## COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL

Market in All Lines is Dull and Prices Generally Drop.

COLLAPSING POOL UNSETTLES CORN PIT

Speculative Sales Indicate that Deal is of, Though St. Louis Ring Claims Scheme Will Go Through.

CHICAGO, Dec. 1k.—Grain and provisions market were extremely duil loday and prices were generally lower at the close. May wheat being down \$40\footnote{\text{c}}\$ cover off \$40\footnote{\text{c}}\$ cand eats \$40\footnote{\text{c}}\$ clower. May corn off \$40\footnote{\text{c}}\$ cand eats \$40\footnote{\text{c}}\$ clower. Wheat ruled irregular and quite nervous and trading throughout the day was very light, which fact was one of the main reasons for the lower prices late in the session, although outside the etrength in cables, the news in general was best ish. Local longs were disposed to resilize on their holdings and with no support from the outside the market sagged gradually to a weak close. May opened \$40\footnote{\text{d}}\$ chigher at \$75\footnote{\text{c}}\$ county and was firm the early part of the day, selling up to \$77\footnote{\text{d}}\$ conjugate to ward the end of the session and the price dropped to \$76\footnote{\text{d}}\$ clower at \$76\footnote{\text{d}}\$ condend to \$12\footnote{\text{d}}\$ conjugate to \$12\footnote{\text{d}}\$ conjugate were equal to \$35\footnote{\text{d}}\$ conform \$40\footnote{\text{d}}\$ conform \$40\footnote

fluence and receipts were only fair, being 185 cars.

Provisions were rather duil, but exhibited steadiness in view of the lower prices being offered for hogs. There was a fair demand for January pork and lard, which kept the market up early in the day, but considerable realizing in pork caused an easier feeling, especially in January pork, which closed 17c lower at \$16.40. January lard was a shade lower at \$16.40 and ribs were unchanged at \$8.27%.

Estimated receipts for tomorrow: Wheat, 50 cars; corn, 270 cars; oats, 140 cars; hogs, \$1,000 head.

The leading futures ranged as follows: The leading futures ranged as follows: Articles. | Open. | High. | Low. | Close. | Yes'y.

May	17% (P%)	77%@%	7614	7615	77%@%
July	72% (F%)	74%	7876	73560F94	74%
Och Dec. Jan. May	47%@% 46 43%@%	47% 46% 43%	46% 45 43@%	46% 45% 43@%	47% 46% 43%
†Dec.	3234 @76	3114	30%	30%	311/4
May		324 @ 74	30%	32%@%	32/4
Pork- Jan May	16 60 15 60	16 62% 15 65	16 40 15 57%	16 40 15 60%	16 5714 15 5714
Lard- Dec. Jan. May	10 30 9 75 9 10	10 20 9 7714 9 1752	10 25 9 70 9 10	10 25 9 70 9 10	10 22½ 9 70 9 12½
Jan.	8 42%	8 4214	8 37¼	8 371/2	8 3744
May	8 30	8 3214	8 30	8 30	8 2744

Cash quotations were as follows: FLOUR-Market quiet and stendy; winter patents, \$3.40@3.50; straights, \$3.10@3.30; FLOUR-Market quiet and steady; winter patents, \$3.40@3.50; straights, \$3.10@3.30; spring patents, \$3.40@3.70; straights, \$2.90@8.30; bakers, \$2.25@2.75.
WHEAT-No. 2 spring, 74@75c; No. 3, 63@86c; No. 2 red. 72%@74%c.
CUHN-No. 2, 46%c; No. 2 yellow, 46%c.
OATS-No. 2, 30%c; No. 3 white, 30%@32%c.
RYE-No. 2, 48%c.
BARLEY-Good feeding, 38@40c; fair to choice maiting, 45666c.

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKETS.

\$\footnote{\text{No. 168} \text{May. 48 1-168} \text{Msyc. closed at 48\footnote{\text{Mgc}}; July closed at 47c; December, 58\footnote{\text{Mgc}}; December, 58\footnote{\text{Mgc}}; December, 58\footnote{\text{Mgc}}; December, 58\footnote{\text{Mgc}}; December, 58\footnote{\text{Mgc}}; December, 58\footnote{\text{Mgc}}; December, 1800 bu. Spot, quiet; No. 2, 37\footnote{\text{Mc}}; No. 3, 37c; No. 3 white, 37\footnote{\text{Mgc}}; Track mixed western, nominal; track white, 37\footnote{\text{Mgc}}; Standard white, 38\footnote{\text{Mgc}}; No. 2 white, 38\footnote{\text{Mgc}}; Options dull and easy; December closed at 38\footnote{\text{Mc}}; HAY-Firm; shipping, 56\text{McToc}; good to choice, 50.55\text{Mgc}; 00. HOPS-Steady; State, common to choice, 1900 crop, 26\text{Mgc}; olds, 7\text{Mgc} crop, 26\text{Mgc}; olds, 7\text{Mgc} crop, 26\text{Mgc}; olds, 7\text{Mgc} crop, 26\text{Mgc}; 1901 crop, 26\text{Mgc}; olds, 7\text{Mgc} crop, 25\text{Mgc}; 1901 crop, 26\text{Mgc}; olds, 7\text{Mgc} crop, 25\text{Mgc}; 1901 crop, 25\text{M

RICE-Quiet, domestic, fair to extra, 4% RICE—Quiet, domestic, fair to extra, 4\(\frac{1}{2}\) (65\) (a) Japan, 4\(\frac{1}{2}\) (5\) (a) c, nominal.

PEANUTS—Steady: fancy, hand picked.

4\(\frac{1}{2}\) (5) cther domestic, 3\(\frac{1}{2}\) (5\) (c.

CABBAGE—Steady: domestic, per 100, white, 8,50\) (25\) (c. 41.5\) (3\) (200.

BUTTER—Receipts, 2.715 pkgs; steady: state dairy, 20\) (20\

lake at \$11.65 and electrolytic and casting at 45 Lend was unchanged at \$4,125 ally and in London at 518 3d at £10 168 30 locally and in London at 618 3d at £10 188 3d Spelter was also unchanged in London at £19 178 6d, with the local market casy at \$4.40. Iron in Glazgow cloned at 78 3d and in Middlesborough at 68 6d. In New York I was doll, but unchanged. Warrants con-tinue nominal. No. 1 foundry northern is quoted at £3.00(£25.30, No. 1 foundry south-ern, No. 1 foundry southern soft and No. foundry northern at \$22.00(£25.90).

OMAHA WHOLESALE MARKETS Condition of Trade and Quotations on Scaple and Fancy Produce.

EGGS-Candled stock, Mig2le, LIVE POULTRY-Hens, 7498c; old roos-ters, 5c; turkeys, 1594c; ducks, 845c; geese, Misc; spring chickens, per lb., 81435c. PRESSED POULTRY-Hens, 8c; young chickens, He; turkeys, 15817c; ducks and geese, 100He. chickens. He: turkeys, 15617c; ducks and geese, 10611c.

BUTTER-Packing stock, 176174c, choice dairy, in tube, 20621c; separator, 20620c.

FRESH FISH—Trout, 961cc; herring, 5c; pickerel, 8c, pike, 8c; perch, 6c; buffalo, dressed 7c; sunfish, 3c; bluefins, 3c; whitefish, 3c; samon, 15c; haddock, He; codfish, 12c; redenapper, 16c; lobsters, bolled, per lb, 30c; lobsters, green, per lb, 28c; bull-hedds, 10c; caffish, 14c; black bass, 20c; hallbut, He.

CORN—New, 40c,
OATS—32c.

RYE—No. 2, 45c.
BRAN—Per ton, 512,50.
HAY—Prices quoted by Omaha Wholessate Hay Dealers association; Choice No. 1 upland, 38,50; No. 1 medium, \$7.50; No. 1 coarse, 5f. Rye straw, 56. These prices are for hay of good color and quality. Demand falt, receipts light.

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OYSTERS—Standards, per can, 28c; extra
selects, per can, 28c; New York counts, per
can, 42c; bulk, extra selects, per gal., \$1.75;
bulk, standards, per gal., \$1.90.
CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS.

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TREES—4 to 5 feet, per dozen, \$1.75; 7 to 9 feet, \$2.50; 5 to 7 feet, \$2.50; 5 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%1.50.

HOLLY BRANCHES—Per case of 2x2x4 feet (about 50 ibs.), \$4; per barrel, \$1.50, LONG NEEDLE PINES—Per dozen, \$2.50 @2.00.
MISTLETOE BRANCHES—Per lb., 20c.
EVERGREEN WREATHING—In coils of
20 yards, per coil, 90c; five-coil lots, 85c.
WREATHS—Magnella 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. POTATOES—New, per bu., 50c. SWEET POTATOES—lowa Muscatines, ser bbl., \$1.25. TURN.PS—Per bu., 30c; Canada ruta-BEETS-Per basket, 40c.
CUCUMBERS-Hothouse, per doz., \$1.50.
PARSNI'S-Per bu., 40c.
CARROTS-Per lb., 1c.
GREEN ONIONS-Southern, per dozen

RADISTIES-Southern, per dozen bunches, WAX BEANS—Per bu. box, \$3; string beans, per bu. box, \$1.50.
CABBAGE—Miscellaneous Holland seed, per lb., 1%c.
ONIONS—New home grown, in sacks,
per bu., 75c: Spanish, per crate, \$1.75.
NEVY BEANS—Per bu., \$2.60.
TOMATOES—New California, per 4-basket crate, \$2.75. et crate, \$2.75. CALIFLOWER — California, per crate,

PEARS-Fall varieties, per box, \$2.00; PEARS-Fall varieties, per box, \$2.90;
Colorado, per box, \$2.25.
APPLES-Cooking, per bbl., \$2.25; eating,
\$2.40; Jonathans, \$4.90; New York stock,
\$1.25; California Beliflowers, bu. box, \$1.60.
GRAPES-Catawbas, per basket, 18c;
Malagas, per keg, \$8.00g7.00.
CPANBERHIES — Wisconsin, per bbl.,
\$9.50; Bell and Bugles, \$10.50; per box, \$3.25.
TROPICAL FRUITS.

BANANAS — Per burgh, according to size.

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ORANGES—Florida Brights, \$3.75; California navels, \$3.0062.50; California sweet Jaffas, all sizes, \$2.75,

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

FIGS—California, per 10-lb, cartons, \$1; Turkish, per 35-lb, box, 146;isc.

GRAPE FRUIT—Florida, \$6.

MISCELLANEOUS. spring patents, St. 40@3.70; straights, \$2.30%; \$1.20; bakers, \$2.25@27.75.

WHEAT-No. 2 spring, 74@75c; No. 3, \$3@ \$20; No. 2 red. 724@74%c.
CORN-No. 2, 464c; No. 2 yellow, 464c.
GATS-No. 2, 30%c; No. 3 white, 304@32%c.
RYE-No. 2, 484c.
BARLEY-Good feeding, 38@40c; fair to choice maiting, 45@66c.
SEED-No. 1 flax, \$1.15; No. 1 northwestern, \$1.23; prime timothy, \$3.65; clover, contract grade, \$10.75.
PROVISIONS-Mess pork, per bbl., \$17.
Lard, per 100 ba., \$10.25@70.30. Short ribs sides (loose), \$8.50@8.62%, Dry salied shoulders (boxed), \$8.50@8.62%, Dry salied shoulders (boxed) HONEY-New Utah, per 24-frame case,

110-111 Board of Trade, Omaha, Neb-Telephone 1516.

Ruotations of the Day on Various Commodities.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—F1.OUR.—Receipts. 21.570 bbls.; exports. 10.981 bbls.; unsettled and a little in buyers favor; winter patterns. \$1.5003.19; winter straights. \$1.5003.05; winter low grades. \$1.5002.25, \$1.5003.05; winter straights. \$1.5003.05; winter low grades. \$1.5002.25, \$1.5003.05; winter straights. \$1.5003.05; winter low grades. \$1.5002.25, \$1.5003.05; winter straights. \$1.5003.05; winter stra

shipped today. The present eastern demand is slow.

PROVISIONS—Market was steady, without much trade. May product in fair demand. Logan bought lard and May pork. Cash demand for lard better, 2½c over December. December lard sold early at \$10.23½. There were 36,000 hogs. Market rather slow and 100,20c lower. Estimates for tomorrow, 31,000. Hogs in the west today, 84,000, against 85,000 last week and 115,000 last year. Packing last week, 575,000 hogs, against 735,000 last year.

WEARE COMMISSION COMPANY.

Liverpool Grain and Provisions. LIVERPOOL, Dec. 18.—WHEAT—Spot, irm; No. 2 red western, winter, 5s 114d; No. California, 6s 84d. Futures, quiet; December, 6s 14d; March, 6s 14d; May, 6s 14d. CORN—Spot, steady; American mixed, new, 5s 2d; American mixed, old, 5s 34d. Futures, quiet; January, 4s 54d; March, 1s 23d.

Futures, quiet; January, 4s 5%d; March, 4s 2%d.
PROVISIONS—Beef, firm; extra India mess, 115s. Pork, firm; prime mess western, 22s 6d. Hams, short cut, 14 to 16 lbs, quiet, 53s 6d. Bacon, Cumberland cut, 26 to 25 lbs., quiet, 48s; short ribs, 16 to 24 lbs., dull, 49s; long clear middles, light, 28 to 3 lbs., quiet, 48s fd; long clear middles, heavy, 35 to 49 lbs., quiet, 49s; short clear backs, 16 to 20 lbs., dull, 49s; clear bellies, 14 to 16 lbs., quiet, 59s; shoulders, square, quiet, 44s 6d. Lard, prime western, in therees, dull, 57s; American refined, in pails, dull, 57s 6d. BUTTER—Nominal.

prunes continue firm and are in active de-mand at prices ranging from 3 he to 7 he for all grades. Apricots sold steady at 748122 for boxes and 75410c for bags. Peaches are quiet and unchanged at 12818c for peeled and 65410c for unpeeled.

St. Louis Grain and Provisions. ST. LOUIS, Dec. 18.—WHEAT—Lower; No. 2 red. cash, elevator, nominal; track, Djarke; December, 704c, nominal; May, Sc. askeu; July, 71%c asked; No. 2 hard, 172c.
ORN-Lower; No 2 cash, 44c; track, 447
ye; December, 46c; May, 274c.
OATS-Lower; No 1 cash, 32c; track,
ye; December, 274c asked; May, 22c; No. 2 White, 35c.
RYE-Firm at 49% bid.
FLOUR-Dull; red winter patents, \$3.35@
2.50; extra fancy and straight, \$1.05@2.30;
clear, \$2.96@3.00.
SISED-Timothy, \$2.96@3.40.
CORNMEAL-Steady, \$2.30.
BRAN-Lower; sacked, east track, 70@
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lc.
HAY — Strong; timothy, \$11.00@15.00;
prefrie, \$11.00@12.50.
IRON COTTON TIES—\$1.074,
BAGGING—6 5-10g16 7-10c. HEMP-Twine, 9c. PROVISIONS -HEMP—Twine, Sc.
PROVISIONS — Pork, lower; jobbing, andard mess, \$17.77½. Lard, higher at 1.35. Dry salt meats, dull; boxed, extra doorts, \$2.12½; clear ribs, \$2.00; short clear, 40. Bacon, dull; boxed extra shorts, 1.50; clear ribs, \$10.50; spare ribs, \$10.50; loware, ribs, \$10.50; spare ribs, \$10.50; loware, ribs, \$10.50; loware, ribs, \$10.50; spare ribs, \$10.50; loware, hort clear ribs, \$11.00. do METALS-Lead, \$4.00 asked. Spelter, dull Lake METALS—Lead, 34.00 asked. Speiter, dull asked. To the springs style; turkeys, 134-61sc; ducks, 12c; Menhattan L. Merkett Springs Style; turkeys, 134-61sc; ducks, 12c; Met. St. Ry. BUTTER—Quiet; creamery, 236-30c; dairy. Mex. Central 186-23c. Metal 23c and 186-23c and 18

EGGS-Steady at 22c, loss off. Kansas City Grain and Provisions.

Kansas City Grain and Provisions.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 18.—WHEAT—December, 63c; May, 634c; cash, No. 2 hard.

\$665c; No. 3, 814466c; No. 2 red, 68457c; No. 3, 65654c.

CORN—December 354ac; May, 35443364c; cash, No. 2 mixed, 37623c; No. 2 white, 386334c; No. 2 mixed, 326334c.

RYE—No. 2, 46c.

HAY—Choice timothy, \$11.50812.00; choice prairie, \$5.86410.00;

BUTTER—Creamery, 25627c; dairy, fancy,

prairie, \$9.50@10.00. BUTTER—Creamery, 25@27c; dairy, fancy, EGGS-Fresh, 22c. Receipts, Shipments 11,200 25,200 3,000

Coffee Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—COFFEE—Spot Rio, quiet Mild, steady, Futures opened steady and unchanged, ruled quiet, with featureless foreign news, but advanced slightly after mid-day on covering, scattered buying for the long account and in absence of seiling orders, aside from moderate offerings by importers. The close was steady, partially 5 points higher. Sales were 15,000 bags, including: February, 4.60c; March, 4.5064.75c; May, 4.9064.75c; September, 5.20c; October, 5.25c; November, 5.10c. Coffee Market.

Sugar and Molasses. NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 18.—SUGAR—Quiet; open kettle, 2%@d\c; open kettle centrifugal, 3.7-16@3.11-16c; centrifugal, granulated, 43.1-16c; white, 6%@7%c; yellow 34@4c\capacasecond, 2%@3.5-16c.

MOLASSES—Quiet; open kettle, 20@32c; centrifugal, 7@32c; syrup, 23@27c.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—SUGAR—Refined, dull dull.

MOLASSES-Firm.

LONDON, Dec. 18.-SUGAR-Beet, decreased, 8s 114d.

Toledo Grain and Seed. TOLEDO, Dec. 18.—WHEAT—Dull, lower; ash and December, 75; May, 89%c. CORN—Dull, lower; December, 44%c; May, 43%c. OATS-Dull, lower; December, 32%c; May. 33%c. RYE-No. 2, 52%c. SEEDS-Clover, fairly active, lower: De-cember, \$6.55%; January, \$6.52%; March, \$6.55; prime timothy, \$1.75; prime alsike, \$8.

Philadelphia Produce Market. Philadelphia Produce Market.
PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 18.—BUTTER—
Firm, good demand; extra western creamery, 3lc; extra nearby prints, 33c.
EGGS—Steady, fair demand; fresh western, 25c; fresh southwestern, 26c; fresh
southern, 25c.
CHEESE—Firm, fair demand; New York
full creams, small, 11@13c; large, 13@13½c;
fair to good, 13@13½c.

Minneapolis Wheat, Flour and Bran. MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 18.—WHEAT-December, 73%c; May, 74%g74%c. On track;
No. 1 hard, 74%c; No. 1 northern, 73%c;
No. 2 northern, 72%c.
FLOUR—First patents, \$3.90g4.00; second patents, \$3.75g3.85; first clears, \$2.90g3.00; second clears, \$2.30g2.40.
BRAN—In bulk, \$13.00.

Dry Goods Market. NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—DRY GOODS—Bleached cottons recently reduced show a hardening tendency, sales have been large and sellers are now reserved. Exporters are bidding higher for brown cottons for China and business of moment is lively. General run of cotton cloth is quiet.

Milwaukee Grain Market. MILWAUKEE, Dec. 18.—WHEAT—Easy: No. 1 northern, 774c; No. 2 northern, 75@ MILWAUKEE, Dec. 18.—WHEAT-No. 1 northern, The: No. 2 norther 764c; May, 764c. RYE—Lower; No. 1, 514c. RYE—Lower; No. 1, 514c. CORN—May, 434c.

Wool Market. ST. LOUIS, Dec. 18.—WOOL—Firm; medium grades and combing, 17@20%c; light, fine, 18@20c; heavy, fine, 18@15c; tub washed, 18@19c.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.-WOOL-Firm.

NEW YORK STOCKS AND BONDS. enezuelan Crisis Reaches Wall Street

Venezuelan Crisis Reaches Wall Street and Holds Market Down.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Measured by today's advances in prices, the strained situation in Venezuela has been the cause of much more uneasiness than was suspected in Wall street. The depressing effect of this influence has served to hold back the market from the natural recovery which was due after the action taken by the bankers' pool on Monday to insure the money market from any violent crisis. The fear of such a crisis has been the prependerating influence in the long decline of stocks and the practical assurance of protection from it would have caused a violent recovery in the natural course of things. The fear of complication with the powers concerned in the Venezuelan demonstration seems to have been the factor in deferring the recovery. When operators came down to their offices this morning after having read in the papers that the Venezuelan president had practically abandoned opposition to the British and Germans, they were quick to jump to the conclusion that all restrictions were removed. There was an upward jump in prices and the market showed a constantly broadening tendency until past midday. The demand after that showed some signs of satisfaction, but in the last half hour there was a revival in animation and a final rush of prices to the top level of the day, with a strong closing. The room traders were sceptical to the advance throughout the early portion of the session and kept making short sales on the way up. Their hasty buying to cover contributed to the final spurt in prices. Sentiment regarding the money outlook has steadily grown more confident. The moral effect of the formation of the bankers' pool has been supplemented by actual favorable developments. The banks have been relieved from much of the sub-ircasury drain which has been supplemented by actual favorable developments. The banks have been releved from mach of the speculation in corn at Chicago is regarded with approval in the interior. The deposit today for transfer to Chic and Holds Market Down.

ing activity today and the loans for six months were shaded from 6 per cent. Even for the shorter periods larger amounts were offered. CHEESE—Receipts, 1,599 pkgs.; steady; fancy, large, state, full cream colored and white, September, 135; shoulders, square, days, white, September, 135; shoulders, square, days, should be a strong showing and the advance of the Bank of Bengain statement did not make a strong showing and the advance in the Bank of Bengain rate which was made today is sometimes a prefilminary to the Bank of Bengain rate which was made today is sometimes a prefilminary to make a strong showing and the advance in the Bank of Bengain rate which was made today is sometimes a prefilminary to make a strong showing and the advance in the Bank of Bengain rate which was made today is sometimes a prefilminary to make a strong showing and the advance in the Bank of Bengain rate which was sterling exchange lere continued believed. Today's Bank of Engined statement did not make a strong showing and the advance in the Bank of Bengain rate which was made today is sometimes a prefilminary to make a strong showing and the advance in the Bank of Bengain rate which was made today is sometimes a prefilminary to make a strong showing and the advance in the Bank of Bengain rate which was made today is sometimes a prefilminary to make a strong showing and the advance in the Bank of Bengain rate which was made today is sometimes a prefilminary to make a strong showing and the advance in the Bank of Bengain rate which was sterling and the advance at 14.84% for 30 days and the make a strong showing and the advance in the Bank of Bengain rate which was sterling possible for the shover make to strong showing and the advance in the Bank of Bengain rate white was sterling and the advance at 14.84% for 30 days and the make to make to sterling possible for the showing and the advance of the make today is sometimes at prefilminary to make a strong showing and the advance at 14.84% for 30 days and the make today is sterling possible for the showing and the advance at Paris, so that no humedia and heavier receipts of cotion were encouraging factors.

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a long list of securities in which gains ranged from 2 to 3 points.

The bond market was strong, Total sales, par value, 33,39,000. United States bonds were all unchanged on the last call. The following are the closing the New York Stock exchange 85% So. Railway
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10 Texas & Pacific
12 Toleco, Bt. L. &
120% do pid
18 Union Pacific
46% do pid

48% do prd.

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105% do pfd.
78 Western Union
68% Amer. Locomotive.
26 do pfd.
59% K.C. Southern.
172% do pfd.
180 Rock Island.
63% do pfd. New York Money Market. NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—MONEY—On call, steady at 44,65% per cent, closing at 42,4% per cent; time money, easier. 60 and 90 days, 64,67 per cent; six months, 64,66 per cent: prime mercantile paper, 5 per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Soft, with actual business in bankers bills at \$4.85%, for demand and \$4.85%, \$4.84%, for 60 days; posted rates, \$4.85%, \$25.85%.

SILVER—Bar, \$3.85%, Mexican dollars, BONDS - Government, steady; state,

rmer; rallroad, strong. The closing quotations on bonds are as

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Sal. & Ohio 4s. 101 St. L & S. F. 4s.

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Then & Ohio 4%s. 101% So. Pacific 4s.

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B. & Q. n. 4s. 95% Texas & Pacific 1s.

M. & St P g. 4s. 131 T. St. L & W. 4s.

C. & N. W. c. 7s. 131% Union Pacific 4s.

R. I. & P. 4s. 108% do cony. 4s.

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Chicago Ter. 4s. 36 do 2s.

Chicago Ter. 4s. 5h do 2s.
Colorado So. 4s. 51½ do deb. B.
Denver & R. G. 4s. 100½ West Shore 4s.
Erie prior lien 4s. 97½ Wheel. & L. E. 4s.
do general 4s. 54½ Wis. Central 4s.
F. W. & D. C. 1s. 10s.
Hocking Val. 4½s. 109 London Stock Market. LONDON, Dec. 18 .- Closing quotations: Anaconda ...... Atchison ...... do pfd......

Consols, money 57° N. Y. Central. 155 do account. 224 Norfolk & W. 728 Anaconda . 45 do pfd. 254 Ontario & W. 255 do pfd. 101 Pennsylvania 784 Baltimore & O. 98 Canadian Pacific 1306 Reading 304 Chesaveake & O. 48 do 1st pfd. Canadian Pacific.130% Reading
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C. M. & St. P. 175
DeBeers 22% do pfd.
Denver & R. G. 35% Southern Ry.
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New York Mining Quotations. NEW YORK, Dec. 18.-The following are the closing prices 20 Little Chief ..... Alice Breece Brunswick Con. Comstock Tunnel Con. Cal. & Va. Gora Stiver Iron Silver ....... Leadville Con.....

LONDON, Dec. 18.—Money was much wanted in the market today in connection with calls due for an aggregate of \$4.559,000, principally the Japanese loam. Discounts were firm it was believed that further large withdrawais of gold for South America were not likely to occur. Business on the Stock exchange was quiet and prices were generally firm. The hardening of the rates for money restrained dealings. Consols and home rails were firm. Americans opened dull, hardened and became inanimate owing to the uncertain attitude of the New York market. They closed firm.

The sum of \$20.000 gold was withdrawn from the Bank of England today for shipment to South America.

PARIS, Dec. 18.—Prices on the bourse were firm, mostly throughout the day. Foreign Financial. PARIS, Dec. 18.—Prices on the bourse were firm, mostly throughout the day. Rentes hardened on the end of the strike at Marseilles and over to bear coverings, industrials were firm. There were realizations and some reactions toward the close. His tintos were firm on speculative purchases, in sympathy with New York. The private rate of discount was 213.16 per cent.

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The \*weekly statement of the Bank of France shows the following changes: Notes in circulation, increased, 17.25.200 francs; treasury accounts current, decreased, 7,225.000 francs; gold in hand, increased, 2,250.000 francs; bills discounted, increased, 17.250.000 francs; sliver in hand, increased, 18.75.000 francs. Three per cent rentes, 28 francs 2% centimes for the account; exchange on London, 25 francs 15% centimes for checks.

BERLIN, Dec. 15.—Internationals, especially trunks, were firm on the bourse tocially trunks, were firm on the bourse to-day, locals fluctuated and closed firmer; Canadian Pacific recovered on New York advices. Exchange on London, 20 marks 40% pfgs. for checks.

Bank Clearings.

Bank Clearings. \$1,233.
OMAHA, Dec. 18.—Bank clearings. \$1,233.
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OMAHA, Dec. 18.—Clearings. \$257.
SSI SS. Increase. \$57,365.56.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Clearings. \$257.
SSI SS. Increase. \$3,463.86.

CHICAGO Dec. 18.—Clearings. \$28,793.829;

balances. \$2,129.837. New York exchange, 125c premium; foreign exchange unchanged; sterling posted at \$4.845, for 60 days and \$4.88 for demand.

BOSTON, Dec. 18.—Clearings. \$20,752,
SS: balances. \$1,526.145.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 18.—Clearings. \$25,752,
SSI SSI 214; balances. \$2,634.649; money 6 per cent. per cent.
ST. LOUIS. Dec. 18.—Clearings, \$7.883.328; balances, \$148.637; money, steady, 5476 per cent; New York exchange, 6c premium.
CINCINNATI. Dec. 18.—Clearings, \$6.812; money, 6 per cent; New York exchange, par.

Cattle Rather Slow Sale, with Tendency of Prices Downward.

HOG MARKET GENERALLY TEN LOWER

Fat Sheep and Lambs Opened Active and Fully Steady, but Closed Slow and Wenk-Feeders Sold About Steady.

SOUTH OMAHA, Dec. 18. | Receipts were: Cattle Hogs. Sheep. | Official Monday | 2,581 | 5,470 | 5,249 | Official Tuesday | 4,525 | 7,583 | 12,680 | Official Wednesday | 4,435 | 10,757 | 9,012 | Official Thursday | 2,700 | 9,000 | 7,000 | Four days this week 14.241 32,810 Same days last week 23,864 28,225 Same week before. 17,281 33,318 Same three weeks ago 15,510 24,092 Same four weeks ago 21,683 31,241 Same days last year 14,083 42,797 Pay Charles and The Same days last year 14,083 42,083 42,083 57,241 29,181 29,403 27,033 55,246 9,387 Same three weeks ago . 10,510 24.05 21,246
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Same days last year . 14,685 42,797 9,387
RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR TO DATE.
The following table shows the receipts of cattle, hogs and sheep at South Omaha for the year to date and comparisons with last year: 

Nov. Nov. Nov.

ber of head indicated:

Buyers: Cattle, Hogs. S
Omaha Packing Co... 185 1.344
Swift and Company... 980 2.085
Armour & Co... 223 2.050
Cudahy Packing Co... 1.155 2.038
Armour & Co... 81012
Vansant & Co... 8
Lobman & Co... 18
W. I. Stephen 5
William Underwood 5
Livingstone & Shaller... 75 1,701 2,647 530 583 188 

The cow trade was in just about the same condition as the market on steers. Buyers were slow about starting out and in most cases their bids were lower. Some of the best kinds that just suited them held just about steady, but as a general thing all of the gain of yosterday was lost. Sellers were not willing to make the concessions asked and as a result trading was very slow.

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Bulls, veal caives and stags all felt the effect of the weakness to some extent on steers and cows.

The supply of stockers and feeders was again very light, so that the demand was able to take what was offered at steady prices. Speculators claimed they all wanted strictly good cattle and that they would be willing to pay strong prices in order to get them, but practically all the cattle that were offered today were on the BEEF STEERS.

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HEIFERS.

805 2 65 1..... 812 2 70 4 STOCK CALVES. 350 3 23 370 3 25 STOCK COWS AND HEIFERS. STOCKERS AND FEEDERS.

day. Quotations for fed stock: Choice lambs, 5.00%5.50; fair to good lambs, \$4.50%6.60; choice yearlings, \$4.25%4.50; fair to good yearlings, \$4.25%4.50; choice wethers, \$4.00% (.25; fair to good, \$3.55%4.60; choice wes, \$4.25%4.50; hair to good, \$3.55%4.60; choice ewes, \$3.25%4.50, fair to good, \$3.50%4.50; choice ewes, \$3.25%4.50, fair to good, \$3.00%3.75; feeder lambs, \$3.00%4.60; feeder yearlings, \$5.00%3.25; feeder wethers, \$2.75%3.60; feeder ewes, \$1.56%2.25. Representative sales:

No.
489 fed ewes
487 fed ewes
19 fed yearlings
4 fed ewes
1 cull swe 

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Cattle Stay Steady to Lower, While Cattle Stay Steady to Lower, While Hogs and Sheep Drop in Price.
CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—CATTLE—Receipts. 1,100 head; steady to lower; good to prime steers. \$5.40; poor to medium, \$2.0095.35; stockers and feeders, \$2.0095.90; cows, \$1.25 93.40; buils, \$2.0084.40; calves, \$2.7597.50; Texas fed steers, \$3.7594.40.
high \$3.0084.40; calves, \$2.7597.50; Texas fed steers, \$3.7594.50.
HOGS—Receipts, 34.000 head; estimated tomorrow, 24.000; left over, 13.000; market 10915c lower, closing dull; mixed and butchers, \$5.9096.30; good to choice heavy, \$6.359; 6.50; rough heavy, \$6.096.30; light, \$5.0096.65; builk of sales, \$6.1596.30.
SHEEP AND LAMBS—Receipts, 15.000 head; sheep closed 10920c lower; good to head; sheep closed 10@20c lower; good to choice wethers, \$4.00@4.50; fair to choice mixed, \$2.75@4.00; western sheep, \$3.50@4.50; autive lambs, \$4.00@6.00; western lambs, \$4.00 26.60.

@6.00. Official yesterday: Receipts. Shipments Cattle 15,770 Hogs 32,446 Sheep 23,771

Kansas City Live Stock Market.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 18.—CATTLE—Receipts, 5,100 natives, 1,700 Texans and 600 native calves; beef steers 100/15c lower; cows and helfers steady to strong; cows, \$1.50; stockers and feeders active; choice export and dressed beef steers, \$5.0006.00; fair to good, \$3.5005.10; stockers and feeders, \$2.2504.15; western fed steers, \$2.0005.10; Texas and Indian steers, \$2.5004.00; Texas cows, \$2.0002.70; native cows, \$1.6006.00; native helfers, \$3.4004.70; canners, \$1.0002.50; bulls, \$1.7503.75; calves, \$2.5006.00.

HOGS-Receipts, \$2.000 head; market 10015c lower; top, \$6.60; bulk of sales, \$5.1006.20; heavy, \$6.1006.30; mixed and packers, \$1.000 fead; market steady; pative lambs, \$4.000 fead; market steady; native lambs, \$4.000 head; market steady; native lambs, \$4.000 head; market steady; native lambs, \$4.000 fe.40; western lambs, \$2.5504.35; fed ewes, \$3.0003.36; native wothers, \$3.0004.60; western wethers, \$3.0004.20; stockers and feeders, \$2.0003.36. Kansas City Live Stock Market.

New York Live Stock Market. NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—CATTLE—Receipts, 66 head, mainly consigned direct; a few were sold at \$2.2564.00; dressed beef steady; city dressed native sides, Fig0114c; today's beef, 644074c. Cables quoted American steers at 13460134c, dressed weight; refrigerator beef, 100104c per 100 lbs. No exports.

refrigerator beef, 10@105c per 100 bs. No exports.
CALVES—Receipts, 662 head; veals steady; harnyard and westerns dull; veals sold at \$5.0675.9c; harnyards at \$2.5075.5c; city dressed veals, 11@14c.
SHEEP AND LAMBS—Receipts, 8,789 head; easier; common to medium stock showed most weakness; sheen sold at \$3.095 4.25; xulls, \$2; lambs, \$4.706.125, about 50 head at \$5.2076.25; Canadas, \$5.00; dressed mutton, 625c; dressed lambs, 7-126 head; about steady; state, \$6.5076.50.

St. Louis Live Stock Market. 84. Louis Live Stock Market.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 18.—CATTLE—Receipts, 4,999 head, including 3,000 Texans; market barely steady; native shipping and experiateers, \$4,7556.00; dressed beef and butcher steers, \$4,2565.50; steers under 1,999 lbs., \$5.75.65.25; stockers and feeders, \$2,2564.00; cows and helfers, \$2,2564.75; canners, \$1,5061.50; bulls, \$2,46,94.50; cairces, \$4,0697.00; Texas and Indian steers, \$2,5094.80; cows and helfers, \$2,2093.35.

HOGS—Receipts, 5,500 head; market lower; pigs and lights, \$6,0698.15; packers, \$8,1566.65; butchers, \$6,2560.00. pigs and lights, \$6.0036.15; packers, \$6.1569 6.45; butchers, \$6.3505.00, SHEEP AND LAMBS—Receipts, 1,200 head; market firm; native muttons, \$2.005

LEGAL NOTICE.

STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING.
Office of Lee-Giass-Andressen Hardware
Company, Omaha, Neb. Dec. 13, 1902.—Notice is hereby given to the stockholders of
the Lee-Giass-Andressen Hardware company that the annual meeting of the stockholders of the company will be held at the
offices of the said company, corner of Ninth
and Harney streets, in the city of Omaha,
in the state of Nebraska, on Tuesday, January 13, A. D. 1903, at 3 o'clock p. m., for
the purpose of electing a board of directors for the company to serve during the
ensuing year, and to transact such other
tueiness as may be presented at such meeting. H. J. LEE, President.
W. M. GLASS, Secretary.

D18 D301 STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING.

4.25; lambs, \$4.2086.70; culls and bucks, \$2.0 g4.00; stockers, \$1.50g2.00; Texans, \$2.70g3.50

St. Joseph Live Stock Market. ST. JOSEPH, Dec. 48.—CATTLE—Receipts, 1,745; natives, \$3.5086.00; Texas and westerns, \$3.0085.10; cows and helfers, \$1.504.40.
HOGS—Receipts, 9,080; medium and heavy, \$8.1086.30; pigs, \$4.0086.00; bulk by 194.60 E214. heavy, \$6.1096.30; pige, \$4.0096.00; bulk \$6.124.66.274. SHEEP—Receipts, 1,202; native lambs \$5.75; yearlings, \$4.50; ewes, \$4.25.

Stock in Sight. Chicago
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Cotton Market.

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NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 18.—COTTON—Barely steady; sales, 3.850 bales; ordinary, 5%c; good ordinary, 7%c; low middling, 71-16c; middling, 83-16c; good middling, 83-85c; middling fair, 83784c; receipts, 11,622 bales; stock, 377,657 bales. Futures, steady; December, 8.10c, bid; January, 8.1398.14c; February, 8.1798.19c; March, 8.2398.24c; April, 8.7798.28c; May, 8.3198.32c; June, 8.359; 8.37c; July, 8.2798.33c.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—COTTON—Market quiet and unchanged to an advance of 3 points, for a time ruled steadler, gaining snother point on some of the more active positions, but then seiling off to a level of 487 points under the previous figures, on which basis the market closed quiet and steady. The easier ruling of the market was largely due to an increase in receipts, which were 40.805 bales, against 35,743 last week and 35,832 last year, while considerably larger also than the movement during the corresponding week for four previous years. And while receipts were expanding, exports failed to materialize to the predicted extent, being 25,143 bales, which brings the amount for the season up to 3,047,571 bales, against 3,101,575 last year for the corresponding period. To make claims maintained at the beginning of the month good clearances should now be upon a record scale. The disappointment in this respect was a factor in the selling movement which caused today's decline in connection with moderate inquiry from exporters and spinners for spot cotton in the south, while the New York market declined 5 points for spot cottons. The selling today was ied by a Philadelphia concern having large spinning, shipping and export stations, and a large local following, which also sold, but to a moderate extent, as the local contingent regarded the market as a small one and endeavored to be in trim for a quick change of trade. Total sales were estimated at 150,000 bales,

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 18.—COTTON—Spot lates stock, 25,234 bales.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 18.—COTTON—Spot lates.

\* Indicates Sunday. \*\* Indicates Holiday,
The official number of cars of stock brought in today by each road was:

SHEEP—The receipts of sheep and lambs the market rule active and fully steady. The quality of the offerings was about the same as it has been of late, and as packers all wanted good stuff the pens were cleared in good season. The common fully be quoted steady with the same as it has been of late, and as packers all wanted good stuff the pens were cleared in good season. The common fully be quoted steady with the same as it has been of late, and as packers all wanted good stuff the pens were cleared in good season. The common fully be quoted steady with the same as it has been of late, and as packers all wanted good stuff the pens were cleared in good season. The common fully settled with the same as it has been of late, and as packers all wanted good stuff the pens were cleared in good season. The common fully settled with the same as it has been of late, and as packers all wanted good stuff the pens were cleared in good season. The common fully settled with the same as it has been of late, and as packers all wanted good stuff the pens were cleared in good season. The common full continued the same as it has been of late, and as packers all wanted good stuff the pens were cleared in good season. The common full continued the same as it has been of late, and as packers all wanted good stuff the pens were for speculation and export, and included 11,600 American. Heccipts were 31,000 bales, of which 1,000 were for speculation and export, and included 11,600 American. Heccipts were 31,000 bales, of which 1,000 were for speculation and export, and included 11,600 American. Heccipts were 31,000 bales, of which 1,000 were for speculation and export, and included 11,600 American. Heccipts were 31,000 bales, of which 1,000 were for speculation and export, and included 11,600 American. Heccipts 4,460; Herrican Middling, 8,45d; John and Freeding 11,400 American. Heccipts 4,46d; Herrican Middling, 8,45d; John

CINCINNATI, Dec. 18.—WHISKY—Distillers finished goods active on basis of \$1.32.
CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—WHISKY—Basis of high wines, \$1.32.
ST. LOUIS, Dec. 18.—WHISKY—Steady at PEORIA, Dec. 18.-WHISKY-\$1.32.

THE REALTY MARKET. INSTRUMENTS filed in the register of deed's and county clerk's offices on De-cember 18:

Warranty Deeds. Omaha Realty Co., to E. S. Stovall, lot 16, n29 feet lot 15, block 1, Seymour's add.

Pioneer Townsite Co., to Henry Bunz. lot 4, block 1, Bennington

Quit Claim Deeds.

Lucretia R. Seymour to E. S. Stevali, lot 16 and n29 feet lot 15, Seymour's lot 16 and n29 feet lot 15, Seymour's add G. F. Gilmour and wife to G. W. Forbes, lots 17 to 20, block 1, Hilleke's add.... Total amount of transfers .....

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