GRAIN MARKETS CHANGE FOR BETTER, CLOSE AT ADVANCE.

WHEAT BEARS WERE GIVEN A RUN FOR THEIR MONEY—THE REACTION SHARPLY LATE.

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OATS WERE NOMINALLY BETTER

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Tuesday, Jan. 9, 1900.

After several weeks of practically unbroken and serious declines in grain of all kinds, the markets to-day took on a decidedly firmer aspect, and values moved all around and closed generally higher for the day. The developments in speculation early and the attitude taken by the different markets, were not calculated to inspire any great degree of confidence in the ranks of those who favored the long side, there being nothing to indicate the change in affairs that came later and resulted in a recovery in values, which, while small, was to some extent encouraging to holders. General weakness and depression prevailed during the first half of the session, and prices of all grains sought a lower level and the outlook was a decidedly gloomy one for the bulls. In consequence of this weakness the situation taken in the aggregate was not near so lively or interesting as on yesterday. Pit operations were on a much more limited scale, and the markets in a general way were slower. Several attempts were made at this time to elevate prices, but they met with little success, the weakness, which has been the feature of late repeatedly asserting itself, and values fell back again. Later there was quite a well defined change for the better in wheat, which was reflected by other markets, but to a much less degree, prices moved up smartly and the final figures showed an advance, which was participated in by all grains to a greater or less extent. The change of front stimulated trading, and what the situation lacked in liveliness early it made up for later, and at the close, traders were asking themselves has the turn in speculation come at last?

The events of the day in the wheat situation revealed a surprising and unexpected amount of strength in view of the late continued weakness and depression that has prevailed, and went to show that the bull sentiment and feeling had not been wholly eliminated and that there were traders still left who were ready to avail themselves of any opportunity to bring about better prices, and although they found this a rather difficult matter they succeeded in closing the market higher than it closed yesterday and in rather a strong position, but how long it will retain this position time alone will tell. Taking their cue from the advices from abroad, and especially the cables from the United Kingdom, which reported 5d decline at Liverpool and 4d at London, with buyers holding off and markets depressed, the room traders here were aggressively bearish during the first hour or two, and some more long stuff coming on a decline followed that carried prices down sharply, May being taken off before it was checked. The cables were all bearish, but it seemed that only bearish influences were considered. A cold wave was said to be on its way, and receipts were below those of last year, the arrivals here being but 4,200 bu. Still, the situation was very weak, the selling being free, by both shorts and longs, though the former were fairly good buyers and about the only support the market received at this time.

The opening here in the May option was at 4½c decline from last night's closing, at 69¾c, and it sold down to 69⅝c, July, in the meantime, being offered at 67⅝c, but was not traded in. A slight reaction followed this let-down on a small improvement of 5d at Liverpool, which, however, closed 1½d off for the day, and the belief that the decline had gone far enough, and a reaction was in order. May sold back to 69¾c, but it was soon made evident that it was by no means an easy matter to hold the market up, particularly as the news coming in was not of a favorable character. For instance, Paris was off ½c, Antwerp 5c and Buda-Pesth and Berlin 1c, respectively. The clearances were also small, at 281,000 bu., and the cash business was reported dull everywhere. May fell back to 69½c again, but almost immediately reacted, and strongly, too, on a wild report that an English warship had fired upon a Dutch cruiser in Delagoa Bay. This report, which was manifestly unfounded, had just the effect intended, as it scared the shorts so badly that they ran to cover in all haste. Bradstreet's bearish statement that the world's supply had increased 1,287,000 bu., whereas a decrease had been looked for, even failing to check their wild rush to get out, which was still further increased by rumors of large sales for export at the seaboard, and May went sailing up to 70¼c, which was 1c better for the day, and at which it closed sellers. July closed ⅛c higher, at 68c bid, and Jan. also closed ⅛c up, at 68⅝c bid.

Corn this morning exhibited little or none of the weakness early that was so prominent a feature of wheat, and contrasted with the higher priced grain, was firm, the declines in price, even when wheat was at its lowest, being extremely insignificant. The general run of news, as a rule, was favorable for this market, though its influence was by no means great, few changes either way taking place during the day. The arrival at Western markets were but slightly increased, the total amounting to 275,000 bu. and 251,000 bu. less than a year ago, but the shipments were only 457,000 bu., and the day's clearances from the seaboard 324,000 bu. Bradstreet's reported an increase of 325,000 bu. in the available, against 2,085,000 bu. decrease one year ago, and where the regular visible increased 1,015,000 bu. last week. Rains were reported in the West and Southwest, and there was no disposition shown to sell, notwithstanding that cables were by no means favorable. Liverpool sold off dull and closed 1d off. May sold a little and around the opening sold ¼c lower, at 35¾c. From this time to the close there was but slight interest taken in this market and the dealings were very small. May did finally sell at 35¼c, which was the same as yesterday's closing, and closed at that to-day buyers. For May No. 2 white 37¼c was bid, and January closed nominal at ½c advance, at 36½c.

The usual quietness, or rather dullness, prevailed in the local market for oats today, and not a single transaction was reported. The market on the other hand was firm all through the session and at the close May was ½c higher at 24½c bid. Jan. as usual being nominal at 24c. Western markets received 431,000 bu., against 243,000 bu. one year ago, and shipped 227,000 bu., but only 750 bu. were cleared for export. Bradstreet's reported 85,000 bu. decrease in the available of oats, against 1,187,000 bu. increase a year ago, and 443,000 bu. decrease last week in the regular visible.

ON THE CURB—St. Louis, 2:30 p. m.: May wheat sold at 70⅛c, puts 69⅞c bid, calls 70⅛@70⅜c.

Chicago—May wheat: Puts 67⅞c, calls 68⅛@68⅜c. May corn—Puts 33c, calls 33c sellers.

Trade Notes.

—In Beerbohm's last review of the foreign crop situation, received by mail, it says that seasonable weather was experienced in England. In France there was some discussion of damage to the growing crops on account of freezing and thawing conditions. In the low countries and Germany cold weather, accompanied by snow, had been seen. In Austria-Hungary there was a change to the outlook, and in Roumania and Bulgaria autumn sown crops continue favorable.

—The potato crop of the country this year is 49,000,000 bu. larger than last year, and 68,000,000 bu. larger than two years ago. The yield per acre is about 81 bu.

—The final figures on the Russian wheat crop show that the yield last year was 24,000,000 bu. smaller than this year, but it was considerable in excess of the preceding years up to 1894. Russia's rye crop last year, too, was the largest on record, amounting to 893,400,000 bu., this exceeding that of 1894 by 4,400,000 bu. The exports of rye were small, that grain being chiefly used at home.

—Liverpool receipts for past three days were 215,000 bu. wheat, including 126,000 bu. American, and 294,000 bu. corn.

Cash Grain, Flour, Etc.

WHEAT—July 68c bid late and for Jan. 69½c. Cash market—Received 27 cars local and 1 car through. Oh, it was a dead, dull market! No really choice offered, but higher little demand. On trk.—No. 2 red quotable at 70c, latter fancy; No. 3 red at 69@69½c; No. 4 white or 69@69½c; rejected at 68c. No. 2 hard at 69@69½c; No. 3 hard at 67@68½c; No. 4 hard at 65@66½c; No. 2 spring at 69½c; No. 3 spring at 68@68½c. For shipment 12,000 bu soft and hard winter and spring sold.

CORN—Cash market: Received 31 cars local and 8 cars through. Steady and firm, though the demand is still limited. On trk.—No. 2 sold at 35½c; No. 3 at 35@35½c; No. 4 at 34@34½c; No. 2 yellow at 35½@35¾c; No. 3 white at 35½c; No. 3 yellow at 35½c, and No. 4 yellow at 34½c. Closing sales at 35¾c, which mixed at 35½@35¾c.

OATS—Cash market: Received 27 cars local and 8 cars through. Steady and demand good, though offers were not quite equal to the demand. On trk.—No. 2 white at 24½@24¾c; No. 3 white at 24@24½c; No. 4 white at 23½c; No. 2 white at 24½c for heavy; No. 3 white at 24@24½c.

RYE—Quiet but steady at 57c for No. 2 and 55c for No. 3. On trk.

FLOUR—Despite being dull, the market was really weaker, being with some supplies of lower to certain sellers in order to move them. This did not increase business to any extent, as the reduction in price was not sufficient. Patent winter continues particularly hard to sell. Quotations on soft winter wheat flour are: Fancy Velvet Patents $3.60@3.70, very fine $3.40@3.50, fancy straights $3.50@3.60, and medium $3.25@3.35. Good winter patent $3.60@3.70, and bakers' $3.25@3.35 in jute sks.

RYE FLOUR—Nominal at $2.85 in sks, and $3.05 in bbls.

BUCKWHEAT FLOUR—Eastern offering at $6 per bbl.

CORNMEAL—City meal, f. o. b., $1.90@2.00; pearl meal, spots and coming, $2.

MILLFEED—Shippers still in market for bran at $9.50 in large sks, for Western and $10.50 for Eastern. Sellers ask $10 for bran and $11 for mixed, while $10.50 is bid for bran and $11 for mixed in small lots at track. At mill bran sells in small lots at $10@10.50, and ships at $9.

HAY—Received 85 tons hay and 120 tons shipped 225 tons. While much better of late, the best grades are in excess of demand that leaves well sustained. Church officials in Brooklyn, N. Y., for example, will not pay more than $12 for choice hay, and small lots and weak and irregular selling lately, and steady prices. Prices as follows: Timothy $12.50 for choice to fancy, $12@12.50 for No. 1, $11@12 for No. 2, $10@11 for No. 3, $9@10 for mixed, $8@9 for clover, $7@8 for No. 2 and $6@7 for No. 3. Good to choice clover $9@10.

STRAW—Wheat on trk, at $4@4.25.

BRAN—Spring offerings ample at steady prices. Clover $7.50 per ton for 2-horse, $8@8.25 in single and $9 for choice. Timothy $7@8 for choice to fancy, $6@6.50 for No. 1, $5@6 for No. 2, $4@5 for No. 3. Straw $5 for marsh, $6@6.50 for choice, $5 for No. 2 and $4.50@5 for No. 3. Good to choice clover $9@10.

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CANTON BEANS—Nominal at $1.75 per bu. for cur lots prime on trk.

HEMPSEED—Latest sale at $2 per 50 lbs.

LEAD—Dull and dragging, all the late strength adverse influence and weakness of the market. Sales of 50 tons soft Missouri reported at $4.37½.

SPELTER—This market, on the other hand, has taken on strength and now $4.35 is bid.

Prices on Change.

The following table shows the range of prices in futures and cash grain.

	Range Monday.		Range Tuesday.		Closed To-Day.
Wheat—Jan					68c b
May	70	a	69⅝	70⅛	70⅛ a
July	69⅛	b	67⅝	69	68 b
Corn—Jan	36	a			36 b
May	35¾	b	35⅛	35¾	35¾ b
Oats—Jan	24	a	24	24	24 b
May	24½	b			24¾ b

Cash wheat, corn and oats ranged:

	Last Year		Monday.		To-Day.	
Wheat—No. 2 red	71		69		69½	
No. 3 red	70		67½		69	
No. 4 winter	67		67		65	
No. 2 hard	67½		66½		68	
No. 3 hard	66		64		66½	
Corn—No. 2	37½		35½		35¾	
No. 3	36		35		35½	
No. 2 white	37		35½		35¾	
No. 3 white	36		35		35½	
Oats—No. 2	24		24		24½	
No. 3	23½		23½		24	
No. 2 white	25		24½		24½	
No. 3 white	24½		24		24½	
No. 2 Northern	24½		24		24½	
No. 3 white	24		23½		24	
No. 4 white	23½		23		23½	

Movement of Grain.

	Receipts.		Shipments.	
Cities.	Wheat.	Corn.	Wheat.	Corn.
St. Louis	4,200	275,000	227,000	457,000
Chicago	81,000	500,000	120,000	270,000
Toledo	3,000	36,000	3,000	116,000
Detroit	7,000	23,000	11,000	6,000
Kansas City	15,200	16,000	18,400	6,000
Milwaukee	32,000	7,000	1,000	2,000
Minneapolis	179,000	7,000	47,000	2,000
Duluth	122			
New York	36,000	20,000		120,000
Boston	1,000	1,000		1,000
Philadelphia	21,000	23,000		14,000
Peoria	14,000	30,000	127,000	
New Orleans	2,000	200,000		
Galveston	54,000	75,000		34,000

Stocks of Grain in Store.

	To-day.	Yesterday.	Last yr.
Wheat	1,700,791	1,700,122	1,494,000
Corn	46,[illegible]	447,[illegible]	465,000
Oats	26,813	26,613	17,000
Rye	10,002	10,002	6,000
Barley	30,200	30,102	17,000

Contract grades—

No. 2 wheat	1,182,000	1,188,000	1,000,000
No. 2 hard	5,000	5,000	4,000
No. 2 red	244,000	237,000	190,000
No. 2 white corn	1,000	1,000	19,000
No. 2 corn	20,000	20,000	20,000
No. 2 oats	1,000	1,000	1,000
No. 2 white oats	1,000	1,000	1,000
No. 2 rye	5,000	6,000	1,000

Shipments of Flour.

St. Louis, 8,325 bbls; Chicago, 322 bbls; Toledo, 1,000 bbls; Milwaukee, 4,000 bbls; Minneapolis, 26,000 bbls; New York, 16,000 bbls, and 5,000 sks; Baltimore, 7,000 bbls; Boston, 16,000 bbls and 27,000 sks.

WOOL.

Market quiet and values generally firm at the following:

Missouri & Illinois—		Fine med	18 @21
Med. combing	21½	Light fine	14 @20
Med. clothing	24	Heavy fine	14 @18
Braid and low	21	Southern—hard	
Fine and clear	22	Fine	14
Mixed	21 @22	Dakota & Western—	
Burry	16 @19	Bright med	21 @22
Light fine	20 @24	Dark med	19 @20
Heavy fine	14 @18	Fine med	18 @19
Wisconsin and Iowa—		Light fine	18 @19
Bright med	22 @24	Heavy fine	14 @16
Dark	19 @21	Arkansas—	
Fine med	19 @21	Med. clothing	22 @23½
Light fine	18 @19	Med. clothing	20 @21
Heavy fine	14 @16	Burry	14 @18
Kansas & Nebraska—		Hard burry	14 @15
Bright med	22 @23	Fall clip	30 @37½
Dark med	19 @20	Tubwashed—	
Fine med	18 @20	No. 1	35
Light fine	17 @20	No. 2	28
Heavy fine	14 @16	Burry	23 @24
Ancona goat	25 @32	Dark from 25c to 30c per lb. less than above prices.	
A. F. & F. Merino—			
Medium	21 @22		
Im. fall clip	26 @30½		
Coarse & low	17 @19		

PROVISIONS.

Pork—F. o. b, E side: Old $10.12½; new standard $11.

Lard—Steam on E. side nominal; prime $5.60; choice $5.62½.

Green Hams—Car lots f. o. b. E. side held firmly. Hams—Heavyweight, 7¾@8c; lbs, 8½c; 16 lbs, 8¾c; 18 lbs, 9c; 20 lbs, 9¼c; 18 average to 18 lbs, 9½c; average skinned do, 9¾c. California 5½c to 5¾c; New York shoulders 5¾c.

D. S. Meats—Old, lots in a small jobbing way longer. Extra shorts 6¾c; ribs 6¾c; clear sides 6¾c. Dealers charge ½c higher on small orders.

Bacon—Old, a. o. meats jobbing: Heavy to fatter lots breakfast bacon 8c to 10½c; hams 9¾ to 12½@13c; California 8¾c; New York shoulders 6½c. Bulk smoked in small lots: Extra shorts 6¾c, ribs 6¾c; clear sides 6¾c. Dealers charge ½c higher on small orders.

FURS.

Market firm and demand good all round.

Raccoon—		Red Fox—	
No. 1 large	85	No. 1	$1.75
Medium	60	No. 2	1.00
Small & seconds	40	No. 3	50
No. 2	25	No. 4	20
No. 4	10	Gray Fox—	
Mink—		No. 1	80
No. 1 large	$1.20	No. 2	50
No. 1 medium	85	No. 3	20
Small & seconds	50	No. 4	10
No. 2	30	Otter—	
No. 4	10	No. 1 large	7.50
Skunk—		No. 1 medium	5.00
Black	$1.00	No. 2	3.00
Short stripe	70	No. 3	1.00
Narrow stripe	45	No. 4	1.00
Broad stripe	20	Bear	$10@15
Opossum	10@20	Badger	10
Badger	25@50	Wildcat	20
Wildcat	10@10	Cheat cat	10@20
Wolf—		House cat	10
Prairie	60@70	All scalps worthless.	
Timber	20@1.50		

STREET MARKETS.

EGGS—Receipts 1,000 cases; at good 19 cases. Fresh eggs firm and in demand at 19c, low off; cold storage range from 16c to 18c.

BUTTER—Market firmer; demand good. Creamery—Extras 26c; firsts 23@25c; seconds 24@25c. Dairy—Extras 20c; firsts 18@19c; seconds 16@17c. Roll—Nearby 18@19c; prairie extras 20@22c; country store-packed—Choice fresh 16c; inferior to fair 12@15c. Lard-packed—Extras 14@15c; firsts 12@13c.

CHEESE—Full cream—Twins 12c; singles 12½c; Y. A. 12½c. Brick 12@13c. Limburger 12@13c. Swiss 12@13c. Imported Swiss 27c. Full cream 11c.

LIVE POULTRY—Weather conditions more favorable, market generally improved. Turkeys—Light and medium weights 6½c; heavy fines 7c. Ducks 7c. Geese 6c. Chickens—Young and old mixed 6@6½c; rough and heavy 5½c; old roosters 3½c. Pigeons 60@70c. Guinea fowl, per doz, 50c.

DRESSED POULTRY—Market steady but quiet, especially for turkeys. Quote: Scalded and undrawn, with heads and feet on—Turkeys, choice light 7½@8c; choice heavy 6½c; chickens, choice and fresh 6@6½c; heavy and rough 4@5c; roosters 3c; ducks, choice 7c; geese 6@7c. Drawn—Turkeys, choice 7½@8c; heavy and rough 5@6½c; chickens, choice 6@6½c; geese 6@7c. Rough, thin, frozen, cold-storage and malaway stock nominally less than above figures.

GAME—Select sweet only: Ducks, undrawn per doz, mallards and redhead $3@3.50; canvasback $5.50; greenwing teal $1.75; blue-wing teal $2; wood teal $1.50; drawn ducks 50c per doz, less than above prices. Wild geese, each 25@50c. Jack snipe $1.50. Plover, golden, per doz, $1@1.50; badly shot, rough and poor less. Sandpipers 50c. Jack snipe $1.50. Rabbits, choice fresh 90@95c; held rough, undrawn and poor less. Squirrels 90c. Jack rabbits $1.35. Possum, each 50c to 75c.

VEALS—Choice to fancy small fat 6@6½c per lb.; fair 5@5½c; heavies, rough and thin 2@4c. Sheep quotable at 5@6½c; thin ones and bucks 2@3½c. Choice fat spring lambs 6@6½c per lb; thin and poor 3c.

HIDES—Demand good. Prices easy. When sold round—Cows—Selected—Missouri and Illinois 8¾c; Arkansas, Tennessee and Kentucky 8¾c; Texas, Louisiana and Mississippi 8½c. Dry flint—Choice Texas 18½c; average Texas 18½c; native Arkansas and Tennessee 18½c; Mississippi and Alabama 17½c. Dry-salted 13½c. When sold in selection: Green-salted—No. 1 9½c; No. 2 8½c; bull 8½c. Glue—Wet 5c. Dry flint—No. 1 12c; No. 2 10c; bull 7½c. Calfs and glue hides 12c. Dry salted—No. 1 9½c; No. 2 8½c. Fallen stock ½c per lb. less than butcher.

TALLOW—Quiet. No. 1 5½c per lb.; No. 2 4½@4¾c; packers' choice 5¼@5½c.

GREASE—Quiet. Brown 3c; yellow 3¼c; white 3½c; packers' choice white 4@4¼c; yellow 3¾c.

BEESWAX—Firm. Prime 27c per lb.

FEATHERS—Prime large White 50c in small lots, 55c in large sks; gray 40c; white, old, 40c; No. 1 mixed 35@40c; XXX Ostrich 50c; extra Black White Ostrich, dark 250c; Chickens 40c. Ease 8 per cent for large to 10 per cent for small sks.

DOGSKINS—Prime 35c per lb.; antelope 15c; goat 25@30c. Kids and dressed out.

ROOTS—Ginseng, Missouri 5.50 per lb, for small to large, lots clipper or scissors cracker, pink root, 3 to 5 per cent less; XXX single 240@250; double 2 to 5 per cent less; XX single 200@220; double 2 to 5 per cent less; XX single 180@200; double 2 to 5 per cent less; Ginseng, Wisconsin, 3 per cent less than Missouri; Seneca root, 30@35c; Black cohosh, 3@4c; Blood root, 1@2c; Snake root, 2@3c.

SHED PELTS—Wool pelts at 5@10c; lamb and shearling skins. Top shearling at 20@25c per; lotes pelts worth up to 15.

WHITE BEANS—Market firm. Choice hand-picked pea beans at $1.75 bulk at $1.90; whole lots, choice, $1.80; ordinary, $1.60@1.65; common, $1.50@1.55; mixed, etc., less. Children's kidney at $2.25 per B.

HONEY—Quiet at 12@13c for white fancy, dark and broken lots less. Extracted and mixed in kinds, quiet and in case at per lb higher.

Fruits and Vegetables.

APPLES—Well supplied and easy. Ranged from $1.50@2.50 per bbl for common to choice Ben Davis, Jonathan, Spitzenberg, Greening, Russet, Baldwin at from $2.50 to $3.50, winesap at $3 to $3.25, pippin at $3 to $3.25, mammoth black twig at from $2 to $3, all other varieties and mixed lots, $2@3.50.

ORANGES—$3.50 per box, in a small way, $4 per box.

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LEMONS—Messina at $3@3.50 per case for choice, $3@3.50 for fancy.

DRIED FRUITS—Market quiet on apples. Evaporated stock is for prime to choice, and sells from 7c to 7½c for fancy, evaporated quarters into lots, sun-dried quarters at 6@6½c for dark, 6@7c for prime and 7@7½c for choice, sun-dried pitted at 7@8c for ordinary to fair, and 8@9c for extra fancy. Peaches, sun-dried, slow at 5c for sacrificed to 7½c for blanched.

CRANBERRIES—A fair demand. Choice fresh $8 per bbl.

POTATOES—Northern in bulk on trk.: Burbanks at from 60@65c for common to fair to 65@70c for choice to fancy, and at 65@70c for common to fair and 70@75c for choice. Rumors have been given that Minnesota stock sold at as low as 62@65c, while mixed of these varieties sold at 60@65c, red and white mixed at 60@65c, early rose at 60@65c for rejected, Ohios at from 60@65c for common to fair, and 65@70c for choice. Sweets, Maryland and Jersey, early rose at 2.50@3.50. Red River North Dakota at 60@65c, common, inferior and rejected and poor stock less.

ONIONS—Quiet and easy. Ranged from 60@65c per bu for red or white, yellow at 60@65c, and at 60@65c for mixed.

CABBAGE—Good Holland and Danish $7@8 per per ton. Domestic—Home grown $5@6 per ton.

CELERY—California large bunts per doz, 50@60c; fancy trimmed blue, 40@50c; ordinary, 25@30c; fancy trimmed white, 40@50c; common to fair, 25@30c.

TOMATOES—Fancy large ripe Florida in fair demand and steady, with sales at $2 to $2.25 per bushel crate for fair to fancy, and large and poor nominally less. California dull.

LETTUCE—Choice Louisiana sold sparingly at $1.50@2 per bbl; poor stock unsalable. Florida offerings quotable at $1@1.25 per bushel. Home grown in good demand and firm at 10c per lb. box.

STRING BEANS—Scarce and firm. Choice fresh Florida round green at $2@2.50, and flat at $3 per bu. box. State and dissolved not quotable.

RADISHES—Ordinary. New Orleans receipts sell slowly at 1@1.50 per doz. bunches.

EGG PLANT—Choice Florida at $1.75 to $2 per doz, $2 to $3 for orange box and $3@3.75 for large crates.

GREEN PEASE—Last sale choice Florida at $2.25 and Louisiana clatter wrap at $1.25 per bu. basket.

CAULIFLOWER—Choice California at $1.75@2 per crate for choice fresh stale and poor 75c to $1.25.

SWEET POTATOES—Firm. Home-grown sold at 40@50c per bu. Jersey bunches 60@75c per bunch. On orders, dealers charge $2.50 per bu. for Bermuda, $3 for Nansemond.

Miscellaneous Markets.

HIGHWINES—Selling on basis of $1.23½.

BAGS, OLD ROOT AND RUBBER—Rags 75c $1 per 100 lbs. Old rope—Manila 3c; No. 1 Russia 3c per lb.

SCRAP IRON AND METALS—Iron—Wrought 75c per 100 lbs; heavy cast 50c; steel and malleable 45c; stove plate 35c; burned 25c. Brass—Light 30c; heavy 40@50c. Copper $15@16. Lead $1.25@1.50. Pewter $15.

COAL—TY BARRELS—Coal oil, turpentine and gasoline 50c; linseed 45c; vinegar 60c; black oil 55c; lard 45c; whisky 60c; half bbl, 35c; wine 35c; tanners' oil 55c; pickle 40c; molasses 50c; sugar 35c; lard 40c.

OILS—Linseed—Per gal: Raw 43c; boiled 45c; in per gal off in car lots. Castor oil, No. 1 in bbls, $1.15@1.20; in less than bbls, 5@10c higher. Turpentine—In Southern 37c per gal; white 38c; winter yellow 35c; white 40c.

COOPERAGE—In car lots or trk.: Staves—Cottonwood flour bbl, $6.50; oak, No. 2 $4; half-bbl, cottonwood keg $32; oak, hard tree $28; half-bbl, oak $18. Heading, per set—No. 1 flour bbl, 50c; No. 2 do, 40c; hard tree bbl, 50c; pork bbl, 125c. Shaved hoops—Flour bbl, $5 for copper, $3 for Hoosier; half-bbl, $2. Coopered ship stuff—Oak hard tree, coopered-shaved $60; pork bbl, $7.

COOPERAGE—Land tree, $1.30@1.35; pork bbl, $90@95; oak, south, round-hoop flour bbls, 28c; half-bbls and half-bbls, 25c; meal bbls, 26c; pickle bbls, 24c; apple 24.

BROOMCORN—Receipts light and have been selling on basis of $60 per ton for choice. Market nominally quoted at $50@60 for common to choice, fair to $100; fancy or extra fancy at $110 to $120.

POULTRY.

Receipts Thirteen Cars—Demand Fair at Ten and One-Half Cents.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

New York, Jan. 9—Live poultry—Receipts today were 7 cars Western, 3 cars Southern and 3 of Southwestern, with a moderate express sprinkling. Demand continues fair, with all fowls clearing at 10½c, while fine chickens had to go at from 10@10½c, Western at 10c. Western turkeys, when prime, command 9c, but Southern did not exceed 8½c, while East Southwestern had to sell down to 8@8½c, looks steady. A few Western ducks brought a decided premium, but average prime not salable over $1.25, nearly $1.37 on choice heavy. Western, while Southwestern were hard to sell at 1[illegible] per pair. Poults—Fancy heavy Western chickens 8½@9c; western fowls, fair to good, 10@10½c; turkeys, Western prime, fair 8@9c; poor to fair 6@8c; Southern prime, fair $1.12@1.37; Southwestern $1; Southern 85.

Dressed poultry—Receipts today 3,903 packages. Business are not generally heavy. Some receivers report rather free advices for later in the week, however. Demand is extremely quiet, but weather is cold, and stocks are not excessive. Prices inclined to moderate their ideas, thinking that a better trade may develop later in the week.

Dry packed poultry—Turkeys, Western prime lots, 12c; mixed lots and toms, 10@10½c; heavy young toms, 12c; old toms, 9@10c; chickens, choice, 12c; options, Olde and Indiana fancy large 14½ @15c; other Western fancy, 14@14½c; medium, 12 @13c; small and slips, 10@11c; chickens, prime Western selected, 12@12½c; Western average prime, 11@11½c; fowls, Western prime dry picked, 10@10½c; old hens, Western, 9@9½c; spring chickens, Western prime, fair to fair, 9@11c; ducks, Western fancy, 10@11c; prime, 8@9c; poor to fair, 6@8c.

Chicago Poultry Quotations.

Chicago, Jan. 9—Dressed poultry firm, turkeys 9c, chickens 7@9c.

Butter, Cheese and Eggs.

New York, Jan. 9—Butter—Receipts 9,974 pkgs; steady. June creamery 24@25c; Western dairy 20@22c; factory 19@20c. Cheese—Receipts 2,830 pkgs; fairly full-made fancy small 12½@12c; full-made fancy 12½@12c; large late-made 11½@11c; late-made small 12@12½c. Eggs—Receipts 13,287 pkgs; week end lower. Western fresh 20c, 1c off. Western ungraded at mark 16@22c.

Wool.

New York, Jan. 9—Wool dull.

Boston, Jan. 9—There has been more inquiry noted in the wool market here this week, but it has not resulted in much business. The dull business of the last two weeks in these seem to have had any effect upon prices, which are firm. Territory wools are being sold at 65c on the scoured basis for fine medium and fine, while 70c is being asked for selected staples. Few sales of fleece wools are noted and values are largely on a nominal basis. For XX and better Ohio 360@[illegible] is quoted. Australian wools are very scarce and firm. Nominally we are the quotations for leading descriptions: Ohio and Pennsylvania fleeces A 32@33c, XX and XX and wools 360@[illegible], delaine fleeces No. 1 combing 36@38c; No. 2 do, 34@36c; Michigan and Indiana, etc., X Michigan 32@33c, No. 1 Michigan combing 36@38c, No. 2 do 34@36c; No. 1 quarter combing 36@38c, No. 2 Illinois combing 34@36c; X New York, New Hampshire and Vermont 32@33c; New York, New Hampshire and Vermont 36@38c; delaine Michigan 34@36c; unwashed medium, etc., Kentucky and Indiana quarter blood combing 32@33c; three-eighths blood 29@30c; quarter blood combing 27@28c; three-eighths blood 26c; braid combing 30@31c; Lake and Georgia 26@28c; Territory wools—Montana and Idaho fine medium and fine 24@26c; scoured 62@65c; staple scours, Utah, Wyoming fine medium and fine 60@65c; scoured staples, staple Scours, Idaho fine medium and fine 60@65c; scoured staples, scoured staples, No. 1 combing 65@70c; scoured staples, Australian scoured basis, spot prices crediting superfine 80@90c; scoured 60@65c average 55.

Minneapolis Flour.

Minneapolis, Jan. Jan. 9—Wheat in store—No. 1 Northern, Jan. 69½c; May 69¾@69½c; July 69¾c, No. 1 hard 69¾c; No. 1 Northern 68½c, No. 2 Northern 67½c.

California Dried Fruits.

New York, Jan. 9—There were no features developed in the market for dried fruits to-day. Prunes continue firm on good export demand and favorable country advices, but other grades ruled quiet, with only small jobbing business reported. California dried fruits dull and featureless. State evaporated apples, common 60@65c, prime 65@70c, choice 75@80c per pound, as to size and quality; apricots, Royal 12@16c; Moorpark 16@25c; peaches, peeled, 20@22c, unpeeled 7@10c.

Coffee.

New York, Jan. 9—Coffee market opened steady at 5 points advance to 5 points decline, and ruled very active with a firm undertone on continued covering by shorts, and small offerings of spot coffee in face of disappointing Brazilian and unsatisfactory outside speculative support. Covering was the principal local feature. The market closed here at 10@15 points net higher. Total sales 31,750 bags, including Jan. at 6.45c, Feb. 6.50c, March 6.60@6.65c, April 6.70c, May 6.80@6.75c, July 6.90c, Sept. 6.95c, Oct. 6.95@7c. Dec. 7c. Spot coffee—Rio strong; No. 7 invoice 7½c; No. 7 jobbing 8c. Mild firmer; Cordova 9@12½c.

Dry Goods.

New York, Jan. 9—The demand for staple cotton goods has again been dull on both home and export account, and only a limited business reported. Prices without material change. Prints firm, with moderate demand, and ginghams secure and strong. Print cloths inactive in sales and nothing doing in regulars. Prices steady and unchanged. Men's wear woolens and worsteds in good demand. Overcoatings heavily sold and tone of the market strong.

Sugar.

New York, Jan. 9—Sugar—Raw very firm; refined firmer; mold A 5.30c; standard A 4.85c; confectioners' A 4.80c; cut loaf 5.60c; crushed 5.65c; powdered 5.15c; granulated 5.05c; cubes 5.20c.

GRAIN MARKETS RULED STRONGER IN CHICAGO PIT.

WHEAT OPENED WEAK AND BEARISH, BUT RALLIED STRONGLY TOWARD THE FINISH.

CORN OPENED SOME EASIER.

FRACTIONAL ADVANCE IN PRICES CAUSED BY SPURT IN WHEAT —OATS HIGHER.

PROVISIONS CLOSED HEAVY.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Chicago, Ill., Jan. 9—The grain markets turned to-day from weakness to strength and closed at ⅝c net gain for wheat and 1⅝@1¾c each for corn and oats. Provisions were depressed by the liberal number of hogs being received, and the consequent desire imparted to longs, who had profit to their holdings, to secure it lest it take wings. Rumors of probably loss of wheat and 200,000 bu. corn having been sold here for immediate rail shipment had an air of improbability, from the fact that brokers, who might have done a little business, had railroad cars been procurable, reported their utter inability to secure a single car. In this great railroad center the shippers who need cars are like the ship-wrecked mariner—afloat on the ocean, with "water, water everywhere, nor a drop to drink."

Wheat.

Further weakness manifested itself immediately at the opening of the wheat market, Liverpool, as on the day before, struck the key for the bears' chorus, which started at the opening bell, with sell, sell, sell the predominating sound. May wheat, that closed yesterday at 67⅝@68c, opened with sellers at 67¾c and 67⅝@67⅞c, and soon thereafter at 67½c. There continued to be more sellers than buyers, and a slight further loss was the consequence. The decline at Liverpool was 8d to begin with, but an additional ½d was added to the loss before long, and that was the reason for the further weakness here. Chicago received 89 cars, compared with 141 last year, Minneapolis and Duluth 265 cars, as against 428. The week's clearances of wheat and flour from Atlantic seaports, as reported to the Chicago Board of Trade, were, Wheat, 2,625,000 bu., and flour, 247,000 bbls., or equal together to 3,146,000 bu., whereas all that Bradstreet's reported as the week's shipments from both Atlantic and Pacific coasts was 2,550,000 bu. Liverpool reported hard Kansas wheat on the spot ½d lower; Paris reduced quotations a trifle for distant futures, and Antwerp 12½ centimes. Speculative business was light, and such orders as were received for spot wheat for the most part slightly under a working limit.

The rumor that a British cruiser had fired upon a German vessel near Delagoa Bay and killed a man on the German boat created a diversion in favor of the bulls, but creating apprehension of a possible rupture of the existing friendly relations between the two Powers concerned. May wheat, which had sold as low as 67⅝@67½c, took a spurt to 68⅝c on the being indged by that unconfirmed report. Bradstreet's made the world's visible increase 1,287,000 bu., whereas a decrease had been looked for. The Atlantic port clearances of wheat and flour for the day were equal to 387,000 bu.

The alarm spread among shorts by the possibilities connected with the unconfirmed report of firing on the Dutch vessel did not abate any to the close, which was at the highest price of the day, 68⅝@68¾c.

Corn.

Corn opened a trifle easier, and l