CRAIN AND PRODUCE MARKET

Higher Prices of Cash Wheat Have Vital Effect on Speculation.

DEMAND FOR MAY EXCEEDS THE SUPPLY

Later in the Day, on Selling Offers, the Market Fades Away and Finally Closes at Eighty.

OMAHA, Saturday, Feb. 13, 1904. The higher prices of cash wheat have bad their effect on the speculative market and Chicago opened up strong, May being it better than the close of Thursday and July equally active. Omaha opened up strong aiso in May, but not so much so in July. There was a strong demand earlier in the day among the pit crowd for May wheat and it was bid up to Stige, I'ge above the opening, with small offering to satisfy the demand. Later on seiling offers the market faded away again to soc, at which figure it closed. Chicago showed a fluctuation of he over and he under the opening figure. In July, Chicago closed weaker than the opening, but Omaha closed with a he advance.

May corn was active in Omaha, but not so interesting as usual. It opened at Thursday's closing figure, not showing the strength of Chicago, but later advanced he. No interest was manifested in the strong Chicago out situation.

The range in prices of Omaha grain for future delivery and the close today and Thursday was as follows: OMAHA, Saturday, Feb. 13, 1904. future delivery and the close Thursday was as follows:

Local Cash Grain Market.

Wheat felt the effect of the continued buying of millers at top prices for contract grades and of the very firm condition of the Kansas City market, and as a result a large amount changed hands on the floor at from 1c to 2c advance over prices ruling Thursday. Receipts were 6 cars in and 6 out; a week ago, 5 cars.

Sales of car lots by sample on track, Omaha: Omaha:
Hard Winter Wheat—No. 3, 2 cars, 80c; 25 cars, 78c; No. 4, I car, (bin burnt), 86c.
Corn also ruled firm, with an advance averaging 14c. No contract corn was in sight and little No. 3 offered. Receipts were 25 cars in and 54 out; one week ago, 15 cars.

Sales of carloss by sample on track, Mixed Corn-No. 4, 3 cars, 40c; 3 cars, 394c; 2 cars, 39c. Yellow Corn-No. 3, 1 car, 41c; No. 4, 1 Receipts of oats were better than for several days, being 10 cars in and 11 out; one week ago, I car. The ruling price was 14.00 he up. up. Sales of carlots by sample on track, Omaha: White Oats-No. 3, 1 car, 39%c; No. 4, 1

Barley-No. 4, 3 cars, 484c, WHEAT-No. 2 hard, \$2055c; No. 3 hard, 75633; No. 4, hard, #6075c; No. 2 spring, 82687; No. 3 spring, 76684c; No. 4 spring, 8675c. CORN-No. 2, 42643c; No. 3, 40641c; No. 4, 39638c; No. 2 yellow, 42643c; No. 3 yellow, 41642c; No. 2 white, 42643c; No. 3 white, OATS—No. 2, 39@40c; No. 4, 37@39c; No. 4, 36@38c; No. 2 white, 42@43c; No. 3 white, 45%43c; No. 4 white, 39@40c; standard 40@404c.

Notes from the Exchange Offices. Omaha inspections of grain were 53 cars. Of wheat, 2 cars graded No. 3 hard winter, 1 car No. 4 and 1 car no grade. Of corn, 12 cars graded No. 3, 15 cars No. 4, 2 cars No. 5 yellow, 1 car No. 3 white, 1 car No. 4 white, 2 cars no grade. Of oats, 2 cars graded No. 3 white and 5 cars No. 4 white, 2 cars graded No. 3 and 1 car No. 4.

Grain Markets Elsewhere. Closing prices of grain at the markets

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Word is received from Dalias, Tex., that Oklahoma No. 2 red wheat sold there for A Chicago telegram says 15,000 bushels of No. 1 northern wheat which has been held there in bins was sold today for samples at 98c. Chloago receipts were 17 cars of wheat, of which was contract; 194 cars of corn, f which 1 car was contract, and 129 cars f oats, 8 cars being contract.

Argentine Shipments. Wheat, this week, 2,984,000 bu.; last week, 2,815,000 bu.; last year 1,680,000 bu. Corn, this week, 471,000 bu.; last week, 694,000 bu.; last year, 224,000 bu. Flax, this week, 1,352,000 bu.; last week, 1,620,000 bu.; last year, 1,192,-

Wheat, January 1 to date, 10,080,000 bu.; year ago, 4,762,000 bu.; increase, 5,318,000 bu.; Corn, 4,415,000 bu., against 857,000 bu.; in-crease, 3,558,000 bu.

CHICAGO GRAIN AND PROVISIONS. Features of the Trading and Closing Prices on Board of Trade.

Prices on Beard of Trade.

CHICAGO, Feb. 13.—Speculative trading in the whoat pit here today was a reflection of the higher prices being paid for the cash article in all outside grain markets. The strength abroad was also a bull factor. The market closed firm with May wheat kighed higher than Thursday's final figures. May corn was up \$45%,c. while oats showed a gain of lige. Provisions were easier, closing belie lower.

The wheat jit was affected more perhaps by the strong cash situation reached from all quarters than by any other factor. The demand was principally for the July delivery, the congested condition of the May option offering small inducements to the majority of traders. Wheat prices at Liverpool and Paris were considerably higher than yeaterdas and the fact that these markets showed gains in the face of increased shipments from Australia and Argentine helped instill confidence into the mands of higher thaders here. May opened 197% to 5% of higher at beignöble, while July was up \$479.0 at \$58,05%,c. There was an early advance to \$58,05% for July on an active general demand, but the May option held steady during the first hour. The leading long took advantage of the advance in the price of July and sold out a considerable line. Emailer traders followed the lead and, in consequence, a drop to \$5% coccurred.

The downward trend of the July delivery affected May, forcing the price down to \$50.00 turning the listing but the close was firm, with May \$5% c. July had a net advance of 1911 ke, closing at \$53.00 stables, against \$24.500 bushels. Aprimary receipts were \$63.700 bushels. Splants and flour were equal to \$55.00 bushels. Primary receipts were \$63.700 bushels. Splants and flour were equal to \$55.00 bushels. Primary receipts were \$63.700 bushels. Splants and flour were equal to \$55.00 bushels. Primary receipts were \$63.700 bushels. Splants and the country. An increased shipping demand and strong forcing markets were additional hull factors. The opening on May was higher to the fact that the price shi

higher and 30%c, after selling at 35% 933%c. Local receipts were 125 cars.

The provision market was weak early on selling, due to liberal receipts of hogs and a decline of foc in prices at the yards. Sellers covered freely and on buying orders from packers the market firmed up. There was some liquidation, which caused an uneasy feeling at the close. May pork opened at 144.55%c04.60, and after seiling up to 144.55% crossed foc lower at 14.55% May lard closed with a net loss of 7%c at \$6.56. Ribs were off 6c at \$6.5%. Estimated receipts for Monday: Wheat, 35 cars; corn, 65 cars; oats, 355 cars; hogs, 52,000 head.

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

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Cash quotations were as follows: FLOUR-Steady; winter patents, \$4.400 50; straights, \$1.5094.10; bakers, \$2.50 1.2064.50; straights, \$3.8064.10; bakers, \$2.50 WHEAT—No. 3, ≥2606c; No. 2 red, 94%€ 14c. CORN-No, 2, 50c; No. 2 yellow, 50c. OATS-No. 2, 41%q424c; No. 3 white, 41@

RYE-No. 2, 62c. BARLEY-Good feeding, 40@42c; fair to BARLEY—Good feeding, 40@42c; Isir to choice maiting, 48@58c.

SEEDS—No. 1 flax, \$1.11½; No. 1 northwestern, \$1.18. Timothy, prime, \$5.10. Clover, contract grade, \$10.75.

PROVISIONS—Mess pork, per bbl., \$14.50 @14.62½. Lard, per 100 lbs., \$7.42½@7.45. Short ribs sides (loose), \$6.75@7.00; short clear sides (boxed), \$7.12½@7.25.

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Receipts, Shipments,

Flour, bbls....

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKET.

Quotations of the Day on Various

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NEW YORK, Feb. 13.—FLOUR—Receipts, 25.00 bbis; exports. 27.51 bbis. market firm; bbis; exports. 27.51 bbis. market controlled to the controlled t

ory, 126144c. CHEESE-Steady; state full cream fancy

CHEESE-Steady; state full cream fancy small colored, September, 12c; late made, 18½c; small white, September, 12c; late made, 19½c; large colored, September, 12c; late made, 19½c; large white, September, 12c; late made, 19c.

EGGS-Firm; state and Pennsylvania, nearby average, firsts, 34c; state and Pennsylvania, seconds to firsts, 32@32½c; western firsts, 32%c.

St. Louis Grain and Provisions. ST. LOUIS, Feb. 13.—WHEAT—Higher; No. 2 red, cash, elevator, 384c; track, \$1,626 1.01; May, 224c; July, 53%c; No. 2 hard, 104: May, 22%c; July, S5%c; No. 2 hard, 88032c.
CORN—Higher: No. 2 cash, 44%c; track, 454,648c; May, 49%c; July, 49%c.
OATS—Higher: No. 2 cash, 42c; track, 43c; May, 48c; No. 2 white, 44c.
FLOUR—Advancing prices limit business; red winter patents, 44,9065.00; extra fancy and straight, 54,6064.85; clear, 83,8064.90.
BEED—Timothy, quiet, 82,5062.80.
CORN MEAL—Steady, \$2.40.
BRAN—Firm: sacked east track, 87689c.
HAY—Steady; timothy, \$8,90613.00; prairie, \$9,0695.50, for No. 1.
IRON COTTONTIES—\$1.05.
BAGGING—5%65%c.
HEMP TWINE—Sc.
PROVISIONS—Park, lower; jobbing, \$15,12%; lard, lower, prime steam, \$6.90; bacon, steady, boxed extra shorts, \$7,87%; clear ribs, \$8.00; short clear, \$2.12%.
POULTRY—Steady; chickens, 10c; springs, 10c; turkeys, 12%c; ducks, 18c; geese, 607c, BUTTER—Steady; creamery, 18625%c; dairy, 156219c.

EGGS-Lower at 28c, case count. Flour, bbls. 154,000
Wheat, bu 154,000
Corn, bu 163,000
Oats, bu 13,000 21,000 152,000

Kansas City Grain and Provisions. KANSAS CITY, Feb. 13.—WHEAT—May, 1140815;c; July, 774078c; cash, No. 2 hard, 9638c; No. 2 red, 980\$1.00; No. 2. 94497c. CORN—May, 4546454c; July, 4546454c; cash, No. 2 mixed, 426424c; No. 2 white, 434644c; No. 2 shite, 42643c; No. 2 mixed, OATS—No. 2 white, 42643c; No. 2 mixed, HAY-Choice timothy, \$9.50@9.75; choice RYE-No. 2, 55c. BUTTER-Creamery, 20022c; dairy, fancy,

EGGS-Lower; Missouri and Kansus stock, cases returned, 25½c; new No. 2 whitewood cases included, 25c. Receipts Shipments. Wheat, bu....

MINNEAPOLIS, Feb. 12.—WHEAT-May, 614c; July, 844c; September, 844c; 844c; no rrack, No. 1 hard, 964c; No. 1 northern, 64c; No. 3 northe SNOW.
FLOUR-First patents, \$4.85@4.95; second patents, \$4.75; first clears, \$3.55@2.65; second clears, \$2.55@2.65.
BRAN-in bulk, \$15.00@15.25.

Milwaukee Grain Market. MILWAUKEE, Feb. 13.—WHEAT-Firm; No. 1 northern, 94636c; No. 2 northern, 50638c; May, Sic. RYE—Ic higher; No. 1, 68c, BARLEY—Market steady; No. 2, 62666c; sample, 40059c, CORN—14c higher; No. 3, 4414@4514c; Mass

Duloth Grain Market. DULUTH, Feb. 18.—WHEAT-In store, No. 1 hard, Sec. No. 1 northern, Suc.; No. 2 northern, Suc.; on track, No. 1 hard, Sec. No. 1 northern, Suc.; No. 2 northern, Suc.; No. 2 northern, Suc.; May, Suc.; July, Suc.; September, Suc.; OATS—On track and to arrive, Wasc.

Toledo Seed Market. TOLEDO, Feb 12.—SEEDS—Clover, cast and February, \$6.76; March, \$6.75; April 6.65; prime alsike, \$6.39; prime timothy

Peorla Grain Market. PEORIA, Feb. 11.—CORN—Firm; new No. 3, 404c; new, No. 4, 384c; No. 2, old 454c. OMABA LIVE STOCK MARKET

Beef Steers About Steady for the Week, Cows a Little Higher.

HOGS ALSO HIGHER THAN A WEEK AGO

Sheep and Lambs of Good Quality Safely Ten to Fifteen Cents Higher for the Week, Feeders Also Strong and Active.

SOUTH OMAHA, Feb. 13, 1904. Recepits were: Catt
Official Monday 2.0
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Official Thursday 1.0
Official Friday 1.0
Official Saturday Cattle. Flogs. Sheep. ...2,220 5,798 9,850 ...3,646 8,641 7,189 ...3,223 19,171 5,818 50,876 45,345 46,574 42,451 1904, 1903, Inc. 99,217 111,703 280,809 284,962 211,230 147,342 52,888

Average prices paid for hoge at Sout Omsha for the last several days with con | 1904. | 1802. | 1902. | 1801. | 129-0. | 1208. | 1208. Feb. 13... Feb. 13...

while trading was more active there was little or no improvement in the prices paid. The quality of the bulk of the offerings has been common all the week. There was one bunch of extra choice cattle on sale, however, from the Nebraska experiment station at Lincoln, which sold for \$5.50, but they were much better than anything that has been seen here in a long time. Aside from those the top price for the week was \$4.85. Good to choice cattle can be quoted from \$4.40 to \$4.90, with choice to fancy from \$5.00. Fair to good grades sell from \$3.75 to \$4.25 and common to fair from \$3.25 to \$3.75.

The cow market has held up in a little

\$3.25 to \$3.75.

The cow market has held up in a little better shape than steers, as the demand has been in pretty good shape and closing prices are around a dime higher and in extreme cases posselby 15c higher than the close of last week. The improvement, however, is confined largely to the more desirable grades. Good to choice grades are quotable from \$3 to \$3.75, fair to good from \$2.40 to \$2.40 and canners and cutters from \$1.75 to \$2.40. 12.90 and canners and cutters from \$1.75 to \$2.40.

Bulls have been rather slow sale most of the week and are not much different from the close of last week. Choice grades sell mostly from \$3 to \$3.50, with something prime a little higher. The bulk of the medium grades, though, sell from \$2.50 to \$3.50 to \$3.50 to \$3.50.

Yeal calves are a little higher for the week, choice grades seiling as high as \$5.75. The bulk of them, though, sell from \$4 to \$5.25.

The supply of stockers and feeders has been moderate this week and with a fairly good demand the better grades have improved a little. Quite a few warmed-up cattle of good quality have sold for feeders at more money than the killers would give. The best grades are quotable from \$3.50 to \$4.10, fair to good from \$3.50 to \$4.10, fair to good from \$3.50 down.

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ad yesterday. For the week receipts have been light for

SHEEP—There were no fresh arrivals of sheep and lambs this morning with which to make a test of the market. For the week there is very little difference in the receipts either as compared with last week or with the same week of last year. The demand has been a little better this week than for some time past, as a result the market has been in better shape.

The first two days of the week prices eased off considerably, but since that time trading has been quite active on all desirable grades and prices are safely a quarter

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higher and in some cases 35c higher than at the low time. As compared with the close of last week the advance amounts to 106 lbc. There seems to be a better undertone to the trade than for some time past and in fact the whole situation shows considerable improvement.

There is a good demand for feeder lambs and receipts are not large enough to fill orders. Feeder sheep also sell freely, but very few are coming. As compared with a week ago, it is safe to quote snything decent in the way of feeders atrong and active.

Quotations for com fed. active. Quotations for corn-fed stock; Good to choice western lambs, \$5.5065.85; fair to good lambs, \$5.5065.85; fair to good lambs, \$5.5065.85; fair to good lambs, \$5.5065.85; good to choice year-lings, \$4.7066.00; fair to good western, \$4.0064.25; fair to good western, \$5.5064.00; good to choice ewes, \$5.5064.00; for to good ewes, \$5.5063.75; choice feeder lambs, \$4.2565.00; fair to good, \$3.5064.00; feeder yearlings, \$3.5064.00; feeder western, \$5.7564.00; feeder wes, \$2.5063.25; culls, \$1.7562.00 Representative sales;

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50 western ewes

No. Av. D30 western ewes 110 3 50
634 western ewes 101 3 75
300 feeder owes 79 3 25 CHICAGO LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Receipts Show More Than the Usual Saturday Quiet. Saturday Quiet.

CHICAGO, Feb. 13.—CATTLE—Receipts, 2,000 head; market nominal; good to prime steers, \$4.7505,75; poor to medium, \$2.15673.00; stockers and feeders, \$2.2509.15; cows. \$1.2509.400; heiters, \$2.2009.475; canners, \$1.2507.250; bulls, \$2.2009.410; calves, \$3.50.

HOGS—Receiptz, 28.000 head; estimated tomorrow, 50.000 head; market mostly 10c lower; mixed and butchers. \$4.0005.25; good to choice heavy, \$5.2505.30; rough heavy, \$4.2505.25; light, \$4.0505.05; bulk of sales, \$4.5505.30.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Receipts, 1.000 head; market stendy; good to choice weth-

head; market stendy; good to choice wethers, \$4.0024.05; fair to choice mixed, \$3.509 4.00; western sheep, \$3.5095 35; native lambs, \$3.9026.15; western lambs, \$5.2500.16.

Kansas City Live Stock Market.

KANSAS CITY, Feb. 13.—CATTLE—Receipts. 400 head; no southerns: market unchanged; export and dressed beef steers, \$4.5065.0; fair to good, \$3.7564.40; western fed steers, \$2.4064.30; stockers and feeders, \$2.7564.25; southern steers, \$3.5564.00; southern cows, \$2.7562.90; native cows, \$1.7502.60; native heifers, \$2.4064.20; buils, \$2.2562.60; calves, \$2.7566.50. Receipts for the week, \$3.500 head. 38.100 head.
HOGS-Reccipts, 3,500 head: market 5610e lower; top. \$5.10; bulk of sales, \$4.70g5.00; heavy, \$5.00g5.10; packers, \$4.85g5.00; pigs and lights, \$4.00g4.80. Receipts for the SHEEP AND LAMBS—Receipts, 400 head

market steady; native lambs, \$5.0025.75; western lambs, \$4.9065.70; fed ewes, \$1.406 4.00; western fed yearlings, \$4.5065.00; stockers and feeders, \$2.5026.20. Receipts for the week, 17,000 head. St. Londa Live Stock Warket ST. LOUIS, Feb. 13 -- CATTLE-Receipts 400 head, including 350 head Texans; market 400 head, including 350 head Texans; market active, steady to strong; native and export steers, \$4.5094.55, the top for strictly fancy grades; dressed beef and butcher steers, \$3.7595.35; steers under 1.000 lbs. \$2.5065.00; stockers and feeders, \$2.5064.00; cows and helfers, \$2.2564.50, the top for fancy corn fed helfers; canners, \$2.2592.50; bulls, \$2.4074.00; calves, \$3.5567.00; Texas and Indian steers, \$2.7564.25; cows and helfers, \$2.2662.50 #2.993.90.

HOGS—Receipts, 3.500 head; market weak and lower; pigs and lights, \$4.7524.55; packers. \$4.8935.25; butchers and best heavy, \$5.1935.35.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Receipts, none;

market entirely nominal; native muttons, \$3,5064.75; lambs, \$4,5065.75; culls and bucks, \$2,0064.25; stockers, \$2,0062.00. Sloux City Live Stock Market. SIOUX CITY. Feb. 13.—(Special Telegram.)—CATTLE—Receipts, 250 head; market unchanged; beeves, \$3.50@4.6; cows. bulls and mixed, \$2.20@3.50; stockers and feeders, \$2.75@3.70; calves and yearlings. HOGS-Receipts, 5.700 head; market 5-lower, selling at \$4.50g5.06; bulk, \$4.85g4.9

St. Joseph Live Stock Market. ST. JOSEPH, Feb. 13.—CATTLE—Receipts, 211 head; market steady.
HOGS—Receipts, 5,955 head; market 5c ower; light, \$4.7065.05; medium and heavy, 4,9065.15. SHEEP AND LAMBS-Receipts, none.

Stock in Sight. Following are the receipts of live stock for the six principal western cities yester-day:

5,955 Totals4,385 £3,713 2,084 Cotton Market.

NEW YORK, Feb. 13.—COTTON—The market opened steady at a Jecline of 8 points to an advance of 11 points, showing increasing readiness as the call progressed in the absence of important offerings. Buying was encouraged by the bullish interpretation of the week-end figures, but on the other hand the break in New Orleans, while the local market was closed vesterday, and the fear of European complications in the far east, had a tendency to increase offerings, so that soon after the quil he market eased off with the active months losing 18 to 23 points. This was followed by a recovery, after which the market ruled narrow and irregular, with the increase of the professional character, common to Saturday.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 13.—COTTON-Fu-NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 13.—COTTON—Futures quiet and steady. February 12.22c bid; March, 13.42@13.43c; April, 18.80@13.62c; May, 13.88@13.87c; June, 14.16@11.12c; July, 12.86%, 29c; August, 13.55@13.69c. Spot, outet; sales, 4,650 bales. Ordinary, 11.7-16c; good ordinary, 12%c; low middling, 13%c; middling, fair, 14%c. Receipts, 6.825 bales; stock, 416.512 bales.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 12.—COTTON—Spot in limited demand: prices 20 points lower; American middling fair, 7.22d; good middling, 7.36d; low tolidling, 7.36d; middling, 7.36d; low tolidling, 7.36d; good ordinary, 7.20d; ordinary, 7d. The sales of the day were 3.600 bales, of which 300 were for speculation and export, and included 2.600 American. Receipts, 12.000 bales, including 8.300 American. Futures opened easy and closed unsettled. American middling, g. c. c. February, 7.23d; February-March, 7.23d; May-June, 7.30d; June-July, 7.26d; July-August, 7.30d; August-September, 7.14d; September-October, 6.52d; October-November, 6.21d.

LONDON, Feb. 12.—Money was offered more freely today. Operators on the Stock exchange were idle and the trading was strangely featureless. Argentine rails were buoyant. Consols were firm. Americans opened quiet and steady. There were a few irregular movements and Union Pacific was in demand. At the close prices were firm. Kaffirs were cheerful in anticipation of an early settlement of the labor question in South Africa. The amount of bullion taken into the Bank of England on halance today was £15,000.

PARIS, Feb. 15.—The tone on the bourse today continued to make steady improvement. Prices opened firm, with Russians in good demand. Later there was some irregularity and then stocks again became strong and closed firm, with Russians showing a general advance. Other internation-Foreign Financial.

ing a general advance. Other internation als and industrials showed improvement ing a general advance. Other internationals and industrials showed improvement. Russian Imperial 4s closed at 34.10; Rio Tintos gained 13f. The private rate of discount was 2 11-16; three per cent rentes, 36f 20c for the account; exchange on London, 25f 20c for checks.

BERLIN, Feb. 13.—Prices at the opening of the bourse today had a better tone, Russian bonds being higher, but everything became weaker later on reports that Russia. became weaker later on reports that Russia would forbid the exportation of grain. Exchange on London, 20m 51% nfg for checks; discount rates for short bills, 2 per cent; for three months' bills, 2% per cent.

Clearing House Averages.

NEW YORK, Feb. 13.—The statement of averages of the clearing house banks of this city for the five days of this week shows: Loans, 2909.609.00: Increase, 271.100. Deposits, \$1,025.350.500: decrease, \$799.000. Circulation, \$80.737.100: decrease, \$772.300. Legal tenders, \$71.211.00; decrease, \$772.300. Legal tenders, \$71.211.00; decrease, \$172.300. Reserve \$275.550.909; decrease, \$1.533.300. Reserve required, \$255.589.375; decrease, \$1.95.750. Surplus, \$20.279.235; decrease, \$1.433.550. Extunited States deposits, \$23.667.925; decrease, \$1.207.279.

Bank Clearings for the Week. OMAHA, Feb. 13.—Bank clearings for the week, as compared with the corresponding week last year; \$1,280,700,87 1,187,672,73 1,194,390,55 1,129,727,14 1,118,660,17 1,083,211,92

Friday ...

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 12.—WOOL.—Nominal: medium grades, combing and clothing, 178 lie; light fine, 156174c; heavy fine, 126184c; tub-washed. 205304c.
LONDON, Feb./13.—WOOL,—Arrivals for the second series of auction sales amount to 185,114 bales, including 20,000 forwarded direct to spinners. The imports of wool this week were: New South Wales, 14,000

baies; Queensiand, 3,134 bales; Victoria, 11,592 baies; South Australia, 10,212 baies; New Zealand, 4,363 baies; Cape of Good Hope and Natal, 235 bales; elsewhere, 1,220 bales.

OMAHA WHOLESALE MARKET. Condition of Trade and Quotations on

Staple and Fancy Produce. EGGS-Receipts, moderate; fresh stock, LIVE POULTRY-Hens, 9c; spring chickens, Sc; roosters, according to age, sc; tur-keys, 13@14c; ducks, 94; geese, 85. DRESSED POULTRY-Turkeys, 16@17c; ducks, 11@12c; geese, 10c; chickens, 94.9 ducks, 11@12c; geese, 10c; chickens, 1949; 104c.

BUTTER—Packing stock, 13c; choice to fancy dairy rolls, 13@14c; separator, 22c.

FRESH FISH—Trout, 9@10c; pickerei, 54g.

GC; pike, 9c; perch, 6@64c; bluefish, 15c; whitefish, 8@84c; salmon, 11c; haddock, 10c; codfish, 13c; redsnapper, 11c; lobsters, bolizd, per 1b., 30c; lobsters, green, per 1b., 25c; builtheads, 11c; catfish, 13@14c; black bass, 30c; hallbut, 13c; crapples, 12c; herring, 4c; white bass, 13c; bluefish, 8c; smelts, 16@11c.

OYSTERS—New York Ctunts, per can, 35c; per gal., \$1.50; extra select, per can, 35c; per gal., \$1.50; extra select, per can, 35c; per gal., \$1.50; standard, per can, Ec; per gal., \$1.50.

BRAN—Per ton, \$15.50.

HAY—Prices quoted by Omaha Wholesala Dealers' association: Choice No. 1 upland, 35.50; coarse, \$5.00; rye straw, \$5.00. These prices are for hay of good color and quality. Demand fair and receipts light.

VEGETABLES.

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POTATOES—Colorado, \$1.10; Dakota, per u. \$1.00; natives, 90c. SWEET POTATOES—Illinois, per bbl.. NAVY BEANS-Per bu., \$2.25. CELERY-Large California, 60c, 75c and ONIGNS—Spanish, per crate, \$1.75; Colorado yellow and red, per lb., 2%c., CABBAGE—Wisconsin Holland, 3%c; new Alfornia, 3%c. TURNIPS—Canada rutabagas, per lb., %c; white, per bu., 69c. CARROTS—Per bu., 60c. PARSNIPS—Per bu., 60c. BEETS—Per bu., 60c. CAULIFLOWER—California, per crate, 275.

(Copyright, 1904, by James Gordon Bennett.) CUCUMBERS—Per doz., \$1.25@1.50. TOMATOES—Florida, per 6-basket crates, RADISHES—Per doz. Sunches, 35c.
LETTUCE HEADS—Per doz. bunches
(\$1.0); per bbl., \$7.00; leaf lettuce, per
bunches, 45c.
TURNIPS—Southern, per doz., 75c.
BEETS—Southern, per doz., 75c.
CARROTS—Southern, per doz., 75c.
PARSLEY—Southern, per doz., \$1.00.

FRUITS

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APPLES—California Bellflowers, per box, \$1.65; New York export Greenings, Russets and Baldwins, \$2.75.

GRAPES—Imported Malagas, per keg, \$2.00.

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CRANBERRIES-Jersey, per bbl., \$7.00; per box., \$2.50; Wisconsin Bell and Bugle, \$7.50; Bell and Cherry, \$5.50.

STRAWBERRIES-Florida, per qt., 50c.

TROPICAL FRUITS.

ORANGES-Navels, all sizes, choice, \$2.00 &2.25; fancy, all sizes, \$2.25@2.25.

LEMONS-California, fancy, 300 to 360, \$3.50; choice, 240 to 270 sizes, \$3.00@3.25.

FIGS-California, per 10-lb, cartons, \$5c; imported Smyrna, 5-crown, 14c; 5-crown, 18c; 7-crown, 18c.

BANANAS-Per medium sized bunch, \$2.00@2.50; Jumbos, \$2.75@3.25.

COCOANUTS-Per sack, \$1.00; per doz., 60c. DATES-Persian, per box of 30 pkgs., \$2.00; per lb., in 60-lb, boxes, 5c; Oriental stuffed dates, per box, \$2.40. MISCELLANEOUS.

CHEESE—Wisconsin twins, full cream, 12c; Wisconsin Young Americas, 13c; block Swiss, 15c; Wisconsin trick, 13c; Wisconsin Swiss, 19c; Wisconsin trick, 13c; Wisconsin limburger, 12c.

HONEY-Nebraska, per 24 frames, \$3.90; Utah and Colorado, per 24 frames, \$3.25.

MAPLE SUGAR-Ohio, per 1b, 10c.
CIDER-Per bbl., \$5.50; per ½ bbl., \$3.25.
POPCORN-Per lb., 2½c; shelled, 343½c.
HORSERADISH-Per case of 2 doz., packed, 50c.

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HIDES—No. 1 green, 5c; No. 2 green, 5c; No. 1 salted, 7c; No. 2 salted, 5c; No. 1 veal calf, 8 to 12 lbs., 84c; No. 2 ves, calf, 12 to 15 lbs., 84c; No. 2 ves, calf, 12 to 15 lbs., 84c; horse hides, \$1.562.50; NUTS—Walnuts, No. 1 soft-shell, per lb., 154c; hard-shell, per lb., 14c; No. 2 soft-shell, per lb., 15c; hard-shell, per lb., 12c; Brazlls, per lb., 11c; filberts, per lb., 11c; almonds, soft shell, per lb., 15c; hard-shell, per lb., 12c; pecans, large, per lb., 12c; small, per lb., 16c; peanuts, per lb., 6c; roasted peanuts, per lb., 73c; Chill walnuts, 1261345c; large hickory nuts, per bu., \$1.50; shell barks, per bu., \$2.60; black walnuts, per bu., \$1.25.

Oils and Rosin.

OHL CITY, Feb. 13.—OHL—Credit balances, \$1.80; certificates, no bid; shipments, 130,111 bbis; average, 70,249 bbis; runs, 165,-114 bbis; average, 72,632 bbis; shipments, Lima, 131,079 bbls; average, 61,264 bbis; runs, Lima, 99,000 bbis; average, 46,183 bbis. SAVANNAH, Feb. 13.—OHLS—Turpentine, firm, 64c, Rosin, firm, A. B. C. D. \$2.70; E, \$2.75; F, \$2.80; G, \$2.85; H, \$2.85; I, \$3.29; K, \$3.25; M, \$3.30; N, \$3.35; W G, \$3.45; W W, \$3.75. quiet; prime crude, nominal; prime yellow, 386384c. Petroleum, casy; refined, New York, \$8.95; Pennsylvania and Baltimore, \$6.90; in bulk, \$6. Rosin, firm; strained, common to good, \$2.8633.00. Turpentine, dull, \$7668c.

Sugar and Molasses.

NEW YORK, Feb. 13.—SUGAR—Raw, steady; fair refining, 2 27-32c; centrifugal, 98 test, 2 11-32c; molasses sugar, 2 19-32c; refined, steady; No. 6, 4,65c; No. 7, 4,69c; No. fined, steady: No. 5, 4.05c; No. 7, 4.00c; No. 8, 3.95c; No. 9, 3.90c; No. 10, 3.85c; No. 11, 2.80c; No. 12, 2.75c; No. 13, 2.70c; No. 14, 2.65c; confectioners A, 4.30c; mould A, 4.80c; cut loaf, 5.15c; crushed, 5.15c; powdered, 4.55c; granulated, 4.45c; cubes, 4.70c.

MOLASSES—Firm; New Orleans, open kettle, good to choice, 31@37c.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 12—SUGAR—Quiet; open kettle, 23@3c; centrifugal whites, 4c; yellows, 23.62 15-16c; seconds, 23.633c.

MOLASSES—Nominal; open kettle, 20@23c; centrifugal, 10@15c; syrup, dull, 22@25c.

Evaporated Apples and Dried Fruits, Evaporated Apples and Dried Fruits.

NEW YORK, Feb. 13.—EVAPORATED
APPLES—The market continues quiet in
the absence of important demand and the
feeling is rather easy. Common are quoted
at 465e: prime, at 54,654e; choice, at
54,65e, and fancy at 64,67e.

CALIFORNIA DRIED FRUITS—Prunes
are firmer in tone as a result of a better
demand and strong advices from the coast.
Quotations range from 34,664e for all
grades. Apricots remain firm under light
offerings. Choice are quoted at 94,66e;
extra dhoice at 104,6104e, and fancy at
126,15e. Peaches are firm: choice are
quoted at 74,675e; extra choice at 74,675e,
and fancy at 96,10e.

Dry Goods Market. NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—DRY GOODS—The week closed with considerably more firmness on the part of sellers. Buyers, while placing orders conservatively, are insisting upon early deliveries of purchases already made and the current business which is in progress is largely confined to spots or nearby deliveries, many of which the Jobber finds difficult in securing. Jobbers are experiencing a comparatively free ordering from house trade, which is here in large numbers.

Metal Market.

NEW YORK. Feb. 12.—METALS—All markets today presented a quiet holiday appearance and the business transacted was of an unimportant description. The scarcity of spot supplies makes a strong tin market, today's market holding Thursday's advance, with spot quoted £28.0 tid. Copper was quiet and unchanged; lake \$12.25@12.50; electrolytic and casting £12.12½. @12.37½. Lead quiet and steady at \$4.50£ \$pelter steady, spot, \$4.90@5.00. Iron quiet and unchanged.

Imports and Exports at New York. NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—Imports of specie at New York for the week were \$32,913 gold and \$57.000 silver. Exports of specie from New York during the past week were \$28,521 silver, and \$218,435 gold.

Imports of dry goods and general merchandise at New York for the week (five days) were valued at \$12,669,942.

Philadelphia Produce Market. PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 12.—BUTTER— Firm: extra nearby prints, 28c. EGGS—Fresh nearby, fresh western and fresh southwestern, 30c at mark; fresh frush southwestern, 30c at mark; frush southern, 29c. CHEESE Steady and firm; New York full creams, choice to fancy, 11@114c; New York full creams, fair to good, 104@104c.

Liverpool Grain Market. LIVERPOOL, Feb. 13.—WHEAT—Spot. nominal. Futures quiet; March. 6s 64d; May. 6s 54d; July. nominal.

CORN—Spot. steady; American mixed, new, 4s 14d; American mixed, old, 4s 64d. Futures quiet; March. 4s 24d; May. 4s 34d.

Coffee Market. NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—COFFEE—Spot Rio, nominal; No. 7, invoice, nominal; mlid, steady; Cordova, \$4,6134c.

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France and Siam Sign Treaty Delimiting the Frontier.

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Treaty Secures France Substantial Territorial Advantages and Insures Commercial Freedom in Siam to All Nations.

PARIS, Feb. 14.-The danger of a conflict between France and Siam has been dissipated by the signing this evening by Foreign Minister Delcasse and the Siamese minister to France of a treaty delimiting the frontier between Siam and Cambodia, vantages to France and an increase of its work havoe in the city. political influence in the country. One artiels insures freedom in Siam to the trade of all nations.

Strained relations between France and Slam have existed for some time in consequence of the inability of the countries to agree on the boundary line between Slam and Cambodia.

VLADIVOSTOK WELL FORTIFIED Russian Stronghold Would Be

Difficult Place to Reduce.

NEW YORK Feb. 14 -(New York Herald-Omaha Bee Special Telegram.)-Russia has patiently worked and has expended millions of rubles on the defenses of Vindivostok, the eastern terminal of the Trans siberian railroad and the czar's Gibraltar of the north. Vladivostok hardly will be an early object of Japanese attack, for the reason it is remote from the region in which the war must first be fought-Cores and Manchuria-and should Vladivostok ever be under siege it will take not only a mighty force by sea but an immense army of investment to reduce it. The harbor is admirably located, with narrow entrances bordered on all sides by hills of ample height, to give excellent elevation to batteries and to afford splendid gun positions. All the channels from the sea are superbly commanded by many batteries of modern ordinance. Few of the guns are, however, of greater calibre than ten inches. Within the last two years many old guns have been replaced with new ones.

The city of Vladivostok is located almost at the toe of the Muravey Amurski peninsula, on a harbor which affords excellent anchorage for warships as well as merchantmen. There is located here a large navy yard with adequate dry docks and repair shop facilities. In an admirably formed depression on the

Muravev promontory, scross the harbor, south of the city is located a large battery of powerful mortars. The entrance to the harbor and the passages to the sea are granded by heavy batteries, and these Grain, Provisions & Stocks. channels in a time like the present are heavily mined. Within the last two years a special canal was built near the upper end of the Sapernul peninsula. The strategical value of this is to permit torpedo craft from the defences an opportunity to sortie against an enemy bombarding the city from a distance without attempting to run the batteries, all of which are connected in the rear by sunken roads, which permit the rapid transportation of ammunition from one to another without danger from the enemy's fire. From a land attack, which is possible only from the north, the city is well protected by strings of land batteries connected one with the other by sunken roads, and which are equipped with the heaviest ordnance in northern Asia.

One peculiarity of Viadivostok is the prevalence of heavy fogs in the spring. Not long ago two British warships, coming into Peter the Great bay, below Vladivos tok, were caught in a dense fog. They used the lead, and when the mist raised the Russian officials were astounded to see the British ships lying just off the water front. The English, unknown even to

NO MORE DANGER OF CONFLICT themselves, had slipped past all the batteries. This movement gave the Russian commander a severe shock and an order was straightway issued that thereafter not more than two ships of any nationality should be allowed within the harbor at the same time. The ostensible reason was that the harbor was too small. When the American Asiatic flect visits Vladivostok in the summer two of the ships go into the harbor at a time. American officers are always most cordisly treated by the

Russian officers there on duty. Vladivestek is not a city which oan easily be starved out. For the last eighteen months the shipment of live domestic animals from China and Corea to Viadivostok has been extremely heavy. They are put to pasture in the vicinity and are ourmitted to breed against the day when the place will be besieged. The city is susceptible to disastrous Combardment by warships if they lie off about 8,000 yards to the westward, but there is liftle possia French protectorate in Indo-China. This bility of these ships doing much to disable treaty secures substantial territorial ad- the batteries. They could only hope to

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