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CONDITION OF THE MARKETS

Light Trading in Wheat, Accompanied by a Somewhat Stronger Feeling.

Corn Quiet and Steady, the Fluctuations Being Narrow—Oats Quiet but Unsettled—Pork Fairly Active on a Narrow Range.

MONEY, BONDS AND STOCKS.

The Market Active and in Some Instances Higher Prices Were Realized.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Money on call was easy at 2@2½ per cent., the last loan being made at 2½, closing offered at 2½.

Prime mercantile paper, 4½@6½ per cent.

Sterling exchange was dull but steady at $4.84½ for sixty-day bills and $4.88½ for demand.

The total sales of stocks to-day were 261,841 shares, including the following: Delaware, Lackawanna & Western, 31,915; Delaware & Hudson, 3,795; Erie, 3,400; Lake Shore, 6,415; Missouri Pacific, 23,860; Northwestern, 16,400; New Jersey Central, 5,316; Northern Pacific, preferred, 6,700; Reading, 27,280; Richmond & West Point, 16,315; St. Paul, 20,630; Union Pacific, 24,210; Western Union, 10,495.

The stock market was active by spurts to-day, and except in the dull periods, was strong all the way out, and a general, and in some instances, marked advances occurred. There was a general bullish feeling on the street this morning, and "bears," in view of the recent set-backs in Delaware & Hudson and Omaha were inclined to be shy and covered freely, especially as the news of the day was almost entirely of a favorable nature. The decision of the Interstate-commerce Commission in regard to selling tickets to scalpers was looked upon as a big "bull" card. The buying of the grangers was quite noticeable throughout the day, and they were stronger than for some time past, besides which the foreigners, after the early trading, displayed a disposition to purchase in different portions of the list, which had considerable influence. There was an impression that the dividends upon the Gould stocks would be as before, and reports which apparently emanated from official sources were put out to that effect, and later the official action accelerated the advance begun in the early morning. The coal stocks were the great feature of the day, all of them being more active, and the well-known fact that the business for the past year has been something extra and the rumors of the heavy earnings of the leading roads, made the "bears" somewhat nervous, and covering was freely indulged in. There was a rumor that Jersey Central would be treated to a spurt similar to that of Delaware & Hudson the other day. The early prices from London came lower this morning, and this market opened lower in sympathy for most of the list, though there were a few marked exceptions. The weakness was only momentary, however, and while the business done was small, prices rose rapidly with the coal stocks, Missouri Pacific and New England in the lead. There were, from time to time, slight reactions, but they were always followed by more animation and a further advance, Missouri Pacific becoming very prominent for its strength, and Reading and Richmond & West Point also. A drop in New England, in the afternoon, caused an interruption to the rise for some time, but the dividends on the Gould stocks started the list up again, and, in the last hour, Delaware & Hudson made a sharp advance. The market finally closed quiet but strong, generally, at about the best prices of the day. The active list is almost invariably higher, and Delaware & Hudson rose 2, Lake Erie & Western preferred 1¾, Atchison, Lackawanna, and Jersey Central 1½ per cent. each, Louisville & Nashville 1 per cent., and others fractional amounts.

There has been an increased inquiry for railroad bonds for investment, and although this has not yet resulted in any marked increase in the business done at the board, it is shown in a steady stiffening of prices for the past few days. To-day the market was a shade more active, the sales of all issues aggregating $921,000, while the tone was firm throughout, and while there were very few marked changes in quotations most of the list show fractional gains. Among the advances, Chicago & West Indiana general sixes rose 2½, to 117¾, Kansas & Texas and St. Louis and Vandalia & Terre Haute firsts are higher. Government bonds were dull and heavy for the fours.

State bonds were dull and steady. Closing quotations were:

Four per ct. bonds	126¾	Kansas & Texas	13¼
Four per cent. coup.	127¾	Lake Erie & West'n	16⅜
Four and a h'f per ct.	108	L. E. & W. pref	49⅛
Four and a ½s coup.	108	Lake Shore	99⅞
Pacific 6s of '95	119	Louv. & Nashville	54½
Louisi's stamped 4s	90	L. & N. A.	37
Missouri 6s	102½	Mem. & Charleston	53
Tenn. settlem'nt 6s	104	Michigan Central	85
Tenn. settlem'n 5s	100	Mil., L. S. & W.	51
Tenn. settlem't 3s	71¾	Mil., L. S. & W. pref	91
Can. Southern 2ds	92	Minn. & St. Louis	5
Central Pacific 1sts	113½	Minn & St. L. pref	15
Den. & Rio G. 1sts	118¾	Missouri Pacific	71
Den. & Rio G. 4s	76⅝	Mobile & Ohio	8
Den. & R. G. W. 1sts	79	Nashville & Chatta.	80
Erie seconds	97¼	New Jersey Central	91⅝
M., K. & T. gen. 6s	61½	Norfolk & W. pref	49⅞
M., K. & T. gen. 5s	56	Northern Pacific	24⅛
Mutual Union 6s	94½	Northern Pac. pref	58
N. J. C. int. cert	107¾	Chic. & Northwest'n	105
North'n Pac. 1sts	118	C. & Northw'n pref	138
North'n Pac. 2ds	111	New York Central	107
Northwest'n cons'ls	142½	N. Y., C. & St. L.	17
Northw't debe'n 5s	108¼	N. Y., C. & St. L. pref	68
Oregon & Trans. 6s	101	Ohio & Mississippi	20⅛
St. L. & I. M. gen 5s	85	Ohio & Miss. pref	84
St. L. & S. F. gen m	116¼	Ontario & Western	14¾
St. Paul consols	126¼	Ore. Improvement	70½
St. P., C. & Pac. 1sts	119	Oregon Navigation	92
Tex. Pacific 1sts	89¾	Ore. & Transcontin'l	29
Tex. Pacific 2ds	37⅞	Pacific Mail	36¼
Union Pacific 1sts	114½	Peoria, D. & E.	24
West Shore	104¾	Pittsburg	155½
Adams Express	143	Pullman Palace-Car	172
Alton & T. Haute	46	Reading	46¼
Alton & T. H. pref.	81	Rock Island	97½
American Express	110	St. L. & San Fran.	24½
Bur., C. R. & N.	20	St. L. & S. F. pref.	64¾
Canada Pacific	52⅛	St. L. & F. 1st. pref	110½
Canada Southern	52⅜	St. Paul	61
Central Pacific	33¾	St. Paul preferred	101½
Chesapeake & Ohio	17	St. Paul, M. & M.	97½
C. & O. pref. 1sts	14¼	St. Paul & Omaha	33½
C. & O. 2ds	15	St. Paul & O. pref	101¼
Chicago & Alton	134	Tenn. Coal & Iron	34⅛
C., B. & Q.	106½	Texas Pacific	21⅜
C., St. L. & P.	14	Toledo & O. C. pref.	51
C., St. L. & P. pref.	35	Union Pacific	62¾
C., S. & C.	63	U. S. Express	74
Clev'ld & Columbus	53	Wabash, St. L. & P.	12¾
Delaware & Hudson	127¼	W., St. L. & P. pref	24
Del., Lack. & West.	137¾	Wells & Fargo Exp.	139
D. & Rio Grande	15⅜	W. U. Telegraph	83½
East Tennessee	8¾	Am. cot.-seed cert'f.	55⅛
East Tenn. pref. 1sts	68½	Colorado Coal	30½
East Tenn. pref. 2d.	22½	Homestake	11¾
Erie	25⅞	Iron Silver	325
Erie preferred	60½	Ontario	32¾
Fort Wayne	151	Quicksilver	6½
Ft. Worth & Denver	19	Quicksilver pref	36
Hocking Valley	23½	Sutro	8
Houston & Texas	13	Bulwer	50
Illinois Central	114	Rich. & W. Point	24⅝
L. B. & W.	13		

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Bar silver, 92 11-16c.

LONDON, Dec. 12.—Bar silver, 42 7-16d per ounce.

NEW YORK AND CHICAGO.

Yesterday's Quotations on Produce at the Two Great Commercial Centers.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Flour—Receipts, 12,601 packages; exports, 1,000 brls, 12,705 sacks; heavy and dull; sales, 8,700 brls.

Corn-meal steady.

Wheat—Receipts, 54,450 bu; exports none; sales, 744,000 bu futures, 4,000 bu spot. Spot market very quiet, strong, and ½@¾c higher. No. 2 red, $1.05¼@1.05½ elevator, $1.06¾@1.07½ afloat, $1.06½@1.08 f. o. b.; No. 3 red, 98½c; No. 2 Chicago, $1.12½; No. 2 Milwaukee, $1.05½; No. 1 red, $1.14. Options quiet, ¾@1c higher and strong; No. 2 red, December, $1.05@1.05¼, closing at $1.05½; January, $1.06@1.06¼, closing at $1.06¼; February, $1.07⅞@1.08, closing at $1.08; March, $1.09@1.09½, closing at $1.09½; May, $1.11 5-16@1.12 1-16, closing at $1.12; June, $1.11@1.11½, closing at $1.11½.

Barley in demand and steady; sales, 10,000 bu ungraded Canada on private terms. No. 1 Canada, 87@88c; No. 2 Canada, 85c.

Corn—Receipts, 69,300 bu; exports, 107,283 bu; sales, 472,000 bu futures, 268,000 bu spot. Spot market fairly active, but a trifle weaker; No. 2, 46@46½c elevator, 47@47½c afloat; ungraded mixed, 37@37½c; No. 2 white, 47@47½c; steamer, mixed, 44@45½c; No. 3, 42c. Options dull; December ½c lower; others steady; December, 45½@46¼c, closing at 45½c; January, 46@46¼c, closing at 46½c; February, 46½@46¾c, closing at 46½c; May, 46@46½c, closing at 46½c; June, 45¾c.

Oats—Receipts, 66,000 bu; exports, 2,000 bu; sales, 255,000 bu futures, 106,000 bu spot. Spot market less active; ½@¾c lower and weak. Options dull and steady; December, 31c; January, 31½@31⅝c, closing at 31⅝c; May, 33½@34⅛c, closing at 34⅛c; spot No. 2, spot, white, 34@34½c; mixed Western, 32c; white, 33@40c; No. 2 Chicago, 32c.

Hay quiet and easy.

Hops dull and weak.

Coffee—Options opened steady, and 15@25 points up, closing firm at 25@35 points above yesterday. Sales, 76,500 bags, including December, 15.15@15.25c; January, 15.25@15.40c; February, 15.40@15.45c; March, 14.40@15.60c; April, 15.50@15.65c; May, 15.55@15.70c; June, 15.60@15.75c; July, 15.70@15.80c; August, 15.75@15.80c; September, 15.70@15.85c; October, 15.80@15.90c; November, 16c. Spot Rio unsettled; fair cargoes, 17¼c. Sugar—Raw barely steady; fair refining, 5¼c; centrifugal, 96 test, 6½@6¾c; refined strong and in fair demand; extra C, 6 7-16@6½c; white extra C, 6 9-16@6⅝c. Molasses—New Orleans, fairly active. Rice firm and in good demand.

Tallow strong. Rosin quiet.

Eggs quiet and about steady; Western, 22½@23c.

Pork dull. Cut meats quiet; pickled bellies, 7¾@8¼c; pickled shoulders, 7¾c. Middles in better export demand; short clear, 7.80c. Lard stronger; freer speculation, with a moderate export demand; Western steam, 8.50c; December, 8.42@8.44c, closing at 8.44c; January, 8.30@8.31c, closing at 8.30c bid; February, 8.28c asked; March, 8.28@8.30c, closing at 8.28c; April, 8.29c; May, 8.28@8.30c, closing at 8.29c; June, 8.28@8.29c, closing at 8.30c.

Butter moderately active; Western dairy, 14@24c; Western creamery, 20@31c; Elgin nominal. Cheese firm and in fair demand; Western, 10@11¾c.

CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—There was light trading in wheat to-day, and the market ruled quiet, but the feeling developed was stronger and the market recovered some from the decline of yesterday. The opening was about ¼c higher than yesterday's closing, and advanced rather quickly ⅜c more, then sold off ¼c and advanced ⅜c, declined 1c, again advanced 1¼c and closed about 1¼c higher than yesterday. Some sensational news caused a little unsettled feeling and irregular prices, but fluctuations were confined within narrow limits. A rumor that an error had been discovered in Bradstreet's compilation of stocks of flour, and that supplies were smaller than reported, had a strengthening effect, but this was subsequently denied and the figures reported to be correct, which, in turn, caused weakness. A rumor of large sales of flour at Minneapolis was circulated, but being discredited had only temporary effect. A quiet, steady feeling prevailed in corn, with trading of the same light local character that has been witnessed in this market the past few days. The pit was quite dull and neglected the entire session, fluctuations being confined to a ⅜c range. The situation, on the whole, was quotably steady and a very good inquiry existed for the leading futures at inside prices, especially so for May, at 37½c, and although this month touched this figure several times, all orders to purchase were not executed, so urgent was the demand. The speculative market opened at about yesterday's closing figures, was quiet and steady for a time, then advanced ⅜c, became inactive, and the close was ¼c to ½c higher than yesterday. Oats were quiet, and an unsettled feeling prevailed, the near futures being easier and the more distant ones a shade firmer. There was no particular pressure to sell, and as a moderate demand existed from May "shorts," prices advanced ¼c, and the market closed steady. A moderately active business was reported in mess pork and a firmer feeling was manifested. Opening sales were made at 7½c advance, and a further appreciation of 7½@10c was gained. Later, prices receded 5@7½c, and the market closed steady. Prices ruled very irregular within a narrow range. Less interest was manifested in lard. Prices ruled 2½@5c higher per 100 pounds, and the market closed steady at medium figures. Short-ribs were steadier. Prices ruled .02½@.05c higher, and the market closed steady at medium figures. The leading futures ranged as follows:

	Opening	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.
Wheat—December.	$1.04	$1.04⅜	$1.04	$1.04⅜
January	1.05⅛	1.05⅞	1.04⅞	1.05⅞
May	1.09⅝	1.10¾	1.09⅝	1.10⅝
Corn—December	34¼	34⅝	34¼	31½
January	34½	.....	.....	34⅞
May	37½	37¾	37½	37⅝
Oats—December	26¼	.....	.....	26⅜
January	26½	.....	.....	26⅜
May	29⅛	29⅜	29⅛	29¼
Pork—December	13.47½	.....	.....	13.47½
January	13.50	13.60	13.50	13.52½
May	13.87½	13.97½	13.87½	13.92½
Lard—December	.....	.....	.....	8.10
January	8.05	.....	.....	8.00
May	8.10	8.10	8.05	8.07½
Short Ribs—Jan'ary	7.05	7.05	7.00	7.02½
May	7.15	7.17½	7.12½	7.15

Cash quotations were as follows: Flour firm and unchanged. No. 2 spring wheat, $1.04@1.04¾; No. 3 spring wheat, 95@98c; No. 2 red, $1.04@1.04¾; No. 2 corn, 34½c bid; No. 2 oats, 26½c; No. 2 rye, 51c; No. 2 barley, nominal; No. 1 flaxseed, $1.53; prime timothy-seed, $1.51@1.52; mess pork, per brl, $13.50@13.62½; lard, per pound, 8.07½@8.10c; short-rib sides (loose), 7.00@7.05c; dry-salted shoulders (boxed), 7.00@7.12½c; short-clear sides (boxed), 7.37½@7.50c; whisky, distillers' finished goods, per gal, $1.20; sugars, cut-loaf, 8@8⅛c; granulated, 7⅛c; standard A, 7¼c.

On the Produce Exchange, to-day, the butter market was easy; fancy Elgin creamery, 30@32c; choice Western, 25@27c; dairy, 24@25c; good to choice, 22@23c; eggs dull at 21c.

Receipts—Flour, 14,000 brls.; wheat, 28,000 bu; corn, 343,000 bu; oats, 216,000 bu; rye, 14,000 bu; barley, 92,000 bu. Shipments—Flour, 11,000 brls; wheat, 13,000 bu; corn, 284,000 bu; oats, 121,000 bu; rye, 8,000 bu; barley, 41,000 bu.

Spirit of the Chicago Wheat Market.

CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—The price of wheat averaged higher to-day, and the market was strong most of the time. "It acts as though it was scouring for a decided movement one way or the other," was the frequently-expressed sentiment. The bulls had the call on news and price. The first item circulated related to a traffic mistake in the footings of Bradstreet's table of stocks of flour. This error was variously stated to be 500,000, 580,000, and 600,000 barrels, the erroneous total making the stocks appear larger than they really were. This was subsequently contradicted. In connection with this, Pillsbury, the Minneapolis miller, wired that stocks of flour were in reality about 200,000 barrels less than the average stocks in the West since the publication of these reports was commenced. He also confirmed the report of a sale of 50,000 barrels of flour for exportation, "the highest price of the crop." Further items of bull news may be comprised in a statement that it is snowing hard in Dakota and western Minnesota, and that receipts are expected to fall rapidly at Minneapolis in consequence of the storm and reduction of supplies; that receipts at Chicago for the day foot up to only 28 cars, of which one car is contract grade, and estimates for to-morrow are 28 cars; that a demand is springing up for wheat from interior winter-wheat points through Indiana, Illinois, and from Louisville. Another factor was the growth of the belief that the bull leaders had it in their power to advance prices without risk, and that they were about ready to abandon their milking policy and inaugurate a little ante-holiday boom. So long as the "extravagantly high prices" alleged to be ruling here fail to attract wheat to this market, the leading operators cannot be made to see that they are running serious risks. They even refuse to believe that there is wheat in the country to overwhelm them, and they still insist that the correctness of their position will be fully established by absolute scarcity of wheat before the next year's crop becomes available.

The bears were deficient in ammunition, and local speculative sentiment was against them. Even Hutchinson, their recent solace and backbone, was seemingly doing nothing for their comfort and advantage. May wheat opened at $1.09⅞, scored an advance to $1.10⅜, early, worked back, with occasional ⅛c reactions, to $1.09⅞, advanced again to $1.10¼, sold off several times to $1.10, or that vicinity, and at the tail end of the session, steamed up to $1.10⅞, closing at $1.10½@1.10¾. January opened at $1.05¼, ranged at $1.04½@1.05¼, and closed at the outside. Trading was of only moderate volume, and largely professional, though commission merchants report a renewal of public interest to some extent. The closing prices show an entire recovery from yesterday's decline. On the last bulge there was free selling of local long wheat, bought on the previous breaks, but the market took the offerings without weakening.

TRADE IN GENERAL.

Quotations at St. Louis, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Cincinnati and Other Points.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 12.—Flour easier. Wheat unsettled with moderate trading, but closed ¼@¾c above yesterday. No. 2 red, cash, $1.01 bid; May, $1.07⅝@1.08⅜, closing at $1.08¼@1.08⅜ asked; July, 96⅞@97c. Corn—Cash lower, 30½@30¾c; options weak during most of session, but closed firm; December, 30⅜@30½c, closing at 30⅝c bid; January, 30⅝@30¾c, closing at 31c bid; May, 34¼@34⅝c, closing at 34⅝c asked. Oats lower; cash 26c asked; May, 28¾@29c, closing at 29c. Rye scarce, higher, 48@49c. Barley plenty and dull; sample lots of Iowa range 60@67c; Minnesota, 68@69c; Wisconsin, 76@82c. Hay quiet; prairie, $7@9.50; mixed timothy, $9@11; timothy, $10.50@14. Bran, quiet at 66@68c at mill. Flax-seed, firm at $1.45c. Bagging ranges 11½@13c for one and a half to two and a quarter pound weights. Iron cotton ties, $1.20@1.25. Butter dull; dairy, 16@26c; Northern roll, 20@24c; creamery, 30@31c. Eggs quiet at 19@20c. Corn-meal firm at $1.85@1.90. Whisky steady at $1.14. Provisions firmer. Pork; small lots, $14. Lard, salable at $8. Green ham; run of house from block, 8.50c. Dry-salt meats; loose short ribs, 7.05c c and f; boxed shoulders, 6.75c; longs and ribs, 7.10c; short clear, 7.35c. Bacon—Shoulders, 7.25c; longs, 8.20@8.25c; ribs, 8.25c; short clear, 8.45@8.50c. Receipts—Flour, 1,000 brls; wheat, 11,000 bu; corn, 169,000 bu; oats, 16,000 bu; rye, 1,000 bu; barley, 25,000 bu. Shipments—Flour, 7,000 bu; wheat, 7,000 bu; corn, 100,000 bu; oats, 5,000 bu; rye, 1,000 bu; barley, 1,000.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 12.—Flour very dull aside from Minnesota patents, which met with rather better inquiry. Supplies excessive and prices weak. Wheat higher and steady; demand light. No. 2 red, December, $1.01¼@1.01¾; January, $1.02¼@1.02¾; February, $1.03¾@1.04¼; March, $1.05¼@1.05⅜; May, $1.08½@1.09. Corn—Demand light, and market for car lots unsettled and irregular. Futures quiet but steady; new No. 4 yellow, in grain depot, 38@39c; new No. 4 mixed, in grain depot, 38c; new No. 4 high mixed, in grain depot, 37c; new No. 4 mixed, on track, 35c; old No. 3 high mixed, in elevator, 50c; old No. 2 mixed, in grain depot, 52c; old No. 2 yellow, in elevator, 51c; No. 2 mixed, December, 42¾@43¼c; February and March, 43¾@44½c; May, 44@45c. Oats—Car lots moved slowly at former rates. Futures quiet but steady; No. 2 white, December, 34⅝@34⅞c; January, 34⅞@35c; February, 35¼@35½c; March, 35½@36c; May, 36½c. Receipts—Flour, 5,200 brls; wheat, 2,600 bu; corn, 15,800 bu; oats, 9,300 bu. Shipments—Wheat, 10,000 bu; corn, 7,600 bu; oats, 13,300 bu.

MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 12.—Sample wheat was held at about yesterday's figures, and some of the first sales were made at that range, but holders complained about the lack of inquiry, and a large share of the grain could not find purchasers at previous prices. Posted receipts were only 283 cars, but the tables were well covered with the accumulations of the past few days, and a good deal of the lower grade stuff was carried away unsold at the finish. Millers were picking up a little of the off grades, and down-river millers were looking for good milling wheat. Closing quotations: No. 1 hard, December, $1.20; January, $1.21; May, $1.28; on track, $1.21½; No. 1 Northern, December, $1.09½; January, $1.10; May, $1.16⅜; on track, $1.12@1.15; No. 2 Northern, December, $1.02; January, $1.03; May, $1.09½; on track, $1.02@1.05.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 12.—Wheat—Western firm and quiet; No. 2 winter red, spot and December, 98½@98¾c; January, $1.00¼@1.00½; February, $1.02¼@1.02½. Corn—Western firm and active; mixed, spot and year, 42c, nominal; January, 42⅝@42¾c; February, 43@43¼c. Oats firmer; Western white, 32@35c; Western mixed, 29@31c; graded No. 2 white, 34½@35c. Rye dull, 62@63c. Hay firm; prime to choice timothy, $17@18. Provisions quiet and unchanged. Butter dull and easier; Western, packed and best roll, 20@24c; creamery, 28@32c. Eggs dull, 22@23c. Receipts—Flour, 5,000 brls; wheat, 5,000 bu; corn, 138,000 bu; oats, 2,000 bu; rye, 1,000 bu. Shipments—Flour, 2,000 brls; corn, 1,000 bu. Sales—Wheat, 8,000 bu; corn, 254,000 bu.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 12.—Flour in fair demand. Wheat dull; No. 2 red, $1.04; receipts, 2,000 bu; shipments, none. Corn dull and heavy; No. 2 mixed, 37c. Oats easy; No. 2 mixed, 27@27½c. Rye dull; No. 2, 54c. Pork barely steady at $14. Lard firm at 8c. Bulkmeats in light demand, steady and unchanged. Bacon steady and unchanged. Whisky firm; sales, 837 brls of finished goods on a basis of $1.14. Butter quiet. Sugar steady. Eggs easier at 18@19c. Cheese firm.

TOLEDO, Dec. 12.—Wheat firm and higher but dull; cash, $1.05; May, $1.08. Corn quiet and active; cash, 36½c; May, 37⅝c. Oats dull; cash, 27c. Clover-seed active and steady; cash and December, $5; February, $5.15. Receipts—Wheat, 8,000 bu; corn, 8,000 bu; clover-seed, 187 bags. Shipments—Wheat, 6,000 bu; corn, 26,000 bu.

DETROIT, Dec. 12.—Wheat—No. 1 white; cash, $1.03; No. 2, red, cash and December, $1.05⅜; January, $1.06; May, $1.11¾. Corn—No. 2, cash and December, 35c; January, 34¾c. Oats—No. 2, 27½c; No. 2, white, 30c. Receipts—Wheat, 11,600 bu; corn, 18,100; bu; oats, 5,200.

Oil.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Petroleum opened firm at 89⅛c, and moved up to 89⅞c in the early trading. Hammering by bears then forced the price down to 88¾c, but it improved later, and closed firm at 89½c. Total sales, 1,378,000 brls. Turpentine strong at 46c.

OIL CITY, Pa., Dec. 12.—National Transit certificates opened at 88⅞c; highest, 90c; lowest, 88⅝c; closed, 89¾c; sales, 949,000 brls; clearances, 2,748,000 brls; charters, 53,968 brls; shipments, 88,247 brls; runs, 44,685 brls.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 12.—Petroleum dull. National Transit certificates opened at 89⅜c; closed at 89¾c; highest, 90c; lowest, 88⅝c.

CLEVELAND, Dec. 12.—Petroleum easy; standard white 110°, 7½c.

WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 12.—Turpentine firm at 42¾c.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Dec. 12.—Turpentine firm at 43½c.

Cotton.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Cotton quiet and steady; middling uplands, 9⅞c; middling Orleans, 10⅛c; sales 364 bales. The difference between uplands and gulf quotations widened to ¼c on all grades. Futures closed steady; sales, 61,900 bales; December, 9.53c; January, 9.61c; February, 9.74c; March, 9.86c; April, 9.96c; May, 10.06c; June, 10.15c; July, 10.22c; August, 10.27c; September, 9.92c.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 12.—Cotton steady; middling, 9½c; low middling, 9c; good ordinary, 8¼c; net receipts, 14,560 bales; gross receipts, 15,480 bales; exports to France, 3,714 bales; coastwise, 2,716 bales; sales, 5,000 bales; stock, 296,222 bales.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 12.—Cotton quiet, with a fair inquiry. Sales, 12,000 bales, of which 1,000 bales were for speculation and export, and included 8,600 bales American.

Wool.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 12.—Wool unchanged, and it is the general belief that top prices have been reached, for the present, at least. There has been a good demand all week from both Eastern and Western buyers for the best grades, and there has been a pretty free movement for all grades. Unwashed bright medium sold at 19@27c; coarse braid, 12@22c; low sandy, 11@18c; fine light, 18@23c; fine heavy, 13@19c; tub-washed, 31@38c.

Metals.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Copper nominal, lake, December, 17.40c. Lead quiet; futures firmer; domestic, 3.72½c. Tin dull; easier; straits, 21.75c.

Dry Goods.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Buyers have been fairly active in their inquiry.

LIVE STOCK.

Cattle Light Supply—Hogs Active at Steady Prices—Sheep in Light Supply.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 12.

CATTLE—Receipts, 325; shipments, 200. The supply was light for Wednesday. Market barely steady at about the same prices. All sold:

Good to choice shippers	$3.90@4.50
Fair to medium	3.20@3.70
Common	2.50@2.80
Feeders, 1,000 to 1,100 lbs	2.85@3.25
Stockers, 700 to 900 lbs	2.00@2.65
Good to choice heifers	2.50@3.00
Common to medium heifers	1.50@2.25
Good to choice cows	2.35@2.75
Fair to medium cows	1.65@2.15
Common old cows	1.00@1.40
Veals, common to good	3.00@4.50
Bulls, common to good	1.25@2.25
Milkers	18.00@38.00

HOGS—Receipts, 7,450; shipments, 3,550. Quality good. Market opened active at steady prices; later ruled strong and higher; closed steady. All sold:

Heavy packing and shipping	$5.25@5.35
Light	5.20@5.30
Heavy roughs	4.25@4.75

SHEEP—Receipts, —; shipments, —. But little doing for the want of stock. Market steady at unchanged prices:

Good to choice	$3.60@4.15
Fair to medium	3.10@3.40
Common	2.25@2.75
Lambs	3.50@4.75
Bucks, per head	2.00@3.00

Elsewhere.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 12.—The Live Stock Indicator reports: Cattle—Receipts, 3,051; shipments, 2,749. Steady, except for choice cows and feeding steers, which were 5@10c higher. Dressed beef and butcher's steers slow. Good to choice corn-fed, $4.40@4.90; common to medium, $3.20@4.30; stocker's and feeder's steers, $1.60@3.20; grass range steers, $1.60@2.80; cows, $1@2.80.

Hogs—Receipts, 13,789; shipments, —; light weights steady; heavy, slow and steady to weak. Good to choice, $5.07½@5.12½; common to medium, $4.90@5.05.

Sheep—Receipts, 2,028; shipments, —. Steady. Good to choice muttons, $3.50@3.80; common to medium, $1.50@3.

EAST LIBERTY, Pa., Dec. 12.—Cattle—Receipts, 665; shipments, 760. Market fair; prime, $5.20@5.40; fair to good, $4.50@4.75; common, $3.75@4; stockers, $2.75@3.25; feeders, $3.25@3.50. Thirty-one cars of cattle shipped to New York to-day.

Hogs—Receipts, 320; shipments, 250. Market firm; mixed, $5.40@5.45; Yorkers, $5.35@5.45; common to fair, $5.30@5.35; pigs, $5.10@5.40. Thirteen cars of hogs shipped to New York.

Sheep—Receipts, 80; shipments, 80. Market firmer and good; prime, $4.50@4.75; fair to good, $3.50@4.25; common, $1.50@2.50; lambs, $4.50@5.50.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 12.—Cattle—Receipts, 1,400; shipments, 800. Market strong; choice heavy native steers, $5@5.60; fair to good native steers, $4.40@5.10; butchers' steers, medium to choice, $3.30@4.50; stockers and feeders, fair to good, $2@3.15; rangers, corn-fed, $3@4.20; grass-fed, $2.10@3.10.

Hogs—Receipts, 6,400; shipments, 700. Market a shade higher; choice heavy and butchers' selections, $5.20@5.30; packing, medium to prime, $5@5.20; light grades, ordinary to best, $4.90@5.10.

Sheep—Receipts, 1,900; shipments, none. Market stronger; fair to choice, $3@4.60.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Beeves—Receipts, 980 head, all for the market, and 27 car-loads of sale cattle were in the pens since Monday. Firmer, and 10@15c per cwt higher, with fair trade and good clearances. Native steers sold at $3.40@5.40 per per 100 pounds; fair to good Colorado steers at $4.50.

Sheep—Receipts, 7,500, and 2,000 were carried over yesterday. Sheep were steady at $3@5.50 per 100 pounds; lambs firmer and higher at $5.50@7, with one car-load sold at $7.12½.

Hogs—Receipts, 7,300. Nominally steady for live hogs at $5.25@5.75.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 12.—Cattle—Receipts, 1,300; shipments, 190. Market steady.

Sheep—Receipts, 700; shipments, 840. Market quiet. Lambs, good demand for choice stock at $3.50@5.75.

Hogs in better supply and lower. Common and light, $4.50@5.15; packing and butchers', $5@5.25; receipts, 10,600; shipments, 2,100.

BUFFALO, Dec. 12.—Cattle—Receipts, 800 head through; none for sale. Quiet; feeling steady.

Sheep and Lambs—Receipts, 400 head through; 3,000 head for sale. Sheep steady, shipping weights, $4@4.50. Lambs firm; Western extra, $5.25@5.75; Canada a shade higher at $6@6.25.

Hogs—Receipts, 5,250 head through; 3,000 head for sale. Medium steady; Yorkers 10@20c higher than Monday; roughs unchanged; mediums, $5.40@5.50; Yorkers and pigs, $5.60@5.65.

CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—Cattle—Receipts, 11,000; no shipments. Market dull and steady. Christmas steers, $6.35; others steady.

Hogs—Receipts, 20,000; no shipments. Market active and firm. Rough and mixed, $3@5.10; light, $5.15@5.35; packers and shippers, $3.20@5.40.

Sheep—Receipts, 9,000; no shipments. Market fairly active and lower. Natives, $3@5.50; Westerns, $4.10@4.75; lambs, $3@5.70.

INDIANAPOLIS MARKETS.

Trade in Excess of the Usual December Average, with Firm Prices Prevailing.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 12.

In most departments trade is excellent, and in several lines handsomely in excess of any previous December. The dry goods men are busy, and prices carry the same strong and steady tone of some time past. Woolen goods have begun to move better with the cooler weather. In the line of fancy goods and notions trade is unusually large. Grocers are also very busy. Sugars and coffees, while firm, have not so bullish a tendency as last week. Canned goods are beginning to sell, while dried fruits move sluggishly. Mackerel are very firm and in light supply. In the produce markets there is a good movement. Some very choice apples are coming on to the market, and some are held as high as $3 per barrel, but good fruit is still plenty at $2 per barrel. Potatoes are firmer in tone, but not quotably higher. Poultry rules steady, while eggs and butter are both downward in their tendency. Oranges are somewhat easier, but good fruit will bring market quotations. Lemons are in light demand and in light supply. The flour market is a shade firmer, but no advance in prices has been established, nor is there likely to be until next month, when the large surplus of December will be well cleared out. Boot and shoe men, and leather-dealers report their trade as good. The iron men, as well, are busy, and firm prices rule.

GRAIN.

There was a fair attendance on 'Change to day, and the bidding was more spirited than on Tuesday, but still there is an indifference shown on most grades of cereals, which shows that buyers are cautious. The local receipts, to-day, reached 58 cars. Offers of corn are very large, and shippers are buying with considerable freedom. We quote:

Wheat—No. 2 red is salable in a small way at $1.01@1.02; No. 3 red ranges from 93c to 97c, as to quality; rejected from 74c to 85c for poor to good, and 86c to 92c for the best of milling samples.

Corn—No. 3 white (No. 1 in color), 33@33½c; No. 3 yellow, 33½c; No. 4 yellow, 30@30½c; No. 3 mixed, 30½@31c; No. 4 mixed, 29½@30c; mixed ear, 28@29½c, and white ear (good color), 30@31c on arrival.

Oats—No. 2 white, 29c bid; No. 3 white is salable at 28@28½c; No. 2 mixed at 26¾@27½c; rejected white, 27½c bid; mixed salable at 23½@24½c.

Hay—Choice timothy, $14 bid; No. 1 timothy held at $13.25; No. 2 timothy held at $12; mixed, $9@9.50; No. 1 prairie, $8.50@9.

Bran—$13.

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CANNED GOODS.

Peaches—Standard, 3-pound, $1.80@2.00; 3-pound seconds, $1.40@1.60. Miscellaneous—Blackberries, 2-pound, 80@90c; raspberries, 2-pound, $1.15@1.30; pineapple, standard, 2-pound, $14.0@2.50; seconds, 2-pound, $1.10@1.20; cove oysters, 1-pound, full weight, 95c@$1; light, 65@70c; 2-round, full, $1.70@1.80; light, 90c@$1; string beans, 85@95c; Lima beans, $1.20@1.30; peas, marrowfat, $1.20@1.40; small, $1.50@1.75; lobsters, $1.85@2; red cherries, 95c@$1.10; strawberries, $1.20@1.30; salmon (lbs), $1.90@2.50.

COAL AND COKE.

Anthracite, $7.25 and $7.50 ⅌ ton; Jackson lump, $4.00 ⅌ ton; nut, $3.50; Brazil block, $3.50 ⅌