

COMMODITY MARKET

Nearly All Lines of Business Feel Need of Seasonable Weather. Collections Not Up to Standard.

General Upward Movement of Prices Very Noticeable, Particularly on Sugar, Coffee, Hardware and Leather Goods.

Wholesalers as well as retailers no longer conceal their disappointment over the lack of more seasonable weather in this section of the country. The few cold days that have been experienced have not stirred up the movement of goods sufficiently to convince them that their early predictions of a record for the season were correct. They were of course figuring on normal weather conditions, and in the memory of the oldest inhabitant being that the winter of 1903-4 was one of the best to see since the only thing lacking to make trade conditions as near normal as possible was a few days of snow. The general report that considering the unseasonable weather the movement of goods is slow is not surprising, but that would naturally be expected. That explains why jobbers in some lines have been able to report their trade well up in excess of a year ago. The trouble, however, is that the goods that have not been sold are still in the hands of retailers. To what extent normal weather conditions would make up for lost time is problematical.

Light Crop of Foreign Beets.

Wholesale grocery foreign business as being a good season under present conditions. The market is in a way, being marked up at a rapid rate and particularly in that true of certain lines of grocery, hardware and other goods.

NEW YORK STOCKS AND BONDS

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NEW YORK, Dec. 10.—Further progress was made in today's two-hour session toward restoring the impairment of values in the stock market caused by the week's heavy liquidation. In the coal market, prices are slightly higher, and the closing last Saturday. The largest advance in the coal market was in the anthracite group, which advanced 1/8 cent to 10 1/2 cents.

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GRAIN AND PRODUCE MARKET

Wheat Prices Off About 3-8—Light Cash Demand and Liberal Receipts.

Deferred Corn Futures Are Lower—Oats 1-8 Off—Steady Flow of Corn to Galveston—Russian Wheat—News and Consign.

OMAHA, Dec. 10, 1904. The general trend of wheat values is to lower, but with market so out of relation that there is but little opportunity for shippers to make money in sending grain forward and realizing a profit. The situation is such that the grain trade is being forced to buy, their efforts being directed to the acreage effort of bringing in the crop early and in a large way.

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