SURE OF NOTHING

BOARD OF TRADE UNCERTAIN ABOUT THE BOND ISSUE.

Dubious Situation Affects All the Markets Unfavorably — Speculators Begin by Knocking Off Wednesday's Gain--Light Receipts and Primary Market Reports Have a Counteracting Effect Upon the Overplus of Sellers--Foreign Markets Higher--Corn Weak and Lower--Oats Follows Corn--Provisions Break.

Chicago, Jan. 31.—Uncertainty regarding the expected bond issue prevented marked changes in prices on the board of trade today. In wheat there were more sellers than buyers and May closed at ⅜ cent lower. May corn closed ⅝ cent lower; May oats ½ cent lower and provisions at declines.

The wheat speculators at the opening of the market appeared to consider yesterday's closing price for May ¾ cent too high and knocked off the obnoxious fraction. Liverpool was higher for futures and Berlin 1 mark better than it closed yesterday with Paris a little lower for spot wheat and a shade higher for next month's delivery. Minneapolis and Duluth together received only 153 cars compared with 167 on last Thursday and 223 cars on the corresponding day of the year before. The selling in the first half hour was by the local crowd while New York and St. Louis at the same time sent liberal orders to buy. The expectation of an early issue of bonds was regarded as in favor of the bulls but the conflicting news from Washington prevented radical changes either way. The opening price of May wheat was from 53⅛ cents to 53⅛ cents as compared with 53⅜ cents sellers at the close yesterday. The general tendencey was downward for about an hour and a half, or until the returns of the day's receipts and shipments at the primary markets had all come to hand. The total primary market receipts were only 318,505 bushels. Some buying by previous sellers was the result of a short contemplation of the figures referred to and the price which had been hugging 53 for May for about an hour, let go and it rose temporarily for the second time to 53⅝ cents. There was renewed selling at the advance however and May finished at 53 cents.

Corn was lower. The principal feature was the fact that many of the buyers of yesterday were sellers today while the demand was light. Bartlett Frazier and Baldwin-Garnum led the selling among the big operators and the small fry soon tailed on. While some of the early transactions were at yesterday's close, there was a gradual drop. May sold early at 44 cents and fell steadily to 43⅝@½ cents split. There was a quiet business during the closing hour. May closing at 43⅝ cents.

Oats were also slow and inclined to be easy, following in the wake of corn and closing at 28½ cents.

Provisions started with a show of strength, helped by hog receipts under the estimate and better prices at the yards. Armour and other packers however sold liberally and a break in prices resulted. There was some recovery but at the close May pork was 12½ cents and May ribs 7½ cents lower and May lard unchanged.

Estimated receipts for Friday: Wheat 23 cars; corn 175 cars; oats 140 cars; hogs 23,000 head.

Chicago Markets.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles	Op'ing	High't	Low't	Clos'g
Wheat—				
Jan	50¼	50⅝	49⅝@⅞	49⅞@50
May	53⅛@⅜	53⅝	52⅞	52⅝@53
July	54@54⅛	54⅛	53⅝@⅞	53⅞
Corn No. 2—				
Jan	41⅛	41⅛	40⅝	40⅝
May	43⅞@44	44	43⅝	43⅝
July	43⅝@⅞	43⅞	43⅛@⅜	43⅛@⅜
Oats No. 2—				
Jan	28	28	27½	27½
May	28⅞	29	28½	28½
Mess Pork, per bbl—				
Jan				9 65
May	10 10	10 10	9 85	9 65
Lard, per 100 lbs—				
Jan				6 35
May	6 60	6 60	6 50	6 52½
Short Ribs, per 100 lbs—				
Jan				5 00
May	5 27½	5 27½	5 15	5 17½

Cash quotations were as follows: Flour—Easy.

No.2 spring wheat, 52⅝@55c; No. 3, nominal; No. 2red, 49⅞c. No. 3 corn, 40⅝c; No. 2 yellow, 39⅝@39¾c. No. 2 oats, 28c; No. 2 white, 31½@31¾c; No. 3, 31@31½c. No. 2 rye, 50c. No. 2 barley, 55½c; No. 3, 54@55½c; No. 4, 50c. No. 1 flaxseed, $1.43. Prime timothy seed, $5.80. Mess pork, per bbl., $9.70@9.80. Lard, per 100 lbs., $6.40. Ribs, $5.00@5.10. Dry salted shoulders, 4⅝@⅞. Short clear sides, $5.25@5.30. Whiskey, $1.22. Sugars—Unchanged.

GRAIN MOVEMENT.

Articles.	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, barrels.....	11,000	1,000
Wheat, bushels.....	18,000	5,000
Corn, bushels.....	113,000	73,000
Oats, bushels.....	98,000	121,000
Rye, bushels.....	3,000	6,000
Barley, bushels.....	26,000	2,000

On the Produce Exchange today the butter market was steady; creameries, 12@23c; dairies, 10@20c. Eggs steady, 15@24c.

St. Louis Grain.

St. Louis, Jan. 31.—Wheat—Cash higher, 50c; options lower; May, 51c; July, 51¼c. Corn—Cash higher, 30c; May, lower, 28⅞c. Pork—Lower, $10.00. Lard, $6.25@6.40.

Kansas City Grain.

Kansas City, Jan. 31.—Wheat—Steady; No. 2 hard and No. 2 red, 50@51c; rejected, 46c. Sales by sample f. o. b. Mississippi river: No. 2 hard and No. 2 red, 56c. Oats —Easier; No. 2 mixed, 29@30c; No. 2 white, 31½c. Corn—¼ cent higher; No. 2 mixed, 40@40½c; No. 2 white, 40¾c. Rye—Firm; No. 2, 56c. Bran—Steady, 68@70c. Hay—Lower; timothy, $8.00@9.50; prairie, $7.00@8.50. Butter—Firmer; creamery, 17@21c; dairy, 13@15c. Eggs—Easier, 19@19½c.

COTTON MARKET.

New Orleans.

New Orleans, Jan. 31.—Cotton futures steady. Sales, 45,100 bales; February, $5.10@5.12; March, $5.22@5.23; April, $5.29@5.32; May, $5.29@5.30; June, $5.35@5.36; July, $5.35@5.36; August, $5.46@5.47; September, $5.49@5.51; October, $5.54@5.55; November, $5.58@5.59.

Livestock Markets Good to Better.

Chicago, Jan. 31.—There was a slightly better turn to the cattle market. The better feeling was due in part to the fact of continued light offerings, and partly to the favorable reaction in the grain and provision markets. Today's offerings were closely bought up on a basis of $3.00@5.65 for very common to strictly prime steers; $1.50@3.75 for poor to extra cows, heifers and bulls and $2.00@3.75 for stockers and feeders. Texas cattle were in demand at $2.00@4.25 according to quality.

Swine sold higher today in every instance. Some prime hogs held over from yesterday sold 20 cents above the best received that day, and there were many trades that showed scarcely 5 cents advance. A majority of sellers quoted the market 5@10 cents higher and the average gain was somewhere between these figures. The choicest of the heavy hogs were taken at $4.30, and there were a few sales of prime assorted light at $4.05. The major part of the 40,000 hogs offered, however, went out of sellers' hands at $3.85@4.00 for light and at $3.00@4.20 for averages of over 200 pounds.

The sheep and lamb market was unchanged. There was a good demand at $2.50@4.00 for poor to choice sheep, and at $3.50@4.75 for poor to choice lambs. An exporter paid $4.25 for a bunch of fancy sheep and there were a few sales of lambs at $5.50@5.90. Culls were quoted at $1.75@2.25.

Receipts—Cattle, 11,000; calves, 300; hogs, 33,000; sheep, 11,000.

Omaha, Jan. 31.—Cattle—Receipts, 1,000. Butchers and canners stuff was in limited supply, very good demand and firm. Veal calves averaged steadier and bulls, stags and rough stock generally sold at good steady prices. Business in stockers and feeders was quiet.

Hogs—Receipts, 5,000. Top was $4.00 for hogs that were not as goood as the $4.00 hogs yesterday. Fair to good hogs sold largely around $3.60@3.75, as against $3.50@3.70 yesterday. Light stuff and pigs sold sold down around $2.75@3.40.

Sheep—Receipts, 1,000. Deamnd fair. Trade was brisk and prices quotably firm. Native mixed,$3.35.

Kansa City, Jan. 31.—Cattle—Receipts, 4,300; shipments, 2,500. Market slow but steady. Texas steers, $2.75@3.60; beef steers, $3.25@4.00; stockers and feeders, $2.25@3.80.

Hogs—Receipts, 9,300; shipments, 2,000. Market 5 to 10 cents higher. Bulk of sales, $3.50@3.90; mixed, $3.45@3.85; lights, $3.60@3.70; yorkers, $2.55@.270; pigs, $3.00@3.50.

Sheep—Receipts, 400; shipments, 300. Market steady.

WICHITA MARKETS.

Wichita, Jan. 31.

HOGS.

Hog market active; 10 to 20 cents higher.

REPRESENTATIVE SALES.

The following are the representative sales of hogs at the yards today:

No.	Dock.	Ave.	Price.
70.....		259	3 60
5.....		260	3 45
12.....		311	3 42½
94.....	80	208	3 40
8.....		227	3 35
16.....		176	3 32½
9.....		181	3 25
10.....		183	3 25
5.....		158	3 10

CATTLE.

Cattle market steady; good butcher stuff in demand.

REPRESENTATIVE SALES.

The following are the representative sales of cattle at the yards today:

No	Kind	Ave.	Price.
1	stocker	1380	3 40
5	stockers	760	3 00
7	stockers	660	2 90
7	cows and heifers.....	841	2 55
5	heifers	440	2 50
6	heifers	811	2 40
2	cows	1130	2 25
1	bull	850	2 35
15	cows and heifers.....	840	2 05
7	cows and heifers.....	722	2 00
2	bulls	1545	2 00
3	heifers	380	1 50

Stock Yard Notes.

A. Smarsh of Andale, had a car of hogs the the yards.

Adam Hufflauer of Mulvane, was on the market with a car of hogs.

Wilson Bros., of Greenwich, were among the shippers at the yards.

Addison & Johnson of Eureka, bought 100 head of stock cattle of Dotson & Scott, of Maize, which were weighed at the yards yesterday.

THE DRYING OF APPLES.

Description of the Process by One Who Is Engaged in It.

The click-clack of the peeler, cries of "apples" or "tray," and snatches of song and conversation greet us as we enter. All around us apples are piled in bins and sacks from which the "boy" fills the boxes he takes to the "peelers," who place an apple on the fork of the peeler, throw on to the bar the piece holding the "head" that peels, and the knife that slices and cores the apple; while they are turning the wheel that moves this piece along, they take up another apple, take off the first one and its core, and put the second one in its place. The "spreaders" now take the peeled apple, which has been thrown on the table, trim off the little peeling remaining, and the wormy and rotten parts (this part is called "high chuck") and by a dextrous movement spread the apple, which has been cut down one side, on a tray. When this is filled, the "boy" takes it to the "sulphur box" where it is "sulphured" until white; then it is placed in cells which are heated by pipes connected with a furnace in the cellar. After it has been thoroughly dried, the fruit is taken to a bin and scraped with a trowel, and afterwards sent down to the bin in the "packing room," where it is moistened with water. The "packer" now takes a fifty-pound box, lines it with white paper, places a layer of "samples" or large slices on the bottom, fills up the box with fruit, pressing it down until the scales on which the press is built register fifty pounds. Then he covers the fruit with the ends of the white lining paper, nails a lid on the box, stencils upon it the words "Apples" and "fifty-pound box;" the name and address of the owner, and of the commission merchant to whom it is sent, and the fruit is ready for shipment. Let me add that the "high chuck" is sulphured and dried in the sun, then shipped to be used for pies in hotels and restaurants, by sailors on board ship, and by manufacturers for jelly!—ToledoBlade.

JAPANESE PATRIOTISM.

Homely Incident Showing an Old Woman's Love for Her Country.

A homely incident is related in one of the provincial journals which is not without a touch of pathos. Kuroiso is the name of one of the lesser stations on the northern route, the nearest village of any importance being known as Higashi Nasu-no-mura, a little place of less than five hundred inhabitants. As many trains have lately been bringing soldiers down from the northern provinces, and as these trains have invariably to stop a while at Kuroiso, the people of the above-named village thought this an excellent opportunity to turn an honest penny by selling articles of food, tobacco, etc., to the soldiers en route.

There was one old woman, however, who had a bigger conception of her duty and what was owing to the defenders of her country than any of her fellow villagers. Parting with everything she could spare she spent all the result in buying a large quantity of chestnuts. These were then made into that kind of cake known as kachikuri. This done, the old woman carried the cakes to the trains whenever they bore soldiers southward, and presented each man with some of the sweets she had sacrificed so much to procure.

She accompanied each little gift with a bow and the wish: "Conquer in battle and come back to Japan victorious and unwounded." The soldiers were much touched by her simple words and artless demeanor, and would have given her money, but she positively refused to receive anything in return for the loyal offerings.

"This," says our provincial contemporary, "is the old chivalrous spirit of Japan, not that mercantile and sordid disposition that has so largely usurped the place held by the Yamatodamashi of yore."

Knew What He Was About.

Enthusiastic Colored Spectator (at fashionable wedding)—Go it, gents—keep de rice a-flying—chuck it out lively!

Policeman—An' fwhot are yer eggin' av thim an fur—sure, you are not related?

E. C. S.—No, boss; but rice is good for chickins, an' I am de sweeper hyah!

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BRIGHT DAY COMING

STOCK MARKET ANTICIPATES EFFECT OF BOND ISSUE.

American Securities Strong On London Exchange and Foreign Buying Good--Assistant Secretary Curtis Confers With Foreign Bankers Regarding the Placing of Bonds--Prices Advance From the Start--Realizing Sales Produce a Reaction, Checked in Time For a General Advance--Bonds Unsettled and Lower.

New York, Jan. 31—Speculation on the Stock Exchange was in good tone during the greater part of the day owing to the strength of American securities on the London stock exchange, the good foreign buying in this market and the general feeling that the financial situation would soon be relieved by means of an issue of government bonds. The arrival of Assistant Secretary Curtis and his conference with foreign bankers as to the placing of the bonds added buoyancy to the already healthy tone of speculation. Prices advanced sharply from the opening, reaching the highest point about 1 o'clock, at which time gainsy had been made in Manhattan, 2¾ per cent; Pullman 1¾ per cent; Lead and Louisville and Nashville, 1⅝ per cent; Missouri Pacific, Cotton preferred and Denver and Rio Grande preferred 1½ per cent; Chicago Gas 1⅜ per cent; St. Paul Southern preferred Lake Shore New Jersey Central and Union Pacific 1¼ per cent; Norfolk and Western preferred, Iowa Central preferred, Delaware and Hudson, Hocking Valley and Tobacco (which in the opening dealings had lost 1 per cent), Canadian Pacific, Northwest, Rock Island Burlington and Distilling ⅞ per cent; Cleveland, Cincinnati, Chicago and St. Louis, Susquehanna and Western preferred and Pittsburg, Cincinnati, Cleveland and St. Louis ¾ per cent, and a smaller fraction in the rest of the list. The high figures induced selling to realize profits which resulted in a reaction in Manhattan, Missouri Pacific, Lackawanna and New Jersey Central 1 per cent; Louisville and Nashville ¾ per cent; Chicago Gas ⅝ per cent and the general list 1⅛@½ per cent, outside of General Electric, which broke 2¼, to 29 per cent, on rumors of a change of management of the company. The reactionary tendency was checked at 2:30 and a general improvement followed led by New Jersey Central and Hocking Valley which rose 1 per cent making the net gain in the latter 2 per cent. The improvement in the other shares was confined to fractional limits but the closing was not strong. Final figures show a general appreciation of values.

There was no settled tone to the transactions in the railroad and miscellaneous bond market today but a majority of the issues dealt in show a decline on the day. The aggregate sales were $816,000.

DRY GOODS MARKET.

New York, Jan. 31.—As usual to the last day of the month there was a light general demand for small assortments of seasonable specialties. The maturing of orders for February has occasioned a large movement and very full sales were completed. The tone of the market is in favor of more business and values are steady. On February 6 and 7 the feature of next week will take place when there will be sold at auction 8,750 pieces of black, colorde and fancy silks, the largesht offering on record, of the manufacture of Scharazenbach, Huber & Company. Printing cloths firm at 2 9-16 cents bid and declined for 64 squares spots and contracts to July.

STOCKS AND BONDS.

U. S. 5s, reg.....	114¼
U. S. 5s, coup.....	115½
U. S. 4s, reg.....	111½
U. S. 4s, coup.....	111½
U. S. 2s, reg.....	96
Atchison 4s.....	65¼
Atchison Second A.....	17¾
M. K. and T. first 4s.....	80⅞
M. K. and T. second 4s.....	46⅞
St. Paul Consols 7s.....	126½
St. Paul C. and P. W. 5s.....	111
St. L. and S. F. Gen. 6s.....	102

CLOSING STOCKS--WEST.

Atchison	4⅛
Adams Express.....	40
Alton, Terre Haute.....	35½
Alton, Terre Haute pref'd.....	198
American Express.....	110
Baltimore and Ohio.....	61½
Canada Pacific.....	52¾
Canada Southern.....	48¾
Central Pacific.....	13
Chesapeake and Ohio.....	16
Chicago Alton.....	147
Chicago, Burlington and Quincy.....	71½
Chicago Gas.....	74
Consolidated Gas.....	126
C. C. C. and St. Louis.....	38¼
Colorado Coal and Iron.....	5
Cotton Oil Certificates.....	19¾
Delaware Hudson.....	129
Del. Lack. and West.....	159¼
Illinois Central.....	87
Kansas and Texas pref'd.....	22
Lake Shore.....	135½
Louisville and Nashville.....	51¼
Missouri Pacific.....	21
National Cordage.....	5
National Cordage pref'd.....	8¾
Northern Pacific.....	2⅞
Northern Pacific pref'd.....	16
Northwestern	99
Northwestern pref'd.....	143½
New York Central.....	99½
Pullman Palace.....	156½
Reading	9⅞
Rock Island.....	62½
St. Paul.....	59¾
St. Paul pref'd.....	117
Southern Pacific.....	17½
Sugar Refinery.....	90¼
Union Pacific.....	9¾
United States Express.....	42
Wabash, St. L. and Pac.....	5¾
Wabash, St. L. and Pac. pref'd.....	13¼
Wells Fargo Express.....	106
Western Union.....	87½
General Electric.....	29
National Linseed.....	17½

PUBLISHED IN TRANSIT.

Weekly Papers Issued on Ocean Steamers for the Passengers.

Years ago, before the big ocean liners made a trip from this country to Europe a matter of only a few days, and the one way to get to Europe was by clipper ship, and the voyage occupied from four to six weeks, it was the custom to publish a weekly newspaper on board the larger ships for the edification of the passengers. The captain and officers would store up news items before leaving port and these, enlarged and greatly embellished, would be made the leading features of the weekly issue. In ormation from the captain's cabin as to the weather prospects and other interesting scraps of news of the ship, together with whatever contributions the passengers cared to make, would help fill up the paper and make it an exceedingly attractive sheet for people a thousand miles from land. The mid-ocean newspaper was always a curious looking affair, and copies of all the issues were eagerly sought by collectors whenever a ship touched port. But since the ocean greyhounds have made the trip so short the ocean newspaper has disappeared. A year or so ago, however, the American line began the publication on board of the big steamers New York and Paris.

One paper is published each trip, and is usually run off the press when the steamer is four days out and rolling in the Roaring Forties. On the Paris the publication is called the Paris Gazette, while it is the New York Gazette on the sister ship. The limited printing apparatus on the steamers makes it impossible to turn out a very large paper. The sheet is about six inches wide and nine inches long, and is a four-page affair, printed on manilla paper. The first item of news that strikes the eye is a description of the ship, signed by the captain. This is a stock paragraph and is printed in every issue. The daily runs of the steamer follow, and the distance still to go and the probabilities of doing it within a certain time are discussed in short paragraphs. The second column of the first page generally contains some paragraphs headed "General Information," and here the passengers find many useful little hints as to cures for seasickness, the necessity of exercising by taking regular walks around the decks, and advice as to the handling of luggage. In fact, this column is a mine of valuable information for people making their first trip. The paper contains contributions of prose and verse, some of them decidedly clever, and there is also a column devoted to queries. The price of the Gazette is sixpence in English, or fifteen cents in American money, and it meets with a ready sale in the second cabin and steerage, as well as among the saloon passengers—N. Y. Sun.

THE MAKING OF THIEVES.

A Significant Increase in the Number of Child Criminals.

There has surely been of late a very great and significant increase in the number of child criminals that are brought to our police courts. There are more of them, and they are much younger than they used to be, and they are vastly "tougher." Their manner shows plainly that the street has been their teacher and that they have been apt pupils. Its method is simple and varies in Hell's Kitchen and in Jewtown only in the opportunities offered. To begin with the boy idler in the street during school hours is there in defiance of law, whether the fault is his own or not, and he knows it. He is in the attitude of opposition, the normal attitude of the street. The policeman is his enemy and the policeman stands for the established order of things. Thus the groundwork is laid for whatever mischief comes along. It is not long in coming, rarely longer than the dinner-hour of the first day. The boy is hungry. He wants something to eat. A boy's hunger is not like a man's, which can be appeased with promises. He wants something at once. If he is playing hooky, he does not want to go home to get it. Anyway, there is no need to do so. The street can show him an easier way. A grocer's stand is handy, or a pie-wagon. Better still, a soda-water wagon; the bottle is worth so much cash at the junk-shop, the driver's back is turned; the boy "swipes" one. It is not a very great crime, but it is the stepping-stone to many greater. A horse-blanket or a copper-bottomed boiler may be the next thing. It is the first step that costs an effort, and that not a very great one, with the clamor of a hungry stomach to drown the warning voice within him that whispers of the policeman and the lock-up. The friends he makes in the street soon help him to contempt for the one and a secret pride in the other. —Jacob A. Riis, in Century.

Rocks That Float in Water.

A geologist who is "well up" in his business can name a dozen or twenty different specimens of rocks and minerals that have less specific gravity than water, and which will, if tossed into that element, float on the surface. Hubelite is one of the best known representatives of that class; the common pumice stone is another example. The rock with the very least specific gravity known is "damari," a substance fond in an extinct volcano in Damaraland. Its atomic weight is 0.5 or exactly one-half that of hydrogen.—St. Louis Republic.

RELIGIOUS AND EDUCATIONAL.

—Leo XIII. is the two hundred and fifty-eighth pope.

—All branches of the Mennonites have 41,541 members, with 550 churches valued at $643,800.

—The Moravians have 94 churches and halls, valued at $681,250, and claim a membership of 11,781.

—The Friends, or Quakers, are a wealthy body. They have 1,056 churches, worth $4,541,334.

The Church Triumphant, Schwein furths, has 12 churches worth $15,000, and attended by 384 members.

—All Lutheran bodies have 1,231,072 members who worship in 8,595 churches, valued at $35,060,354.

—The Baptists have 42,909 churches and a membership of 3,712,468. Their church property is estimated at $52,328,123.

—The church of the Christian connection in this country have 1,424 buildings, worth $1,775,202, and attended by 103,722 members.

—There are 51,489 Methodist churches of all branches in the United States, having 4,589,284 communicants, and their church property is valued at $132,140,179.

—Of Presbyterian church buildings in the United States there are 13,476; their membership amounts to 1,2'8,332, and the value of their church property is $94,889,097.

—The early Christians celebrated Christmas at several different dates. Some communicants observed the 1st of January; others the 6th; others the 29th of March, the date of the Jewish Passover; others the 29th of September, the date of the Feast of Tabernacles. At the time of Constantine, the Eastern Church observed the 6th of January; the Western the 25th of December. The latter date was fixed as the time of the festival by Julius I., who was pope from A. D. 337 to 352. A previous, but doubtful, claim is made for Telesphorus, pope from A. D. 128 to 139.

—In most Catholic countries the Fete Dieu is one of the greatest festivals of the year. In France it is even now celebrated by processions in many cities, particularly in the southern departments. A queer feature is the miniature chapel that is erected at alalmost every corner by the children, who raise a small altar, place on it a few tiny candles, such as are used for Christmas trees, and then solicit the offerings of the passers by. These little altars are reminiscent of the splendid temporary structures that were formerly reared along the route of the processions, to be used as stations. The last great display at the Fete Dieu in Paris was in 1830, when the Comte d'Artois, afterward Charles X., walked in the parade with a candle in his hand.

WIT AND WISDOM.

—No resolution is considered good by some people unless it will stretch.—Galveston News.

—At first success makes a name; afterwards the name makes the success.—Fliegende Blatter.

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—If a fool and his money are easily parted, will somebody tell us how it is there are so many rich fools?—Philadelphia Record.

—When a man attempts to drive the horses, Business and Pleasure, at the same time, they are very apt to go tandem, with Pleasure in the lead.—Judge.

—"A wild youth and a wild horse," says a Manayunk philosopher, "are both dumb animals who don't seem to realize that they may be 'broke' some day."—Philadelphia Record.

—Boylston—Bring us three beers and a sandwich. Waiter—Can't serve beer on Sunday, sir. Boylston—What! can't three hungry men get something to eat? We're awful hungry.—Harvard Lampoon.

—"Why do you make some of our dumplings small and the others large, Frau Huber?" "Because my husband has been complaining lately of having too little change in his diet."—Unsere Gesellschaft.

Mrs. Primly—How do you like our new pastor? Didn't you think his sermon this morning very soothing? Mr. Primly—Very, my dear; so much so that I did not hear a word of it.—Brooklyn Life.

—A Poor Advantage.—Little Rich Girl—"Don't you wish you had a pair of lovely red gloves, like me?" Little Poor Girl—"Don't you wish you had a pair of lovely red hands, like me?"—South Boston News.

—"This wine," said the guest, "surely belongs in the category of the blessed." "Delighted to hear it," said the hotelkeeper, rubbing his hands together. "Yes, it belongs there, because 'Blessed are the poor in spirit,' you know."—Indianapolis Journal.

—Shop-keeper (to commercial traveler)—Can't give you an order. Quite overstocked. Traveler—Let me at least show you my samples. Shopkeeper—Spare yourself the trouble; I can't look at them. Traveler—Then will you allow me to look at them myself? It is three weeks since I have even seen them.—Tid-Bits.

—Washin' a pig won't make hit stop likin' mud.—Startin' for Heaben on a grabe-stone is risky bizziness.—Mos' men want toe be as rich as mos' women want toe be beautiful.—Sweet-hearts build air-castles in w'ich dey expec' toe live w'en married.—Sum ole people hab an idea dat dey ah occupyin' space w'ich younger ones want.—As a man grows old he usually grows wise an' stronger an' has a poorer opinion ob hisse'f.—Arkansaw Thomas Cat.

One More Triumph.

Citizen—"What has your last Arctic expedition accomplished?"

Arctic Explorer—"What has been accomplished? Why, sir, we have fully and incontrovertibly demonstrated that babies can be born at the North pole as well as at the equator."—N. Y. Weekly.

After the Reconciliation.

Daughter—Was papa very much surprised when he heard that I had eloped with the coachman?

Mother—He was very much surprised at the coachman.—Brooklyn Life.

RAISING WATER CRESS.

How They Are Cultivated on the Atlantic Coast.

Travelers on the Erie road have often noticed at the foot of Rutherford hill five or six ditches, seventy-five feet long perhaps and ten feet wide, covered with water cress. It is one of two or three places in this vicinity where this plant is grown, for as a rule the market is supplied from southern Pennsylvania, Maryland and Virginia. The owner of these beds has a place near Roanoke, Va., which he works nearly all the year. The difficulty here is that the season is so short—only about four months.

The demand for the plant is steady and is growing. There has been a marked increase, looking back a dozen years, though prices have declined.

The growing of water cress is a business which is easily managed, but which needs attention. Pure spring water is required, and it must be abundant. The last summer was a bad season owing to the drought. The ditches are about ten inches deep, and must be cleaned out each season; if not they become muddy and the weed tastes of it. As soon as the frost is out of the ground in the spring the accumulations of the preceding year are thrown out and new plants set. These grow by May 1, so that cutting can begin.

There is no definite size or condition. It may be regarded as matured when the stalk is about six inches above the water and the leaves are as large as a quarter of a dollar. The cutting is done by hand, and is only the top—not quite to the top of the water—since the lower leaves must be left to sprout again. The cutter takes a handful and ties it up—it is a bunch. This cutting is repeated every two weeks in a good season. A bunch sells for two and a half or three cents for the best, but some raisers prefer to throw their stock on the market when often they realize not more than three-fourths of a cent a bunch.

One of the trenches at Rutherford Hill is devoted to peppermint, which does not require so much care as the water cress, though it is similarly treated. The demand for this is largely from the hotels and bar rooms.—N. Y. Advertiser.

The lady was making some remarks about the kind of clothes some other ladies at church had on.

"The finest garment a woman can wear," said her husband, "is the mantle of charity."

"Yes," she snapped, "and it's about the only one some husbands want their wives to wear."—Mercury.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

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Situations Wanted—Female.

WANTED—A girl of 17 wants a situation to do light housework. Call at or address "L. C.," 151 South Ida ave. d64 5t@

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WANTED—EXPERIENCED GIRL FOR GENeral housework. Call southwest corner Emporia and Central avenue. 264

Situations Wanted—Male.

WANTED—MALE HELP.

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PATENT lock and burglar alarm. Every body wants them. Cheap, durable and never fail; a money maker. Sample 50 cents. Write quick for territory and terms to agents. Address "West Business Agency," 407 Temple Block, Kansas City, Mo. d66 3t.

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RENT GUITARS, BANJOS, MANDOLINS OF Barnes & Newcomb, 65 E Douglas. 1501

AGENTS WANTED.

Under this head 3c per line per day.

AGENTS WANTED—Free prepaid outfit to energetic men. Several of our salesmen have earned from $70 to $100 a week for years past. P. O. Box 1371, New York. d66 21t@

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SALESMEN—Large importing and manufacturing company want a limited number of new salesmen. Moderate salary to beginners. Experienced road men treated liberally. Stamp for reply. The Nafew Lovell Co., New York. d66 1t.

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WANTED—To exchange fine oak chamber set for buggy. Write or call 1236 N. Waco. d66 3t@

WANTED TO RENT—A small store or office room; ground floor or first story, on Douglas ave. or Main street, business portion; must be cheap. Address "Star," this office. d66 2t@

WANTED—To rent a bottom-land farm. Enquire at 252 N. Main st. d66 2t@

WANTED—To buy about 3,000 feet of second-hand sheeting. Call at City Engineering's office, City building. d65 3t@

WANTED—Three cottages of five or more rooms; must be sheeted or drop siding. Address L. F. Lee, Oklahoma City, O. T. 59-tf

WANTED—To sell fruit trees; rose ornamental trees and shrubbery. Call on or address W. F. Scheel, Nurseryman, Room 208, Sedgwick block, or residence 1108 Park Place, City. d62 6t.

WANTED—A four to six horse-power engine and boiler. Address by mail L. D. Lewelling. d56 tf.

WANTED—To buy school or county orders. Hillis & Kinkead, 149 N. Market st. d59 2t*

FOR SALE—A FULL DRESS SUIT OF THE latest style; also other dress suits at bargains. Wichita Tailoring Co., 138 E First st. 1117

WANTED—Travelers: Faithful gentleman or lady to travel, representing established house. Salary $65 monthly and expenses, with increase. Enclose reference and self-addressed stamped envelope. The Dominion Co., Chicago. d46 14t*

WANTED—A YOUNG MAN AS ASSISTANT of academic department at Wichita Commercial College. Y. M. C. A. building. 1117

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FOR SALE—Fine line of household goods; handsome antique oak bed-room set—white enameled and brass bed; kitchen utensils, kitchen range, base burners, extension dining table and chairs, 2 large Turkish rugs, size 9x12 ft; etchings, engravings, 1ar rugs, etc. Sale tomorrow (Saturday) only, from 9 to 2. Leaving the city. Joe the tailor, 311 North Topeka. d66 1t.

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FOR SALE—Entire household goods for sale at No. 1702 South Lawrence. d66 4t@

FOR SALE CHEAP—Horse, buggy and harness. Call 1112 S. Main. d61 tf*—Tue-Fri-Sun.

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FOR SALE—Tax-title lots with houses and vacant lots, cheap. L. Hinis, 143 N. Market. d59 2t*

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