COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL

All of the Markets Show Considerable Strength.

WHEAT TAKES THE LEAD IN ACTIVITY

Additional Shipping Engagements for the Leiter Stock is the Bolstering Element Behind the Market.

CHICAGO, Feb. 11.—Everything on the floor was strong today, wheat being the leader both in strength and activity. Reports of additional shipping engagements for Leiter wheat and an exceptionally large export business were the principal factors of the buying movement in wheat, which had advanced the market about 1c at the close. Corn closed ½c higher, and oats ⅝@¾c higher. Provisions hesitated for a time but finally joined the procession and closed 2½@7½c higher.

There was a big demand for wheat right from the start. May, which closed yesterday at 96⅞c, opened today at 97¼@97⅝c. There was considerable selling by interests who have been putting wheat on the market for some time past, but the demand was so great that the price advanced steadily, not stopping until 98c had been reached. There were two big factors in the advance, the Leiter shipments abroad and the Liverpool strength. The former was given the most attention. It was stated on the floor and not denied by the Leiter interests that arrangements are being made for the shipment of 4,000,000 bu. of their wheat from here to the seaboard. Contracts have already been let for 2,000,000 bu. of this, it is said, and the moving away of so much cash wheat had a marked effect on shorts. Liverpool was very strong, early cables showing ⅜d advance and later advices showed that market 1@1¼d up from yesterday. Private cables said the strength was on consumptive demand. Argentine shipments for the week were 712,000 bu., much less than generally expected. Northwest receipts were 385 cars, against 432 last week. Chicago received 37 cars. After advancing to 98c the market eased off somewhat. There was a let-up in the urgent demand with the usual selling by people who have been playing for a break, and May reacted to 97½c. Then for an hour the price moved between 97⅝c and 98c, most of the time being at about 97⅞c. After that the market again became active and very strong. Late cablegrams brought liberal buying orders to the seaboard, and about an hour from the close here it was stated that seventy boat loads (about 560,000 bu.) had been taken for export. A considerable portion was from Philadelphia and Baltimore. Three steamers chartered were supposed to be for Leiter's grain. Closing cables were all firm and higher. The announcement of the export business gave a touch of genuine excitement to the market, sending shorts to cover in a hurry, and the price was sent up to 98⅜c, the top figure of the day. Then the market quieted some. There was a tendency to even up over the holiday which caused operations to recede somewhat. May was bringing 97¾@97⅞c at the close.

There was a greatly increased speculative trade in corn, and the market was very strong. Nearly all the big bulls "doubled up" on their lines and the price went above 30c after a hard fight. Commission houses sold freely but everything was taken. The strength in wheat and the unfavorable weather were influences. A good export demand was reported. May ranged from 29¼c to 30⅛c, and closed ½c higher at 30@30⅛c.

Though there was not a great trade in oats the market was strong and prices got to the highest point for the crop. The strength came from the good export demand and the advance in wheat and corn. There was good buying by shorts and some outside demand. There was free selling in the afternoon, and prices fluctuated sharply, but closed strong. May ranged from 25c to 25¾c, and closed ⅝@¾c higher at 25⅞@26c.

There was a strong market for provisions, with trade as a whole unimportant. The market opened easy because hogs were a little lower, but quickly rallied to yesterday's best figures on moderate buying of a general nature. Prices yielded somewhat later on realizing, the market closing steady. The strength of grain markets and moderate stocks were influences. At the close May pork was 7½c higher at $10.70, May lard 2½c higher at $5.10 and May ribs 2½c higher at $5.17½@5.20.

Estimated receipts for Saturday: Wheat, 62 cars; corn, 630 cars; oats, 325 cars; hogs, 19,000 head.

No markets tomorrow, holiday.

Leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yest'dy
*Wheat—					
Feb...				1 00	98
May...	97⅛@⅝	98⅜	96⅞	97⅞@¾	96⅞
July...	85¾-86	86⅜	85⅜	85¾	85⅜@¼
*Corn—					
Feb...	28¼@⅜	28⅝@⅝	28¼	28⅝	28
May...	29¼@⅜	30⅛	29¼	30@⅛	29½@⅝
July...	31	31⅜	31	31⅛@⅜	30¾
*Oats—					
May...	25¼	26	25⅛	25⅞-26	25¼
July...	23⅛	23⅝	23⅛	23⅝	23⅛@⅜
Pork—					
May...	10 62½	10 75	10 60	10 70	10 62½
July...	10 65	10 75	10 65	10 72½	10 67½
Lard—					
May...	5 10	5 12½	5 05	5 10	5 07½
July...	5 17½	5 20	5 15	5 20	5 17½
Sh't Ribs—					
May...	5 17½	5 20	5 15	5 20	5 17½
July...	5 22½	5 25	5 20	5 25	5 22½

*No. 2.

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Strong; winter patents, $4.80@4.90; straights, $4.30@4.60; spring specials, $5.25@5.45; spring patents, $4.50@4.60; bakers, $3.50@3.90.

WHEAT—No. 2 spring, 92@93c; No. 3 spring, 91@93c; No. 2 red, 98¼@$1.00.

CORN—No. 2, 28½@28⅝c; No. 2 yellow, 28½@28⅝c.

OATS—No. 2, 25½c; No. 3 white, f. o. b., 26¾@27½c.

RYE—No. 2, 48½c.

BARLEY—No. 2, f. o. b., 42@39c.

FLAXSEED—No. 1, $1.23½; n. w., $1.28½.

TIMOTHY SEED—Prime, $2.80@2.82½.

PROVISIONS—Mess pork, per bbl., $10.60@10.65. Lard, per 100 lbs., $5.02½. Short ribs sides (loose), $5.00@5.20. Dry salted shoulders (boxed), $4.75@5.00. Short clear sides (boxed), $5.30@5.40.

WHISKY—Distillers' finished goods, per gal., $1.18½.

SUGARS—Cut loaf, $6.01; granulated, $5.51.

Articles.	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls	12,000	15,000
Wheat, bu	44,000	10,000
Corn, bu	477,000	156,000
Oats, bu	304,000	273,000
Rye, bu	9,000	2,000
Barley, bu	23,000	16,000

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was firm; creameries, 13@19c; dairies, 11@17c. Cheese, quiet at 8@8½c. Eggs, steady at 12½@13c. Dressed poultry, market steady; turkeys, 8@11c; chickens, 6½@7½c; ducks, 6@7½c.

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKET.

Quotations for the Day on General Commodities.

NEW YORK, Feb. 11.—FLOUR—Receipts, 19,770 bbls.; exports, 18,545 bbls.; quiet, but firmly held, particularly on low grade winters, which are scarce; city mill patents, $5.60@5.90; city mill clears, $5.40@5.55; Minnesota patents, $5.10@5.40; Minnesota bakers, $4.25@4.50; winter patents, $4.80@5.25; winter straights, $4.55@4.65; winter extras, $3.60@4.00; winter low grades, $2.90@3.00. Rye flour, firm at $2.65@3.15. Buckwheat flour, dull at $1.25@1.30.

BUCKWHEAT—Firm at 37½c.

CORNMEAL—Firm; yellow western, 69c.

RYE—Firmer; No. 2 western, 57c; car lots, 50@52½c.

BARLEY—Firm; feeding, 38@38½c.

BARLEY MALT—Firm; western, 52½@67c.

WHEAT—Receipts, 79,300 bu.; exports, 64,586 bu.; spot, firm; No. 2 red, $1.04¼. Options opened strong at 1½@10c advance on higher Liverpool cables. After a subsequent irregular advance on foreign buying they finally yielded a little under realizing and closed unsettled, but fairly firm at ⅝@⅞c net advance. The reported Leiter export sales had a restraining effect on scalpers, who were somewhat bearish; No. 2 red, February, closed at $1.02¼; May, 98¼@98 15-16c, closed 98⅜c.

CORN—Receipts, 88,722 bu.; exports, 112,143 bu.; spot, firm; No. 2, 37⅝c. Options opened stronger with wheat and displayed a good undertone all day, with broadening speculations, yet closed ¼@⅜c higher. Cables and export demand were also bull factors; February closed at 35⅝c; May, 34 1-16@34⅜c, closed 34⅞c.

OATS—Receipts, 183,600 bu.; exports, 80,214 bu.; spot, stronger; No. 2, 30½c. Options advanced sharply on a light trade influenced by the strength in cash oats, closed ⅜c net higher; May closed at 30⅜c.

FEED—Firm; bran, 70@77½c; middling, 75@77½c. Rye, 65c.

HAY—Quiet; shipping, 35@45c; good to choice, 60@70c.

HOPS—Steady; state, common to choice, 1895 crop, 4@6c; 1896 crop, 7@9c; 1897 crop, 17@19c. Pacific coast, 1895 crop, 4@6c; 1896 crop, 8@10c; 1897 crop, 17@19c.

HIDES—Steady; Galveston, 20@25 lbs., 15c.

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

WOOL—Quiet; fleece, 27@31c; Texas, 13½@15½c.

PROVISIONS—Beef, firm; family, $11.25@11.75; extra mess, $8.00@8.50; beef hams, $22; packet, $9.00@10.50. Cut meats, steady; pickled bellies, $5.62½@6.25; pickled shoulders, $4.75; pickled hams, $7.25@7.50. Lard, firm; western steamed, $5.20; refined, steady. Pork, firm; mess, $10.50@10.75; short clear, $10.50@12.50; family, $10.50@11.00. Tallow, dull; city, 3 9-16@3⅝c; country, 3½@3⅝c.

OILS—Petroleum, dull; United, 56c. Rosin, quiet; strained, common to good, $1.40@1.45. Turpentine, firm at 34½@34¾c. Cottonseed, quiet but fairly steady, without change; prime crude, 15½@16c; prime crude, f. o. b. mills, 15@15½c; prime summer yellow, 22@22½c bid; off summer yellow, 21½c, nominal. Butter oil, 25@27c; prime winter yellow, 27½@28½c.

RICE—Firm; fair to extra, 4⅜@5½c; Japan, 5@5¼c.

MOLASSES—Firm; New Orleans, open kettle, good to choice, 28@32c.

FREIGHTS—To Liverpool, steadier; steam, 2⅝d; grain by steam, 3¼d.

METALS—The market for metals in the general way shows rather better temper. The New York Metal exchange makes the closing as follows: Pig iron warrants very quiet at $6.50 bid and $6.70 asked; lake copper, strong and higher at $11.20 bid and $11.25 asked; tin, steady at $13.95 bid and $14.00 asked; spelter, firm at $4.07½ bid and $4.15 asked; lead, very firm at $3.75 bid and $3.80 asked. The firm that fixes the selling price for miners and smelters quotes lead at $3.55.

BUTTER—Receipts, 3,315 pkgs.; market firm; western creamery, 14½@20c; Elgins, 20c; factory, 11@14c.

CHEESE—Receipts, 1,534 pkgs.; market quiet; large white, September, 8½c; small white, September, 9@9¼c; large colored, September, 8½c; small colored, September, 9@9¼c; large, October, 8@8¾c; small, October, 8¾@9c; light skims, 6@6½c; part skims, 4@5½c; full skims, 2@3c.

EGGS—Receipts, 5,114 pkgs.; state and Pennsylvania, 15c; western, 14c.

OMAHA GENERAL MARKETS.

Condition of Trade and Quotations on Staple and Fancy Produce.

EGGS—Good stock, 11@11½c.

BUTTER—Common to fair, 9@11c; separator creamery, 20c; gathered creamery, 15@18c.

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

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

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

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

HAY—Upland, $5.50; midland, $5.00; lowland, $4.50; rye straw, $4.50; 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@1.30.

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

CABBAGE—Good stock, per lb., 1½c.

POTATOES—Home grown, 50@55c; 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@6.00.

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., fancy soft shell, 10@11c; standards, 8@9c; filberts, per lb., 10c; pecans, polished, medium, 6@7c; 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, 3 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, $6.25; quart cans, $3.50.

DATES—Hallowee, 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, 6¼c; fancy heifers, 6¼c; good heifers, 6c; good forequarters heifers, 5c; good hindquarters heifers, 8c; good cows, 5¾c; fair cows, 5½c; cow forequarters, 4½c; cow hindquarters, 7c.

BEEF CUTS—Hanging tenderloins, 4½c; ribs, No. 1, 11c; ribs, No. 2, 8c; ribs, No. 3, 6½c; steer rounds, 7c; cow rounds, 6½c; cow rounds, shank off, 7½c; cow rounds, shank and rump off, 8c; trimmings, 4½c; beef shanks, 3c; brains, per doz., 35c; sweetbreads, per lb., 12½c; sweetbreads (calves), per lb., 40c; kidneys, per doz., 35c; ox tails, each, 3c; livers, per lb., 2½c; hearts, per lb., 2½c; tongues, per lb., 12½c; calf livers, each, 25c; calves, whole carcass or sides, 9c; calf head and feet, scalded, per set, 75c; tenderloins, fresh, 18c; tenderloins, frozen, 16c; boneless strips, fresh, 10c; boneless strips, frozen, 9c; strip loins, fresh, 8c; strip loins, frozen, 6½c; rolls, boneless, 9c; rolls, spencer cuts, 9c; sirloin butts, boneless, 9c; shoulder clods, boneless, 6c; rump butts, boneless, 5¾c; No. 1 chucks, 5c; No. 2 chucks, 4½c; No. 3 chucks, 4c; boneless chucks, 4½c; cow plates, 2½c; steer plates, 4c; flank steak, 6½c; loins, No. 1, 13c; loins, No. 2, 10c; loins, No. 3, 7½c; short loins, market style, 2c above loins; short loins, hotel style, 4c above loins; cow loin, ends, 8c; steer loin, ends, 9c.

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

PORK—Dressed pigs, 5¾c per lb.; dressed hogs, 5¼c; tenderloins, 14c; loins, short, 6¾c; long, 6½c; spare ribs, 5c; ham sausage butts, 5¾c; Boston butts, 5¾c; shoulders, rough, 5c; shoulders, skinned, 5¾c; trimmings, 4½c; leaf lard, not rendered, 5½c; heads, cleaned, 4c; snouts and ears, 3c; neckbones, 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., 10c; brains, per doz., 15c; pigs' feet, per doz., 25c; livers, each, 3c; hog rinds, 3c; blade bones, 5c.

HIDES, TALLOW, ETC.

HIDES—No. 1 green hides, 7c; No. 2 green hides, 6c; No. 1 salted hides, 9c; No. 2 green salted hides, 8c; 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.

TALLOW, GREASE, ETC.—Tallow, No. 1, 3c; tallow, No. 2, 2¾c; 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@$2.50; wolf (prairie coyote), 10@50c; wildcat, 10@25c; badger, 5@40c; silver fox, $50.00@75.00.

St. Louis General Markets.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 11.—FLOUR—Very quiet and higher in sympathy with wheat; patents, $4.70@4.90; straights, $4.35@4.50; clear, $4.25; medium, $3.50@3.75.

WHEAT—Higher, closing ⅝c higher for July and 1¼c better for May than yesterday; No. 2 red, cash, 96c, elevator; 96@98c track; February, 95⅛c; May, 98⅝@99c; July, 82⅝c; No. 2 hard, 93c, cash.

CORN—Higher, closing ⅜@½c above yesterday; No. 2 cash, 26⅝c; February, 26⅝c bid; May, 27½@27⅝c; July, 28⅞c.

OATS—Closed ⅝c better than yesterday; No. 2 cash, 24c, elevator; 25c track; May, 26⅛c; July, 32½c; No. 2 white, 26½c, cash.

RYE—Firm at 48c bid.

SEEDS—Flaxseed, lower at $1.20; timothy seed, quiet at $2.35@2.75.

CORNMEAL—Firm at $1.45@1.50.

BRAN—Firm at 56@57c for sacked lots, east track, and 60c at mill.

HAY—Quiet; prairie, $5.50@8.50; timothy, $7.00@10.00.

BUTTER—Quiet; creamery, 15@19½c; dairy, 9@15c.

EGGS—Firm at 10⅛c.

WHISKY—Steady at $1.19.

COTTON TIES—70c.

BAGGING—5½@6c.

METALS—Lead, higher at $3.55; spelter, firm at $3.80.

PROVISIONS—Firm. Pork, $10.70 for standard. Lard, firm at $4.70 for prime and $4.90 for choice. Bacon, extra short clear (boxed lots), $5.75@6.00; clear ribs, $5.87½@6.12½; clear sides, $6.00@6.50. Dry salt meats, shoulders (boxed lots), $4.75@5.00; extra short clear, $5.25@5.50; clear ribs, $5.37½@5.62½; clear sides, $5.50@5.75.

RECEIPTS—Flour, 4,000 bbls.; wheat, 9,000 bu.; corn, 85,000 bu.; oats, 32,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Flour, 3,000 bbls.; wheat, 7,000 bu.; corn, 142,000 bu.; oats, 12,000 bu.

Baltimore Markets.

BALTIMORE, Feb. 11.—FLOUR—Quiet, steady and unchanged; western superfine, $2.80@3.20; western extra, $3.45@4.10; western family, $4.40@4.75; winter wheat patents, $4.85@5.00; spring patents, $5.10@5.30; spring wheat straights, $4.90@5.05; receipts, 6,816 bbls.; exports, 11,655 bbls.

WHEAT—Firm; spot and month, 99½@99⅝c; March, $1.00@1.00¼; May, 97⅞@98c; steamer No. 2 red, 95½@95⅝c; receipts, 61,721 bu.; exports, none; southern wheat, by sample, 95½c@$1.00½; southern wheat, ungraded, 96½@98c.

CORN—Firm; spot, 33⅜@33⅝c; month, 33⅜@33½c; March, 33⅝@33¾c; steamer mixed, 32⅝c bid; receipts, 142,181 bu.; exports, none; southern white corn, 32@34½c; southern yellow, 32@34c.

OATS—Firm; No. 2 white, 30@30½c; No. 2 mixed, 28@28½c; receipts, 13,995 bu.; exports, none.

RYE—Firmer; No. 2 nearby, 54½c; No. 2 western, 55½c; receipts, 2,498 bu.; exports, none.

HAY—Easy; choice timothy, $12.50@13.00.

GRAIN FREIGHTS—Quiet; steam to Liverpool, per bu., 3½d, March.

BUTTER—Quiet; fancy creamery, 21c; fancy imitation, 16@17c; fancy ladle, 15c; good ladle, 13@14c; store packed, 12@14c.

EGGS—Quiet; fresh, 17c.

CHEESE—Steady; fancy New York large, 9¾@10c; fancy New York, medium, 10@10¼c; fancy New York, small, 10¼@10½c.

Liverpool Markets.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 11.—WHEAT—Spot, firm; No. 2 red western, winter, 7s 10½d; No. 1 red northern, spring, 8s 11½d.

CORN—Spot, firm; American mixed, new, 3s 4½d; American mixed, old, 3s 4½d; futures were steady; February, 3s 4d; March, 3s 2⅞d.

HOPS—At London, Pacific coast, £4 15s@£5 10s.

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

PROVISIONS—Beef, firm; extra India mess, 66s 3d; prime mess, 57s 6d. Pork, firm; prime mess, fine western, 47s 6d; fine medium, western, 45s. Hams, short cut, steady at 35s 6d. Bacon, firm at 31s 6d; short ribs, firm at 30s 6d; long clear middles, light, firm at 29s 6d; long clear middles, heavy, firm at 29s; short clear backs, firm at 28s; clear bellies, firm at 32s 6d. Shoulders, square, firm at 26s 6d. Lard, prime western, firm at 25s 9d.

CHEESE—American, finest white and colored, 41s.

TALLOW—Prime city, firm at 19s.

OILS—Cottonseed oil, Liverpool refined, dull at 15s. Turpentine spirits, firm at 24s 6d. Rosin, common, steady at 4s 1½d.

Kansas City Grain and Provisions.

KANSAS CITY, Feb. 11.—WHEAT—Market ½@1c higher; soft slow; No. 1 hard, 90c; No. 2, 88½@90c; No. 3, 85@88½c; No. 1 red, 93@94c; No. 2, 92c; No. 3, 90@91½c; No. 2 spring, 87@88c; No. 3, 86@87c.

CORN—Market ¼c higher and active; No. 2 mixed, 25½@25¾c.

OATS—Market active and firm; No. 2 white, 24½c.

RYE—Market higher; No. 2, 44c.

HAY—Market active and firm; choice timothy, $8.50@9.00; choice prairie, $7.00@7.25.

BUTTER—Market firm; creamery, 15@18c; dairy, 13@14c.

EGGS—Market steadier at 11½c.

Weare Commission Company.

OMAHA OFFICE, Feb. 11.—The market today was a surprise, not so much because of it being strong, but because of its volume of strength in all lines. Cables were ⅜d higher and private wires from Liverpool later showed a strong market there on the claims of very light supplies, with our market very firm, based on the Leiter contracts with eastern concerns, as mentioned in our yesterday's letter. There is good inquiry for corn and oats, and these demands for the actual grain cause strength of the most healthy kind, and though a reaction is due at the present time on the basis of the reckoning of the regular trader, which is three days strong and three days weak, yet this is a year of surprises and Monday's market may be strong. Although the receipts will be of the accumulation of three days they are expected to be light because of the bad weather, yet they may show up to such an extent as to break the market, and should it, we deem it buying ground in any of the cereals, especially oats.

Under the present conditions of the market we cannot advise the selling of wheat, unless you have it, but believe it to be a purchase on reasonable declines, with the view of selling on spots as hard as today's market has been.

The closing prices of the different options and the different kinds of grain are as follows: Cash wheat, an even $1; May wheat, 97⅞c; July, 85⅞c; May corn, 30⅛c; July, 31⅛c; May oats, 25⅞c; July, 23⅝@23⅞c.

Wool Markets.

BOSTON, Feb. 11.—Quotations:

Ohio and Pennsylvania fleeces, X and above, 27@28c; XX, 29c; XX and above, 30@31c; delaine, 30@31c; No. 1 combing, 30@31c; No. 2 combing, 30@31c. Michigan, Wisconsin, etc.—X Michigan, 24c; No. 1 Michigan combing, 29c; No. 1 Illinois combing, 29c; No. 2 Michigan combing, 28@29c; No. 2 Illinois combing, 28@29c. Unwashed medium Kentucky quarter-blood combing, 23c Kentucky and Indiana three-eighths blood combing, 23@24c; Missouri quarter-blood combing, 22@23c; Missouri three-eighths blood combing, 23@24c; braid combing, 21c. Lake and Georgia, 23@24c. Texas Wools—Spring medium (12 months), 16@18c; scoured price, 42@45c; spring fine (12 months), 18@19c; scoured, 50@52c. Territory Wools—Montana fine medium and fine, 16@18c; scoured, 48@50c; staple, 52@53c. Utah, Wyoming, etc., fine medium and fine, 15@17c; scoured, 48@50c; staple, 52@53c. Australian Wools—Scoured basis combing, superfine, 70@72c; combing, good, 65@68c; combing, average, 62@65c. Queensland combing, 65c.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 11.—WOOL—Weaker; medium, 14½@20c; light fine, 12½@16½c; heavy fine, 7½@13½c; tub washed, 22@30c.

New Orleans Market.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 11.—HOG PRODUCTS—Firm. Pork, standard mess, $10.75. Lard, refined tierce, $3.87½@4.00; pure lard, $5.12½. Boxed meats, dry salt shoulders, $4.87½@5.00; sides, $5.37½@5.50. Bacon, clear rib sides, $6.25.

COFFEE—Rio, ordinary to fair, 7½@9c.

RICE—Firm; ordinary to good, 3⅝@4⅝c.

FLOUR—Extra fancy, $4.60@4.70; patents, $4.90@4.95.

CORNMEAL—$1.65@1.70.

BRAN—70c.

HAY—Prime, $12.00@12.50; choice, $14.00@14.50.

CORN—No. 2 sacked white, 37@37½c; mixed, 36@36½c; yellow, 36½@37c.

OATS—No. 2 sacked, 30@30½c.

Cincinnati Market.

CINCINNATI, Feb. 11.—FLOUR—Dull.

WHEAT—Firm; No. 2 red, 95½c.

CORN—Quiet; No. 2 mixed, 29c.

OATS—Quiet and firm; No. 2 mixed, 26c.

RYE—Steady; No. 2, 49c.

PROVISIONS—Lard, firm at $4.85. Bulk meats, firm and higher at $5.00. Bacon, firm at $5.75.

WHISKY—Steady at $1.19.

BUTTER—Unchanged; Elgin creamery, 21c; Ohio, 12@18c; dairy, 10c.

SUGAR—Quiet.

EGGS—Weak and lower at 11c.

CHEESE—Quiet and steady.

Grain Receipts at Principal Markets.

MINNEAPOLIS, Feb. 11.—Receipts: Wheat, 345 cars.

CHICAGO, Feb. 11.—Receipts today: Wheat, 37 cars; corn, 490 cars; oats, 272 cars. Estimated car lots tomorrow: Wheat, 62; corn, 630; oats, 325.

KANSAS CITY, Feb. 11.—Receipts: Wheat, 82 cars.

Toledo Markets.

TOLEDO, Feb. 11.—WHEAT—Active; No. 2, cash, 95⅝c; May, 96⅝c asked.

CORN—Active and higher; No. 2 mixed, 30c.

OATS—Unchanged; No. 2 mixed, 25½c.

RYE—Dull and higher; No. 2, cash, 49½c.

CLOVERSEED—Active and lower; prime cash, $3.07½.

Philadelphia Produce.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 11.—BUTTER—Fair demand; fancy western creamery, 20½c.

EGGS—Dull and 2½c lower; fresh nearby, 14@14½c; fresh western, 14@14½c.

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

Peoria Markets.

PEORIA, Feb. 11.—CORN—Market firm, higher, 28½c.

OATS—Market firm, higher; No. 2 white, 25½c.

RYE—Market quiet; No. 2, 42c.

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

Detroit Market.

DETROIT, Feb. 11.—WHEAT—No. 1 white and No. 2 red, 94½c; May, 94⅝c.

CORN—No. 2 mixed, 30½c.

OATS—No. 2 white, 27½c.

RYE—No. 2, 49½c.

STOCKS AND BONDS.

Influence of a Bull Operator Results in Profit Taking.

NEW YORK, Feb. 11.—There was profit-taking on quite a heavy scale in stocks today, said to be for the account of one of the principal bull operators. The interval of two days before trading will be resumed on the exchange was the motive for closing up accounts, as is always the case on the eve of a double holiday. The sharp advances in some stocks at the opening afforded more favorable opportunity for realizing profits. The spring rise was largely influenced by the higher quotations for Americans sent from London, and was also helped by the marked strength of one or two specialties, notably Metropolitan Street Railway and People's Gas, the latter on the published report of the company's finances. London bought here on a considerable scale and helped to strain prices to some extent. The offerings were not well absorbed and support was largely withdrawn. The weakness of stocks encouraged the putting out of short lines. The covering of some of these before the close brought them to a level materially above the low point, but the break still left net losses as a general rule. There were some very striking movements of stocks in special cases. Metropolitan Street Railway continued its remarkable advance, rising at one time 6 per cent and closing 2 per cent below the highest. Third Avenue was up at one time 6½ per cent on the announcement of the acquisition of a large connecting system. The stock, however, reacted 3 per cent before the close. Some of the notable recent advances were due to the rumored pendency of plans for the distribution of the surplus resources to the credit of some of the gilt-edged properties. The prevailing abundance of money is said to make the care of these surplus funds increasingly burdensome. Such a property is Pullman, which advanced an additional point today, but reacted 2 per cent in the closing dealings.

The day's dealings in bonds continued on a remarkably large scale, single lots of par value from $50,000 up to $150,000 changing hands frequently. The par value of sales for the day of Atchison adjustment 4s alone was $420,000. Some of the speculative bonds reacted quite sharply in sympathy with stocks, but the general tendency was upward.

There has been a strong tendency to reaction in the stock market at times during the week, principally due to apprehensions regarding the Cuban question. Early in the week the market was sold very aggressively by houses with Washington connections, and this was interpreted as being induced by a belief that affairs with Spain were reaching a critical stage. The critical outcome of the incident was accepted in Wall street and induced large covering of short contracts by these same Washington sellers, and the market rallied strongly on Thursday, but this rise was attributed by some persons to manipulation. The resumption of realizing which followed today's advance gave color to this supposition. The market seemed to be in the hands of giants in speculation, and they refused to offer their holdings on a declining market so long as it is capable of being checked by support. That the market is heavily overbought for great speculative accounts looking to be ultimately sold for profits is generally believed. That the general public has not thus far been induced to come into the market and absorb these long lines in any volume is indicated by the disregard of current news manifested by the market. The enormous demand for all grades of dividend and interest paying securities not already advanced to prohibitive figures, shows the large amount of money seeking investment, and affords great material support to the more purely speculative department of the market.

The plethoric condition of the money market and the cheapness of rates tends to lessen the return on investment securities also by raising the price. Increases in railroad earnings and promises of added profits by consolidations and refundings are discounted in proportional rises in the prices soon after being announced. The buying of stocks on the New York exchange for London account has been heavy during the week, the demand for Americans having been quite active in London and at other foreign centers. Besides the record transactions there are reports of very heavy blocks of securities having passed to the hands of European holders at private sale from the hands of reorganization interests. In view of this absorption of American securities abroad the upward tendency of the foreign exchange market during the week is somewhat contradictory. But the easier rates for money here have been attended by a stiffening of discount rates abroad, and this has naturally induced the withholding of exchange in order to draw the higher interest rate abroad.

Dealings in the bond department of the market have continued on an unprecedented scale during the week. The speculative issues have moved at times in sympathy with the reaction in stocks, but prices are materially higher all around. United States new 4s, registered, and the old 4s, registered, are ¼ per cent lower bid, and the 5s ¼ per cent higher bid on the week.

The Evening Post's London financial cablegram says: The stock markets here were quiet but generally good today, the feature being a sharp rise, despite dearer money. The buying was good and significant. Americans were active, although the dealings were professional. The close was under the best. It is noticed that however good New York prices are there is a tendency to sell from there. Argentines and Brazil stocks were good, as also were Italians and Turks, on better tone in Paris. Mines were lifeless. There is some reason for doubt as to whether the Chinese loan negotiations have been finally suspended, although nothing in that line is expected at present. There is a probability of a further issue of Japanese internal bonds here soon, similar to the operation of last year. The Grand Trunk statement, showing that the entire deficit had been wiped out, and that a balance of £1,000,000 remained, exceeded the most sanguine expectations.

Following are the closing quotations of the leading stocks on the New York market today:

Atchison	13⅝	St. P. & Om.	78⅜
do pfd	31¼	do pfd	148
Baltimore & Ohio	17¼	St. P. M. & M.	136
Canada Pacific	87⅝	So. Pacific	20
Canada Southern	55¾	So. Railway	9⅜
Central Pacific	14	do pfd	32⅜
Ches. & Ohio	23¼	Texas & Pacific	12¾
Chicago & Alton	164	Union Pacific	34
C., B. & Q.	102⅝	U. P. D. & G.	8⅜
C. & E. I.	58⅝	Wabash	7⅜
C. C. C. & St. L.	36¼	do pfd	18⅜
do pfd	80	Wheel. & L. E.	2⅜
Del. & Hudson	112½	Wheel. & L. E. pfd	12⅜
Del. L. & W.	156¾	*Adams Ex.	100
Den. & Rio G.	13⅜	American Ex.	123
do pfd	52⅜	United States Ex.	42
Erie (new)	15⅜	Wells Fargo Ex.	116
Erie 1st pfd	42⅜	A. Cot. Oil	20¼
Ft. Wayne	170	do pfd	73¼
Great Northern pfd	154	Am. Spirits	8⅜
Hocking Valley	17⅝	Am. Spirits pfd	20¼
Illinois Central	105⅜	Am. Tobacco	91⅜
Lake Erie & W.	17⅝	do pfd	117
do pfd	75	People's Gas	97⅜
Lake Shore	191⅛	Cons. Gas	190⅛
Louisville & Nash.	59⅜	Com. Cable Co.	185
Manhattan L.	116⅜	Col. F. & Iron	23⅛
Met. St. Ry.	168⅜	do pfd	70
Michigan Central	113	Gen. Electric	38
Minn. & St. L.	28¼	Illinois Steel	52⅜
do 1st pfd	86	La Clede Gas	44¾
Mo. Pacific	33⅜	Lead	34⅜
Mobile & Ohio	31⅛	do pfd	108⅛
Mo. K. & T.	13⅜	Nat. Lin. Oil	17⅛
do pfd	38⅜	Oregon Imp. Co.	28
Chi., Ind. & L.	9½	Pacific Mail	31⅝
do pfd	32	Pullman Pal.	187
N. J. Central	95¼	Silver Certificates	56¼
N. Y. Central	118	Stand. Rope & T.	4⅜
N. Y. Chi. & St. L.	14⅜	Sugar	139
do 1st pfd	74	do pfd	112¾
do 2d pfd	37¼	T. C. & Iron	25⅜
Norfolk & Western	16¼	U. S. Leather	7⅜
No. Amer. Co.	5¾	do pfd	65⅜
No. Pacific	27	U. S. Rubber	19⅜
do pfd	68⅜	do pfd	71⅜
Ontario & W.	17⅜	Western Union	92
Ore. R. & Nav.	51¼	Northwestern	129⅜
Ore. Short Line	24½	do pfd	173
Pittsburg	169½	Rio Grande West	24
Reading	21⅝	do pfd	60⅛
Rock Island	92	Chicago-Great W.	13⅜
S. L. & S. F.	7⅜	S. L. & S. W.	4
do 1st pfd	57½	do pfd	9⅜
St. Paul	95⅛	St. L. & S. F. 2d pfd	27⅜
do pfd	147	Reading 1st pfd	51⅜
Hawaiian Com Co	35⅛		

*Discount of 2 per cent and 100 per cent payable in bonds.

Total sales of stocks today, 386,900 shares, including: Atchison preferred, 12,799; Chesapeake & Ohio, 3,625; Erie preferred, 4,270; Lake Shore, 6,372; Louisville & Nashville, 19,011; Manhattan, 22,080; Metropolitan, 32,565; Hawaiian, 3,151; New York Central, 25,270; Northern Pacific, 6,625; Northern Pacific preferred, 4,920; Rock Island, 6,803; St. Paul, 12,835; St. Paul & Omaha, 5,260; Southern preferred, 9,196; Union Pacific, 9,674; Tobacco, 22,540; Chicago Great Western, 3,115; People's Gas, 14,940; Consolidated Gas, 5,837; General Electric, 5,550; Sugar, 11,536; Rubber, 4,040; Rubber preferred, 6,027.

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, Feb. 11.—MONEY ON CALL—Nominal, 1@1½ per cent.

PRIME MERCANTILE PAPER—3@4 per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Market steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.85¾ for demand and $4.83@4.83¼ for sixty days; posted rates, $4.84 and $4.86½; commercial bills, $4.82.

SILVER CERTIFICATES—56½@57½c.

BAR SILVER—46⅝c.

MEXICAN DOLLARS—44½c.

GOVERNMENT BONDS—Market firm; new 4s, reg., 128⅜; coupon, 128⅜; 4s, reg., 114⅜; coupon, 114½; 2s, 100; 5s, reg. and coupon, 113⅜; Pacific 6s of '99, 94.

Closing quotations on bonds were as follows:

U. S. new 4s, reg	128⅜	N. J. C. 5s	114½
U. S. new 4s cou	128⅜	N. C. 6s	125
U. S. 4s, reg	113⅜	N. C. 4s	103
U. S. 4s, coup	114⅛	No. Pacific 1sts	119¼
U. S. 2s, reg	100	No. Pacific 3s	63¾
U. S. 5s, reg	113⅜	No. Pacific 4s	97¾
U. S. 5s, coup	113⅜	N. Y. C. & St. L. 4s	109
District 3.65s	118⅛	N. & W. 6s	125
Ala., class A	108	N. W. Consols	142¾
Ala., class B	107	N. W. Deb. 5s	118
Ala., class C	100	Ore. Nav. 1sts	115
Ala. Currency	100	Ore. Nav. 4s	96¾
Atchison 4s	93⅜	O. S. L. 6s, t. r.	125
Atchison adj. 4s	64	O. S. L. 5s, t. r.	100
Canada So. 2nds	110	O. Imp. 1sts, t. r.	112¾
C. & N. P. t. r. 5s	86⅜	O. Imp. 5s, t. r.	62⅛
C. & O. 5s	117	Pacific 6s of '95	104
C. H. & D. 4½s	104⅜	Reading 4s	86¼
D. & R. G. 1sts	110⅛	R. G. West 1sts	84¾
D. & R. G. 4s	95	St. L. & I. M. Con. 5s	94¾
East Tenn. 1sts	107	St. L. & S. F. Gen. 6	119¾
Erie Gen. 4s	74⅛	St. P. Consols	142¾
F. W. & D. 1s. t. r.	74	St. P. C. & P. 1sts	120
Gen. Elec. 5s	100⅛	St. P. C. & P. 5s	116¾
G. H. & S. A. 6s	103	Southern Ry. 5s	94¾
G. H. & S. A. 2ds	105	S. R. & T. 6s	57¾
H. & T. Cent. 5s	109⅛	Tenn. new set 3s	90
H. & T. C. con 6s	106	Tex. Pac. L. G. 1sts	101¼
Iowa C. 1sts	101	Tex. Pac. Rg. 2ds	33¾
K. P. Con., t. r.	115	U. P. 1sts	127½
K. P. 1sts, t. r.	128⅛	U. P. D. & G. 1sts	57¾
La. New Con. 4s	102	Wab. 1st 5s	109¾
L. & N. Uni. 4s	90⅛	Wab. 2ds	82¾
Missouri 6s	100	West Shore 4s	110
M. K. & T. 2ds	63⅜	Va. Centuries	71¾
M. K. & T. 4s	90	Va. deferred	4¾
N. Y. C. 1sts	117⅛		

Boston Stock Quotations.

BOSTON, Feb. 11.—Call loans, 2@3 per cent; time loans, 2½@4 per cent. Closing prices for stocks, bonds and mining shares:

A. T. & S. F.	13⅜	Wis. Cent	2
American Sugar	139	Boston L.	60⅛
Am. Sugar pfd	113	Ed. Elec. Ill.	165
Bay State Gas	11 3-16	Atchison pfd	31⅜
Bell Telephone	269	Atchison 4s	92
Boston & Albany	224	N. Eng. 6s	43½
Boston & Maine	168	General Elec. 5s	100
do pfd	158	Wis. Cent 1s	44½
C. B. & Q.	102⅛	do 6s	126
Fitchburg	99⅛	Allouez Mining Co	1¼
General Electric	37⅜	Atlantic	30¾
Mexican Central	5⅜	Boston & Montana	179
N. Y. & N. E.	90	Butte & Boston	26¾
Old Colony	192	Calumet & Hecla	516
O. S. L.	24½	Centennial	10¾
Rubber	19⅜	Franklin	15
Union Pacific	34	Kearsarge	8
West End	84½	Osceola	43½
West End pfd	104	Quincy	115
W. Elec.	24½	Tamarack	156
W. Elec. pfd	54	Wolverine	22

San Francisco Mining Quotations.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 11.—The official closing quotations on mining stocks today were as follows:

Alta	19	Julia	1
Alpha Con	4	Justice	36
Andes	11	Kentucky Con	3
Belcher	25	Mexican	33
Best & Belcher	39	Occidental Con	150
Bullion	6	Ophir	50
Caledonia	18	Overman	5
Challenge Con	28	Potosi	21
Chollar	37	Savage	26
Confidence	70	Scorpion	6
Con. Cal. & Va	86	Sierra Nevada	86
Con. Imperial	1	Silver Hill	3
Crown Point	15	Union Con	38
Exchequer	1	Utah Con	9
Gould & Currie	26	Yellow Jacket	24
Hale & Norcross	150	Standard	150

Silver bars, 55⅝c; Mexican dollars, 46½@47c; drafts, sight, 20c; drafts, telegraph, 22½c.

New York Mining Quotations.

NEW YORK, Feb. 11.—The following are the closing mining quotations:

Chollar	34	Ontario	250
Crown Point	18	Ophir	45
Con. Cal. & Va	78	Plymouth	8
Deadwood	90	Quicksilver	100
Gould & Curry	25	Quicksilver pfd	250
Hale & Norcross	140	Sierra Nevada	85
Homestake	4000	Standard	150
Iron Silver	40	Union Con	34
Mexican	30	Yellow Jacket	26

London Stock Quotations.

LONDON, Feb. 11.—4 p. m.—Closing:

Consols, m'y	112 15-16	N. Y. Central	121¾
Consols, acct	113¼	Pennsylvania	61¾
Erie	16¼	Reading	11¼
Erie 1st pfd	44⅜	Grand Trunk	9
Ill. Central	108	Mex. Cen. new 4s	69¾
Mexican ordinary	133⅜	Atchison	13⅜
St. Paul common	99⅜	L. & N.	62

BAR SILVER—Quiet at 26⅜d per ounce.

MONEY—2½ per cent.

The rate of discount in the open market for short bills, 2⅜ per cent; for three months' bills, 2⅜ per cent.

American eagles are quoted at 76s 5½d; bar gold, 77s 10d.

Foreign Financial.

LONDON, Feb. 11.—Gold is quoted at Buenos Ayres today at 160.5.

PARIS, Feb. 11.—Three per cent rentes, 103f 75c for account. Prices were strong on the bourse today, particularly in the case of international securities, Italians leading the upward movement. Spanish 4s were heavy, but recovered. Rio Tintos were in active demand.

[illegible], Feb. 11.—Business was firm today on the bourse, and international securities were harder. Northern Pacifics were maintained and Canadian Pacific declined on the unsatisfactory returns.

Financial Notes.

OMAHA, Feb. 11.—Clearings, $829,321.76; balances, $95,736.61.

CHICAGO, Feb. 11.—Clearings, $17,373,361; New York exchange, 35c discount; posted rates, $4.84 and $4.86½.

NEW YORK, Feb. 11.—Clearings, $148,351,413; balances, $6,637,265.

BOSTON, Feb. 11.—Clearings, $16,123,064; balances, $1,572,534.

Weekly Bank Statement.

NEW YORK, Feb. 11.—The weekly bank statement shows the following changes: Surplus reserve, decrease, $2,344,575; loans, increase, $5,916,600; specie, increase, $879,500; legal tenders, decrease, $2,010,000; deposits, increase, $4,856,300; circulation, decrease, $477,100. The banks now hold $32,437,050 in excess of the requirements of the 25 per cent rule.

American Securities in London.

LONDON, Feb. 11.—The market for American securities opened better, then improved somewhat, but later eased off and remained quiet. The early strength was due to New York buying. The closing tone was steady and the demand was moderate.

Exchanges Close Today.

NEW YORK, Feb. 11.—Tomorrow being Lincoln's birthday all exchanges here will be closed.

Manchester Textile Fabrics.

MANCHESTER, Feb. 11.—Cloth and yarns steady, with a fair demand.

OMAHA LIVE STOCK MARKET

Receipts for the Day Light and Not Better Than Demand.

CATTLE BUSINESS LOSES ITS SNAP

Trade Rather Languishes, Although Prices Hold About Steady—Hogs Show a Little More Strength, Selling Briskly.

SOUTH OMAHA, Feb. 11.—Receipts for the days indicated were:

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.	Horses.
February 11	1,520	3,858	1,441	....
February 10	1,405	5,206	1,932	2
February 9	2,749	6,977	5,440	....
February 8	3,875	6,644	3,971	....
February 7	1,769	2,869	6,880	26
February 5	791	5,622	2,352	....
February 4	1,395	5,362	2,554	24
February 3	1,999	4,249	6,965	1
February 2	3,182	5,112	4,330	33
February 1	2,375	7,369	3,937	84
January 31	1,352	2,486	4,556	2
January 29	748	4,527	1,708	56
January 28	1,742	5,610	2,431	20
January 27	2,774	6,318	5,255	....
January 26	2,586	5,135	5,692	....
January 25	2,437	5,731	4,532	9

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

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
C., M. & St. P. Ry	3	..	..
O. & St. L. Ry	.	1	..
Missouri Pacific Ry	2	1	..
Union Pacific System	15	12	5
C. & N. W. Ry	1	..	..
F., E. & M. V. R. R.	15	11	..
S. C. & P. Ry	1	..	..
C., St. P., M. & O. Ry	17	2	2
C., B. & Q. Ry	1	6	..
K. C. & St. J.	1	..	..
C., R. I. & P. Ry., east	1	2	..
C., R. I. & P. Ry., west	1	2	..
Total receipts	70	56	7

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

Buyers.	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
Omaha Packing Co	4	619	....
The G. H. Hammond Co	145	939	220
Swift and Company	479	1166	1314
The Cudahy Packing Co	446	1122	....
Armour & Co., Chicago	153	....	147
J. L. Carey	51	....	....
Lobman & Rothschilds	16	....	....
Huston & Co	16	....	....
Krebbs & Co	26	....	....
Livingston & Schaler	96	....	....
Other buyers	170	....	....
Total	1,602	3,837	1,681

Receipts of all kinds of stock were light today owing in large part to the unfavorable conditions in the country for shipping, consequent upon the sleet storm.

CATTLE—Receipts of cattle were light and still there was a gain over yesterday and a slight gain over a week ago. This was rather in the nature of a surprise, but it is probable that the very brisk opening of yesterday's market was pretty generally telegraphed out into the country, thus inducing shippers to make an effort to get their cattle to market in spite of the coating of ice on the ground. The general market was lacking in interest and at the same time less satisfactory to sellers than yesterday.

Beef Steers—The offerings of beef steers consisted largely of medium to fairish stuff, with nothing very prime on sale. While the demand seemed to be of liberal proportions it was far from being as brisk as yesterday morning and the trade was slow to open. As to values the change was not great, the market being a little easier than yesterday morning, but fully as good as yesterday's late market. The more desirable kinds of cattle naturally held up the best and were generally quoted as selling about steady.

Butchers' Stock—Cows and heifers were quite brisk this morning owing to the good demand and moderate receipts and were without doubt the best selling cattle in the yards. The market on such cattle was fully steady and the ten or a dozen loads on sale were soon disposed of.

Stock Cattle.—There were only a few little bunches of stock cattle on sale, not enough to cut much figure in the day's cattle business. There was demand sufficient to take all the offerings and the pens were soon cleared of the fresh arrivals. In spite of the most unfavorable weather there has been some little country demand, and as the cattle have been steadily going out, with only a few coming in, the surplus in the hands of speculators is running low. The coming of favorable weather once more ought to usher in a revival of the feeder and stocker trade. Representative sales:

NATIVES.

BEEF STEERS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
3	1060	$4 00	21	1062	$4 25	8	1077	$4 30
5	1230	4 30	20	1122	4 35	20	1340	4 35
20	1193	4 40	25	1362	4 45	19	1408	4 60
20	1038	4 25	1	1330	3 25	14	1307	3 75
22	1203	4 10	46	1113	4 15	8	1146	4 20
51	1434	4 30	40	1302	4 40	23	1139	4 25
21	1051	4 25	14	1226	4 35	1	800	3 40
1	1180	3 50	1	1080	3 50	12	972	3 65
16	1070	3 75	23	1280	4 05	8	1045	4 15
2	1050	4 15	19	1487	4 15	1	1320	4 15
46	1168	4 15	1	1090	4 15	22	1051	4 20
38	1167	4 20	7	1067	4 25	21	1138	4 30
41	1390	4 35						

COWS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
1	900	2 25	2	1050	2 75	2	1055	2 75
1	840	2 85	1	1050	2 85	1	1130	2 85
1	1090	3 00	1	1000	3 00	21	965	3 05
1	920	3 10	4	940	3 15	2	1185	3 25
1	1070	3 25	12	1043	3 25	1	1090	3 30
1	1000	3 30	1	1220	3 40	19	951	3 50
18	965	3 60	14	1007	3 70	16	1083	3 75
1	1210	3 25	21	1149	3 25	2	810	3 00
1	1270	3 30	1	1130	3 00	2	1025	3 05
1	1190	3 25	1	1100	2 35	3	1260	3 40
1	1050	3 50	19	1070	3 50	24	1087	3 55
1	1430	4 45	15	1138	3 40			

HEIFERS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
5	720	3 30	2	885	3 60	3	890	3 75
5	640	3 80	2	820	3 85	24	956	3 85
2	884	2 25	22	884	3 35	54	1012	3 65
14	875	3 70	10	926	3 90	1	850	3 50
1	740	3 50	1	1130	3 70	4	982	3 90
1	580	3 60	1	1030	3 70	2	1085	3 80
1	920	3 90	5	872	3 20	4	532	2 40
6	818	3 60						

BULLS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
1	1720	3 40	1	1470	2 60	6	1491	2 90
1	860	3 00	1	1020	3 25	1	1470	3 25
1	1770	3 10	1	920	3 25	1	1840	3 35
1	1870	3 40	1	1740	3 40	2	1675	3 45
1	1930	3 50	4	1625	3 50	1	1450	3 65
1	1220	3 50						

CALVES.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
1	270	5 00	1	80	5 50	1	180	5 75
1	380	3 75	1	270	4 25	1	370	4 65
20	329	4 00	1	220	5 50			

STAGS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
1	680	4 00	1	1490	3 25	4	1130	3 60
1	1220	3 50						

STOCKERS AND FEEDERS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
49	1049	3 65	2	550	3 75	1	490	3 75
7	672	4 05	3	620	4 10	7	881	4 10
5	724	4 20	1	480	4 25	1	560	3 50
22	445	4 75	1	800	3 50	2	670	3 50
1	760	3 75	16	854	4 00	4	610	4 10
16	449	4 60	45	504	3 25	1	660	4 25
1	600	4 40	1	830	3 75	1	450	3 85
7	452	3 85	7	778	4 00	5	786	4 15
5	670	4 20	4	777	4 25	1	560	4 75

HOGS—The hog market was in a little better shape for the sellers today, values being a shade stronger. The market opened stronger and the trade was fairly active at the prevailing prices. For a time it slacked up a little, but the close came reasonably early and strong, with everything sold.

The quality of the hogs coming forward is very uniform, and the difference in value between the best and least desirable loads is extremely narrow, and for that reason the great bulk of the receipts sell at one price.

Heavy loads today averaging 300 pounds and above sold at $3.75, while yesterday there were a few loads at $3.72½.

Medium weight and light loads brought $3.75@3.82½, the top being 2½c higher than yesterday. The strength of the market was shown in the larger proportion of sales at $3.80 today.

The average of all the sales was 1¼c higher than yesterday, 5c higher than a week ago, 28c higher than a month ago and 52c higher than a year ago. Representative sales:

No.	Av.	Sh.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Sh.	Pr.
14	339	...	$3 70	24	321	80	$3 72½
46	351	...	3 75	54	310	320	3 75
56	350	120	3 75	63	203	...	3 75
68	261	...	3 75	20	291	80	3 75
49	268	...	3 75	11	265	...	3 75
60	232	80	3 75	57	287	40	3 75
55	330	80	3 75	59	305	80	3 75
60	287	...	3 75	14	322	...	3 75
53	309	...	3 75	62	251	...	3 75
59	287	160	3 75	63	289	80	3 75
83	258	160	3 75	56	335	160	3 75
55	317	160	3 75	56	277	190	3 75
52	259	200	3 75	63	299	80	3 75
69	264	...	3 75	52	382	80	3 75
50	269	80	3 75	67	246	...	3 77½
63	267	...	3 77½	60	281	...	3 77½
78	223	...	3 77½	89	234	160	3 77½
71	219	40	3 77½	124	145	...	3 77½
58	233	120	3 77½	65	272	40	3 77½
59	233	80	3 77½	58	266	...	3 77½
55	286	...	3 77½	49	268	120	3 77½
76	250	80	3 77½	73	225	40	3 77½
69	255	...	3 77½	51	268	...	3 77½
81	216	...	3 80	77	243	...	3 80
79	190	...	3 80	72	245	...	3 80
75	221	...	3 80	68	232	80	3 80
73	238	...	3 80	64	210	...	3 80
76	225	...	3 80	68	241	...	3 80
89	224	...	3 80	95	196	...	3 80
72	230	...	3 82½	172	199	...	3 82½

WAGON HOGS—THROWOUTS.

No.	Av.	Sh.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Sh.	Pr.
1	419	...	2 50	2	270	...	3 25
1	620	...	2 75	8	260	...	3 75
4	437	...	3 65	5	212	...	3 75
5	342	...	3 67½	7	222	...	3 75
4	345	...	3 70	7	274	...	3 75
9	324	80	3 72½	2	290	...	3 75

SHEEP—Receipts of sheep were the smallest in some days, only seven carloads being reported in the yards. The market was slow, but about steady. Representative sales:

No.		Av.	Pr.
5	western mixed	74	$3 75
47	western yearlings	79	4 60
253	western lambs	73	5 60
191	western lambs	63	5 00
428	western ewes	98	3 75
388	western wethers	117	4 15
147	Mexican lambs	62	4 90

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Fair Demand for Cattle, with Little Change in Prices.

CHICAGO, Feb. 11.—There was a fair demand for cattle and prices were generally unchanged. Choice fat cattle were scarce and sales were mostly well under $5.00. Sales were at an extreme range of $3.85@5.50, the bulk of the cattle bringing $4.35@5.10, with fair sales at $5.15@5.30. Prime cattle continued to sell at the highest prices paid in a long time, while inferior and medium grades sold very unsatisfactorily. Good feeders were much sought after, sales being mostly at $4.00@4.60, with one lot at $4.77½. A few prime bulls sold for $4.10@4.25, and prime calves brought $5.75@7.00.

Early sales of hogs were at steady prices, but the markets a little later became rather firm and light and medium weights averaged a trifle lower. The bulk of the hogs crossed the scales at $3.90@4.00, the extreme range for the poorest to the best being $3.80@4.05. The late market was dull and lower.

Prices for sheep and lambs ruled weak, particularly for heavy grades. Lambs sold slowly at $4.75@5.65, westerns predominating and bringing $5.25@5.65. Yearlings brought $4.50@5.00, and sheep were salable at $3.25@5.00, rams selling at $3.25@3.50 and ewes at $3.50@4.30. Heavy export sheep were salable around $4.30 and fed western sheep sold at $3.80@4.15.

Receipts: Cattle, 3,000 head; hogs, 26,000 head; sheep, 6,000 head.

Kansas City Live Stock.

KANSAS CITY, Feb. 11.—CATTLE—Receipts, 4,000 head; natives, 200 head, southern; stockers and feeders, active; cows and heifers, strong; Texans and Indians, strong to 10c higher; general market steady; choice grades strong; Texas steers, $3.95@4.40; western steers, $3.50@4.50; western cows, $2.50@4.15; native steers, $3.75@5.05; exports, $5.00@5.35; native cows and heifers, $2.25@4.35; stockers and feeders, $3.25@4.95; bulls, $2.50@4.25.

HOGS—Receipts, 15,500 head; market opened quiet and steady; closed easy, some 5c lower; bulk of sales, $3.70@3.90; heavies, $3.73@4.00; packers, $3.77½@3.97½; mixed, $3.75@3.95; lights, $3.70@3.80; yorkers, $3.70@3.80; pigs, $3.40@3.65.

SHEEP—Receipts, 1,200 head; market active; western-fed muttons, $3.75@4.40; westerns lambs, $4.50@5.50.

St. Louis Live Stock.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 11.—CATTLE—Receipts, 1,600 head; shipments, 1,000 head; market steady to strong; native shipping and export steers, $4.25@5.30; bulk of sales, $4.40@5.10; dressed beef grades, $3.85@4.40; bulk of sales, $4.00@4.75; steers under 1,000 lbs., $3.65@4.30; bulk of sales, $3.85@4.10; stockers and feeders, $3.00@4.40; bulk of sales, $3.10@4.15; cows and heifers, $2.00@4.40; bulk of sales, $2.50@4.10; Texas and Indian steers, $3.40@4.40; bulk of sales, $3.60@4.20; cows and heifers, $2.50@3.25.

HOGS—Receipts, 6,200 head; shipments, 2,800 head; market strong; yorkers, $3.75@3.90; packers, $3.80@3.95; butchers, $3.95@4.00.

SHEEP—Receipts, 900 head; shipments, 100 head; market steady; natives, $3.50@4.00.

LAMBS—$4.75@5.75; Texas muttons, $4.00@4.25.

Indianapolis Live Stock.

INDIANAPOLIS, Feb. 11.—CATTLE—Market less active, but average prices about steady compared with yesterday; good to prime steers, $4.85@5.25; fair to medium steers, $4.60@4.80; medium to good steers, $4.00@4.20; common to good stockers, $2.75@3.50.

HOGS—Market active, but not quite as high as yesterday morning; all sold; good to choice medium and heavy, $3.95@3.97½; mixed, $3.85@3.95; good to choice lights, $3.90@3.92½; common lights, $3.80@3.90.

SHEEP—Market generally lower; good to choice lambs, $5.00@5.40; common to medium lambs, $3.75@4.75; common sheep, $2.25@3.00; good to choice sheep, $3.85@4.40.

East Buffalo Live Stock.

EAST BUFFALO, Feb. 11.—CATTLE—Prime to extra steers, $3.10@5.25; choice shipping steers, $4.20@4.50; green, $3.75@4.35; light, $4.25@4.45; fat heifers, $4.25@4.60; mixed butcher stock, $3.60@4.10; fat cows, $3.50@3.85.

HOGS—Yorkers, good to choice, $4.20; roughs, common to choice, $3.50@3.70; pigs, common to choice, $3.80@3.95.

LAMBS—Choice to extra, $5.65@5.75; culls to common, $4.75@5.25.

SHEEP—Choice to selected wethers, $4.75@4.90; culls to common, $3.30@3.90.

New York Live Stock.

NEW YORK, Feb. 11.—BEEVES—Receipts, 3,156 head; mature steers, $4.25@5.10; stags and oxen, $3.00@4.50; bulls, $3.10@3.75; dry cows, $2.00@3.70; European cables quote American steers at 10½@11c, dressed weights; refrigerator beef, 9@9¾c per lb.; exports today, 200 beeves.

CALVES—Receipts, 53 head; veals, $4.00@7.25.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Receipts, 3,755 head; sheep, $4.00@4.62½; lambs, $5.50@6.05.

HOGS—Receipts, 3,291 head; higher at $4.20@4.45.

Cincinnati Live Stock.

CINCINNATI, Feb. 11.—HOGS—Active and strong at $3.25@4.05.

CATTLE—Steady at $2.25@4.65.

SHEEP—Steady at $2.75@4.65.

LAMBS—Steady at $4.00@5.80.

Stock in Sight.

Record of receipts of live stock at the four principal markets for February 11:

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
Omaha	1,520	3,858	1,441
Chicago	3,000	26,000	6,000
Kansas City	4,000	15,500	1,200
St. Louis	1,600	6,200	900
Totals	10,120	51,558	9,541

New York Dry Goods Market.

NEW YORK, Feb. 11.—Tomorrow being a holiday in the dry goods market sellers hastened to close up the week's trading today. Mail orders were quite steady in all branches of the trade. Trading on the other hand was light, owing to the scarcity of buyers in the market. But at first hands and with jobbers the demand by visiting buyers showed a falling off. The strong tone of goods is well sustained. In cotton this is due, no doubt, to the firm price of raw cotton. With woolens there is continued strength in spite of the weakness in the wool market. In men's wear fabrics the market shows little change. Buying is fairly free on reorders. Heavyweight goods were in quiet demand, but the week's trading has shown a fair average. Dress goods are irregular, though the demand for staples in the line of henriettas and the like is fairly well developed. With cotton goods the tone remains unchanged. Higher cotton prices have made cotton goods more valuable and sellers are not given to granting concessions under present conditions. Print cloths are firm at unchanged quotations.

Coffee Markets.

NEW YORK, Feb. 11.—COFFEE—Options opened steady at unchanged prices to 5 points lower, ruled inactive and featureless, with trading local and chiefly to liquidate in anticipation of tomorrow's holiday, heavy receipts at Rio and Santos, offset by better European cables than expected. Closed steady at net unchanged prices; sales, 17,750 bags, including March, $5.60@5.65. Spot, Rio, quiet; No. 7 invoice, 6¼c; No. 7 jobbing, 6¾c. Mild, steady; Cordova, 7½@15½c. Raw, strong; fair refining, 3 11-16c; centrifugal, 4 3-16c; sales, 825 tons; centrifugal, 4 3-16c, Trinidad in port; 175 tons molasses sugar, 3 7-16c, Trinidad in port.

Sugar Markets.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 11.—SUGAR—Open kettle, steady at 2¼@3⅜c; centrifugal, steady; granulated, 4⅝@4 11-16c; whites, 4@4⅜c; yellows, 3 13-16@4¼c; seconds, 2⅝@3⅝c. Molasses, kettle, steady at 14@27c; centrifugal, easy at 5@13c; syrup, steady at 18@24c.

NEW YORK, Feb. 11.—SUGAR—Raw, firm; fair refining, 3 11-16c; centrifugal, 96 test, 4 3-16c; refined, firm; crushed, 5⅝c; powdered, 5½c; granulated, 5⅜c; mould A, 5 9-16c; standard A, 5¼c; confectioners' A, 5¼c; cut loaf, 5⅞c; cubes, 5½c.

California Dried Fruits.

NEW YORK, Feb. 11.—CALIFORNIA DRIED FRUITS—Apples, steady; others quiet; evaporated apples, common, 5@7¾c; 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, 5@9c; peeled, 12@20c.

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