GRAIN AND PRODUCE MARKET

Net Advance in Wheat After Day of Unsettled Conditions.

CORN SHOWS SOME CHANGE OF PRICE

Slight Loss in Oats Following Strong Opening, While Provisions Receive Setback on Sales for Foreign Account.

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—A reduction in world's shipments, compared with general expectations, small receipts and reports of rain in Argentine, caused a net advance in wheat today, although the market was quite unsettled. Closing prices were strong, with May ½c higher. May corn closed ⅛c higher, oats were a shade lower, while provisions showed a slight decline.

Wheat exhibited rapid changes in values and from a strong start the market suddenly developed weakness, only to again become strong. The opening was strong on the falling off in the world's shipments and higher prices at Liverpool. Small receipts in the northwest—about half what they were a year ago—also contributed to the bullish sentiment and May opened ¼@⅜c to ⅜@½c higher at 81½c to 81⅝c. Commission houses had liberal offerings and there was some liquidation. While there was a good general demand at the start, the selling became so urgent that the market was unable to withstand the pressure and prices declined, May selling off to 81¼c. Reports of rains in Argentine and fears of damage to the winter wheat crop by the cold wave brought out a good commission house demand later in the day. Evidence of support from the big bull operator was also a factor in the latter part of the session. Offerings, too, were much lighter than earlier in the day. After advancing to 82@82¼c May closed at 81⅝@81⅞c, a gain of half a cent. Clearances of wheat and flour were equal to 282,630 bushels. Primary receipts were 999,000 bushels. The visible supply showed an increase of 2,362,000, which was about the amount expected, and the amount on passage decreased 440,000 bushels. Minneapolis, Duluth and Chicago reported receipts of 655 cars, against 1,166 last week and 1,287 cars a year ago.

Corn opened strong in sympathy with wheat and on continued small receipts. There were free offerings from local speculators on the advance, the opinion among sellers being that the cold weather would improve the condition of the grain and also increase receipts. As a result of this selling the market became easier. Late buying on the strength in wheat caused a rally. May opened ⅛@¼c higher at 43¼@43⅜c and after selling between 42⅞@43c and 43⅜@43½c closed at 43¼@43⅜c. Local receipts were 298 cars, 1 of contract grade.

Oats were steady at the opening in sympathy with the strength in other grains, but as the session advanced an easier tone developed and closing prices showed slight losses. Influential houses were heavy sellers during the day and the demand was only light and from scattered sources. After opening a shade to ¼c lower May ranged between 36⅝@36¾c and 37⅛c and closed at 36¾c. Local receipts were 209 cars.

Provisions were steady early in the day, influenced by a strong hog market, but prices received a setback under selling of lard by several commission houses for foreign account. There was also some evidence of packers selling ribs. The late weakness in prices at the yards was a bear factor during the latter part of the session. May pork closed a shade lower at $11.80, May lard was down 2½@5c at $6.62½ and ribs were off 2½@5c at $6.30@6.32½.

Estimated receipts for tomorrow: Wheat, 110 cars; corn, 35 cars; oats, 106 cars; hogs, 3,200 head.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Sat'y.
*Wheat—					
†Dec.	79@79⅛	79⅝	78⅞	79¼	78⅞
May	81½@⅝	82@82¼	81¼	81⅝@⅞	81¼@½
July	77@77⅛	77⅛@⅜	76⅜@⅞	76⅞@77	76⅞
*Corn—					
Dec.	41⅝	41⅝	41⅛	41⅜	41¼
May	43¼@⅜	43⅜@½	42⅞@43	43¼@⅜	43⅛@¼
July	43⅛@¼	43¼	42¾@⅞	43⅛@¼	43⅛
*Oats—					
Dec.	35⅛	35¼	34⅞	34⅞@35	35⅛
May	37@37⅛	37⅛	36⅝@¾	36⅝	36⅞@37
July	33⅞	34	33⅝	34	34⅛
Pork—					
Jan.	11 42½	11 55	11 37½	11 50	11 45
May	11 80	11 85	11 37½	11 80	11 82½
Lard—					
Jan.	6 42½	6 52½	6 37½	6 47½	6 50
May	6 62½	6 67½	6 57½	6 62½	6 67½
Ribs—					
Jan.	6 10	6 20	6 10	6 15	6 17½
May	6 35	6 37½	6 27½	6 32½	6 35

*No. 2. †New.

FLOUR—Steady; winter patents, $4.00@4.20; straights, $3.70@4.10; spring patents, $4.00@4.30; straights, $2.50@3.76; bakers, $2.40@3.25.

WHEAT—No. 3 Spring, 82c; No. 3, 76@80c; No. 2 red, 81⅞@82⅞c.

CORN—No. 2, 42c; No. 2 yellow, 44c.

OATS—No. 2, 35c; No. 3 white, 34½@37c.

RYE—No. 2, 51½c.

BARLEY—Good feeding, 35¼@36½c; fair to choice malting, 43@57c.

SEEDS—No. 1 flax, 98½c; No. 1 northwestern, $1.00½; prime timothy, $2.95; clover, contract grade, $11.

PROVISIONS—Mess pork, per bbl, $11.50@11.62½. Lard, per 100 lbs., $6.47½@6.50. Short ribs sides (loose), $6.12½@6.37½. Short clear sides (boxed), 6.12½@6.25.

Following were the receipts and shipments of flour and grain:

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls	17,800	11,100
Wheat, bu	59,600	14,400
Corn, bu	306,400	87,700
Oats, bu	254,000	107,700
Rye, bu	6,200	22,900
Barley, bu	130,200	27,500

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was firm; creameries, 16@25c; dairies, 14@23c. Eggs, decidedly strong; at mark, cases included, 26½@29c. Cheese, 10@10½c.

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKET.

Quotations of the Day on Various Commodities.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—FLOUR—Receipts, 30,521 bbls.; exports, 8,336 bbls. The market was fairly active and steady; winter patents, $4.00@4.35; winter straights, $4.00@4.10; Minnesota patents, $4.55@4.75; winter extras, $3.00@3.35; Minnesota bakers, $3.70@3.85; winter low grades, $2.80@3.15. Rye flour, dull; fair to good, $3.25@3.40; choice to fancy, $3.45@3.55. Buckwheat flour, firm at $2.30@2.35.

CORNMEAL—Dull; yellow western, $1.02; city, $1.00; kiln-dried, $2.90@3.05.

RYE—Dull; No. 2 western, 63¾c, f. o. b., afloat; state and Jersey, 56@58c.

BARLEY—Steady; feeding, 49c; malting, 49@56c, c. i. f., Buffalo.

WHEAT—Receipts, 62,400 bu.; exports, 25,938 bu. The market for spot was firm; No. 2 red, 90⅝c in elevator; No. 2 red, 91⅝c, f. o. b., afloat; No. 1 northern Duluth, 93⅝c, f. o. b., afloat; No. 1 hard Manitoba northern, nominal, f. o. b., afloat. Options opened active and firmer on bullish statistics, including small northwestern receipts. Reacting on the unexpectedly big visible supply, it later recovered on good commission house support and closed firm at ½c net advance; May, 85⅝c, closing at 85⅝c; July, 81¼@82⅛c, closing at 82c; December, 90⅛@90⅝c, closing at 90½c.

CORN—Receipts, 15,500 bu. The market for spot was steady; No. 2, 52½c in elevator and 52½c afloat; No. 2 yellow, 56c; No. 2 white, 52½c. Option market opened firmer, with wheat, sold off on fine weather news and local selling, but finally recovered on a demand from shorts, closing steady at net unchanged prices to ⅛c net advance; May, 49 1-16@49⅜c, closing at 49¼c; December, 52@52½c, closing at 52½c.

OATS—Receipts, 189,000 bu. The market for spot was quiet; No. 2, 41½c; standard white, 42c; No. 3, 40c; No. 2 white, 42½c; No. 3 white, 41½c; track, white, 41@46c.

HAY—Steady; shipping, 65@75c; good to choice, 85@92½c.

HOPS—Firm; state, common to choice, 1903, 26@32c; 1902, 21@25½c; old, 9@12c. Pacific coast, 1903, 23@27c; 1902, 21@25½c; old, 9@12c.

HIDES—Firm; Galveston, 20 to 25 lbs., 18c; California, 21 to 25 lbs., 19c; Texas dry, 24 to 30 lbs., 13½c.

LEATHER—Firm; acid, 23@25½c.

RICE—Quiet; domestic, fair to extra, 3⅝@5½c; Japan, nominal.

PROVISIONS—Beef, steady; family, $10.00@11.00; mess, $8.00@9.00; beef hams, $20.50@27.00; packet, $9.00@10.00; city extra India mess, $15.00@17.00. Cut meats, unsettled; pickled bellies, $6.62½@8.37½; pickled shoulders, $6; pickled hams, $10.00@11.00. Lard, steady; western steamed, $6.90; refined, steady; continent, $7.20; South America, $7.60; compound, $5.25@5.50. Pork, steady; family, $15.15@15.25; short clears, $13.00@15.00; mess, $12.75@13.50.

TALLOW—Steady; city ($2 per pkg.), 4⅝c; country (pkgs. free), 4⅝@4¾c.

BUTTER—Receipts, 5,442 pkgs.; market steady; creamery, 16@25c; state, dairy, 15@22c.

CHEESE—Receipts, 2,074 pkgs.; market quiet; state, full cream, fancy, large and small, colored and white, September, 12c; late made, 10c.

EGGS—Receipts, 4,088 pkgs.; market strong; western, 28@32c.

POULTRY—Dressed, steady; western chickens, 11½c; fowls, 11@11½c; turkeys, 15@18c.

Kansas City Grain and Provisions.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 14.—WHEAT—December, 69⅝@69¾c; May, 69¾c. Cash, No. 2 hard, 71@72c; No. 3, 67@70c; No. 4, 61@66c. Rejected, 55@60c; No. 2 red, 83@84c; No. 3, 80@82c.

CORN—December, 37½c; May, 37¼@37⅜c.

Cash, No. 2 mixed, 38½c; No. 2 white, 39½c; No. 3, 38c.

OATS—No. 2 white 36@38c; No. 2 mixed, 34½@35c.

HAY—Choice timothy, $9.00@9.50; choice prairie, $8.

RYE—No. 2, 47c.

EGGS—Firm; Missouri and Kansas, cases returned, 27c per doz.; No. 2, whitewood cases included, 27½c.

BUTTER—Creamery, 21@22c; dairy, fancy, 20c.

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Wheat, bu	136,000	49,600
Corn, bu	8,800	16,800
Oats, bu	15,000	9,000

OMAHA WHOLESALE MARKET.

Condition of Trade and Quotations on Staple and Fancy Produce.

EGGS—Fresh stock, 28@29c.

LIVE POULTRY—Hens, 7@7½c; spring chickens, 7½@8c, roosters, according to age, 4@5c; turkeys, 12½c; ducks, 9@9½c. geese, 9@9½c.

DRESSED POULTRY—Turkeys, 16@17c; ducks, 10@11c; geese, 9@10c; chickens, 7½@8½c; hens, 7½@8½c.

BUTTER—Packing stock, 13½c; choice to fancy dairy, in tubs, 16@18c; separator, 22c.

FRESH FISH—Trout, 8c; pickerel, 7c; pike, 9c; perch, 7c. bluefish, 15c; whitefish, 9c; salmon, 11c; haddock, 10c; codfish, 12c; redsnapper, 11c; lobsters, boiled, per lb., 30c; lobsters, green, per lb., 28c; bullheads, 11c; catfish, 14c; black bass, 20@25c; halibut, 13c; crappies, 12c; herring, 6c; white bass, 13c; bluefins, 8c.

OYSTERS—New York counts, per can, 42c, per gal., $2.00; extra selects, per can, 35c, per gal., $1.75; standard, per can, 27, per gal., $1.35.

BRAN—Per ton, $14.50.

HAY—Prices quoted by Omaha Wholesale Dealers' association. Choice No. 1 upland, $7.50; No. 2, $7.00; medium, $6.50; coarse, $6.00. Rye straw, $6.50. These prices are for hay of good color and quality. Demand fair and receipts light.

CORN—44c.

OATS—37c.

RYE—No. 2, 50c.

CHRISTMAS TREES—Four to five feet, per dozen, $1.75; five to seven feet, per dozen, $2.50; eight to nine feet, per dozen, $3.50; nine to ten feet, per dozen, $4.50; large school and church purposes, twelve to fourteen feet, each, $1@1.50; extra large, fifteen to twenty feet, each, $2.00@4.00.

EVERGREEN WREATHING—In coils of twenty yards, per coil, $1.00.

WREATHS—Magnolia and galax wreaths, per dozen, $1.50; evergreen wreaths, per dozen, $1.50; holly wreaths, per dozen, $1.50. These designs are twelve inches in diameter.

HOLLY BRANCHES—Per case of 2x2x4 feet, about fifty pounds, $4.50; per barrel, $1.50.

LONG NEEDLE PINES—Per dozen, $2.00@2.50.

MISTLETOE—Branches, per five-pound box, $1.25; per pound, 30c. Mistletoe orders will be filled about December 20 and shipped by express only.

VEGETABLES.

POTATOES—Colorado, 85c; Dakota, per bu., 70@75c; native, 65@70c.

SWEET POTATOES—Illinois, per bbl., $3.25.

NAVY BEANS—Per bu., $2.35.

CELERY—Small, per doz., 25@35c; large California, 45@75c.

ONIONS—New home grown, dry, per lb., ¾c; Spanish, per crate, $1.50; Colorado yellow and red, 1½c.

CABBAGE—Wisconsin Holland, 2½c.

TURNIPS—Canada rutabagas, per lb., 1½c; white, per bu., 50c.

CARROTS—Per bu., 50c.

PARSNIPS—Per bu., 50c.

BEETS—Per bu., 50c.

CAULIFLOWER—California, per crate, $2.75.

TOMATOES—California, per 4-basket crate, $2.25.

CUCUMBERS—Per doz., $1.

FRUITS.

APPLES—California Bellflowers, per box, $1.60; New York Greenings, Baldwins and other varieties, $3.50.

GRAPES—Pony Catawbas, 20c; imported Malagas, per keg, $5.00@6.00.

CRANBERRIES—Jersey, per bbl., $7.50; per box, $2.75; Wisconsin Bell and Bugle, $9; Bell and Cherry, $8.

QUINCES—California, per box, $1.25.

TROPICAL FRUITS.

ORANGES—Florida Brights and Russets, all sizes, $3.25; navels, large size, $3.00@3.50.

LEMONS—California fancy, 300 to 360 sizes, $4; choice, 240 to 270 sizes, $3.50.

FIGS—California, per 10-lb. cartons, 85c; imported Smyrna, 3-crown, 14c; 5-crown, 16c; 7-crown, 18c.

COCOANUTS—Per sack, $4; per doz., 60c.

DATES—Persian, per box of 30 pkgs., $3; per lb., in 60-lb. boxes, 5½c; Oriental stuffed dates, per box, $2.40.

BANANAS—Per medium-sized bunch, $2.00@2.50; Jumbo, $2.75@3.25.

MISCELLANEOUS.

CHEESE—Wisconsin twins, full cream, 12½c; Wisconsin Young Americas, 13½c; block Swiss, 15c; Wisconsin brick, 12½c; Wisconsin limberger, 12c.

HONEY—Nebraska, per 24 frames, $3.25; Utah and Colorado, per 24 frames, $3.50.

MAPLE SUGAR—Ohio, per lb., 10c.

CIDER—Per bbl., $5.75; per ½-bbl., $3.25.

POPCORN—Per lb., 2½c; shelled, 3@3½c.

HORSE RADISH—Per case of 2 doz., packed, 80c.

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., 11c; filberts, per lb., 11c; almonds, soft shell, per lb., 15c; hard shell, per lb., 13c; pecans, large, per lb., 12c; small, per lb., 10c; peanuts, per lb., 5½c; roasted peanuts, per lb., 7c; Chili walnuts, 12@13c; large hickory nuts, per bu., $1.50; shell barks, per bu., $2; black walnuts, per bu., $1.25; Italian chestnuts, per lb., 12c.

HIDES—No. 1 green, 6c; No. 2 green, 5c; No. 1 salted, 7c; No. 2 salted, 6c; No. 1 veal calf, 8 to 12 lbs., 8½c; No. 2 veal calf, 12 to 15 lbs., 6½c; dry salted hides, 8@12c; sheep pelts, 25@75c; horse hides, $1.50@2.50.

St. Louis Grain and Provisions.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 14.—WHEAT—Higher; No. 2 red, cash, elevator, nominal; track, 91@91½c; December, 91¼c; May, 81½c; July, 76c; No. 2 hard, 75@78c.

CORN—Firm; No. 2 cash, 42c; track, 43¼c; December, 42c; May, 41½@41⅝c; July, 41⅝c.

OATS—Easy; No. 2 cash, 37c; track, 37½@38c; December, 36¼c; May, 37⅛c; No. 2 white, 39½c.

FLOUR—Steady; red winter patents, $4.25@4.35; extra fancy and straight, $3.90@4.20; clear, $3.40@3.60.

SEED TIMOTHY—Steady at $2.25@2.80; prime, higher.

CORN MEAL—Steady at $2.30.

BRAN—Firm; sacked, east track, 75@78c.

HAY—Steady; timothy, $6.50@12.50; prairie, $5.00@9.50.

IRON COTTON TIES—$1.05.

BAGGING—5¾@6¼c.

HEMP TWINE—5c.

PROVISIONS—Pork, steady; jobbing, $11.90. Lard, steady at $6.40. Bacon, steady; boxed extra shorts, $7.25; clear ribs, $7.50; short clear, $7.75.

POULTRY—Turkeys, strong; chickens, 7c; springs, 7½c; turkeys, 14c; ducks, 10c; geese, 9c.

BUTTER—Steady; creamery, 18@26c; dairy, 13@20c.

EGGS—Steady, 27c, cases out.

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls	14,600	11,000
Wheat, bu	161,000	55,000
Corn, bu	32,000	23,000
Oats, bu	54,000	36,000

Evaporated Apples and Dried Fruits.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—EVAPORATED APPLES—The market is quiet with demand light, but supplies are not being pressed and the tone is firm; common are quoted at 4@4¾c; prime, 5@5½c; choice, 5¾@6¼c; fancy, 6¾@7c.

CALIFORNIA DRIED FRUITS—Prunes are quiet and steady with quotations ranging from 3⅝c to 6½c. Apricots are in limited demand at 8¼@9¼c for choice, 9¾@10½c for extra choice and 11@15c for fancy. Peaches are quiet; choice are quoted at 7¼@7¾c; extra choice, 7¾@8¼c, and fancy, 9¼@10¼c.

Visible Supply of Grain.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—The visible supply of grain Saturday, December 12, as compiled by the New York Produce exchange, is as follows:

WHEAT—34,804,000 bu.; increase, 2,365,000 bu.

CORN—6,593,000 bu.; increase, 9,000 bu.

OATS—8,227,000 bu.; increase, 162,000 bu.

RYE—1,159,000 bu.; decrease, 100,000 bu.

BARLEY—5,932,000 bu.; increase, 99,000 bu.

Philadelphia Produce Market.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 14.—BUTTER—Firm; extra western creamery, 24@25½c; nearby prints, 27c.

EGGS—Strong, 2c higher; western, 34c, loss off; southwestern, 33@34c; southern, 31@32c.

CHEESE—Steady but dull; New York full creams, fancy, 11⅞c; choice, 11½c; fair to good, 10⅞@11¼c.

Milwaukee Grain Market.

MILWAUKEE, Dec. 14.—WHEAT—Firm; No. 1 northern, 83@83½c; No. 2 northern, 80@82c; May, 81⅝@81⅞c.

RYE—Firm; No. 1, 57c.

BARLEY—Dull; No. 2, 62c; sample, 33@58c.

CORN—Steady; No. 3, 45@46c; May, 43¼@43⅜c.

Duluth Grain Market.

DULUTH, Dec. 14.—WHEAT—On track, No. 1 northern, 80¼c; No. 2 northern, 77⅝c; No. 3 spring, 77⅝c; December, 79⅝c; May, 79⅛c.

OATS—On track and to arrive, 34⅝c.

Toledo Seed Market.

TOLEDO, Dec. 14.—SEEDS—Clover, cash and December, $6.80; January, $6.82½; February, $6.87½; March, $6.92½. Prime timothy, $1.40. Prime alsike, $6.65.

NEW YORK STOCKS AND BONDS

Sharp Decline in Volume of Business Transacted as Compared with Last Week.

MARKET SHOWS CONSIDERABLE STRENGTH

Element in Market Says Further Decline in Stock is in Prospect, with Little to Show for Opinion.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Trading in stocks today fell sharply below last week's average of activity, the day's total hardly exceeding 500,000 shares. The market, however, showed well sustained strength and closed firm at the top level of the day, or near it. There was considerable early hesitation, but the gradual advance met with new setbacks and the occasional intervals of dullness, when the buying was intermittent, were followed by no important reactions. The action of the market was a disappointment to the bear element and their buying to cover furnished one of the important sustaining influences. In United States preferred particularly there was a repetition of the reaction, which kept the market unsettled during the latter part of last week and which was believed by the bears to herald a renewed decline. There is a speculative party on the market which avows the conviction that the recent considerable recovery in stocks has simply represented a normal reaction from the prolonged decline, and with its culmination a decline of still greater force is in prospect. The short duration of last week's reaction was in itself a discouragement to the followers of this opinion, and they were inclined to reverse their position when prices started upward again.

The more cheerful tone of the London market was a helpful factor here and buying orders for London account gave it a substantial backing. London took a more hopeful view again of the outlook for peace in the far east and the discount market there worked easier.

Sterling exchange here was very firm with a good demand for remittance. But gold was again secured in the London market for shipment to New York to the amount of upward of $2,000,000. The announcement had the usual stimulating effect upon the stock market. The beginning of the argument in the Northern Securities case at Washington seemed to have some early repressive effect on activity, but traders seemed to come to the conclusion that the possibility of a considerable delay still in the decision, and the extent to which a possible unfavorable decision had already been discounted, left it unavailable for immediate further speculative commitments.

The dividend on the Standard Oil stock, payable tomorrow, will be the occasion for the disbursement of $12,000,000 and a number of other dividend payments, including that of the Consolidated Gas company, will be made at the same time. The impression was created that buying of stocks was going on to some extent in anticipation of the receipts of these funds. The strength of the market was pretty evenly diffused, but Amalgamated Copper, Union Pacific and Southern Pacific were notably strong, their gains exceeding the 2-point mark. A strong demand for raw copper helped the Amalgamated stock. The cold weather was supposed to be of advantage to the coal-carrying roads and to the demand for seasonable merchandise in all branches.

Bonds were not very active and about steady. Total sales, par value, $1,370,000. United States bonds unchanged on call.

Following are the closing quotations on the New York Stock exchange:

	Sales.	High.	Low.	Close.
Atchison	13,600	68⅝	67⅞	68⅜
do pfd	595	92⅝	92⅛	92⅜
Baltimore & Ohio	9,661	79⅛	78⅛	79
do pfd	260	88	88	87½
Canadian Pacific	1,500	119⅝	118½	119¼
Cent. of N. Jersey	....	....	....	155
Ches. & Ohio	610	32⅝	32⅛	32¼
Chicago & Alton	700	35½	35	35⅛
do pfd	200	68½	68¼	68⅛
Chi. Great Western	1,200	16	15⅝	15⅝
do B pfd	....	....	....	27½
Chi. & Northwestern	300	163¾	163¼	164
Chi. Term. & Trans.	....	....	....	8¼
do pfd	100	18	18	17½
Big Four	300	75	75	75
Colorado Southern	550	14⅝	14	14⅛
do 1st pfd	100	54	54	54
do 2d pfd	900	23½	22⅝	23⅛
Dela. & Hudson	300	158¾	158	158½
Dela., Lack. & West.	....	....	....	242½
Denver & Rio Grande	200	22	22	22½
do pfd	500	72⅝	72½	72⅜
Erie	76,370	30⅜	29⅜	30¼
do 1st pfd	2,142	68¾	67½	68
do 2d pfd	1,020	50⅝	49⅝	50⅛
Great North. pfd	....	....	....	165
Hocking Valley	....	....	....	74
do pfd	100	83½	83½	83
Illinois Central	12,071	129½	128⅜	129¼
Iowa Central	....	....	....	19½
do pfd	....	....	....	38
Kan. City Southern	....	....	....	18⅝
do pfd	....	....	....	34⅛
Louis. & Nashville	3,250	107¾	106⅜	107
Manhattan L.	2,310	141⅛	140⅝	140¾
Metro. St. Ry.	2,910	122⅝	121⅜	121⅛
Minne. & St. Louis	100	60	60	59
Missouri Pacific	8,845	93	91⅝	92⅛
Mo., Kan. & Texas	100	17⅝	17⅝	17½
do pfd	400	38⅝	38½	38⅝
Nat. R. R. Mex. pfd	....	....	....	37½
New York Central	1,500	118⅝	117⅞	118⅜
Norfolk & Western	1,420	57⅞	57	57⅝
do pfd	....	....	....	87
Ontario & Western	1,750	21½	21½	21⅛
Pennsylvania	55,787	117¾	115⅞	117⅛
Pitts., C., C. & St. L.	....	....	....	60
Reading	27,480	44⅝	43⅝	44½
do 1st pfd	117	77½	77½	76⅞
do 2d pfd	100	60⅝	60⅝	59½
Rock Island	11,325	26	25½	25⅞
do pfd	410	61¾	61½	61¼
St. L. & S. Fran. pfd	....	....	....	60
do 2d pfd	200	45	44½	44
St. L. & Southwestern	....	....	....	14
do pfd	300	33	32½	32⅝
St. Paul	18,800	142¼	140⅝	142
do pfd	....	....	....	171½
Southern Pacific	41,345	48⅞	47	48⅜
Southern Railway	5,030	21	20½	20⅞
do pfd	500	77⅛	77	77¼
Texas & Pacific	700	25⅛	24⅝	25⅛
Toledo, St. L. & West.	100	21½	21¼	21
do pfd	100	35½	35½	35
Union Pacific	51,100	77⅝	77¼	77½
do pfd	....	....	....	87½
Wabash	200	19⅝	19⅜	20
do pfd	2,900	37⅛	36⅝	37⅛
Wheel. & Lake Erie	....	....	....	16⅜
Wisconsin Central	....	....	....	16⅞
do pfd	412	38	37⅞	37⅞
Adams Express	....	....	....	221
American	....	....	....	184
United States	....	....	....	101
Wells-Fargo	....	....	....	200
Amal. Copper	56,190	47⅜	45	47
Am. Car & Foundry	630	18⅝	18⅜	18¼
do pfd	....	....	....	67¼
Am. Linseed Oil	....	....	....	9
do pfd	....	....	....	30
Am. Locomotive	800	14⅝	14¼	14½
do pfd	....	....	....	76
Am. Smelt. & Refin.	1,220	48⅜	48	48⅜
do pfd	365	90⅝	90½	90¼
Am. Sugar Refining	15,210	124⅝	122½	123⅝
Anaconda Min. Co.	300	76	76	77
Brook. Rapid Trans.	25,330	49⅝	48	48
Colo. Fuel & Iron	400	28½	27	27⅛
Colum. & Hock. Coal	200	12⅝	12⅝	12⅛
Consolidated Gas	762	188	184	188
General Electric	700	165	164	163½
Inter. Paper	....	....	....	10½
do pfd (ex-div.)	....	....	....	67
Inter. Pump	....	....	....	29
do pfd	....	....	....	70
National Biscuit	....	....	....	36½
National Lead	....	....	....	15⅝
North American	....	....	....	75
Pacific Mail	....	....	....	25
People's Gas	2,925	98⅝	97⅝	97⅞
Pressed Steel Car	200	26	26	25½
do pfd	....	....	....	65⅝
Pullman Pal. Car	....	....	....	213
Republic Steel	....	....	....	6½
do pfd	1,400	40⅛	39⅜	39⅞
Rubber Goods	300	18	17½	18
do pfd	....	....	....	70
Tenn. Coal & Iron	1,120	33	32⅛	32⅜
U. S. Leather	270	7⅛	7⅛	7⅛
do pfd	600	76⅛	75⅝	75⅝
U. S. Rubber	....	....	....	9
do pfd	300	26⅞	26⅝	26
U. S. Steel	4,240	10⅝	10⅜	10⅜
do pfd	89,034	54	51⅞	53⅛
Western Union	....	....	....	87
Northern Securities	....	....	....	90¼

Total sales for the day, 595,700 shares.

London Stock Market.

LONDON, Dec. 14.—Closing:

Consols, money	88 15-16	N. Y. Central	122⅞
do account	88¼	Norfolk & W.	58⅜
Anaconda	4	do pfd	90
Atchison	70⅛	Ontario & W.	22⅜
do pfd	95⅛	Pennsylvania	60
Baltimore & Ohio	81⅝	Rand Mines	9⅞
Canadian Pacific	122⅞	Reading	22⅛
Ches. & Ohio	33	do 1st pfd	40
Chicago Gt. W.	16⅛	do 2d pfd	30
C., M. & St. P.	146⅛	So. Railway	21⅛
DeBeers	20⅝	do pfd	80
D. & R. G.	22⅞	So. Pacific	49⅝
do pfd	75	Union Pacific	80⅛
Erie	31⅛	do pfd	90
do 1st pfd	70⅛	U. S. Steel	11⅛
do 2d pfd	52	do pfd	55⅞
Illinois Central	133¼	Wabash	21
Louis. & Nash.	110	do pfd	38
M., K. & T.	18⅛		

BAR SILVER—Firm, 25 13-16d per ounce.

MONEY—3@3¼ per cent; the rate of discount in the open market for short bills is 3⅝@3 15-16 per cent; for three months' bills, 3 15-16@3¾ per cent.

LONDON, Dec. 14—Bar silver closed firm at 25¾d per ounce.

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—MONEY—On call, firm at 5½@6 per cent; time loans, easy; sixty days, 6 per cent; ninety days, 5½@6 per cent; six months, 5¼@5½ per cent; prime mercantile paper, 6 per cent. bills, $4.79¾.

SILVER—Bar, 55½c; Mexican dollars, 43⅞c.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Firm, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.8450 for demand and at $4.7995@4.80 for sixty-day bills; posted rates, $4.80½@4.81; commercial

BONDS—Government, steady; railroad, steady.

The closing quotations on bonds are as follows:

U. S. ref. 2s, reg.	105½	L. & N. uni. 4s	100⅝
do coupon	106	Manhattan c. g. 4s	101⅛
do 3s, reg.	107¼	Mex. Central 4s	71⅛
do coupon	107¼	do 1st inc.	14¼
do new 4s, reg.	133½	Minn. & St. L. 4s	96⅝
do coupon	133½	M., K. & T. 4s	96¼
do old 4s, reg.	109	do 2s	77⅝
do coupon	110	N. R. R. of M. c. 4s	73
do 5s, reg.	101¼	N. Y. C. g. 3½s	95½
do coupon	101¾	N. J. C. g. 5s	130
Atchison gen. 4s	100⅝	No. Pacific 4s	102⅝
do adj. 4s	87	do 3s	70⅝
Atlantic C. L. 4s	93	N. & W. c. 4s	96⅝
Baltimore & O. 4s	100⅞	O. S. L. 4s & par	92½
do 3½s	95½	Penn. conv. 3½s	95¼
Central of Ga. 5s	105½	Reading gen. 4s	96⅞
do 1st inc.	68	St. L. & I. M. c. 5s	111
Ches. & Ohio 4½s	102½	St. L. & S. F. fg. 4s	84⅝
Chicago & A. 3½s	75¼	St. L. S. W. 1s	93
C., B. & Q. n. 4s	92⅞	Seaboard A. L. 4s	72¼
C. M. & St. P. g. 4s	110	So. Pacific 4s	87½
C. & N. W. c. 7s	131	So. Railway 5s	113½
C., R. I. & P. 4s	69⅝	Texas & P. 1s	115
do col. 5s	74	T., St. L. & W. 4s	69⅝
C.C.C. & St. L. g. 4s	95¼	Union Pacific 4s	102⅝
Chicago Ter. 4s	76	do conv. 4s	95¾
Con. Tobacco 4s	57½	U. S. Steel 2d 5s	69½
Colo. & So. 4s	84⅜	Wabash 1s	113⅝
D. & R. G. 4s	98¼	do deb. B	60½
Erie prior lien 4s	98½	W. & L. E. 4s	87
do gen. 4s	85⅝	Wis. Central 4s	89⅝
F. W. & D. C. 1s	102½	Colo. Fuel c. 5s	71
Hocking Val. 4½s	105⅝		

*Offered.

Boston Stock Quotations.

BOSTON, Dec. 14.—Call loans, 6@6½ per cent; time loans, 5@6½ per cent. Official closing prices on stocks and bonds:

Atchison 4s	99	Amalgamated	46⅞
Mexican Central	60	Bingham	20½
Atchison	68⅛	Cal. & Hecla	436
do pfd	92¼	Centennial	15½
Boston & Albany	244	Copper Range	45⅝
Boston & Maine	196	Dominion Coal	74
Boston Elevated	140	Franklin	7½
N. Y., N. H. & H.	194	Isle Royale	6⅛
Fitchburg pfd	136	Mohawk	37
Union Pacific	79	Old Dominion	9
Mex. Central	9½	Osceola	59
Amer. Sugar	123⅛	Parrot	21
do pfd	120⅜	Quincy	88
Amer. T. & T.	124⅜	Santa Fe Copper	1½
Dom. I. & S.	8⅝	Tamarack	88
General Electric	163	Trinity	4⅞
*Mass. Electric	20	United States	19
Mass. Electric pfd.	78	Utah	29⅝
United Fruit	102½	Victoria	7⅛
U. S. Steel	10⅛	Winona	7½
Westing. common	76	Wolverine	67½
Adventure	1⅞	Daly West	33
Allouez	4		

*Asked.

New York Mining Quotations.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—The following are the closing quotations on mining stocks:

Adams con	20	Little Chief	6
Alice	20	*Ontario	600
Breece	10	Ophir	200
Brunswick Con	3	Phoenix	8
Comstock Tunnel	5	Potosi	20
Con. Cal. & Va.	110	Savage	30
Horn Silver	105	Sierra Nevada	51
Iron Silver	196	Small Hopes	15
Leadville Con	2	Standard	290

Bank Clearings.

OMAHA, Dec. 14.—Bank clearings for today were $1,426,593.14, an increase of $78,827.88 over the corresponding day last year.

Cotton Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—The cotton market opened steady at an advance of 1@3 points, notwithstanding lower cables, full receipts and generally favorable weather for marketing the crop, as a result of renewed bull support, and covering which immediately falling the call, imparted a firm tone to the market, and advanced prices another few points. The strength seemed partly due to strong advices from southern sources regarding the spot situation and a rather more optimistic view of the far eastern situation, apprehensions as to which had been a depressing influence in the Saturday's market, but the advance was attended by very feverish private cables from Liverpool, in some instances alleging that the mills were considering the question of closing down for a period. Such rumors as this, though definite together with fears that the continued heavy movement of cotton into sight would shake popular confidence in the government's crop report, caused considerable feeling and shortly after the call prices had been depressed 7 to 11 points from the active positions with January ruling around Saturday's finals.

In the afternoon the market again rallied coming up to the best prices of the day or net 3 to 10 points higher. Toward the close a renewal of liquidation and bear pressure caused a partial reaction, but the market was finally quiet and steady with December net 3 points higher; January unchanged and the other positions 3 to 5 points net lower. Sales were estimated at 250,000, representing the least active full session of recent times.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 14.—COTTON—Quiet and easy; sales, 2,525 bales; ordinary, 9 7-16c; good ordinary, 10⅜c; low middling, 11⅜c; middling, 12⅛c; good middling, 12 5-16c; middling fair, 12 11-16c. Receipts, 15,924 bales, stock, 318,912 bales. Futures were steady. December, 12.18@12.22c; January, 12.27@12.29c; February, 12.43@12.45c; March, 12.58@12.59c; April, 12.64@12.66c; May, 12.68@12.69c; June, 12.72@12.74c; July, 12.78@12.79c.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 14.—COTTON—Steady. Middling, 12⅜c. Sales, none, receipts, 350 bales; shipments, none; stock, 15,399 bales.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 14.—COTTON—The market for spot was quiet at prices 6 points lower. American middling fair, 6.96d; good middling, 6.80d; middling, 6.70d; low middling, 6.64d; good ordinary, 6.54d; ordinary, 6.44d. The sales of the day were 6,000 bales, all American. Futures opened quiet and closed quiet and steady. American middling g. o. c. December, 6.58d; December and January, 6.53@6.54d; January and February, 6.49@6.50d; February and March 6.48d; March and April, 6.47d; April and May, 6.46d; May and June, 6.45d; June and July, 6.43@6.44d; July and August, 6.41d; August and September, 6.28d.

Foreign Financial.

LONDON, Dec. 14.—Money was in fair demand in the market today, but the supply was not abundant. Discounts were easy, owing to the rumors that an additional $2,500,000 in gold was coming from India. Business on the stock exchange was quiet, but the tone was tolerably cheerful, a hopeful view being taken of the outcome of the far eastern events. Consols and home rails were generally firm. Americans opened dull, grew firm and advanced to parity, became inactive, with the movements irregular and closed firm. Russians and Japanese were in good demand. The failure was announced of E. G. Everest, a small broker. The amount of bullion taken into the Bank of England on balance today was £8,000.

PARIS, Dec. 14.—Trading on the bourse was dull and featureless and closed calm. The private rate of discount was 2 13-16 per cent. Three per cent rentes, 98f 75c for the account; exchange on London, 25f 18c for checks.

BERLIN, Dec. 14.—Business on the boerse today was quiet. Exchange on London, 20 marks 45 pfgs. for checks; discount rates, 4 per cent; three months bills, 3¾ per cent.

Metal Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—METALS—The London tin market was firm and substantially higher closing at an advance of 12s 6d to £124 2s 6d for spot and £125 7s 6d for futures; locally tin was quiet but higher, spot closing at $27.25. Copper was unchanged at £56 12s 6d for spot and 5s higher at £56 10s for futures; locally copper was firmer; lake is quoted at $12.50@12.62½; electrolytic, $12.25@12.50; casting, $12.12½@12.37½. Lead advanced 2s 6d to £11 3s 9d in London and was also higher locally with small lots quoted at $4.37½ and fifty-ton lots at $4.25. Spelter was 5s higher at £21 7s 6d in London; locally spot was nominally unchanged at $5.25, while December delivery is quoted about 50 points lower at $4.25. Iron closed at 48s 9d in Glasgow and at 41s 9d in Middlesborough; locally iron was unchanged; No. 1 northern foundry is quoted at $15.00@16.00; No. 2 northern foundry, $14.00@15.00; No. 1 southern foundry and No. 1 soft southern foundry, $13.50@14.00.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 14.—METALS—Lead, firm, $4.04½. Spelter, dull, $4.50.

Oil and Rosin.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—OILS—Cottonseed, firm; prime crude, nominal; prime yellow, 35@35½c. Petroleum, firm; refined New York, $9.50; Philadelphia and Baltimore, $9.40; prime, in bulk, $6.55. TURPENTINE—Steady, 59½@60c. ROSIN—Steady; common to good, $2.55.

SAVANNAH, Dec. 12.—TURPENTINE—56c.

ROSIN—Firm; A, B, C, D, E, F, $2.20; G, $2.25; H, $2.35; I, $2.55; K, $2.80; M, $2.90; N, $3.05; WG, $3.25; WW, $3.50.

OIL CITY, Dec. 14.—OILS—Credit balances, $1.90; certificates, sales, 5,000 at $2; shipments, 191,412 bbls.; average, 7,067 bbls.; runs, 133,742 bbls.; average, 74,440 bbls. Shipments, Lima, 122,461 bbls.; average, 66,536 bbls.; runs, Lima, 115,620 bbls.; average, 57,055 bbls.

Coffee Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—COFFEE—Spot Rio, steady; No. 7 invoice, 6⅝c; mild, firm. The market for futures opened steady at a decline of 10 points under liquidation following lower European and primary cables, but ruled fairly steady at the decline, at one time showing a partial recovery on covering and moderate support from bullish interests. Toward the close, however, the market again eased off under continued realizing and the market was finally steady at a decline of 5@15 points, with sales of 131,000 bags, including December at 6.25c; January, 6.35c; February, 6.40@6.50c; April, 6.50@6.60c; June, 6.95c; July, 7.05@7.15c; August, 7.15c; September, 7.25@7.35c; October, 7.30@7.35c.

OMAHA LIVE STOCK MARKET

Cattle Run Fairly Liberal and Trading Was Rather Slow.

HOGS GENERALLY FIVE CENTS LOWER

Better Grades of Both Fat Sheep and Feeders Met with Ready Sale at About Steady Prices—Common Kinds Very Dull.

SOUTH OMAHA, Dec. 14.

Receipts were:	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
Official Monday	4,453	8,876	12,381
Same day last week	4,002	6,246	13,321
Same week before	4,828	6,415	17,553
Same three weeks ago	7,957	5,553	6,641
Same four weeks ago	5,484	5,739	19,708
Same day last year	2,881	5,470	8,246

Average prices paid for hogs at South Omaha for the last several days with comparisons:

Date.	1903.	1902.	1901.	1900.	1899.	1898.	1897.
Dec. 1	4 34¾	6 09	*	4 63	3 74	3 25	3 23
Dec. 2	4 31⅝	6 08	5 95	*	3 76	3 28	3 25
Dec. 3	4 40⅞	6 13	5 98	4 64	*	3 29	3 19
Dec. 4	4 42½	6 22	5 92	4 68	3 81	*	3 21
Dec. 5	4 37⅛	6 24	6 05	4 77	3 80	3 37	*
Dec. 6	*	6 16	6 09	4 84	3 86	3 35	3 25
Dec. 7	4 36⅝	*	6 04	4 81	3 81	3 38	3 23
Dec. 8	4 32⅝	6 07	*	4 78	3 83	3 30	3 17
Dec. 9	4 33⅝	6 05	6 11	*	3 90	3 29	3 13
Dec. 10	4 46⅝	6 12	6 13	4 85	*	3 31	3 13
Dec. 11	4 47½	6 08	6 14	4 82	3 92	*	3 15
Dec. 12	4 48⅞	5 98	6 16	4 77	3 95	3 37	*
Dec. 13	*	5 9	6 21	4 81	3 93	3 28	3 20
Dec. 14	4 44⅞	*	6 21	4 86	3 96	3 33	3 23

*Indicates Sunday.

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

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
C., M. & St. P. Ry.	4	41	1
Union Pacific system	66	10	18
C. & N. W. Ry.	2	21	5
F., E. & M. V. R. R.	28	15	4
C., St. P., M. & O. Ry.	13	13	11
B. & M. Ry.	54	17	17
C., B. & Q. Ry.	..	9	3
C., R. I. & P. Ry., east.	10	7	1
C., R. I. & P. Ry., west.	..	1	..
Illinois Central	..	3	..
Chicago Great Western	..	2	..
Total receipts	177	139	60

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

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
Omaha Packing Co.	305	513	754
Swift and Company	965	1,766	1,868
Cudahy Packing Co.	888	2,072	2,109
Armour & Co.	888	2,072	2,108
Armour & Co., S. C.	....	2,884	.....
Vansant & Co.	121	.....	.....
Carey & Benton	68	.....	.....
Lobman & Co.	214	.....	.....
W. I. Stephen	161	.....	.....
H. F. Hamilton	53	.....	.....
L. F. Husz	186	.....	.....
Wolf & Murnan	150	.....	.....
Hobbick & B.	131	.....	.....
Sam Wertheimer	107	.....	.....
M. K. Haggerty & Co.	36	.....	.....
Other buyers	378	.....	3,355
Totals	4,594	9,293	10,154

CATTLE—The week opens with a fair run of corn stock on sale. The general market was slow, with no material change in prices.

Prices declined on cornfed steers the latter part of last week and there was no disposition on the part of the buyers to improve the prices today. Trains were late in arriving and at a late hour only a small part of the supply was out of first hands.

The market for cows and heifers fared no better than the market for beef steers. The better grades sold fairly steady, but there was little life to the market. Inferior stuff sold irregularly and weakness was noted all along the line.

In the feeder division trade also was practically unchanged on the desirable kinds. Toppy feeders are selling well up to last week's quotations, while on the other hand common stock is more or less of a drug on the market and are quotably no better, if as good, as last week.

NEBRASKA.

2 cows	1248	2 60	1 cow	1090	2 60
2 feeders	840	3 00	2 cows	1080	2 15
2 feeders	1110	3 00	3 cows	1126	3 00
1 heifer	580	2 25	1 cow	940	2 35
1 bull	1230	2 25	1 cow	1160	2 55
2 cows	890	1 85	3 cows	780	2 55
1 bull	760	2 10	2 feeders	630	3 00
5 feeders	552	1 80	2 feeders	1033	2 60
21 feeders	980	3 30			
44 steers	1075	3 30	42 cows	1024	2 50
6 steers	1148	3 30	1 steer	1020	3 30
15 heifers	610	2 15	7 cows	885	2 15
41 cows	936	2 50	10 heifers	515	2 15
3 feeders	1120	3 30	11 cows	1000	2 50
12 cows	866	2 15			

WYOMING.

1 cow	980	2 10	20 cows	901	2 50
6 cows	1068	2 75	5 cows	1150	2 10
26 feeders	982	3 05	2 feeders	810	2 50
9 feeders	1094	3 25	7 feeders	1050	3 25
2 feeders	1225	3 25	3 feeders	1053	3 05
2 heifers	600	2 20	2 feeders	1080	3 00
14 feeders	1233	3 25	38 feeders	1113	3 25
2 feeders	1365	2 25	1 feeder	1150	3 35
1 feeder	1070	3 00	2 cows	1175	2 65
1 cow	1290	3 25	6 cows	1145	2 60

Wood River Live Stock Co.—Idaho.

12 steers	1267	3 00	138 steers	1254	3 25
65 feeders	1170	3 25	6 feeders	1170	2 75
83 steers	832	2 65	28 steers	1204	3 35

BEEF STEERS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
19	1064	3 60	48	1454	4 80
23	1271	4 05	17	1252	4 85
3	1390	4 25	16	1368	4 85
44	1161	4 40	100	1540	4 90
3	1085	4 40	23	1125	5 10

STEERS AND HEIFERS.

22	1286	4 30	24	975	5 00

COWS.

2	1355	2 00	2	1249	2 60
6	941	2 10	22	980	2 60
3	883	2 25	13	1085	2 85
9	962	2 25	15	973	2 90
6	898	2 30	2	1215	3 15
1	1300	2 35	10	1171	3 15
5	1123	2 50			

COWS AND HEIFERS.

14	853	2 45

BULLS.

1	1710	3 35

CALVES.

1	110	5 25

HEIFERS.

11	712	2 20	7	845	2 60
12	494	2 50	75	852	2 70

STOCKERS AND FEEDERS.

2	840	3 00	60	751	3 25
65	778	3 15			

HOGS—The run of hogs this morning was the largest for a Monday for some time; however, about 2,500 arrived billed direct to a local packer. Heavy receipts and weak markets elsewhere exerted a bearish influence here and sales were largely a nickel lower than Saturday, the bulk selling right around $4.45. Tops reached $4.50, a nickel lower than Saturday, and most of the sales show a corresponding decline. The market was more or less dragging and dull at the prices quoted and closed slow and weak.

No.	Av.	Sh.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Sh.	Pr.
12	111	...	4 15	67	277	40	4 45
44	265	...	4 40	56	330	...	4 45
49	307	120	4 40	63	291	240	4 45
88	176	40	4 42½	71	260	...	4 45
65	265	...	4 42½	66	289	160	4 45
61	276	120	4 42½	35	228	80	4 45
70	174	80	4 42½	64	239	...	4 45
47	305	40	4 42½	57	293	120	4 45
30	331	160	4 42½	71	247	40	4 45
53	273	40	4 42½	59	276	80	4 45
56	305	60	4 42½	62	281	40	4 45
68	267	200	4 42½	64	280	200	4 45
58	309	...	4 42½	71	264	...	4 45
57	323	80	4 42½	65	260	120	4 45
55	334	240	4 42½	63	316	630	4 45
63	298	...	4 42½	68	258	40	4 45
15	166	...	4 42½	60	264	...	4 45
68	251	80	4 42½	67	241	...	4 45
13	184	80	4 42½	59	273	40	4 45
56	308	...	4 45	59	272	120	4 45
65	294	80	4 45	62	269	80	4 45
72	239	200	4 45	74	186	...	4 45
69	275	240	4 45	81	235	...	4 45
56	249	40	4 45	47	267	120	4 45
52	288	...	4 45	48	265	...	4 45
48	277	...	4 45	50	358	120	4 45
55	254	120	4 45	47	241	80	4 45
47	243	80	4 45	63	285	40	4 45
63	285	40	4 45	61	248	80	4 45
62	265	80	4 45	62	265	80	4 45
63	253	120	4 45	63	289	120	4 45
61	251	80	4 45	35	355	80	4 45
61	266	80	4 45	84	312	80	4 45
48	269	160	4 45	63	300	40	4 45
76	231	40	4 45	56	234	80	4 45
63	263	120	4 45	71	274	40	4 45
73	206	40	4 45	55	329	80	4 45
98	171	80	4 45	120	189	...	4 45
59	297	200	4 45	61	185	...	4 45
71	255	40	4 45	73	221	...	4 47½
64	286	220	4 45	70	215	...	4 47½
67	236	40	4 45	112	162	...	4 47½
32	276	...	4 45	68	278	80	4 47½
62	261	...	4 45	57	274	80	4 50
64	282	80	4 45	97	204	...	4 55

SHEEP—The week starts out with a fair run of sheep, about half of the arrivals being killers, the balance being made up of range feeders. The great trouble was that there were very few of the killers that were really desirable. The country insists on sending in half fat stuff in spite of all that has been said against it.

There was a better feeling on killers this morning and packers all seemed to want a few. The result was that desirable stuff sold at good, strong prices. Some were quoting handy weights as quite a little higher than last week. Some good Colorado yearlings sold up to $4.10. Some small lots of lambs went at $5.50 and range lambs sold as high as $4.75.

There was a fair demand for feeders and the market on that kind did not show any material change in any direction.

Quotations for corn-fed stock: Choice western lambs, $5.00@5.25; fair to good lambs, $4.50@5.00; good to choice yearlings, $3.75@4.00; fair to good yearlings, $3.50@3.75; choice wethers, $3.35@3.65; fair to good wethers, $3.25@3.35; good to choice ewes, $3.00@3.25; fair to good ewes, $2.60@3.00; choice feeder lambs, $3.60@4.10; fair to good feeder lambs, $3.25@3.60; baby lambs, $2.90@3.00; feeder yearlings, $3.25@3.50; feeder wethers, $3.15@3.35; feeder ewes, $2.00@2.50; culls, $1.00@2.00. Representative sales:

No.		Av.	Pr.
1	buck	160	2 50
35	western ewes	160	3 00
240	western yearling wethers	71	3 25
51	western yearling wethers	68	3 25
1	ewe	160	3 25
6	western lambs	96	4 00
552	Colorado yearling wethers	75	4 10
7	western yearling wethers	137	4 25
50	western lambs	108	5 50
15	western ewes	107	2 75
996	Wyoming fed ewes	102	2 80
49	western ewes	119	2 80
5	western ewes	110	2 80
126	Wyoming fed ewes	98	2 90
123	western ewes	91	2 90
2	western ewes	110	3 10
1	western ewe	130	3 10
686	Wyoming fed yearlings	92	3 15
88	Wyoming feeder yearlings	111	3 25
404	Wyoming feeder yearlings	80	3 25
417	western wethers	117	3 35
121	western wethers	103	3 35
168	western wethers	122	3 50
140	Wyoming feeder lambs	55	3 65
45	western yearlings	99	3 75
196	western wethers	106	3 75
10	cull lambs	71	4 00
6	native lambs	110	5 50
90	native lambs	72	5 50
148	Idaho ewes	92	2 50
104	western ewes	108	2 90
152	western ewes	93	3 25
291	Idaho lambs	63	4 75
53	western lambs	66	5 10

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Fair Receipts of Cattle and Hogs, with Light of Sheep.

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—CATTLE—Receipts, 24,000 head. The market was steady; good to prime steers, $4.90@5.70; poor to medium, $3.00@4.75; stockers and feeders, $1.75@4.00; cows, $1.50@3.90; heifers, $1.75@5.00; canners, $1.50@2.35; bulls, $1.75@4.00; calves, $2.00@6.25.

HOGS—Receipts, 48,000 head; estimated tomorrow, 30,000 head. The market was steady to 5c lower; mixed and butchers, $4.45@4.70; good to choice heavy, $4.60@4.70; rough heavy, $4.40@4.55; light, $4.35@4.65; bulk of sales, $4.45@4.60.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Receipts, 2,000 head. The market for sheep was steady to 10c higher, for lambs steady; good to choice wethers, $3.50@4.00; fair to choice mixed, $2.50@3.40; western sheep, $2.75@4.75; native lambs, $4.00@5.75; western lambs, $3.75@5.50.

New York Live Stock Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—BEEVES—Receipts, 4,041 head; steers, 15@25c higher, some sales of cattle 30c higher; bulls firm to 15c higher; cows 10@15c higher; steers, $4.00@5.00; bulls, $2.50@3.80; cows, $1.10@3.25; cables quoted cattle steady at 11@12½c per lb., dressed weight; sheep at 10@11c; lambs, 12@12½c, dressed weight.

CALVES—Receipts, 786 head; market 50c higher on veal and barnyard calves; western, steady; all sold; veals, $4.00@8.50; barnyard stock, $2.25@3.50; common westerns, $2.50@2.65; city dressed veals, firmer at 7@12c per lb.; country dressed, 6@10½c.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Receipts, 11,440 head; good sheep strong, others steady; lambs, 15@25c higher; sheep, $2.25@3.90; choice, $4; lambs, $5.25@6.35; one car $6.40; culls, $4.00@5.00; Canada lambs, $5.75@6.00.

HOGS—Receipts, 8,748 head; market 25c higher; state and Pennsylvania hogs, $5.12½@5.30.

Exports tomorrow, 1,320 cattle, 1,827 sheep and 3,800 quarters of beef.

Kansas City Live Stock Market.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 14.—CATTLE—Receipts, 10,000 head, including 200 head of southerns. The market was steady and closed weak; export and dressed beef steers, steady, $4.40@5.30; fair to good, $2.20@4.30; western fed steers, steady, $3.30@4.15; stockers and feeders, steady, $2.50@3.90; southern steers, strong, $2.80@3.65; southern cows, strong, $1.70@2.40; native cows, weak, $1.50@4.25; native heifers, weak, $2.00@4.50; bulls, steady, $2.00@3.15; calves, steady, $2.50@6.00.

HOGS—Receipts, 8,000 head. The market was weak to 5c lower; top, $4.75; bulk of sales, $4.55@4.70; heavy, $4.55@4.75; packers, $4.55@4.62; pigs and lights, $4.50@4.70.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Receipts, 3,000 head. The market was strong to 10c higher; native lambs, $4.25@5.25; western lambs, $4.00@5.15; fed ewes, $3.00@3.35; stockers and feeders, $2.00@3.65.

St. Louis Live Stock Market.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 14.—CATTLE—Receipts, 4,000 head, including 1,000 head of Texans. The market was steady; native shipping and export steers, $4.00@5.40; dressed beef and butcher steers, $3.50@5.25; steers under 1,000 lbs., $3.25@5.00; stockers and feeders, $2.00@3.90; cows and heifers, $2.25@4.25; canners, $1.75@2.10; bulls, $2.50@4.00; calves, $2.50@6.75; Texas and Indian steers, $2.20@4.00; cows and heifers, $2.00@3.25.

HOGS—Receipts, 5,500 head. The market was steady to strong early, lower at close; pigs and lights, $4.30@4.60; packers, $4.40@4.65; butchers and best heavy, $4.50@4.70.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Receipts, 3,000 head. The market was steady; native muttons, $3.10@3.85; lambs, $4.00@5.35; culls and bucks, $2.00@4.00; stockers, $2.00@3.00.

St. Joseph Live Stock Market.

ST. JOSEPH, Dec. 14.—CATTLE—Receipts, 2,100 head; steady to 10c higher; natives, $3.40@5.15; cows and heifers, $1.50@4.25; stockers and feeders, $2.50@3.65.

HOGS—Receipts, 3,995 head; 5@7½c lower; light, $4.50@4.60; medium and heavy, $4.50@4.57½.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Receipts, 2,605 head; steady to 10c higher; wethers, $4.10.

Sioux City Live Stock Market.

SIOUX CITY, Ia., Dec. 14.—(Special Telegram.)—CATTLE—Receipts, 800 head; market higher; killers steady; beeves, $3.75@5.00; cows, bulls and mixed, $2.00@3.25; stockers and feeders, $2.50@3.40; calves and yearlings, $2.25@3.25.

HOGS—Receipts, 5,000 head; market steady at $4.30@4.50; bulk, $4.37@4.40.

Stock in Sight.

Following are the receipts of live stock at the six principal western cities yesterday:

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
Omaha	4,453	8,876	12,381
Chicago	24,000	48,000	2,000
Kansas City	10,000	8,000	3,000
St. Louis	4,000	5,500	3,000
St. Joseph	2,100	3,995	2,605
Sioux City	800	5,000	.....
Totals	45,353	69,371	22,986

Wool Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—WOOL—Firm; domestic fleece, 28@32c.

BOSTON, Dec. 14.—WOOL—Current quotations are: Territory, Idaho, fine, 14@15c; fine, medium, 16@17c; medium, 18@19c. Wyoming, fine, 14@15c; fine, medium, 16@17c; medium, 18½@19c. Utah and Nevada, fine, 14½@15c; fine, medium, 16½@17c; medium, 19@20c. Dakota, fine, 15@16c; fine, medium, 16½@17c; medium, 19@20c. Montana, fine, choice, 19@20c; fine, medium, choice, 19@20c; average, 18@19c; staple, 19@20c; medium, choice, 19@20c.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 14.—WOOL—Steady; medium grades, combing and clothing, 17@21c; light, fine, 15@17½c; heavy, fine, 12@14½c; tub washed, 20@31c.

Sugar and Molasses.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—SUGAR—Raw, steady; fair refining, 3¼c; centrifugal, 96 test, 3¾c; molasses sugar, 2⅞c; refined, steady; No. 6, 4.05c; No. 7, 4.00c; No. 8, 3.95c; No. 9, 3.90c; No. 10, 3.85c; No. 11, 3.80c; No. 12, 3.75c; No. 13, 3.70c; No. 14, 3.65c; confectioners' A, 4.30c; mould, A, 4.70c; cut loaf, 5.05c; crushed, 5.05c; powdered, 4.55c; granulated, 4.45c; cubes, 4.70c.

MOLASSES—Firm. New Orleans open kettle, good to choice, 31@38c.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 14.—SUGAR—Quiet; open kettle, 2⅝c; centrifugal, 3 3-16@3⅝c; centrifugal white, 3⅝@3 13-16c; yellows, 3¼@3 11-16c; seconds, 2¼@3½c.

MOLASSES—25c.

Whisky Market.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 14.—WHISKY—Steady, on basis of $1.31.

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—WHISKY—Steady at $1.27.

PEORIA, Dec. 14.—WHISKY—Steady, at $1.27, on basis of high wines.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 14.—WHISKY—Distillers' finished goods, quiet, on basis of $1.27.

Dry Goods Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—DRY GOODS—Buyers are not interested at the advancing character of the market, and yet no concessions are being made in any instance. Certain high prices are being named, but these are largely with the idea of holding rather than forcing business.

Elgin Butter Market.

ELGIN, Ill., Dec. 14.—BUTTER—Ruled firm on the Board of Trade today, selling at 25c per lb., the same as last week. Sales in the region for the week were 450,000 lbs.

Minneapolis Wheat, Flour and Bran.

MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 14.—WHEAT—Close, December, 79⅝c; May, 81⅝c; July, 81¾@81⅞c.

FLOUR—First patents, $4.40@4.55; second patents, $4.30@4.40; first clears, $3.30@3.40; second clears, $2.30@2.40.

Peoria Grain Market.

PEORIA, Dec. 14.—CORN—Firm; December, 43c; new No. 3, 38½c; new No. 4, 37⅝c.

Judge Fletcher Ladd.

BOSTON, Dec. 13.—The death of Judge Fletcher Ladd, for three years a supreme justice in the Philippines, at a private hospital in this city was announced today.

PREACHER HANDY WITH FISTS

Former Missionary Conquers Footpads and Fights Policeman.

LATTER FINALLY LANDS HIM IN JAIL

Minister is Released on Bond and Threatens to Sue for Damages Because of Arrest by Officer.

It does not always follow that because a man wears a ministerial toga he is easy prey for footpads and confidence sharks. Rev. Edward Mathews, late minister of the gospel in South America, has demonstrated that he, at least, is fortified with a strong right arm.

Mr. Mathews says he was accosted Sunday night by two colored men as he neared the corner of Leavenworth and Eighteenth streets, on his way home. The colored chaps, thinking they had singled out a rare prize and noting Mr. Mathews' ministerial garb, became very insolent. Fearing an assault, or an attempt to hold him up, the minister instituted proceedings which soon routed his would-be assailants.

Detective McCarthy happened to be hovering in the vicinity and heard the noise of the altercation. Hurrying to the scene, he found the minister holding the fort alone, the attacking party having fled, but not before Mr. Mathews had landed several straight arm jabs on the anatomy of both men.

Mixes Up with Officer.

The officer, feeling it his duty to arrest someone, took the minister in tow and had started for a nearby drug store to call the patrol wagon, when Mr. Mathews resisted and a lively tussle between the athletic minister and the minion of the law ensued. Officer McCarthy then became more determined than ever to land his man in jail and in due time the officer and the minister showed up at the station, where Mr. Mathews was booked as a suspicious character.

"I could tell you my version of the affair in a very few moments, were I allowed to do so," Mr. Mathews told Judge Berka, but the judge was not in a receptive mood.

To a Young Men's Christian association man Mathews said:

"It is now my plan to get the name and number of the officer who arrested me and bring suit for damages."

"You had better reserve that talk for some other place," said the young friend of the Young Men's Christian association.

Continuing, Mr. Mathews remarked so all in police court could hear:

"I am now working for the Davis Real Estate company. As you notice, my hearing is impaired. I want Mr. Davis here; he is my ears."

Judge Berka decided that the case should be heard Wednesday, and so informed Mr. Mathews and his Young Men's Christian association friends, and they went away, the minister having furnished bonds.

AWAIT MONEY FROM HOME

Two Iowa Persons Ask for Stay of Execution Until Parents Are Heard From.

"Say, Judge, could you fix it so we could stay here until we receive money from home?"

The overgrown chap who wanted to be committed until his parents cashed up gave his name as John Gangloff and his home as Clinton, Ia. He was accompanied by Frank Donnolley, who was also lanky and very desirous that he be locked up until a maiden auntie should relent and forward his regular allowance, which he intimated was long over due.

"We just want to stop here a little while, and we can't face this cold weather without a cent," pleaded Donnoley.

The kind-hearted judge gave them each five days in the city jail.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

DEEDS filed for record yesterday, as furnished by the Midland Guarantee and Trust company, bonded abstracter, 1614 Farnam street:

Rosalie Shipley and husband to Sarah Gallup, lot 4, block 4, Florence	$ 300
Omaha National bank to William K. Potter, receiver, lots 1 and 2, block 8, Jerome park	1
William K. Potter, receiver, to George Forgan, same	700
Claus Jess and wife to Johann D. Neumann; s½ w½ lot 22, Kountze's 2d add, except 10 feet for alley	1,550
Executors of estate of Camilla F. Byrne to T. L. Ringwalt, lot 1, block 1, Armstrong's 2d add, and other land	800
Lewis C. Sholes and wife to Lena Thompson, lots 5 and 6, block 2, Arbor Place	700
Emma Von Wasmer and husband to Annie L. M. Kimball, w 25 feet lots 19 and 20, Thornell's add, except n 10 feet lot 19, city of Omaha	3,650
Same to same, alley and strip adjoining lots 19 and 20, Thornell's; also land in 21-15-13	1
W. W. McIlvaine to Clayton A. Pratt, ¼ Hanscom Place	1,400
M. A. Donahoe to the O. F. Davis Co., lot 18, Barker's subdiv	950
National Bank of Commerce to James H. Grade, s½ w½ lot 5, block 20, Credit Foncier	330
Omaha National bank to Julius Treitschke, lots 8 and 9, block 2, Kent's add	75
Michigan Mutual Life Insurance company to John E. Erickson, lot 6, block 16, Wilcox add	600
First National bank to A. F. Swickard, lot 10, block 20, Wilcox's 2d add	450
Peter Jensen and wife to Herman Schunke, w½ lot 2, block 2, Campbell's add	1,025
John C. Havemeyer and wife to Frank H. Garvin, lot 5, subdiv of block 6, Dupont Place	1

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