused by manufacturers. Odd grades are selling on a basis of 2 2-16c for extras and the demand is of fair proportions.

Oil Markets.

OIL CITY, Jan. 22.—Credit balances, 65c; certificates closed at 66c bid for cash and regular delivery; shipments, 98,846 bbls.; runs, 49,171 bbls.

SAVANNAH, Ga., Jan. 22.—OILS—Spirits of turpentine, market firm at 32½c; sales, 50 bbls.; receipts, 129 bbls.; Rosin, firmer and unchanged; sales, 1,254 bbls.; receipts, 1,896 bbls.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Jan. 22.—OILS—Turpentine, market firm at 31½c; sales, none. Rosin, firm; sales, none; unchanged.

WILMINGTON, Jan. 22.—OILS—Spirits turpentine, firm at 32@32½c. Rosin, firm at $1.15@1.20; receipts, 298 bbls. Crude turpentine, firm at $1.40@1.90. Tar, quiet at $1.65.

Sugar Markets.

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 22.—SUGAR—Open kettle, steady at 3½@3¾c; centrifugal, steady; granulated, 4⅝@4⅞c; whites, 3¾@4 2-16c; yellows, 3 11-16@4 1-16c; seconds, 2½@3⅝c. Molasses, kettle, steady at 14@27c; centrifugal, easy at 5@12c; syrup, steady at 18@24c.

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—SUGAR—Raw, firm; fair refining, 3 9-16c; centrifugal, 96 test, 4 1-16c; refined firm: crushed, 5⅝c; powdered, 5 7-16c; granulated, 5⅛c; mould A, 5½c; standard A, 5⅛c; confectioners' A, 5⅛c; cut loaf, 5⅝c; cubes, 5 7-16c.

California Dried Fruits.

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—CALIFORNIA DRIED FRUITS—Steady; evaporated apples, common, 5@7½c; prime wire tray, 8½c; wood dried, prime, 8½c; choice, 8¾c; fancy, 9@9½c. Prunes, 3@8c. Apricots, Royal, 5@7½c; Moor Park, 9@11c. Peaches, unpeeled, 7@10c; peeled, 16@25c.

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL

Trade in All Markets Simply of Scalping Character.

ONE OF THE DULLEST DAYS IN WEEKS

May Wheat Closes Higher and July Lower in the Same Degree of Change, and Provisions Are Also Lower.

CHICAGO, Jan. 22.—This was one of the dullest days on 'change in weeks. Trade in all markets was simply of a scalping character. Wheat closed ⅛c higher for May, but ⅛c lower for July. Corn and oats were a little easier, but showed substantially no change at the close. Provisions closed unchanged to 2½c lower.

Trade started brisk at an advance for May wheat of ⅜c a bushel and about as much in July. Half an hour of moderately active trading sufficed to bring the price back again to yesterday's closing figures and for some time thereafter business almost ceased. The Liverpool wheat quotations were from ½d to ¾d higher. This and the absorption by the Leiter party of all the "calls" offered yesterday afternoon were the only features of the news which even mildly interested speculators and were not enough to inject any activity into the market. The shipments of wheat and flour from both coasts for the week were equal to 2,926,000 bu., against 5,229,000 bu. the previous week. That suggested a small total from all sources to Europe this week, much less than their estimated requirements, and additional bullishness on that account it was thought might be depended on next week in reports from European markets. Liverpool Corn Trade News reported continental stocks of wheat and flour about 11,500,000 bu. less than they were a year ago. Beerbohm estimated United Kingdom requirements January 1 to April 30 at 6,000,000 bu. less than indicated supplies. The same authority expects the world's shipments to Europe for the week to show a total of 5,000,000 bu. Chicago receipts were 41 cars, Minneapolis and Duluth reported 359 cars received, against 533 the previous Saturday and 1,176 the corresponding day of 1897. The primary western market receipts for the day were 372,549 bu., against 131,857 bu. the similar day of last year. The day's Atlantic port clearings were small at 180,000 bu. of wheat and flour. Closing cables from Paris noted 5c to 15c improvement, and from Antwerp a decline of 12½c for one kind of wheat and unchanged for the other. Heavy snow was reported falling all over the exposed winter wheat country and as this was the best thing possible for the coming crop it had a depressing effect on the market during the latter part of the session. May wheat opened at 93¾c, reacted to 91⅞c, then recovered to 92⅞c, but declined again to 91⅜@91½c, and at the close was bringing 92c. July opened at 84⅝@84½c, declined to 83⅞c, and closed at 84@84⅛c.

Corn was practically at a standstill. Only the narrowest kind of a scalping trade was done and prices were confined to a bare ⅛c range. The feeling was easier if anything, on expectations of increased receipts following the colder weather. May ranged from 29c to 28⅞c and closed unchanged at 28⅞@29c.

All the little trading in oats was at one price, 23¾c, except a few lots shortly before the close, which sold 1-16c lower. Cash demand was equally dull, the market has inclined downward, but business was too dull to admit of any material decline. May closed a shade lower at 23⅝@23⅞c.

Market for provisions in the main was very dull. A firm hog market sustained prices at the start, but a little realizing and short sellers jumping in for a reaction after the recent advance weakened the market and prices tended generally downward. At the close May pork was unchanged at $9.77½; May lard, 2½c lower at $4.77½@4.80 and May ribs unchanged at $4.80@4.82½.

Estimated receipts for Monday: Wheat, 40 cars; corn, 475 cars; oats, 275 cars; hogs, 38,000 head.

Leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yest'y.
*Wheat—					
Jan.	94	94	93¾	93⅞	94
May...	92⅛	92⅞	91⅜@¼	92	91⅞
July...	84⅝@⅝	84⅞	83⅞	84⅛@¼	84⅛@¼
*Corn—					
Jan.	27	27	26⅞	26⅞	27
May...	29	29	28⅞	28⅞@29	28⅞@29
July...	29⅞@30	30	29⅞@30	29⅞@30	30
*Oats—					
May...	23¾	23¾	23⅝@¾	23¾	23¾
July...	22⅞	.....	.....	22⅞	22⅞
Pork—					
Jan.	.....	.....	.....	9 65	9 65
May...	9 80	9 80	9 70	9 75	9 77½
Lard—					
Jan.	4 70	4 70	4 67½	4 67½	4 70
May...	4 80	4 80	4 77½	4 80	4 82½
July...	4 87½	4 90	4 87½	4 87½	4 90
Sh'ribs—					
Jan.	.....	.....	.....	4 70	4 70
May...	4 82½	4 82½	4 80	4 80	4 82½

*No. 2.

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Dull; winter patents, $4.30@4.40; straights, $4.20@4.40; spring patents, $4.40@4.80; straights, $4.00@4.20; bakers, $3.50@3.60.

WHEAT—No. 2 spring, 87½@87¾c; No. 3 spring, 83@92c; No. 2 red, 92¾@93¾c.

CORN—No. 2, 27@27½c.

OATS—No. 2, 22c; No. 2 white, 24½@25c; No. 3 white, 24@25c.

RYE—No. 2, 44½c.

BARLEY—No. 3, 27@41c.

SEEDS—No. 1 flaxseed, $1.23½@1.27. Prime timothy seed, $2.70.

PROVISIONS—Mess pork, $9.65@9.70. Lard, per 100 lbs., $4.67½@4.70. Short ribs sides (loose), $4.57½@4.87½. Dry salted shoulders (boxed), $4.75@5.00; short clear sides (boxed), $4.90@5.10.

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

SUGARS—Cut loaf, $6.14; granulated, $5.31.

Articles.	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls	10,000	10,000
Wheat, bu	22,000	4,000
Corn, bu	281,000	132,000
Oats, bu	254,000	94,000
Rye, bu	6,000	.....
Barley, bu	57,000	17,000

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was steady; creameries, 13@18½c; dairies, 11@17c. Cheese, steady, 8@8½c. Eggs, fresh, 15½c.

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKET.

Quotations for the Day on General Commodities.

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—FLOUR—Receipts, 31,116 bbls.; exports, 8,331 bbls.; quiet, but firmly held; city mill patents, $5.55@5.75; city mill clears, $5.25@5.40; winter straights, $4.45@4.55; Minnesota patents, $5.00@5.50; winter extras, $3.40@3.90; Minnesota bakers', $4.20@4.45; winter low grades, $2.90@3.00. Rye flour, quiet at $2.50@3.10, latter fancy. Buckwheat flour, quiet at $1.25@1.30.

BUCKWHEAT—Quiet at 36c.

CORNMEAL—Steady; yellow western, 66c.

RYE—Dull; No. 2 western, 48c.

BARLEY—Dull; feeding, western, 36½c.

BARLEY MALT—Quiet; western, 52½@65c.

WHEAT—Receipts, 11,160 bu.; exports, 49,853 bu. Spot, firm; No. 2 red, $1.04⅝. Options opened firm on Liverpool cables, eased off under small foreign selling, but rallied and closed firm on higher late Paris markets; final prices were at ⅛@⅜c net advance, latter January; No. 2 red, January, $1.04⅝@1.06; closed at $1.04⅞; May, 93 15-16@94c; closed at 94⅛c.

CORN—Receipts, 75,075 bu.; exports, 50,904 bu. Spot, steady; No. 2, 35c. Options opened steady and ruled quiet, but steady all day with wheat, closing unchanged; January closed at 33¼c; May, 34@34 1-16c; closed at 34c.

OATS—Receipts, 111,600 bu. Spot, dull; No. 2, 26¼c. Options opened dull but steady, with the other markets; May closed at 25½c.

FEED—Firm; bran, 67½@85c; middlings, 75@77½c; rye feed, 65c.

HAY—Quiet; shipping, 55@65c; good to choice, 70@75c.

HOPS—Firm. 1895 crop, 40@8c; 1896 crop, 6@8c; 1897 crop, 17@19c; Pacific coast, 1895 crop, 4@6c; 1896 crop, 9@10c; 1897 crop, 17@19c.

HIDES—Firm; Galveston, 15c; Texas dry, 12c; California, 17@19c.

LEATHER—Steady; hemlock sole, Buenos Ayres, 19½@20c.

WOOL—Steady; fleece, 26@31c; Texas, 15@17c.

PROVISIONS—Beef, steady; family, $11.00@11.50; extra mess, $8.00@8.50; beef hams, $22.00@22.50; packet, $9.00@10.00. Cut meats, steady; pickled bellies, 5@6c; pickled shoulders, 4½@5c; pickled hams, 7@7½c. Lard, quiet; western steamed, $5; May, $5.12, nominal; refined steady. Pork, firm; mess, $9.50@9.75; short clear, $9.75@11.75; family, $10.00@10.50. Tallow, nominal; city, 3⅝@3¾c; country, 3½@3⅝c.

OILS—Petroleum, dull; refined New York, $5.40; Philadelphia and Baltimore, $5.25. Rosin, steady; strained, common to good, $1.42½@1.47½. Turpentine, firmer, 34½@35c. Cottonseed oil, inactive, but fairly steady; prime crude, 19@19½c; prime crude f. o. b. mills, 15½@16c; prime summer yellow, 22c; off summer yellow, 22½c. Butter oil, 24@25c; prime winter yellow, 27½@28c.

RICE—Steady; fair to extra, 3¾@4½c; Japan, 5@5¼c.

MOLASSES—Quiet; New Orleans open kettle, good to choice, 29@33c.

METALS—Pig iron, dull; southern, $9.75@11.25; northern, $10.75@12.00. Copper, steady; brokers', $10.87½. Lead, weak; brokers', $4.30. Tinplates, quiet.

BUTTER—Receipts, 806 pkgs.; market steady; western creamery, 14½@20c; Elgins, 20c; factory, 14@16c.

CHEESE—Receipts, 895 pkgs.; market dull; large white, September, 8½c; small, 9¼@9½c; large colored, September, 8¾@8¾c; small, 9¼@9½c. October, 8½@8½c; small, October, 8¼@8¾c; light skims, 6@6½c; part skims, 4@5½c; full skims, 2@3c.

EGGS—Receipts, 4,690 pkgs.; market steady; state and Pennsylvania, 20@22c; western, 20c.

Weare Commission Company.

OMAHA OFFICE, Jan. 22.—May wheat showed considerable strength this morning at an advance of ⅜c from last night's close, with following the same strength. With cables ¼d lower the market soon eased off a little and touched 93⅝c for May, but later closed at 93c bid, which is ⅛c higher than yesterday, while July is ⅛c lower at 84c to 84½c, with cash registered at 93½c.

Receipts of cars were 41, 36 of which were spring wheat, with 40 estimated for Monday.

These prices are on a strange of 2¼c for cash wheat, 1½c for May wheat and 1½c for July wheat from last Saturday's close, which indicates the strength there is in both the cash situation and the deferred option, against a local bear sentiment, with people willing to sell at times. The foreign undertone is firm, with a good export demand, which indicates that we are close onto a foreign working basis.

Privileges for May wheat were 2½c for puts and 92¾c for calls.

Corn and oats remain practically unchanged, with a continued light local trade. The delivery of corn to the country elevators, which has been a little better for the last few days, will be checked by the bad weather, which will be a temporary support to that market.

St. Louis General Markets.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 22.—FLOUR—Quiet and unchanged; patents, $4.20@4.35; straights, $4.10@4.30; clear, $4.00@4.25; medium, $3.50@3.75.

WHEAT—Unsettled, closing 1-16c above yesterday, with other options unchanged; May opened ⅛c higher, improved ⅛c more, declined ⅜c, recovered ¼c, subsequently showing little change, closing with buyers ⅛c to ¼c above the bottom. Spot, lower; No. 2 red cash, elevator, 92½c; track, 93c; No. 2 hard cash, 87⅝@87½c; January, 84c; May, 94⅝@94⅝c; July, 84c.

CORN—Dull, easier and a shade lower for May, with July unchanged. Spot, lower; No. 2 cash and January, 25¼c; May, 28½c bid; July, 27⅝c.

OATS—Futures dull, neglected and practically lower. Spot, lower; No. 2 cash, elevator, 23c; track, 23¼@24½c; January, 23c bid; May, 24½c; July, 22¼c; No. 2 white, 24⅝@25c.

RYE—Firm, 45c.

FLAXSEED—Better, $1.18½.

TIMOTHY SEED—Prime, $2.60.

CORN MEAL—$1.40.

BRAN—Steady; east track, sacked, 56c.

HAY—Firm for timothy, with prairie steady; prairie, $6.50@8.50; timothy, $7.50@10.00.

BUTTER—Dull; creamery, 19@20c; dairy, 8@15c.

EGGS—Lower, 13c.

WHISKY—$1.18.

COTTON TIES—70c.

BAGGING—Lower, 5½@6c.

METALS—Lead, dull, $3.40. Spelter, nominal, $3.75.

PROVISIONS—Pork, lower; standard mess, jobbing, $9.65. Lard, lower; prime steam, $4.52½; choice, $4.60. Bacon, boxed lots, extra short clear, $5.37½@5.50; ribs, $5.50@5.62½; shorts, $5.62½@5.75. Dry salt meats, boxed shoulders, $4.75@5.00; extra short clear, $4.75@5.00; ribs, $4.87½@5.12½; shorts, $5.12½@5.25.

RECEIPTS—Flour, 4,000 bbls.; wheat, 9,000 bu.; corn, 99,000 bu.; oats, 46,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Flour, 4,000 bbls.; wheat, 11,000 bu.; corn, 212,000 bu.; oats, 15,000 bu.

Baltimore Markets.

BALTIMORE, Jan. 22.—FLOUR—Quiet and unchanged; western superfine, $3.50@3.70; western extra, $3.85@4.10; western family, $4.00@4.65; winter wheat patents, $4.75@5.00; spring patents, $5.00@5.30; spring wheat straights, $4.50@4.90; receipts, 15,605 bbls.; exports, 21,038 bbls.

WHEAT—Easy; spot, month and February, 98@98¼c; May, 94⅛@94⅜c; steamer No. 2 red, 91@94½c; receipts, 59,063 bu.; exports, 8,000 bu.; southern wheat, by sample, 94@99c; southern wheat, on grade, 91½@94½c.

CORN—Quiet; old choice timothy, $13.

GRAIN FREIGHTS—Quiet and easy; steam to Liverpool, per bu., 3½d; February; Cork for orders, per quarter, 3s 4½d January; 3s 4½d February.

BUTTER—Quiet; fancy creamery, 21c; fancy imitation, 16@17c; fancy ladle, 15c; good ladle, 12@13c; storage packed, 12c.

EGGS—Quiet; fresh, 18c.

CHEESE—Steady; fancy New York, 9¼@9½c; fancy medium, 10@10½c; fancy small, 10¼@10½c.

Liverpool Market.

LIVERPOOL, Jan. 22.—WHEAT—Spot, firm; No. 2 red winter western, 7s 10½d; No. 1 red northern spring, 7s 11½d.

CORN—Spot, quiet; American mixed, new, 3s 3½d. American mixed, old, 3s 7½d. Future, dull; January, 3s 4½d; February, 3s 3½d; March, 3s 2½d.

FLOUR—St. Louis fancy winter, firm, 9s 6d.

HOPS—At London, Pacific coast, firm, £4 15s asked.

PROVISIONS—Beef, extra Indian mess, 66s 3d; prime mess, 58s 3d. Pork, firm; prime mess, firm, western, 47s 6d. Hams, short cut, dull, 35s. Bacon, firm, 28s. Shoulders, dull, 28s; cut clear middles, light, firm, 28s 6d; long clear middles, heavy, firm, 27s 6d; short clear backs, firm, 26s 6d; clear bellies, dull, 28s; shoulders, square, steady, 25s. Lard, prime western, firm, 29s 6d. Cheese, white and colored, dull, 46s 3d. Tallow, prime city, firm, 19s.

Kansas City Grain and Provisions.

KANSAS CITY, Jan. 22.—WHEAT—Hard, rather slow, steady, ¼c lower; soft wheat—Higher and scarce; No. 1 hard, 86c; No. 2, 86c; No. 3, 84½c; No. 1 red, 86c; No. 2, 84c; No. 3, 83c; No. 3 spring, 84½c; No. 2, 84c.

CORN—Steady, ¼@¾c lower; No. 2 mixed, 24½c.

OATS—Steadily; No. 2 white, 24c.

RYE—Steady; No. 2, 45c.

HAY—Unchanged; choice timothy, $8.50@9.00; prairie, $6.00@7.50.

BUTTER—Slow; creamery, 17c; dairy, 14c.

EGGS—Receipts, heavy; fresh, 13c.

RECEIPTS—Wheat, 288,000 bu.; corn, 95,000 bu.; oats, 27,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Wheat, 234,000 bu.; corn, 124,000 bu.; oats, 3,000 bu.

Philadelphia Produce.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 22.—BUTTER—Steady; fancy western creamery, 22c.

EGGS—Steady; fresh nearby, 16c; fresh western, 18c.

CHEESE—Firmer; New York factory, choice, 9@9½c; New York factory, fair to good, 9¼@9¾c.

Detroit Market.

DETROIT, Jan. 22.—WHEAT—No. 2 white and No. 2 red cash and May, 93½c.

CORN—No. 2 mixed, 28½c.

OATS—No. 2 white, 27¼c.

RYE—No. 2, 48c.

Milwaukee Wheat Market.

MILWAUKEE, Jan. 22.—WHEAT—Stronger; No. 2 northern, 92½c; No. 2 spring, 89@90c; May, 92c.

BARLEY—Dull; No. 2, 41@42c; sample, 28@41c.

Duluth Wheat Market.

DULUTH, Minn., Jan. 22.—WHEAT—No. 1 northern, 91½c; January, 91½c; May, 91½c; July, 5½c.

STOCKS AND BONDS.