GRAIN AND PRODUCE MARKET

Routine Statistics Favor the Bear Side in Wheat.

WHEAT IS OPEN FOR DEBATE

There Has Been Outside Speculation for Some Time and an Improved Volume is Essential for Strengthening of Prices.

OMAHA, Dec. 16, 1912.

Sentiment favored the bear side of wheat this morning. This is because of the general belief that routine statistics, which will be spread out before the speculative world today, will favor the bear side. Wheat is now said to be on debatable ground. This condition is caused by the improved business in the cash article on both domestic and export accounts, coupled with a better flour trade by the interior millers of the northwest, as well as by the winter wheat millers of the southwest. Those who are making sales of cash wheat for shipment abroad are doing so in a sub rosa way, although when asked as to the volume of trade they generally make little of it. From the clearances of Saturday last there is a great deal of export business being done in wheat. Of course, a great deal of these clearances is old business, but the new business has been sandwiched in and is included in the shipments from our shores.

The bears in wheat seem to be losing heart, as there are fewer in the trade who care to put out a big short line and stand on it, awaiting a profit. In a canvass of the Chicago trade on Saturday at the close there were less than half a dozen big men who cared to express a bearish opinion on this grain following the long drawn out declines which have been seen there the last few months. The average speculator in any grain believes in "natural reactions" without a pronounced cause for the same. The most successful traders in commodities believe that a decline will run just so far and no further, when a reaction and advance is certain to be seen. There has been a little trade in the way of outside speculation for some time and an improved volume is essential for a general strengthening of prices. Cash wheat unchanged to ½c lower.

With an adequate supply of cars the movement of corn from nearly every state in the corn belt would show a great increase. Besides the complaints of a lack of storage room in many of the country elevators along the various lines of railways in Iowa, Illinois and one or two other states. Cash corn, ¼@3c lower.

There is considerable congestion in December oats and the shorts are experiencing some trouble in evening up their position. Those who have sold this grain for December delivery feel that there is a likelihood of stocks increasing before January 1, and in this event they will be allowed to step down and out without further losses. The country is not selling any oats to speak of, especially on the weak spots. Cash oats, unchanged to ½c lower.

Clearances were 285,000 bushels of oats, none of corn and wheat and flour equal to 566,000 bushels.

Liverpool closed ¼@½d lower on wheat and ¼@⅝d lower on corn.

Primary wheat receipts were 2,328,000 bushels and shipments were 474,000 bushels, against receipts last year of 963,000 bushels and shipments of 234,000 bushels.

Primary corn receipts were 1,398,000 bushels and shipments were 386,000 bushels, against receipts last year of 877,0000 bushels and shipments of 866,000 bushels.

Primary oats receipts were 949,000 bushels and shipments were 471,000 bushels, against receipts last year of 788,000 bushels and shipments of 354,000 bushels.

The following cash sales were reported today: Wheat—No. 2 hard winter: 5 cars, 81c. No. 3 hard winter: 1 car (choice), 82c; 1 car, 80½c; 2 cars, 80c. No. 4 hard winter: 3 cars, 78½c. No grade hard winter: 1 car, 73½c; 1 car, 73c. No. 3 spring: 4 cars, 79c. No. 4 spring: 1 car, 77½c; 1 car, 77¼c. No. 4 mixed: 1 car, 78c. No. 2 mixed durum: 1 car, 80c. No. 3 mixed durum: 1 car, 79½c; 2 cars, 79c. No. 4 mixed durum: 1 car, 79c. Oats—Standard: 2 cars, 31½c; 1 car, 31¼c. No. 3 white: 1 car, 31¼c; 5 cars, 31c; 1 car, 30¾c. No. 4 white: 2 cars, 31c. Barley—No. 1 feed: 1 car, 46c. Corn—No. 3 white: 6 cars, 41½c. No. 4 white: 2 cars, 41c; 1 car, 40¾c; 6 cars, 40½c. No. 3 yellow: 3 cars, 41½c; 4 cars, 41¼c; 12 cars, 41c. No. 4 yellow: 3 cars, 41c; 1 car, 40½c; 6 cars, 40c. No. 3 mixed: 19 cars, 41c. No. 4 mixed: 1 car, 40½c; 2 cars, 40¼c; 16 cars, 40c; 3 cars, 39½c; 1 car, 39½c. No grade: 1 car, 38½c; 1 car, 36c. Rye—No. 2, 1 car, 58½c.

Omaha Cash Prices.

WHEAT—No. 2 hard, 80½@82½c; No. 3 hard, 79½@82c; No. 4 hard, 76@79c; No. 3 spring, 78½@79c; No. 4 spring, 77@79½c.

CORN—No. 3 white, 40¾@41½c; No. 4 white, 40½@41c; No. 3 yellow, 40@41½c; No. 4 yellow, 40@41c; No. 3, 40¾@41c; No. 4, 39½@40½c; no grade, 36½@38½c.

OATS—No. 2 white, 31½@32c; standard, 31¼@31¾c; No. 3 white, 30½@31¼c; No. 4 white, 30¼@30¾c.

BARLEY—Malting, 52@63c; No. 1 feed, 40@45c.

RYE—No. 2, 57½@58½c; No. 3, 57@57¼c.

Carlot Receipts.

	Wheat.	Corn.	Oats
Chicago	21	277	148
Minneapolis	1,108	...	...
Duluth	187	...	...
Omaha	66	177	68
Kansas City	170	89	14
St. Louis	126	64	109
Winnipeg	1,164	...	...

CHICAGO GRAIN AND PROVISIONS

Features of the Trading and Closing Prices on Board of Trade.

CHICAGO, Dec. 16.—Export sales here helped bring about a rally today in wheat. The close was firm at an advance of a shade to ¼c net. Corn finished ¼c to ¼@⅝c up and oats with a gain of 1-16@¼c, but provisions 17½@47½c down.

Wheat strength developed in spite of belief that the government crop report would favor the bear side. The extent, however, to which the document would do so was not foreseen. Lower cables and heavy northwest receipts had more influence in depressing the market until the pit began to take notice of a new factor in the export situation, Liverpool bidding for all-rail shipments from here to the seaboard. Visible supply figures being smaller than expected aided the bulls during the final trades. The upturn in New York stocks counted also against the bears at the last.

May wheat fluctuated between 89¼c and 88¾c, closing ⅛c net higher, at the top level reached.

Unsettled weather ahead brought about buying of corn. Large sales for export added to the firmness. May ranged from 48¾@48¼c to 48¼c, with the close steady, ¼@¼c over Saturday night, at 48¾@48½c.

LEGAL NOTICES.

NOTICE is hereby given that sealed proposals will be received by the Board of Directors of the Farmers' Irrigation District at their office in the City of Scottsbluff, Nebraska for the purchase of two million five hundred and fifty thousand dollars ($2,550,000) face value of the six per cent serial bonds of said district until 1:30 o'clock p. m. on the 23d day of December. Said bonds are issued under and by virtue of an act of the legislature of the State of Nebraska, approved March 28th, 1895, Session Laws, 1895, Chapter 70, and all amendments thereto, and pursuant to a vote of a majority of the qualified electors of said district. A proceeding for the judicial confirmation of said bonds is now pending in the district court for the county of Scotts Bluff, Nebraska. The board expressly reserves the right to reject any and all bids and will, in no event, sell any of said bonds for less than ninety-five per cent of the face value thereof.

By order of the Board of Directors.

HEYWARD G. LEAVITT,
Secretary of Farmers' Irrigation District.
N2361204.

STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING.

Office of Lee-Glass-Andreesen Hardware Company, Omaha, Nebraska, December 14th, 1912.—Notice is hereby given to the stockholders of Lee-Glass-Andreesen Hardware Company that the annual meeting of the stockholders of the company will be held at the offices of said company, corner of Ninth and Harney streets, in the City of Omaha, in the State of Nebraska, on Tuesday, January 14th, A. D., 1913, at three o'clock p. m., for the purpose of electing a board of directors for the company to serve during the ensuing year, and to transact such other business as may be presented at such meeting.

H. J. LEE, President.
Attest: J. CLARKE COIT, Secretary.
(SEAL.) D1414.

Cash grades were easy. No. 2 yellow was quoted at 42½@43c.

Oats reflected faintly the strength of other cereals. Outside limits touched for May were 32¾@32¾c and 32½@32c. The close at the upper level was a gain of a shade.

Liquidating sales broke the provision market. There seemed to be no demand. January pork suffered the worst decline, 47½c.

Futures ranged as follows:

Article	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Sat'y.
Wheat					
Dec.	84¾	84¾	84¼	84¾	84½
May	89¼@89¾	89¾	89¼	89¾	89¾
July	86¾@87	87	86¾	86¾@87	87
Corn.					
Dec.	47¾@47⅝	47¾	47¼	47¼@47⅜	47½
May	48¾@48⅝	48¾	48¼@48⅜	48¾@48⅝	48¾
July	49@48¾	49¼	48⅞	49⅛	49
Oats.					
Dec.	32¾@32¾	32¾@32¾		32¾	32¾@32¾	32¾
May	32⅞@33	32⅞@33	32⅝@32¾	32⅝@32¾	32¾
July	33	33¼	33	33¼	33
Pork.					
Jan.	18 35-42	18 42½	18 00	18 00	18 47½
May	18 27-30	18 30	18 05	18 05	18 45
Lard.					
Dec.	10 50	10 50	10 35	10 37½	10 50½
Jan.	10 07-12	10 12½	9 92½	9 95	10 17½
May	10 00-05	10 05	9 85	9 87½	10 05
Ribs.					
Jan.	9 90	9 90	9 75	9 77½	9 90@97
May	9 77½	9 77½	9 62½	9 67½	9 82@85

FLOUR—Quiet; winter patents, $4.30@4.90; straights, $3.90@4.00; spring patents, $4.00@6.00; straights, $3.80@3.90; bakers', $3.40@3.60.

RYE—No. 2, 62½@63¼c.

BARLEY—Feed or mixing, 45@48c; fair to choice malting, 58@73c.

SEEDS—Timothy, $3.00@3.90. Clover, $10.00@18.00.

PROVISIONS—Mess pork, $17.00@17.25. Lard (in tierces), $10.35@10.40. Short ribs (loose), $9.37½@10.00.

Total clearances of wheat and flour were equal to 556,000 bu. Primary receipts were 2,328,000 bu., compared with 896,000 bu. the corresponding day a year ago. The visible supply of wheat in the United States increased 121,000 bu. for the week. The amount of breadstuff on ocean passage decreased 3,232,000 bu.

Estimated receipts tomorrow: Wheat, 43 cars; corn, 637 cars; oats, 245 cars; hogs, 26,000 head.

Chicago Cash Prices—Wheat: No. 2 red, $1.04@1.06; No. 3 red, 96c@$1.00; No. 2 hard, 86@88c; No. 3 hard, 84@86c. No. 1 northern, 87½@87¾c; No. 2 northern, 86@87c; No. 3 northern, 84½@85¾c; No. 2 spring, 85@86c, No. 3 spring, 84@85c; No. 4 spring, 78@83c; velvet chaff, 81@86¼c; durum, 82@87c. Corn: No. 2 yellow, 49½@50c; No. 3, 45½@46¼c; No. 3 white, 45¾@46c; No. 4, 43¼@45c; No. 4 white, 44½@45¼c; No. 4 yellow, 44@45¼c. Oats: No. 2 white, 34½@35c; No. 3 white, 32½@33½c; No. 4 white, 30@32½c; standard, 33¾@34c.

Rye: No. 2, 62½@63½c. Barley: 46@75c. Timothy: $3.00@3.90. Clover: $10.00@18.00.

BUTTER—Easy; creameries, 26@33c.

EGGS—Easy; receipts, 2,691 cases; fresh current receipts, 19@22c; refrigerator firsts, 16@17c; firsts, 23c.

CHEESE—Steady; daisies, 16¾@17c; twins, 16½@16¾c; young Americas, 16¾@17c; long horns, 16¾@17c.

POTATOES—Steady; receipts 70 cars; Michigan, 50@62c; Minnesota, 47@52c; Wisconsin, 45@48c.

POULTRY—Steady; turkeys: alive, 15c; dressed, 20½c; chickens: alive, 11c; springs, alive, 16½c.

VEAL—Steady, 9@14c.

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKET

Quotations of the Day on Various Commodities.

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—FLOUR—Quiet; spring patents, $4.40@4.65; winter straights, $4.45@4.55; winter patents, $4.65@5.00; spring clears, $4.15@4.45; winter extras No. 1, $4.05@4.15; winter extras No. 2, $3.95@4.05; Kansas straights, $4.00@4.10. Rye flour, quiet; fair to good, $3.00@3.85; choice to fancy, $3.90@4.00. Buckwheat flour, quiet; $2.30@2.50.

CORNMEAL—Steady; fine white and yellow, $1.35@1.40; coarse, $1.30@1.35; kiln dried, $2.35.

RYE—Steady; No. 2 western, 61@68c c. i. f. Buffalo.

BARLEY—Steady; feeding, 59½c c. i. f. New York; malting, 58@70c c. i. f. Buffalo.

WHEAT—Market barely steady; No. 2 red, $1.07, elevator, and $1.08, f. o. b., afloat, nominal; No. 1 northern, Duluth, 96¼c, f. o. b., afloat. Futures market, ⅛c net lower. Export sales, 50 loads. December closed at 91½c; May, 95 7-16@97¾c; closed at 95¾c.

CORN—Spot market steady; export, 54½c f. o. b. afloat to arrive.

OATS—Spot market firm; standard white, 39¼c nominal; No. 3, 38c; No. 4, 37½@38½c; natural white, 37@39¼c; white clipped, 38@41½c.

HAY—Steady; standard, $1.05; No. 1, $1.10@1.12½; No. 2, 97½c@$1.05; No. 3, 85@90c.

HOPS—Quiet; state, common to choice, 1912 crop, 24@32c; 1911 crop, 13@15c; Pacific coast, 1912 crop, 15@23c; 1911 crop, 15@17c.

HIDES—Easy; Central America, 28½c; Bogota, 28@29c.

LEATHER—Firm; hemlock firsts, 28@29c; seconds, 27@28c; thirds, 24@25c; rejects, 19@20c.

PROVISIONS—Pork, steady; mess, $19.25@19.75; family, $23.00@24.00; short clear, $22.00@24.50. Beef, firm; mess, $20.00@21.00; family, $24.00@25.00; beef hams, $30.00@32.00. Cut meats, quiet; pickled bellies, 10 to 14 pounds, $12.25@12.75; pickled hams, $14.00@14.50. Lard, weak; middle west prime, $10.45@10.55; refined, easy; continent, $11.30; South America, $12.15; compound, $7.82½@8.12½.

TALLOW—Dull; prime city hhds., 6¼c asked; special, 7c; country, 6@6¼c.

BUTTER—Steady; receipts, 4,010 tubs; creamery extras, 36½@37c; creamery held extras, 32½@33½c; state dairy, finest, 33@34c; process extras, 27@27½c; imitation creamery, firsts, 25@25½c; factory, held, 24@24½c; factory, current make, firsts, 24@24½c; packing stock, held, 23½@23½c.

CHEESE—Steady; receipts, 532 boxes; state whole milk, held, colored, specials, 18c; state, whole milk, wh ite, 18c; state whole milk, fresh white of colored, specials, 17½@17½c; state whole milk, poor, 14½@15½c; skims, 4@14½c.

EGGS—Firmer; receipts, 5,099 cases; fresh gathered, extras, 34@36c; held fresh, average best, 24@25c; refrigerator, special marks, fancy local, storage charges paid, 20@20½c; nearby fancy hennery, whites, fancy large, new laid, 42@45c; browns, 34@36c; western gathered, whites, 30@36c.

POULTRY—Live, unsettled; western chickens, 11@11½c; fowls, 12½@13½c; turkeys, 18c.

Kansas City Grain and Provisions.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 16.—WHEAT—Cash, unchanged; No. 2 hard, 83@87½c; No. 3, 71@84c; No. 2 red, 99c@$1.03; No. 3, 90c@$1.00.

CORN—Unchanged to ½c lower; No. 2 mixed, 46½@46¾c; No. 3, 44@45c; No. 2 white, 46@48½c; No. 3, 45½c.

OATS—Steady; No. 2 white, 34@35c; No. 2 mixed, 32½@33c.

RYE—61@62c.

HAY—Steady; choice timothy, $13.00@13.50; choice prairie, $12.00@12.50.

Closing prices of futures:

WHEAT—May, 84½c; July, 81½@81¾c.

CORN—May, 46¾@47c; July, 47c.

OATS—May, 34½@34¼c.

BUTTER—Creamery, 34c; firsts, 32c; seconds, 30c; packing, 26@27c.

EGGS—Extras, 26½c; firsts, 24½@25c; seconds, 23c.

POULTRY—Hens, 10c; roosters, 8c; young turkeys, 16c; ducks, 13@14c.

Receipts.	Shipments.
Wheat, bu.	170,000	83,000
Corn, bu.	89,000	15,000
Oats, bu.	14,000	6,000

Minneapolis Grain Market.

MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 16.—WHEAT—December, 80c; May, 84¾c; July, 86¼@86¾c. Cash: No. 1 hard, 82¾c; No. 1 northern, 80¾@81¾c; No. 2 northern, 78¾@79¼c; No. 2 hard Montana, 80¾c; No. 3, 76¾@77¾c.

CORN—No. 3 yellow, 41@41¼c.

OATS—No. 3 white, 30¼@30½c.

RYE—No. 2, 53@57½c.

BRAN—In 100-lb. sacks, $18.00@18.50.

FLOUR—First patents, $4.05@4.35; seconds, $3.90@4.15; first clears, $2.90@3.20; seconds, $2.10@2.40.

SEED—Flax, $1.24.

BARLEY—40@56c.

Milwaukee Grain Market.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Dec. 16.—WHEAT—No. 1 northern, 87@88c; No. 2 northern, 85@86c; No. 2 hard winter, 87@88c; December, 83½c; May, 86¾@86½c.

CORN—No. 3 yellow, 46@47c; No. 3 white, 46½@47c; No. 3, 45½@46¾c; December, 48¼c; May, 48¾@48¼c.

OATS—Standard, 34¼c.

RYE—No. 1, 64½c.

BARLEY—60@73c.

Duluth Grain Market.

DULUTH, Dec. 16.—WHEAT—No. 1 hard, 82¾c; No. 1 northern, 81¾c; No. 2 northern, 79¾c; Montana, No. 2 hard, 80¾c; December, 80¾c bid; May, 84¾c bid.

OATS—29½c.

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET

Decision of Court in Anthracite Case Effective Stimulus.

NUMEROUS GAINS RECORDED

Reading Loses Five Points in the Morning and After Decision Rises to Hundred and Sixty-eight.

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—In the decision of the United States supreme court in the anthracite case the stock market today received an effective stimulus. Reading, by reason of the direct hearing of the decision upon that stock, displaced Union Pacific as the chief feature of the market and its wide fluctuations, covering a range of nearly 10 points, furnished the chief motive power.

Reading lost 5 points in the morning on heavy selling, during the course of which the leading issues, with the exception of Union Pacific, reached new low points for the movement.

With recollections still fresh of the upheaval which followed rendition of the Harriman merger decision, the market was apprehensive of the influence of further important decisions which might be rendered today.

Bears found the list susceptible to pressure and were aided in their operations by further liquidation on the part of out-of-town holders of securities. The decline in copper metal abroad weakened the copper stocks.

The news from Washington of the anthracite decision changed the aspect of the market instantly. There was excited bidding for Reading, which was rushed up as much as a point between sales. After selling at 155¾ the price bounded to 164½. Trading grew quieter for a time, pending receipt of more definite information as to the court's ruling, and then buying was resumed in a more orderly way. Reading advanced to 168. Other active issues rose sympathetically until there were numerous gains of from 1 to 4 points, Union Pacific rising 4. Some of the anthracite stocks made larger gains. Quotations eased off just before the close.

The bond market developed early weakness, but later made a number of substantial gains. Total sales, par value, $1,945,000. United States bonds unchanged on call.

Number of sales and leading quotations on stocks were as follows:

	Sales.	High.	Low.	Close.
Amalgamated Copper	17,800	74⅝	70½	73¾
American Agricultural	...	...	...	55
American Beet Sugar	2,300	39	48¼	39
American Can	4,900	28⅝	27¾	28¼
American Can pfd	1,800	114¼	112½	114
American C. & F.	700	54⅝	53⅝	54½
American Cotton Oil	1,400	55½	54¼	55
Am. Ice Securities	500	19⅝	19½	19
American Linseed	200	11	10¾	11
American Locomotive	2,300	41	40	41
American S. & R.	8,600	70⅝	68½	70¼
Am. S. & R. pfd	100	104	104	104½
Am. Sugar Refining	1,000	117	116	116¾
American T. & T.	600	140	138	139½
American Tobacco	900	262	255	261½
Anaconda Mining Co	7,800	39	37	38¾
Atchison	3,400	106¼	104½	105⅝
Atchison pfd	10	101½	101½	101½
Atlantic Coast Line	400	152¾	137	137½
Baltimore & Ohio	4,800	104¼	102⅞	104
Bethlehem Steel	2,900	36	34	35½
Brooklyn Rapid Tr	2,800	88¾	87	87⅝
Canadian Pacific	12,100	236½	232	235⅜
Central Leather	600	27⅞	27	27½
Chesapeake & Ohio	3,200	78	76½	78¼
Chicago G. W.	500	17	16¾	16⅞
Chicago, M. & St. P.	8,500	112¾	109¾	111¾
Chicago & N. W.	400	152½	150	150½
Colorado F. & I.	400	33¾	32	34
Consolidated Gas	5,100	139½	136¾	139
Corn Products	1,200	14¾	13⅝	13½
Delaware & Hudson	1,600	164	164	164½
Denver & Rio Grande	...	...	...	19½
Denver & R. G. pfd	400	37½	37½	37½
Distillers' Securities	1,300	21¾	20¾	21¾
Erie	18,300	31⅞	30	31⅜
Erie 1st pfd	1,500	49¼	47½	48
Erie 2d pfd	500	39½	38¼	39
General Electric	1,000	180½	178¾	180¼
Great Northern pfd	4,000	134⅝	132¾	134⅝
Great Northern Ore ctfs	1,200	41¾	40	41¾
Illinois Central	...	...	...	127
Interborough Met	5,900	18	17	17¾
Inter. Met. pfd	2,600	61⅞	58½	60¾
International Harvester	700	111	107½	111
International Marine pfd	100	18	18	18¼
International Paper	400	15¼	11⅞	13
International Pump	...	...	...	19
Kansas City Southern	1,000	26⅛	25¾	26⅛
Lackawanna Steel	600	102¼	101½	102½
Lehigh Valley	35,300	163¾	163¾	164
Louisville & Nashville	2,200	140	138	140
M., St. P. & S. S. M.	500	137¼	136½	137¾
Missouri, K. & T.	200	26¾	26¼	26½
Missouri Pacific	5,500	42⅜	40	41⅞
National Biscuit	200	118½	117¼	118
National Lead	100	55¼	55¼	55¼
N. R. R. of M. 2d pfd.	...	...	...	27
New York Central	1,500	106¾	104¾	106¾
N. Y., O. & W.	200	30½	30½	31¼
Norfolk & Western	400	112	111¾	112¼
*North American	200	80¾	78¼	80¾
Northern Pacific	6,700	121	118¼	120
Pacific Mail	...	...	...	39
Pennsylvania	4,300	121¼	120⅝	121¼
People's Gas	200	111	110	111
P., C., C. & St. L.	200	103¾	103½	103½
Pittsburgh Coal	1,000	20¼	20	20⅝
Pressed Steel Car	200	34¾	34	34½
Pullman Palace Car	...	...	...	159
Reading	279,600	168	158¼	167¾
Republic I. & S.	...	...	...	25
Republic I. & S. pfd	700	84½	84	84⅝
Rock Island Co.	3,800	24½	22½	23⅝
Rock Island Co. pfd	700	44	42¾	44
St. L. & S. F. 2d pfd	500	29⅝	29⅝	30⅜
Seaboard Air Line	100	18¾	18¾	18
Seaboard A. L. pfd	100	45½	45½	44½
Sloss-Sheffield S. & I.	...	...	...	42
Southern Pacific	23,100	108¾	105½	106⅝
Southern Railway	1,000	27⅞	27	27¾
So. Railway pfd	800	80¾	79⅝	80
Tennessee Copper	400	27¾	27	27¼
Texas & Pacific	1,200	24½	23½	23⅝
Union Pacific	80,500	159¾	153⅜	158⅜
Union Pacific pfd	100	92	90	91
United States Realty	200	73½	71⅝	72½
United States Rubber	2,900	61⅝	61¼	63¼
United States Steel	168,200	66¾	63¾	66¾
U. S. Steel pfd	3,200	109¾	108¾	109¾
Utah Copper	5,100	57⅞	54⅝	56¾
Va.-Carolina Chemical	800	45	43	45⅞
Wabash	100	4	4	4
Wabash pfd	100	13	13	13¾
Western Maryland	1,400	50¼	49¼	50
Western Union	100	72½	72½	72
Westinghouse Electric	1,500	77	76	76¾
Wheeling & L. E.	100	6¾	6¾	6¾

Total sales for the day, 827,400 shares.

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—MONEY—On call, steady, at 4¾@6½ per cent; ruling rate, 4¾ per cent; closing bid, 5 per cent; offered at 5¼ per cent. Time loans, steady; sixty days, 6@6½ per cent; ninety days, 6 per cent; six months, 5½ per cent.

PRIME MERCANTILE PAPER—6 per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.8125 for sixty-day bills and at $4.8560 for demand; commercial bills, $4.80¾.

SILVER—Bar, 63¾c; Mexican dollars, 45¾c.

BONDS—Government, steady; railroad, irregular.

Closing quotations on bonds today were as follows:

U. S. ref. 2s, reg.	100½	Japan 4½s	86¼
do coupon	100¾	K. C. So. ref. 5s	97⅜
U. S. 3s, reg.	102¼	L. & N. uni. 4s	97⅜
do coupon	102½	L. & N. uni. 4s	97⅜
U. S. 4s, reg.	113¾	M. K. & T. 1st 4s	94
do coupon	113¾	do 4½s	86
Panama 3s, coupon	101¾	Mo. Pacific 4s	70
A.-C. 1st 5s ctfs.	97	do conv. 5s	85¾
Amer. Ag. 5s	101¾	N. Y. C. & H. R. R. M. 4½s	88
At. T. & T. 4s	108½	N. Y. C. g. 3½s	86
Am. Tobacco 6s	121½	do deb. 4s	91
Armour & Co. 4½s	90¾	N. Y. N. H. & H.	...
Atchison gen. 4s	96¾	cv. 3½s	86¼
do cv. 4s 1960	103¼	N. & W. 1st c. 4s	90¾
do cv. 5s	104½	do cv. 4s	117
A. C. L. 1st 4s	95	No. Pacific 4s	94¾
Bal. & Ohio 4s	97¼	do 3s	68¾
do 3½s	87½	O. S. L. rdg. 4s	91
Brook. R. T. cv. 4s	85¾	Penn. cv. 3½s 1915	96¾
*Can. of Ga. 4s	106¾	do con. 4s	101¾
*Cen. Leather 5s	95¼	Reading gen. 4s	96¾
*Ches. & Ohio 4½s	99¾	S. L. & S. F. fg 4s	75½
do conv. 4½s	97	do gen. 5s	83¾
**Chicago & A. 4½s	64	St. L. & S. W. c. 4s	80¾
C. B. & Q. 1. 4s	95¾	S. A. L. adj. 4s	74¾
do gen. 4s	80¾	So. Pac. col. 4s	92
C. M. & St. P. cv 4½s	105¾	do cv. 4s	93¾
C. R., I. & P. c. 4s	64¾	do 1st ref. 4s	85
*do rfg. 4s	86¼	So. Railway 5s	106¾
**C. & S. r. & d 4½s	93½	do gen. 4s	77¾
*D. & H. cv. 4s	98¾	Union Pacific 4s	99
D. & R. G. ref. 5s	83¼	do cv. 4s	97½
Distillers' 5s	100	*do 1st & ref. 4s	96¼
*Erie p. l. 4s	85¾	U. S. Rubber 6s	107¾
do gen. 4s	73¾	U. S. Steel 2d 5s	100¾
*do cv. 4s, ser. B	97¾	Va.-Car. Chem. 5s	97½
*Ill. Cent. 1st ref. 4s	93¾	Wabash 1st & ex. 4s	84¼
Inter. Met. 4½s	78¾	Western Md. 4s	84½
Inter. M. M. 4½s	64¾	West. Elec. cv. 5s	92¾
Inter. M. M. 4½s	64¾	Wisconsin Cen. 4s	89¾

*Bid. **Offered.

New York Mining Stock.

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—Closing quotations on mining stocks were:

Com. Tunnel stock	8	Mexican	125
20s bonds	12	Ontario	260
Con. Cal. & Va	30	Ophir	23
Iron Silver	190	*Standard	100
*Leadville Con.	8	Yellow Jacket	20
Little Chief	4		

*Offered.

Treasury Statements.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—The condition of the United States treasury at the beginning of business today was: Working balance, $80,968,688; in banks and Philippine treasury, $31,388,962; total of general fund, $142,863,365. Receipts Saturday, $3,606,380; disbursements, $3,073,399. Deficit this fiscal year, $4,307,478, as against a deficit of $23,702,163 last year. These figures for receipts, disbursements and deficit exclude Panama canal and public debt transactions.

London Stock Market.

LONDON, Dec. 16.—American securities opened steady and a fraction higher today. Prices advanced during the early trading under the lead of Canadian Pacific and Union Pacific. At noon the market was steady, with values ranging from ¼ to 1⅝ above Saturday's New York closing.

London closing stock quotations:

Canada, messr.	74	Louisville & Nash.	144½
do account	74⅝	Mo., Kan. & Tex.	27
Amal. Copper	73¼	New York Central	111
Anaconda	7⅝	Norfolk & Western	115⅛
Atchison	108⅝	do pfd	91
do pfd	106⅛	Ontario & Western	32
Baltimore & Ohio	106⅝	Pennsylvania	63¼
Canadian Pacific	235⅛	Rand Mines	6⅛
Chesapeake & Ohio	80	Reading	168
Chi. Great Western	17	Southern Ry.	27⅝
Chi., Mil. & St. P.	114	do pfd	65¾
De Beers	19⅝	Southern Pacific	109¾
Denver & Rio G.	21	Union Pacific	159⅜
do pfd	39¼	do pfd	91⅛
Erie	31¼	U. S. Steel	66⅝
do 1st pfd	50¼	do pfd	113¼
do 2d pfd	41	Wabash	4
Grand Trunk	28⅝	do pfd	13⅜
Illinois Central	129½		

SILVER—Bar, easy at 29¼d per ounce.

MONEY—3¾@4 per cent.

The rate of discount in the open market for short bills is 5 per cent; for three months' bills, 4 15-16@5 per cent.

Boston Mining Stock.

BOSTON, Dec. 16.—Closing quotations on stocks were as follows:

*Ailouez	32	Mohawk	56½
Amal. Copper	73¾	Nevada Con.	19¼
A. Z. L. & S.	27½	Nipissing Mines	8¾
Arizona Com.	3 1-16	North Butte	32
Cal. & Hecla	535	Osceola	101
Centennial	16	Quincy	74½
Cop. Range C. C.	50	Shannon	12¾
East Butte C. M.	13⅜	Superior	36½
Franklin	8	Superior & B. M.	1⅛
Giroux Con.	3⅜	Tamarack	83
Granby Con.	62	U. S. S. R. & M.	40⅝
Greene Cananea	8½	do pfd	48¼
Isle Royale Copper	30¾	Utah Con.	10½
Kerr Lake	7⅛	Utah Copper Co.	57
Lake Copper	24⅛	Winona	3½
La Salle Copper	4⅝	Wolverine	67
Miami Copper	25¼		

*Bid.

Bank Clearings.

OMAHA, Dec. 16.—The bank clearing for today are $3,229,405.60 and for the corresponding day last year were $2,907,721.49. For the week ending December 14 the clearings were $18,428,434.04 and for the corresponding week of last year they were $15,248,561.68.

OMAHA GENERAL MARKET.

BUTTER—No. 1, 1-lb. carton, 37c; No. 1, 60-lb. tubs, 36½c; No. 2, 34½c.

CHEESE—Imported Swiss, 23c; American Swiss, 26c; block Swiss, 26c; twins, 20c; daisies, 20c; triplets, 20c; Young Americas, 21c; blue label brick, 20c; limberger, 2-lb., 21c; 1-lb., 22c; New York white, 21c.

BEEF CUT PRICES—Ribs: No. 1, 20c; No. 2, 13½c; No. 3, 10½c. Loins: No. 1, 22c; No. 2, 16c; No. 3, 11½c. Chucks: No. 1, 9c; No. 2, 7½c; No. 3, 7½c. Rounds: No. 1, 13c; No. 2, 9½c; No. 3, 9c. Plates: No. 1, 8c; No. 2, 7½c; No. 3, 6½c.

POULTRY—Broilers, 35 per doz.; hens, 14c; cocks, 11c; ducks, 18c; geese, 15c; turkeys, 24c; pigeons, per doz., $1.20. Alive, broilers, 16c; hens, 10@10½c; old roosters, 7c; ducks, full feathered, 10c; geese, full feathered, 10c; turkeys, 12½c; pigeons, per doz., 60c; homers, $2.50; squabs, No. 1, $1.50; No. 2, 60c.

FISH (fresh)—Pickerel, 13c; white, 16c; trout, 15c; large crappies,