COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL

All Commodities Lose Somewhat in Course of Day.

ONGS KILL EARLY WHEAT STRENGTH

Alarm Among Shorts Helps Corn at First, but Subsequent Heavy Sales Causes Tumble Shared by Oats and Provisions.

CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—Wheat was active and strong early today, but later the market became listless, and the close was easier, with May ¼c lower; May corn was ⅝@¾c down and oats were a shade lower. January provisions closed with a loss of 7½@10c.

Unfavorable weather in the northwest, higher cables and small receipts caused a strong opening in wheat, and May sold at the highest of the year, being up ⅛@⅜c to ⅝@¾c at 77⅝@78c. Longs yielded to the temptation of taking profits and the result was that there was a big lot of long stuff thrown on the market and prices weakened under the continued strain, May selling off to 77⅛c. Commission houses bought freely at the decline, rallying the market somewhat, but renewed realizing toward the close caused another reaction, final figures on May being ¼c lower at 77⅛@77⅜c. December also closed easier, being down ⅝c at 75¼c. The unsettled weather in Argentine was a bull influence, and although prices were lower the underlying sentiment appeared to be toward the buying side. Bradstreet's showed exports for the week of wheat and flour equal to 3,761,000 bushels, compared with 3,879,000 bushels a year ago. Clearances today of wheat and flour were equal to 315,000 bushels. Primary receipts were 255,000 bushels, against 1,088,000 bushels a year ago. Minneapolis and Duluth reported receipts of 671 cars, which, with local receipts of 51 cars—18 of contract grade—made total receipts for the three points 622 cars, against 643 last week and 814 a year ago.

Corn was active and strong early, the strength in wheat being partly responsible for the higher prices, although firm cables and unfavorable weather contributed to the advance. Shorts became alarmed at the prospects and covered freely, led by a prominent operator who is short a big line, and a still further advance was experienced. General selling developed after the first hour of trading and the market gradually weakened, the close being easier, with May down ⅝@⅞c at 44⅛c, after ranging between 44⅝c and 45c. December closed ⅛c higher at 37⅝c. Local receipts were 185 cars, with six of contract grade.

There was a fair trade in oats and the market ruled firm, although the late weakness in wheat and corn caused a little easier feeling at the close, May being a shade lower, at 33½c, as ranging between 33⅝c and 33⅛c. Commission houses were the best buyers, while the selling was scattered. Local receipts were 66 cars.

Provisions were weak at the opening, due to lower prices in hogs, with liberal receipts at the yards. There was considerable liquidation by outside holders early in the day, but later the offerings became restricted, and with a fair demand from packers a rally developed, the close being at about the opening figures. January pork closed 7½c lower at $18.57½, January lard down 7½@10c at $9.70 and January ribs off 7½c at $8.32½.

Estimated receipts for tomorrow: Wheat, 25 cars; corn, 235 cars; oats, 160 cars; hogs, 25,000 head.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yes'y.
*Wheat					
Dec.	76	76⅛	75⅛	75¼	75⅞
May	77⅝@78	78	77⅛	77⅛	77⅞
July	74⅝@⅞	74⅞	74⅛	74⅛	74½
*Corn—					
Dec.	57⅛@⅝	58	57⅛	57⅜	57¼
Jan.	49@⅝	45½	48¼	48⅝	49
May	44⅝@⅞	45	44⅛	44⅛	44½@⅝
*Oats—					
†Dec.	32¼	32¼	31⅞	31⅞	32
May	33⅝@⅞	33⅞	33⅜	33⅜	33½@⅝
*Pork—					
Jan.	16 50	16 70	16 45	16 57½	16 65
May	15 45	15 55	15 40	15 52½	15 57½
*Lard—					
Dec.	10 20	10 22½	10 20	10 22½	10 32½
Jan.	9 70	9 75	9 65	9 70	9 80
May	9 07½	9 10	9 05	9 07½	9 12½
*Ribs—					
Jan.	8 30	8 35	8 30	8 32½	8 42½
May	8 22½	8 27½	8 22½	8 27½	8 30

*No. 2. †New.

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Market quiet, steady; winter patents, $3.50@3.60; straights, $3.10@3.20; clears, $2.70@2.10; spring specials, $4.40@4.20; patents, $3.40@3.70; straights, $2.90@3.20; bakers, $2.20@2.35.

WHEAT—No. 2 spring, 75@77c; No. 3, 70@74½c; No. 2 red, 75½@76½c.

CORN—No. 2, 57¼c; No. 2 yellow, 57¼c.

OATS—No. 2, 31⅞c; No. 3 white, 32@34c.

RYE—No. 2, 59¼c.

BARLEY—Good feeding, 36@39c; fair to choice malting, 45@56c.

SEED—No. 1 flax, $1.15; No. 1 northwestern, $1.24; prime timothy, $3.65; clover, contract grade, $10.75.

PROVISIONS—Mess pork, per bbl., $17. Lard, per 100 lbs., $10.25@10.30. Short ribs sides (loose), $8.50@8.75. Dry salted shoulders (boxed), $8.25@8.50. Short clear sides (boxed), $8.75@9.00.

Following were the receipts and shipments of the principal grains yesterday:

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls	20,500	20,600
Wheat, bu	60,300	15,400
Corn, bu	203,000	116,100
Oats, bu	174,000	241,400
Rye, bu	12,600	1,100
Barley, bu	47,900	10,800

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was steady; creameries, 18@23c; dairies, 17@25c. Eggs, steady, loss off, 25c. Cheese, steady, 11¼@12½c.

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKET.

Quotations of the Day on Various Commodities.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—FLOUR—Receipts, 22,791 bbls.; exports, 15,681 bbls.; market quieter, but steady; winter patents, $3.60@3.90; winter straights, $3.45@3.55; Minnesota patents, $4.00@4.20; winter extras, $2.85@3.15; Minnesota bakers, $3.25@3.40; winter low grades, $2.65@2.85. Rye flour, steady; fair to good, $3.10@3.40; choice to fancy, $3.50@3.55. Buckwheat flour, steady, $2.30@2.35, spot and to arrive.

CORNMEAL—Steady; yellow western, $1.24; city, $1.22; Brandywine, $3.40@3.55.

RYE—Steady; No. 2 western, 59c, f. o. b., afloat; No. 2, 54@54½c, track; state, 55@56c, c. i. f. New York.

BARLEY—Dull; feeding, 39@40c, c. i. f., Buffalo; malting, 48@60c, c. i. f. Buffalo.

WHEAT—Receipts, 127,725 bu.; exports, 48,271 bu. Spot, easy; No. 2 red, 82½c, elevator, and 79⅝c, f. o. b., afloat; No. 1 northern Duluth, 85⅝c, f. o. b., afloat; No. 1 hard Manitoba, 86⅝c, f. o. b., afloat. Options were irregular all day, being easy and firm by turns, with Argentine news conflicting and the crowd inclined to take profits on recent purchases. Cables were firm from English points, interior receipts light and clearances moderate. Late heavy selling of May for western account made the close weak at ⅛@1¼c net decline. May, $1.2-16@$1¼c, closed at 81¼c; July, 78⅝@79⅛c, closed at 78⅝c; December, 83⅝@83 11-16c, closed at 83c.

CORN—Receipts, 18,000 bu.; exports, 3,000 bu. Spot, dull; No. 2, 64c, elevator, and 61c, f. o. b. afloat; No. 2 yellow, 61c; No. 2 white, 61½c. Options advanced at first notably for December on covering on bad weather, cables and scant arrivals. Later prices yielded with wheat and the close was ⅝c lower, except near months, which closed ⅛@¼c net higher. January closed at 65⅝c; May, 49⅝@49¾c, closed at 49¼c; December, 62@62½c, closed at 62c.

OATS—Receipts, 28,500 bu.; exports, 20,385 bu. Spot, firm; No. 2, 37½c; standard white, 39½@35½c; No. 3, 37c; No. 2 white, 38½@38¾c; No. 3 white, 38@38½c; track white, western, nominal; track white, 37½@42c. Options fairly active and irregular; December closed at 39¼c.

HAY—Nominal; shipping, 55@70c; good to choice, 85c@$1.

HOPS—Nominal; state, common to choice, 1902, 29@33c; 1901, 24@28c; olds, 7@12½c; Pacific coast, 1902, 29@31c; 1901, 23@27c; olds, 7@12½c.

HIDES—Nominal; Galveston, 20 to 25 lbs., 19c; Texas dry, 24 to 30 lbs., 14c.

LEATHER—Nominal; acid, 24@25½c.

PROVISIONS—Beef, nominal; family, $16.00@18.00; mess, $10.50@11.00; beef hams, $20.50@22.00; packet, $14.00@16.00; city extra India mess, $25.00@28.00. Cut meats, nominal; pickled bellies, $8.75@10.50; pickled shoulders, $8.50; pickled hams, $11.75@12.00. Lard, easy; western steamed, $11; refined, quiet; continent, $11.75; South America, $11.75; compound, $7.50@7.75. Pork, quiet; family, $18; short clear, $21.00@22.00; mess, $18.00@18.50.

TALLOW—Dull; city, 5⅞c; country, 6c.

RICE—Quiet; domestic, fair to extra, 4¼@6¼c; Japan, 4⅝@6¼c, nominal.

PEANUTS—Steady; fancy hand picked, 4¾@5c; other domestic, 2¾@5¼c.

CABBAGE—Steady; domestic, per 100, white, $1.50@2.50; red, $1.50@3.00.

BUTTER—Receipts, 3,121 pkgs.; firm; state dairy, 20@27c; creamery, extra, 26c; creamery, common to choice, 21@25c.

CHEESE—Receipts, 499 pkgs.; steady; fancy large, state full cream, colored and white, September, 13½c; late make, 13c; fancy small, colored and white, September, 13½c; late make, 13c.

EGGS—Receipts, 4,742 pkgs.; dull; state and Pennsylvania, average best, 29c; western, poor to fancy, 20@27c.

POULTRY—Alive, weak; chickens, 12c; turkeys, 11@12c; fowls, 12½c. Dressed, firm; western chickens, 12@13c; western fowls, 12½@13c; western turkeys, 18@19c.

METALS—The feature of today's metal markets was the sharp advance in tin at London, where a gain for the day of £1 15s was reported, with spot reported at £134 12s 6d and futures at £115. The New York market was influenced by the advance abroad to the extent of some 40 points on the inside price, spot closing at $28.35@28.45. Copper declined 2s 6d in London, making the spot quotation £59 6s 3d and futures £59 12s 6d. Locally, however, it was unchanged, quotations being nominal. Standard was quoted at $10.75, lake at $11.65 and electrolytic and casting at $11.45. Lead was steady but quiet here at $4.12½, while in London it was firmer, advancing 2s 6d to £19 15s 3d. Spelter was unchanged here at $4.95 and in London at £19 17s 6d. Iron was lower abroad, Glasgow closing at 54s 3d, nominal, and Middlesborough at 47s 3d. Locally the market was quiet and unchanged. Warrants continued nominal; No. 1 foundry northern is quoted at $22.00@25.00; No. 2 foundry northern, No. 1 foundry southern and No. 1 foundry southern soft at $22.00@23.00.

OMAHA WHOLESALE MARKETS.

Condition of Trade and Quotations on Staple and Fancy Produce.

EGGS—Candled stock, 23@24c.

LIVE POULTRY—Hens, 7½@8c; old roosters, 4c; turkeys, 10@11c; ducks, 8@9c; geese, 8@9c; spring chickens, per lb., 8½@9c.

DRESSED POULTRY—Hens, 10c; young chickens, 11c; turkeys, 12@14c; ducks and geese, 10@11c.

BUTTER—Packing stock, 16@16½c; choice dairy, in tubs, 20@21c; separator, 28@29c.

FRESH CAUGHT FISH—Trout, 8c; herring, 6c; pickerel, 8c; pike, 9c; perch, 6c; buffalo, dressed, 7c; sunfish, 3c; bluefins, 3c; whitefish, 10c; salmon, 16c; haddock, 11c; codfish, 12c; redsnapper, 10c; lobsters boiled, per lb., 30c; lobsters, green, per lb., 28c; bullheads, 10c; catfish, 14c; black bass, 20c; halibut, 11c.

CORN—New, 46c.

OATS—32c.

RYE—No. 2, 45c.

BRAN—Per ton, $13.50.

HAY—Prices quoted by Omaha Wholesale Hay Dealers' association: Choice No. 1 upland, $8.50; No. 1 medium, $7.50; No. 1 coarse, $7.00. Rye straw, $6.00. These prices are for hay of good color and quality. Demand, fair; receipts, light.

OYSTERS—Standards, per can, 28c; extra selects, per can, 35c; New York counts, per can, 42c; bulk, extra selects, per gal., $1.75; bulk, standards, per gal., $1.30.

CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS.

TREES—4 to 5 feet, per dozen, $1.75; 7 to 9 feet, $3.50; 5 to 7 feet, $2.50; 9 to 10 feet, $4.50; large for school and church purposes, 12 to 14, feet, each, $1.00@1.50; extra large, 15 to 20 feet, each, $2.00@4.00.

HOLLY BRANCHES—Per case of 2x2x4 feet (about 50 lbs.), $4; per barrel, $1.50.

LONG NEEDLE PINES—Per dozen, $2.50@3.00.

MISTLETOE BRANCHES—Per lb., 30c.

EVERGREEN WREATHING—In rolls of 20 yards, per roll, 90c; five-roll lots, 85c.

EVERGREEN WREATHS—Medium and galax wreaths, per dozen, $1.50@2.00; evergreen wreaths, per dozen, $1.50@2.00; holly wreaths, per dozen, $1.50@2.00.

VEGETABLES.

NEW CELERY—Kalamazoo, per doz., 25c; Utah, per doz., 45c; California, per doz., for stalks weighing from 1 to 1½ lbs., each, 45@75c.

POTATOES—New, per bu., 50c.

SWEET POTATOES—Kansas, per bbl., $2.25.

TURNIPS—Per bu., 30c; Canada rutabagas, per lb., 1c.

BEETS—Per basket, 40c.

CUCUMBERS—Hothouse, per doz., $1.50.

PARSNIPS—Per bu., 40c.

CARROTS—Per bu., 40c.

GREEN ONIONS—Southern, per doz. bunches, 45c.

RADISHES—Southern, per doz. bunches, 45c.

WAX BEANS—Per bu. box, $3; string beans, per bu. box, $1.50.

CABBAGE—Misc. Holland seed, per lb., 1½c.

ONIONS—New home grown, in sacks, per bu., 75c; Spanish, per crate, $1.75.

NAVY BEANS—Per bu., $2.60.

TOMATOES — New California, per 4-basket crate, $2.75.

CALIFLOWER—California, per crate, $2.50.

FRUITS.

PEARS—Fall varieties, per box, $2.00; Colorado, per box, $2.25.

APPLES—Cooking, per bbl., $2.25; eating, $2.50; Jonathans, $4.00; New York stock, $3.25; California Bellflowers, bu. box, $1.60.

GRAPES—Catawbas, per basket, 18c; Malaga, per keg, $6.00@7.00.

CRANBERRIES — Wisconsin, per bbl., $9.50; Bell and Bugles, $10.50; per box, $3.25.

TROPICAL FRUITS.

BANANAS—Per bunch, according to size, $2.00@2.50.

LEMONS—California fancy, $4; choice, $3.75.

ORANGES—Florida Brights, $3.75; California navels, $3.00@3.50; California sweet Jaffas, all sizes, $2.75.

DATES—Persian, in 70-lb. boxes, per lb., 6c; per case of 30-lb. pkgs., $2.25.

FIGS—California, per 10-lb. cartons, $1; Turkish, per 25-lb. box, 14@15c.

GRAPE FRUIT—Florida, $6.

MISCELLANEOUS.

HONEY—New Utah, per 24-frame case, $3.75.

CIDER—New York, $4.50; per ½-bbl., $2.75.

SAUERKRAUT—Wisconsin, per ½-bbl., $2.25; per bbl., $3.75.

POPCORN—Per lb., 2c; shelled, 4c.

HIDES—No. 1 green, 7c; No. 2 green, 6c; No. 1 salted, 8c; No. 2 salted, 7c; No. 1 veal calf, 8 to 12½ lbs., 8½c; No. 2 veal calf, 12 to 15 lbs., 6c; dry hides, 8@12c; sheep pelts, 25@75c; horse hides, $1.50@2.50.

NUTS—Walnuts, No. 1 soft shell, per lb., 15c; hard shell, per lb., 14c; No. 2 soft shell, per lb., 13c; No. 2 hard shell, per lb., 12c; Brazils, per lb., 12c; filberts, per lb., 12c; almonds, soft shell, per lb., 16c; hard shell, per lb., 15c; pecans, large, per lb., 12½c; pecans, small, per lb., 11c; cocoanuts, per doz., 50c; chestnuts, per lb., 10c; peanuts, per lb., 5½c; roasted peanuts, per lb., 7c; black walnuts, per lb., $1; hickory nuts, per bu., $1.50; cocoanuts, per 100, $4.

OLD METALS, ETC.—A. B. Aiplrn quotes the following prices: Iron, country, mixed, per ton, $11; iron, stove plate, per ton, $8; copper, per lb., 8½c; brass, heavy, per lb., 4½c; brass, light, per lb., 3½c; lead, per lb., 3c; zinc, per lb., 2½c; rubber, per lb., 6½c.

WEARE COMMISSION COMPANY.

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CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—WHEAT—There was a strong market early, with conspicuous buying by Patten, and prices advanced ¼@½c, but this advance was lost before the close. The market was also helped by reports of unfavorable weather both in Argentine and in this country—raining in the middle west and very cold in the northwest. Later this was offset by predictions of rains, followed by snow. Primary receipts were 825,000 bushels, against 1,088,000 a year ago; in the northwest 571 cars, against 756 a year ago. Clearances, 315,000 bushels. New York reports 35 loads taken for export. Local cash sales, 25,000 bushels. Weekly clearances, 3,761,000 bushels, which is 1,118,000 less than the week before, but about the same as last year. Missouri's December report made condition 96, but reported 10 per cent less area than last year. Prussian official crop report made wheat 98,000,000 bushels, against 52,000,000 last year. Local receipts, 51 cars, with 18 contract. Estimates for tomorrow, 55 cars. Minneapolis was very strong on the December and the May strength at St. Louis was a feature. There has been a large commission house trade, with a great deal of profit-taking. Buffalo reports 100,000 bushels Duluth wheat taken by the seaboard. Northwest stocks will increase about 2,000,000 bushels.

CORN—The market was strong and active early; December advanced to 58c and May to 45c, but the best figures were not maintained. Armour bought openly at the opening, but there was heavy selling by commission houses. Cash corn declined 1c after a firm start, and the cash market evidently felt the larger estimates for tomorrow—255 cars. Receipts today, 185 cars, with 6 contract. Primary receipts, 691,000 bushels, against 946,000 last year. Clearances, 158,000 bushels. New York reports 8 loads taken for export. Local cash sales, 60,000 bushels. Missouri crop report made the yield 307,000,000 bushels. Out of private houses nearly 17 cars No. 2 corn.

OATS—The market was strong early with wheat and corn, but yielded later in sympathy with those markets. Howe continued to add to his line. Cash oats were ¼c higher for the best, ¼c off for low grades. Local receipts, 66 cars. Estimates for Saturday, 160 cars. Clearances, 42,000 bushels. Out of private houses there were 10 cars No. 2 and 10 cars standard. New York reports 50,000 bushels. Local cash sales, 100,000 bushels.

PROVISIONS—The market opened off on larger hog receipts than expected. The local scalpers sold early. Armour was credited with selling. Local shorts covering advanced the market. There were 37,000 hogs. Estimated for Saturday, 25,000. Hogs in the west today, 80,000, against 80,000 last week and 112,000 last year.

Rye is attracting more attention than for some time. Good investment buying the last few days, and with resting orders for more around 52½c for May. Rye is certainly cheap at 36 per cent under wheat. The visible supply—1,331,000 bushels—is only half what it was last year. Local stocks only 234,000 bushels, all grades. Think purchases of May at 53c or under will show good profits later.

WEARE COMMISSION COMPANY.

Minneapolis Wheat, Flour and Bran.

MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 12.—WHEAT—December, 74½c; May, 78⅝c; on track, No. 1 hard, 75⅝c; No. 1 northern, 74⅝c; No. 2 northern, 72½c.

FLOUR—First patents, $3.90@4.00; second patents, $3.70@3.85; first clears, $2.90@3.00; second clears, $2.30@2.40.

BRAN—In bulk, $12.25.

St. Louis Grain and Provisions.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 12.—WHEAT—Lower; No. 2 red, cash, elevator, nominal; track, 72½@74c; December, 71c, nominal; May, 76½c asked; May, 76½c asked; No. 2 hard, 68@72c.

CORN—Weak; No. 2 cash, 48c, nominal; track, 49@49½c; December, 46c bid; May, 40½c bid.

OATS—Weak; No. 2 cash, 44½c; track, 35@35½c; December, 34c; May, 32½c; No. 2 white, 36½c.

RYE—Firm at 49c bid.

FLOUR—Firm, higher; red winter patents, $3.35@3.55; extra fancy and straight, $3.20@3.30; clear, $2.90@3.00.

SEED—Timothy, steady at $2.90@3.40.

CORNMEAL—Steady at $2.30.

BRAN—Firm; sacked, east track, 70@72c.

HAY—Firm; timothy, $12.00@15.50; prairie, $11.50@12.50.

IRON COTTON TIES—$1.07½.

BAGGING—6 5-16@7 1-16c.

HEMP TWINE—9c.

PROVISIONS — Pork, lower; standard mess, $18. Lard, lower, $10.35. Dry salt meats (boxed), quiet; extra shorts, $9.25; clear ribs, $9.12½; short clears, $9.62½. Bacon (boxed), quiet; extra shorts and clear ribs, 10c; short clear, 11c.

METALS—Lead, firm at $4.00. Spelter, dull at $4.60.

POULTRY—Steady; chickens, 8c; springs, 8@8½c; turkeys, 12½@13c; ducks, 12c; geese, 8c.

BUTTER — Steady; creamery, 23@30c; dairy, 18½@23c.

EGGS—Steady at 22c, loss off.

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls	10,000	14,000
Wheat, bu	43,000	64,000
Corn, bu	108,000	59,000
Oats, bu	31,000	15,000

Liverpool Grain and Provisions.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 12.—WHEAT—No. 2 red, spot, western winter, 5s 11d; No. 1 California, 6s 7½d; futures, quiet; December, 6s 1½d; March, 6s 1½d; May, 6s 1½d.

CORN—Spot, American mixed, new, firm, 5s 2½d; old, quiet, 5s 4d; futures, easy; January, 4s 6¼d; March, 4s 3¼d.

HOPS—At London (Pacific coast, firm) £6 15s@£7.

PEAS—Canadian, steady, 6s 7½d.

PROVISIONS—Beef, firm; extra India mess, 115s. Pork, firm; prime mess western, 92s 6d. Hams, short cut, 14 to 16 lbs., quiet, 53s 6d. Bacon, Cumberland cut, 26 to 30 lbs., quiet, 48s; short ribs, 16 to 24 lbs., quiet, 51s; long clear middles, light, 22 to 30 lbs., dull, 52s; long clear middles, heavy, 35 to 40 lbs., dull, 51s 6d; short clear backs, 16 to 20 lbs., quiet, 52s 6d; clear bellies, 14 to 16 lbs., dull, 61s. Shoulders, square, 11 to 13 lbs., quiet, 44s 6d. Lard, prime western, in tierces, firm, 58s 6d; American refined, in pails, quiet, 59s 6d.

BUTTER—Nominal.

CHEESE—Strong; American, finest white and colored, 59s.

TALLOW—Prime city, steady, 28s 6d; Australian in London, firm, 34s 3d.

Receipts of wheat during the past three days, 220,000 centals, including 116,000 American. Receipts of American corn during the past three days, 12,200 centals.

Kansas City Grain and Provisions.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 12.—WHEAT—December, 64½c; May, 70½c; cash, No. 2 hard, 67@69c; No. 3, 65@67c; No. 2 red, 67@68c; No. 3, 65@66c.

CORN—December, 42c; May, 38¼c; cash, No. 2 mixed, 43c; No. 2 white, 42½@43c; No. 3, 42½@42½c.

OATS—No. 2 white, 36c; No. 2 mixed, 33½c.

RYE—No. 2, 42@56c.

HAY—Choice timothy, $10.50@11.00; choice prairie, $10.00@10.25.

BUTTER—Creamery, 25@27c; dairy, fancy, 22c.

EGGS—Fresh, 22c.

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Wheat, bu	92,000	40,500
Corn, bu	51,200	66,400
Oats, bu	17,000	15,000

Philadelphia Produce Market.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 12.—BUTTER—Firm, ½@1c higher; extra western creamery, 31c; extra nearby prints, 33c.

EGGS—Steady, fair demand; fresh nearby, 29c, loss off; fresh western, 29c, loss off; fresh southwestern, 26@27c, loss off; fresh southern, 25c, loss off.

CHEESE—Firmer, godo demand; New full cream, prime small, 13½@13¾c; New York full creams, fair to good small, 13@13¼c; New York full creams, prime large, 13½c; New York full creams, fair to good large, 13@13¼c.

Toledo Grain and Seed.

TOLEDO, O., Dec. 12.—WHEAT—Fairly active, steady; cash and December, 77¾c; May, 81½c.

CORN—Fairly active, lower; December, 48½c; May, 44½c.

OATS—Dull, unchanged; December, 43½c; May, 34½c.

RYE—Nominal, 52½c.

SEEDS—Clover, dull, steady; December, $6.60; January, $6.62½; March, $6.67½; prime timothy, $1.75; prime alsike, $8.25.

Milwaukee Grain Market.

MILWAUKEE, Dec. 12.—WHEAT—Firm; No. 1 northern, 77½@77½c; No. 2 northern, 76@77c; May, 77½c.

RYE—Firm; No. 1, 51½@53½c.

BARLEY—Easier; No. 2, 64c; sample, 28@64c.

CORN—May, 44½@44¾c.

Duluth Grain Market.

DULUTH, Dec. 12.—WHEAT—Cash, No. 1 hard, 74c; No. 2 northern, 71c; No. 1 northern, 73c; December, 73c; May, 76¼c.

OATS—December, 31½c.

Peoria Market.

PEORIA, Ill., Dec. 12.—CORN—Steady; new No. 3, 45c.

OATS—Steady; No. 3 white, 32c.

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—MONEY—On call, firm, 6@12 per cent, closing offered at 6 per cent; time money, firm, with sixty and ninety-day loans made under special arrangements and six months at 6 per cent; prime mercantile paper, 6 per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Weak, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.87 for demand and at $4.83@4.8355 for sixty days; posted rates, $4.84½ and $4.88; commercial bills, $4.82¾@4.83¼.

SILVER—Bar, 48⅞c; Mexican dollars, 37¼c.

BONDS—Government, steady; railroad, irregular.

The closing quotations bn bonds are as follows:

U. S. ref. 2s, reg	107¼	L. & N. uni. 4s	101¼
do coupon	108¼	Mex. Central 4s	75½
do 3s, reg	107½	do 1s inc	29¾
do coupon	107½	Minn. & St. L. 4s	102¼
do 4s, reg	135¼	M., K. & T. 4s	99
do coupon	135¼	do 2s	81
do old 4s, reg	109½	N. Y. Central 3s	105¾
do coupon	109½	N. J. C. gen. 5s	131
do 5s, reg	103¾	N. Pacific 4s	135¼
do coupon	103¾	No. Pacific 4s	103¼
Atchison gen. 4s	101	do 3s	72½
do adj. 4s	90	N. & W. con. 4s	102
Bal. & Ohio 4s	100¾	Reading gen. 4s	96
do 3½s	94	St L. & I. M. c. 5s	112½
do conv. 4s	104½	St. L. & S. F. 4s	97
Canada So. 2s	106	St. L. & S. W. 1s	99
Central of Ga. 5s	108	do 2s	84
do 1s inc	75	S. A. & A. P. 4s	88
Ches. & Ohio 4½s	104	So. Pacific 4s	83½
Chicago & N. W. 7s	140	So. Railway 5s	119¾
C., B. & Q. n. 4s	99¼	Texas & Pacific 1s	118
C. M. & St P. g. 4s	113	T., St. L. & W. 4s	77
C. & N. W. c. 7s	132½	Union Pacific 4s	104¾
C., R. I. & P. 4s	100¼	do conv. 4s	104
C C C & St L. g. 4s	97	Wabash 1s	115
Chicago Ter. 4s	95	do 2s	109
Colorado So. 4s	80½	do deb. B	72
Denver & R. G. 4s	101	West Shore 4s	113
Erie prior lien 4s	97¾	Wheel. & L. E. 4s	91
do general 4s	84	Wis. Central 4s	91¼
F. W. & D. C. 1s	110	Con. Tobacco 4s	61¾
Hocking Val. 4½s	108		

Boston Stock Quotations.

BOSTON, Dec. 12.—Call loans, 5½@6 per cent; time loans, 5@6½ per cent. Official closing of stocks and bonds:

Atchison 4s	100¾	Allouez	2¾
Mex. Central 4s	73½	Amalgamated	65½
Atchison	83⅝	Bingham	25
do pfd	97½	Calumet & Hecla	440
Boston & Albany	258	Centennial	13⅝
Boston & Me	353	Copper Range	53½
Boston Elevated	143½	Dominion Coal	126
N. Y., N. H. & H.	192½	Isle Royale	18
Fitchburg pfd	141½	Mohawk	39
Union Pacific	96⅝	Old Dominion	75
Mexican Central	21½	Osceola	50
American Sugar	129⅝	Parrot	22
do pfd	117½	Quincy	100
American T. & T.	158½	Santa Fe Copper	1½
Dominion I. & S.	54½	Tamarack	140
Gen. Electric	174	Trinity	8
Mass. Electric	32¼	United States	20¾
do pfd	93½	Utah	25
United Fruit	107	Victoria	4¾
U. S. Steel	32⅝	Winona	1½
do pfd	91½	Wolverine	87½
Westingh. Common	93	Daly West	36½
Adventure	12½		

New York Mining Quotations.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—The following are the closing prices on mining stocks:

Adams Con	15	Little Chief	9
Alice	17	Ontario	800
Breece	49	Ophir	140
Brunswick Con	5	Phoenix	6
Comstock Tunnel	4½	Potosi	320
Con. Cal. & Va	140	Savage	18
Horn Silver	125	Sierra Nevada	45
Iron Silver	75	Small Hopes	25
Leadville Con	2	Standard	300

Bank Clearings.

OMAHA, Dec. 12.—Bank clearings today, $1,166,504.44; corresponding day last year, $1,130,267.67; increase, $36,236.77.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Clearings, $246,625,804; balances, $9,738,986.

BOSTON, Dec. 12.—Clearings, $34,227,326; balances, $2,363,176.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 12.—Clearings, $8,372,562; balances, $1,078,328; money, steady, 5@6 per cent; New York exchange, 50c premium.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 12.—Clearings, $19,282,844; balances, $2,993,176.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 12.—Clearings, $3,545,-676; balances, $433,382.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 12.—Clearings, $2,518,-800; New York exchange, 50c premium; money, 6 per cent.

NEW YORK STOCKS AND BONDS.

Sudden Revulsion Causes Apparent Bull Speculation.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—There was a sudden revulsion of sentiment during the day's trading at the Stock exchange which transformed a demoralized market into what looked like an animated bull speculation. Undoubtedly the bear account, which had suddenly expanded to unwieldy proportions in the last three days, was partly responsible for the sudden and violent recovery of prices, but the change in sentiment on the part of this element was prompted by the evidence of large and influential buying of a more substantial character. This was the signal for the upturn of the market. Before noon there were ragged declines all the way from 1 to 5 points in the prices of active railroad stocks. In the inactive list, including specialties, the losses extended to 12 and 25 points, the last named in New York and Harlem. The last previous sale of this stock was made in April of 1901 at 480. Today's sale was of 200 shares at 405. The sale of securities of this grade in a demoralized market is generally regarded as the evidence of the extreme pressure for money. That there was such pressure today is beyond dispute, and a great part of the selling was probably without the free choice of the nominal holders of the securities. The withdrawal of credits from holders of stock and the practical impossibility of obtaining fresh accommodation left no recourse but to throw over their noldings at the best prices they could get. For a time this process was carried on, as it was yesterday, with practically no buyers in the market, but at the extreme decline the buying demand developed. It is probable that the level of prices in itself served as some attraction to buyers who have resources to avail themselves of "bargains." The easing of the money situation as a result of the day's events also gave some distressed holders the power to secure means to protect their holdings from sacrifice. The drastic liquidation effected was the immediate cause of relief to the money market. An important factor was the announcement that $100,000,000 block of Pennsylvania Car Trust certificates, which was taken by the New York bankers earlier in the week, had been taken by foreign capitalists. The street was prompt to jump to the conclusion that a corresponding amount of capital would be immediately released to place in the local loan market. At all events the incident helped to relieve acute anxiety over the money outlook and was promptly followed by an effective rally. Another influential factor was the revelation by the publication of the preliminary figures of the currency movement that the banks had gained something over $2,000,000 on the regular interior movement of currency, thus offsetting to that extent the loss of $5,700,000 on subtreasury operations and gold exports. Taken in connection with the probable loan contraction, a less unfavorable bank statement is indicated than was feared. The rise in New York exchange at Chicago today from 15 cents premium to 25 cents premium, and a sharp fractional fall in sterling exchange, are indications that the stringent condition of the local money market is having its effect in attracting funds from other sources. Some mystery attaches to the source of the very large and sudden demand for money in the last day or two, which resulted in displacing loans from the stock market. That there was some such extraordinary demand is evident on the authority of bankers. The application of the president of Venezuela for arbitration of his difficulties was a favorable factor on Stock exchange sentiment. The violent upturn of prices transformed the general losses into net gains, some of which were sufficient to wipe out all of yesterday's decline. Evansville & Terre Haute was conspicuous for a gain of 6 points, Great Northern preferred 4 per cent and a great sprinkling of the leaders of the market of from 2 to 3.

The market closed steady, but slightly below the best.

Bonds rallied from early weakness in sympathy with stocks. Total sales, par value, $4,445,000.

United States bonds were all unchanged on the last call.

The following are the closing prices on the New York Stock exchange:

Atchison	80¾	So. Pacific	69
do pfd	97½	So. Railway	29⅞
Baltimore & Ohio	96⅝	do pfd	91
do pfd	93	Texas & Pacific	39¼
Canadian Pacific	136¼	Toledo, St. L. & W.	23½
Canada So.	85½	do pfd	70½
Ches. & Ohio	44⅝	Union Pacific	96⅞
Chicago & Alton	31⅞	do pfd	99½
do pfd	69	Wabash	28
Chicago, Ind. & L.	74	do pfd	57⅞
do pfd	91	Wheeling & L. E.	20
Chicago & E. Ill.	155	do 2d pfd	51½
Chicago & G. W.	28⅝	Wis. Central	24
do 1st pfd	80	do pfd	50
do 2d pfd	32	Adams Ex.	200
Chicago & N. W.	213	American Ex.	210
Chicago Ter. & Tr.	16⅝	United States Ex.	120
do pfd	50½	Wells-Fargo Ex.	310
C. C. C. & St. L.	92¼	Amal. Copper	55⅝
Colorado So.	24	Amer. Car & F.	32¾
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