COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL

Liquidation in Wheat Continues on the Chicago Board.

BEARISH FOREIGN ADVICES ALL THE CAUSE

Argentine Reports Form the Chief Feature Which Affect Prices and Trading on the Closing Day of the Past Week.

CHICAGO, Jan. 3.—There was renewed liquidation in wheat today, due to bearish foreign advices, and the close was easy, with May ¼@⅝c lower. May corn was a shade lower, while oats were a shade higher. May provisions closed weak and from 5@7½c to 25c lower.

The chief factor affecting the wheat pit was the extremely bearish Argentine advices, Broomhall reporting that the exportable surplus of wheat from that country would approximate 80,000,000 bu. Liverpool cables were also lower, due partly to the liberal offerings of Argentine wheat in that market, and contributed to the general depression. In consequence of these statistics there was considerable rising, but covering by shorts gave a fair support to the market and prevented a severe break. May opened ¼@⅝c lower at 75@75⅛c, and sold down to 74⅝c soon after the opening, but advanced later to 75⅛c, only to react during the last half hour, the close being ⅝@¾c lower at 74@75⅛c. Clearances of wheat and flour were equal to 682,000 bu. Primary receipts were 492,200 bu., against 536,200 a year ago. Minneapolis and Duluth reported receipts of 250 cars (with a holiday at Duluth), which, with local receipts of 103 cars, one of contract grade, made total receipts for the three points of 353 cars, against 336 last week and 326 a year ago.

Corn was rather quiet, but prices held fairly steady. The weather was the principal bull influence, the map showing rains in several of the corn states. Covering by shorts in the January delivery was also a supporting favor. Scalpers were the best sellers. The close was steady, with May unchanged to ¼c lower at 42⅜@42½c, after ranging between 42¾c and 43¼c. Local receipts were 591 cars, with five of contract grade.

There was a moderate trade in oats and a firm undertone prevailed, the bad weather for the movement being the principal strengthening influence. Commission houses were good buyers and the offerings were limited and came mainly from scalpers. The close was steady, with May a shade higher at 33⅝@33¾c, after selling between 33¼c and 33⅝c. Local receipts were 331 cars.

There was considerable realizing in provisions, which resulted in a lower tendency to prices. A feature in the trading was the action of January pork, which was very erratic and made a drop of $1 per bbl. It opened at $17.85, and after selling at $18 there was a break to $17. Late in the day a good demand from brokers brought a rally, and the close was at $17.30. An unexpected increase in the contract stocks for the month was the main bear factor, although the weak hog market also added to the depression. May pork closed 5c lower at $16.05. May lard was off 10@12½c at $9.30, and ribs were down 5@7½c, closing at $8.52½.

Estimated receipts for Monday: Wheat, 55 cars; corn, 480 cars; oats, 225 cars; hogs, 42,000 head.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yest'y
*Wheat					
Jan.	71	71½@⅝	71	71¼@⅜	71½
May	75 @⅛	75⅛	74⅝	75	75⅝
July	72 @¼	73⅛	72	72½	72½@⅝
*Corn—					
Jan.	44¼@⅜	45	44¼	44⅝	44⅝
May	42⅝@⅞	43⅛	42⅜	42⅜@½	42⅞
July	42 @¼	42⅝ 42	41¾ 42	41⅞	42¼
*Oats—					
Jan.				31¾	31¾@⅞
May	33¼@⅜	33⅝	33¼	33⅜@½	33⅝
July	31	31⅝	31	31¼	31¼
Pork—					
Jan.	17 85	18 00	17 00	17 30	17 90
May	16 20	16 22½	16 05	16 05	16 30
Lard—					
Jan.	9 75	9 80	9 72½	9 77½	9 85
May	9 32½	9 40	9 30	9 30	9 42½
July	9 17½	9 23½	9 17½	9 17½	.....
Ribs—					
Jan.	8 30	8 32½	8 30	8 30	8 35
May	8 52½	8 57½	8 52½	8 52½	8 60

*No. 2.

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Quiet but firm; winter patents, $3.40@3.60; straights, $3.10@3.30; spring patents, $3.40@3.70; straights, $2.90@3.20; bakers, $2.25@2.75.

WHEAT—No. 2 spring, 73@75c; No. 3 spring, 62@73½c; No. 2 red, 71@71¾c.

CORN—No. 2, 44¼c; No. 2 yellow, 44¾c.

OATS—No. 2, 31¾@31¾c; No. 3 white, 32@33c.

RYE—No. 2, 48c.

BARLEY—Good feeding, 39@43c; fair to choice malting, 44@55c.

SEED—No. 1 flax, $1.14; No. 1 northwestern, $1.21; prime timothy, $3.85; clover, contract grade, $11.

PROVISIONS—Mess pork, per bbl., $17.25. Lard, per 100 lbs., 19.90@9.95. Short ribs sides (loose), $8.25@8.50. Dry salted shoulders (boxed), $8.25@8.50. Short clear sides (boxed), $9.60@9.12½.

Following were the receipts and shipments of flour and grain:

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls	12,000	31,700
Wheat, bu	95,600	26,100
Corn, bu	409,900	228,700
Oats, bu	319,600	312,500
Rye, bu	10,900	3,500
Barley, bu	91,200	25,200

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was quiet and steady; creameries, 18@23c; dairies, 17@23c. Eggs, quiet but steady, loss off, cases returned, 25c. Cheese, steady, 23½@24c.

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKETS.

Quotations of the Day on Various Commodities.

NEW YORK, Jan. 3.—FLOUR—Receipts, 37,525 bbls.; exports, 16,332 bbls.; quiet and easy; Minnesota patents, $4.00@4.20; bakers, $3.25@3.40; winter patents, $3.60@3.90; winter straights, $3.45@3.55; winter extras, $2.60@3.35; winter low grades, $2.45@2.95. Rye flour, choice to fancy, $3.30@3.60. Buckwheat flour, quiet, $2.25@2.30, spot and to arrive.

CORNMEAL—Easy; yellow western, $1.18; city, $1.15; Brandywine, $3.40@3.55.

BARLEY—Steady; feeding, 42c, c. l. f., Buffalo; malting, 47@60c, c. l. f., Buffalo.

WHEAT—Receipts, 74,100 bu.; exports, 123,642 bu. Spot, easy; No. 2 red, 78¾c, f. o. b., afloat; No. 1 northern Duluth, 85¼c, f. o. b., afloat; No. 1 hard Manitoba, 86¾c, f. o. b., afloat. The weakness of cables, combined with an estimate of 80,000,000 bushels Argentine export surplus, induced further wheat liquidation and decline this morning. Later the market rallied on export rumor and closed steady at ¼c net decline. May, 79 2-16@79¾c, closed at 79¾c; July, 77⅛@77¼c, closed at 77¼c.

CORN—Receipts, 11,000 bu.; exports, 19,671,600 bu. Spot, easy; No. 2, 58c, elevator, and 55¼c, f. o. b., afloat; No. 2 yellow, 58c; No. 2 white, 59c. Options opened a shade lower with wheat, but quickly recovered on scant contract arrivals west, local covering and bad weather conditions in the large corn states. Closed steady, unchanged; January, 53⅜@54c, closed at 54c; March, 50¼c; May, 47¾@47⅝c, closed at 47⅝c; July closed at 46c.

OATS—Receipts, 75,000 bu.; exports, 18,300 bu. Spot, firm; No. 2, 38¼c; No. 3, 37½c; No. 2 white, 40c; track white, 40@43c; standard white, 40¼c; No. 2 white, 40¼c; track mixed western, nominal. Options dull but steady with corn; May closed at 38¼c.

HAY—Quiet; shipping, 65@70c; good to choice, 80@$1.00.

HOPS—Quiet; state, common to choice, 1902, 29@37c; 1901, 24@26c; olds, 7@12½c; Pacific coast, 1902, 25@31c; 1901, 23@28c; olds, 7@12½c.

HIDES—Quiet; Galveston, 20 to 25 lbs., 18c; California, 21 to 25 lbs., 19c; Texas dry, 24 to 30 lbs., 14c.

LEATHER—Quiet; acid, 24@25½c.

WOOL—Firm; domestic fleece, 26@32c.

PROVISIONS—Beef, steady; family, $15.00@17.00; mess, $10.50@11.00; beef hams, $20.50@22.00; packet, $14.00@15.00; extra India mess, $24.00@27.00. Cut meats, irregular; pickled bellies, $8.75@9.75; pickled shoulders, $8.25@8.50; pickled hams, $11.00@11.50. Lard, easy; western steamed, $10.35; refined, easy; continent, $10.65; South America, $11.35. Pork, irregular; family, $18; short clear, $19.50@22.00; mess, $16.25@18.75.

BUTTER—Firm; extra creamery, 28½c; extra factory, 16½@21c; creamery, common to choice, 21@23c; state dairy, 20@26c; renovated, 16½@22½c.

CHEESE—Firm; state, full cream, fancy small colored, 14c; small white, 14c; large colored, 14c; large white, 14c.

EGGS—Steady; state and Pennsylvania, average best, 28c; refrigerated, 18@21c; western fancy graded, 26c; western poor to prime, 20@25c.

TALLOW—Steady; city, 5¼c; country, 4@5¼c.

RICE—Quiet; domestic, fair to extra, 4¼@6c; Japan, nominal.

METALS—Nothing of special interest in any of the metals today. Tin ruled steady at $26.50@26.65 for spot. Copper was also quiet and unchanged; standard, $11.30@11.40; lake and electrolytic, $11.50@12.05; casting, $11.50@12.00. Lead and spelter unchanged, the former steady at $4.12½ and the latter easy at $4.70. Iron nominally unchanged and quiet.

Kansas City Grain and Provisions.

KANSAS CITY, Jan. 3.—WHEAT—May, 68c; July, 69¼c; cash, No. 2 hard, 69@69c; No. 3, 64@66c; No. 2 red, 65½@67½c; No. 3, 64@66c.

CORN—January, 36¾@36¼c; May, 37@37¼c; cash, No. 2 mixed, 37½@38c; No. 2 white, 38¼@38¾c; No. 3, 38¼c.

OATS—No. 2 white, 34c; No. 2 mixed, 32½@32c.

RYE—No. 2, 46@46c.

HAY—Choice timothy, $11.50@12.00; choice prairie, $9.50@10.00.

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

EGGS—Lower; fresh Missouri and Kansas stock, 20½c, loss off, cases returned; new No. 2 whitewood cases included, ½c more.

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Wheat, bu	32,000	77,000
Corn, bu	68,800	99,200
Oats, bu	12,000	16,000

OMAHA WHOLESALE MARKET.

Condition of Trade and Quotations on Staple and Fancy Produce.

EGGS—Fresh stock, 24c.

LIVE POULTRY—Hens, 9@10c; old roosters, 4@5c; turkeys, 12@13c; ducks, 8@9c; geese, 7½@8c; spring chickens, per lb., 10@11c.

DRESSED POULTRY—Young chickens, 11@12c; hens, 10@11c; turkeys, 14@16c; ducks, 10@11c; geese, 11@12c.

BUTTER—Packing stock, 17@17½c; choice dairy, in tubs, 20@21c; separator, 29@30c.

CORN—New, 37c.

OATS—34c.

RYE—No. 2, 45c.

OYSTERS—Standards, per can, 28c; extra selects, per can, 30c; New York counts, per can, 42c; bulk, extra selects, per gal., $1.75; bulk, standards, per gal., $1.45.

FRESH FISH—Trout, 9@10c; herring, 5c; pickerel, 8c; pike, 9c; perch, 6c; buffalo, dressed, 7c; sunfish, 3c; bluefins, 3c; whitefish, 9c; 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.

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, $6. Rye straw, $6. These prices are for hay of good color and quality. Demand fair, receipts light.

VEGETABLES

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

POTATOES—Per bu., 50c.

SWEET POTATOES—Iowa Muscatines, per bbl., $3.25, Kansas, $2.25.

TURNIPS—Per bu., 40c; Canada rutabagas, per lb., 1c.

BEETS—Per basket, 40c.

CUCUMBERS—Hothouse, per doz., $2.

PARSNIPS—Per bu., 40c.

CARROTS—Per lb., 1c.

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

RADISHES—Southern, per dozen bunches, 45c.

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

CABBAGE—Miscellaneous 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; Florida, per 6-basket crate, $3.50.

CAULIFLOWER—California, per crate, $2.50.

FRUITS.

PEARS—Fall varieties, per box, $2; Colorado, per box, $2.25.

APPLES—Western, per bbl., $2.75; Jonathans, $4; New York stock, $3.25; California Bellflowers, per bu. box, $1.90.

GRAPES—Catawbas, per basket, 15c; Malagas, per keg, $6.00@7.00.

CRANBERRIES—Wisconsin, per bbl., $10; Bell and Bugles, $11; per box, $3.50.

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

LEMONS—California fancy, $3.75; choice, $2.50.

ORANGES—Florida Brights, $3.75; California navels, $2.50; 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 35-lb. box, 14@18c.

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, 6c; No. 2 green, 5c; No. 1 salted, 7c; No. 2 salted, 6½c; 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; small, per lb., 11c; cocoanuts, per doz., 50c; chestnuts, per lb., 10c; peanuts, per lb., 5c; roasted peanuts, per lb., 7c; black walnuts, per bu., $1; hickory nuts, per bu., $1.50; cocoanuts, per 100, $4.

OLD METALS, ETC.—A. B. Alpirn quotes the following prices: Iron, country, mixed, per ton, $11; iron, stove plate, per ton, $8; copper, per lb., 8½c; brass, heavy, per lb., 8½c; brass, light, per lb., 5½c; lead, per lb., 3c; zinc, per lb., 2½c; rubber, per lb., 6½c.

WEARE COMMISSION COMPANY.

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

CHICAGO, Jan. 3.—WHEAT—There was a break in May wheat to under 75c, with ¼c recovery, which held fairly well. Cables were ⅜c lower. Argentine news was bearish, weather favorable for harvesting. Broomhall put the exportable surplus from there at 80,000,000 bushels and Liverpool said Argentine was offering freely. Armour took some wheat at 75c, but was a seller at the fractional advance. There was large enough buying by a few commission houses to recover the early decline. World's shipments, estimated at 6,400,000 bushels. An increase of 750,000 bushels in the visible is expected. Clearances, 682,000 bushels; primary receipts, 490,000 bushels, against 526,000 bushels last year; northwest receipts, 250 cars, against 295 a year ago. The seaboard reports 20 loads taken for export. Estimates for Monday, 55 cars.

CORN—There has been a firm corn market, with a continuance of the buying of May, which has been under way for several days and which is credited to a provision interest. There has been a moderate demand for January from brokers. There was some hesitation at the opening because of the weakness in wheat, but the corn market moved up ¼@⅜c from the opening and held it. The weather was somewhat unfavorable. Primary receipts were 877,000 bushels, against 707,000 bushels last year; clearances were 362,000 bushels; local receipts, 591 cars, with 5 of contract; estimates for Monday, 480 cars. Philadelphia took 250,000 bushels here for export. New York reports 15 loads corn taken for export and local sales of corn are put at 25,000 bushels. Stocks here promise to increase some. Cash corn was about the same as Friday.

OATS—There has been a quiet but firm cat market. It's claimed that all but 400,000 bushels of the standard oats in store have been sold to go out. There has been some selling by the oatmeal party, but the trade has been small. Clearances, 50,000 bushels; local receipts, 331 cars, with 19 standard and no standard out of private houses. Stocks are not likely to increase this week. Estimates for Monday, 225 cars.

PROVISIONS—There has been a weak provision market, with the January pork at one time off a dollar. Gregson bought short May lard. Market has been weak during entire session. Packing to date: 1,612,000, against 2,050,000 last year. Receipts for the week, 210,551, against 247,551 same week last year. There were 23,000 hogs. Prices at the yards, 5@10c lower. Estimates for Monday, 42,000 head; for next week, 200,000 head. Hogs in the west today, 45,500 head, against 29,700 last week and 51,700 last year.

WEARE COMMISSION COMPANY.

Liverpool Market.

LIVERPOOL, Jan. 3.—WHEAT—Spot, No. 2 red western, winter, 5s 11½d; No. 1 California, 6s 8d. Futures, weak; March, 6s 5¾d; May, 5s 11¼d.

CORN—Spot, American mixed, new, 4s 11¾d; American mixed, old, firm at 5s 5d. Futures, quiet; January, 4s 6¼d; March, 4s 5½d; May, nominal.

PEAS—Canadian, steady at 6s 7d.

FLOUR—St. Louis fancy winter, steady at 5s 3d.

HOPS—At London, Pacific coast, firm at £4 (@£4 5s.

PROVISIONS—Beef, quiet; extra India mess, 113s 3d. Pork, easy; prime mess western, 82s 6d. Hams, short cut, quiet, 52s. Bacon, Cumberland cut, 28@30 lbs., steady; short ribs, 16 to 24 lbs., dull, 48s; long clear middles, heavy, 35 to 40 lbs., 47s; short clear backs, 16 to 20 lbs., quiet, 47s; clear bellies, 14 to 16 lbs., dull, 55s 6d. Shoulders, square, 11 to 13 lbs., quiet, 41s. Lard, prime western, in tierces, quiet, 54s; American refined, in pails, dull.

CHEESE—Firm; American finest white and colored, 61s.

TALLOW—Prime city, quiet, 27s 6d; Australian in London, firm, 34s 3d.

Wool Market.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 3.—WOOL—Firmer; medium grades and combing, 17@20½c; light fine, 16@18c; heavy fine, 13@15c; tub washed, 13@26c.

LONDON, Jan. 3.—WOOL—Arrivals of wool for the first series of auction sales amount to 116,246 bales, including 5,000 forwarded direct to spinners. The imports during the week were: New South Wales, 45 bales; South Australia, 50; Cape of Good Hope and Natal, 5,306; Singapore, 4,064; New York, 581; elsewhere, 409.

STOCKS AND BONDS.

Speculative Sentiment Undergoes Many Transitions at New York.

NEW YORK, Jan. 3.—Speculative sentiment underwent several abrupt transitions today. Trading apparently was in the hands of professional operators almost entirely. The distinct movement in the market, after a period of listless fluctuations, followed the statement of the November earnings of the Pennsylvania railroad. The rate at which the rise in operating expenses in this railroad system was seen to outstrip the gains in gross earnings served to enforce doubts caused by a similar tendency which has become general throughout the railroad world. The Pennsylvania lines directly operated showed an increase in gross earnings for November of $691,500, but expenses increased $1,363,100, so that net earnings decreased $671,600. On the lines west of Pittsburg and Erie there was reported an increase in gross earnings of $85,900, with a growth of $586,200 in operating expenses, resulting in a decrease in net earnings of $414,000. The whole railroad list weakened sharply under the influence of this showing. Prices in some important stocks, including Pennsylvania, receded to a point or more below last night. There was an animated recovery upon the appearance of the bank statement, with its unexpected recuperation of $3,644,650 in the surplus reserves of the banks. Such a showing is almost unprecedented for the first week in January. That the banks should have been able to get through the January settlement, which required resources in excess of all previous records, with a merely nominal increase in loans, was in itself a pleasant surprise to those who had felt nervous about the money situation. In addition, the gain in cash for the week reached $3,435,000, which is almost $3,000,000 in excess of the largest preliminary estimates. The redeposit of cash by the retail shops, making up the proceeds of Christmas trade, is attributed as the cause of this showing. The recovery in prices met renewed heavy selling, and the market closed easy and with net changes mixed. Amalgamated Copper and United States Steel were notably firm throughout. Manhattan was weakened by the requirements made upon the company by the state railroad commission for increased equipment.

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

Atchison	34½	So. Railway	34⅝
do pfd	100½	do pfd	99¾
Bal. & Ohio	100½	Texas & Pacific	41⅝
do pfd	100½	Toledo, St. L. & W.	27⅛
Canadian Pacific	173¾	do pfd	65⅝
Canada So.	77	Union Pacific	101⅝
Ches. & Ohio	43¼	do pfd	93
Chicago & Alton	35	Wabash	27⅝
do pfd	71	do pfd	46
*Chicago, Ind. & L.	75	Wheeling & L. E.	15⅝
*do pfd	71	do 2d pfd	28
Chicago & E. Ill.	195	Wis. Central	27
Chicago & G. W.	23⅜	do pfd	61
do 1st pfd	66	Adams Ex.	200
do 2d pfd	44½	American Ex.	250
Chicago & N. W.	220	United States Ex.	147
Chicago Ter. & Tr.	19	Wells-Fargo Ex.	232
do pfd	43¾	Am. Tel. & Tel.	164½
C. C. C. & St. L.	95½	Amer. Car & F.	36
Colorado So.	23½	do pfd	105½
do 1st pfd	69¾	Amer. Lin. Oil	16
do 2d pfd	45	do pfd	41
Del. & Hudson	172	American S. & R.	42⅝
Del. L. & W.	269	do pfd	93½
Denver & R. G.	40¾	Anac. Mining Co.	96
do pfd	84½	Brooklyn R. T.	66½
Erie	34⅝	Colo. Fuel & I.	81¾
do 1st pfd	84	Cons. Gas	217½
do 2d pfd	51¼	Cont. Tobacco pfd	118
Great Nor. pfd	200½	Gen. Electric	163
Hocking Valley	96¾	Glucose Sugar	127
do pfd	96½	Inter. Paper	18⅝
Illinois Central	147	do pfd	71
Iowa Central	40½	Laclede Gas	81
do pfd	72	National Biscuit	45⅞
Lake Erie & W.	51	National Lead	28⅝
do pfd	112	No. American	117½
L. & N.	125⅞	Pacific Coast	69
Manhattan L.	140⅞	Pacific Mail	39¼
Met. St. Ry.	140⅞	People's Gas	103
Mex. Central	23½	Pressed S. Car	62⅝
Mex. National	18½	do pfd	93
Minn. & St. L.	107	Pullman Car	228
Mo. Pacific	108	Republic Steel	28⅝
M., K. & T.	28⅜	do pfd	77¾
do pfd	63¾	Sugar	128
N. J. Central	179	Tenn. Coal & I.	61½
N. Y. Central	151⅝	United Bag & P.	13
Norfolk & W.	48⅜	do pfd	76½
do pfd	90	U. S. Leather	13⅜
Ontario & W.	32⅜	do pfd	89
Pennsylvania	151⅝	U. S. Rubber	17
Reading	64⅝	do pfd	57
do 1st pfd	81¾	U. S. Steel	37½
do 2d pfd	74¾	do pfd	87½
St. L. & S. F.	24¾	Western Union	88
do 1st pfd	70	Amer. Locomotive	29
do 2d pfd	59¾	do pfd	93¾
St. L. S. W.	28¾	K. C. Southern	34⅝
do pfd	62½	do pfd	81½
St. Paul	175¾	Rock Island	29⅜
do pfd	192	do pfd	82⅜
So. Pacific	65⅛		

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, Jan. 3.—MONEY—On call, steady; all loans at 6 per cent; closed offered at 6; time money easy; all periods, 5½ per cent; prime mercantile paper, 6 per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Firm, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.8663@4.8675 for demand and at $4.8335@4.8350 for sixty days; posted rates, $4.84 and $4.87½; commercial bills, $4.83¾@4.83.

SILVER—Bar, 48¾c; Mexican dollars, 38¾c.

BONDS—Railroad, steady; government, steady; refunding 2s, registered and coupon, 106¾; 3s, registered, 106½; coupon, 108; new 4s, registered, 135½; coupon, 135¾; old 4s, registered and coupon, 103¾; 5s, registered and coupon, 103¾.

The closing quotations on bonds are as follows:

U. S. ref. 2s, reg	106¾	Hocking Val. 4½s	106⅝
do coupon	106¾	L. & N. uni. 4s	100
do 3s, reg	108	Mex. Central 4s	74
do coupon	108	do 1s inc.	26½
do new 4s, reg	135½	Minn. & St. L. 4s	102¾
do coupon	135⅝	M., K. & T. 4s	97⅜
do old 4s, reg	103¾	do 2s	82
do coupon	103¾	N. Y. C. gen. 3½s	103¾
do 5s, reg	103⅝	N. J. C. gen. 5s	122½
do coupon	103⅝	No. Pacific 4s	102
Atchison gen. 4s	102⅜	do 3s	73½
do adj. 4s	84¾	N. & W. con. 4s	100
Bal. & Ohio 4s	102¼	Reading gen. 4s	95½
do 3½s	83¼	St. L. & I. M. 5s	113
*do conv. 4s	104⅝	St. L. & S. F. 4s	97
Canada So. 2s	104¾	St. L. S. W. 1s	84¾
Central of Ga. 5s	106⅝	*do 2s	81
*do 1s inc.	75	S. A. & A. P. 4s	85½
Ches. & Ohio 4½s	103⅝	So. Pacific 4s	91
Chicago & A. 4s	97½	So. Railway 5s	119⅜
C., B. & Q. 4s	94½	Texas & Pacific 1s	116⅝
*C. M. & St P. g. 4s	113½	T., St. L. & W. 4s	76
*C. & N. W. c. 7s	135	Union Pacific 4s	102⅞
C., R. I. & P. 4s	100¼	do conv. 4s	106⅝
C. & C. St. L. g. 4s	100	Wabash 1s	110½
*Chicago Ter. 4s	86	do deb. B	77⅞
Colorado So. 4s	93	West Shore 4s	111
Denver & R. G. 4s	99	Wheel. & L. E. 4s	92
Erie prior lien 4s	96⅜	Wis. Central 4s	91
do general 4s	85½	Con. Tobacco 4s	66⅝
F. W. & D. C. 1s	111		

London Stock Quotations.

LONDON, Jan. 3.—Closing quotations:

Consols, money	93 5-16	New York Central	157
do account	93⅝	Norfolk & Western	78⅝
Anaconda	5	do pfd	85
Atchison	34⅝	Ontario & Western	32¼
do pfd	103¼	Pennsylvania	56
Baltimore & Ohio	103¾	Rand Mines	4⅜
Canadian Pacific	184⅝	Reading	35¼
Chesapeake & Ohio	50	do 1st pfd	48¾
Chicago G. W.	23¾	do 2d pfd	40⅝
Chicago & Alton	35	Southern Railway	35⅜
Chicago & St. P.	183½	do pfd	95⅛
DeBeers	22⅜	Southern Pacific	67⅛
Denver & R. G.	42¼	Union Pacific	103⅝
do pfd	91⅝	do pfd	96
Erie	34½	United States Steel	38
do 1st pfd	70½	do pfd	89⅝
do 2d pfd	52	Wabash	21
Illinois Central	151	do pfd	46
Louisville & Nash.	131½		
Missouri, K. & T.	28		

BAR SILVER—22 5-16d per ounce.

MONEY—2@2½ per cent. The rate of discount in the open market for short bills is 3⅜ per cent and for three months' bills is 3⅜ per cent

Boston Stocks and Bonds.

BOSTON, Jan. 3.—Call loans, 6@7 per cent; time loans, 5½@6% per cent. Official closing of stocks and bonds:

Atchison 4s	100⅜	Adventure	17
Gas 4s	102⅛	Allouez	3½
Mex. Central 4s	75⅜	Amalgamated	64⅝
Atchison	34⅝	Bingham	79
do pfd	103¼	Calumet & Hecla	480
Boston & Albany	258	Centennial	19½
Boston & Me.	194	Copper Range	59¼
Boston Elevated	152¾	Dominion Coal	130
N. Y., N. H. & H.	210	do pfd	124¾
Fitchburg pfd	141	Isle Royale	32
Union Pacific	100⅝	Mohawk	64½
Mex. Central	23½	Old Dominion	117¼
American Sugar	128	Osceola	68
do pfd	120½	Parrot	27¼
American T. & T.	142¾	Quincy	120
Dominion I. & S.	80⅝	Santa Fe Copper	1⅜
Gen. Electric	164	Tamarack	152
Mass. Electric	35⅜	Trinity	21½
do pfd	94½	United States	23⅝
United Fruit	104⅝	Utah	25⅜
U. S. Steel	37¾	Victoria	6⅝
do pfd	87½	Winona	5¾
Westingh. Common	164	Wolverine	66

New York Mining Quotations.

NEW YORK, Jan. 3.—The following are the closing prices on mining stocks:

Adams Con.	15	Little Chief	9
Alice	39	Ontario	53
Breece	40	Ophir	130
Brunswick Con.	8	Phoenix	5
Comstock Tunnel	5½	Potosi	22
Con. Cal. & Va.	1.10	Savage	20
Horn Silver	135	Sierra Nevada	50
Iron Silver	50	Small Hopes	25
Leadville Con.	3	Standard	325

Bank Clearings.

OMAHA, Jan. 3.—Bank clearings for the week as compared with the corresponding week last year:

	1902.	1902.
Monday	$1,232,741 48	$1,121,045 65
Tuesday	1,181,795 58	1,145,137 26
Wednesday	1,151,742 66	1,145,137 26
Thursday	Holiday.	
Friday	1,251,135 66	1,467,628 65
Saturday	1,407,322 23	1,300,864 28
Total	$6,664,737 43	$6,189,212 74
Increase	475,524 69	

CHICAGO, Jan. 3.—Clearings, $20,514,516; balances, $2,723,981; New York exchange, 10c premium; foreign exchange unchanged; sterling posted at $4.84 for sixty days and at $4.87½ for demand.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 3.—Clearings, $8,771,556; balances, $1,467,199; money, steady, 5@6 per cent; New York exchange, 25c premium.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 3.—Clearings, $33,329,901; balances, $3,684,307; money, 6 per cent.

BALTIMORE, Jan. 3.—Clearings, $5,581,123; balances, $596,261; money, 6 per cent.

Foreign Financial.

LONDON, Jan. 3.—Money was in great abundance in the market today. Discounts weakened and caution was manifested on account of the weakness of Paris exchange. On the Stock exchange operators were cheerful and the business transacted was beyond the usual Saturday limit. Consols improved as the result of the ease of money. Home rails were moderately active and mostly higher. Americans opened fractionally lower and fractionally on either side of parity. Their tone was firm, in expectation of a good bank statement. They were not particularly active and closed firm. Grand Trunk was firm in view of the traffic returns above expectations. Kaffirs were easier on profit-taking.

Exports and Imports at New York.

NEW YORK, Jan. 3.—The total imports of merchandise and dry goods at the port of New York for this week were valued at $12,216,282.

The total imports of specie at the port of New York this week were $16,902 in silver and $64,533 in gold. The total exports of specie from the port of New York for this week were $10,000 in gold and $693,800 in silver.

Weekly Bank Statement.

NEW YORK, Jan. 3.—Statement of averages of the clearing house banks of this city for the five business days this week shows: Loans, $875,352,100; increase, $30,600; deposits, $873,115,000; increase, $7,161,400; circulation, $45,705,200; increase, $48,400; legal tenders, $73,473,900; increase, $4,180,600; specie, $164,968,700; increase, $1,254,400; reserve, $228,472,600; increase, $5,435,000; reserve required, $218,278,750; increase, $1,790,350; surplus, $10,193,850; increase, $3,644,650; ex-United States deposits, $20,233,000; increase, $3,637,100.

St. Louis Grain and Provisions.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 3.—WHEAT—Lower; No. 2 red, cash, elevator, 72c; track, 73@74c; May, 74½c; July, 70¾c; No. 2 hard, 69@70c.

CORN—Unchanged; No. 2 cash, 40c; track, 40@41c; May, 39¾c.

OATS—Firm; No. 2 cash, 33¼c bid; track, 34½c; May, 33½c; No. 2 white, 35½c.

RYE—Steady at 49c.

FLOUR—Steady; red patents, $3.25@3.50; extra fancy and straight, $3.05@3.20; clear, $2.90@3.00.

CORNMEAL—Steady, $2.30.

BRAN—Firm; sacked, east track, 73@75c.

HAY—Timothy, firm, $11.00@15.00; prairie, weak, $10.50@12.00.

IRON COTTON TIES—$1.07½.

BAGGING—6 5-16@7 1-16c.

HEMP TWINE—9c.

PROVISIONS—Pork, lower; jobbing, standard mess, $17.75. Lard, lower at $9.77½. Dry salt meats (boxed), dull; extra shorts, $9.12½; clear ribs, 19; short clears, $9.50. Bacon (boxed), dull; extra shorts, $10.50; clear ribs, $10.50; short clears, $11.

METALS—Lead, quiet, $3.95 bid. Spelter, firmer, $4.40 bid.

POULTRY—Steady; chickens, 9c; turkeys, 9½@12c; ducks, 12c; geese, 8c.

BUTTER—Steady; creamery, 23@30c; dairy, 18@22c.

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