FINANCIAL.

MERCANTILE TRUST COMPANY,

EIGHTH AND LOCUST STS., ST. LOUIS.

INTEREST, 4% on All Savings. — This Company allows interest at 4 per cent on all Savings Deposits. Deposits can be made in any amount. Interest payment dates January 1st and July 1st.

INTEREST, 4% on Certificates of Deposit. — We pay 4 per cent on Certificates for one year; and on all certificates issued for a period of six months will allow interest at 3 per cent per annum.

INTEREST, 2% on All Accounts Subject to Check. — We pay 2 per cent interest per annum on Daily Balances on all accounts subject to check of the Depositor. By this method your unused money draws interest at rate named until you have use for same.

FIRST ANNUAL STATEMENT
At the Close of Business November 15th, 1900.

ASSETS.

Loans	$3,466,908.28	
First Mortgage Bonds	151,608.05	
Revenue Stamps	1,660.49	
Furniture and Fixtures	3,401.65	
All Other Assets	6,825.65	
Cash in Vaults and Depositories	1,111,582.94	$4,741,426.06

LIABILITIES.

Capital Stock	$ 750,000.00	
Surplus	800,000.00	
Undivided Profits	61,414.69	$1,611,414.69
Demand Deposits	$2,637,931.98	
Time Deposits	481,296.84	$3,119,228.82
All Other Liabilities		10,782.55
		$4,741,426.06

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CAPITAL AND SURPLUS, - $6,500,000.
Buys and Sells Investment Securities.
Bond List Mailed on Application.

LINCOLN TRUST CO.

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ALLOWS 2% INTEREST On Current Accounts. Checks Cashed Through Clearing-House.

Capital, Surplus and Profits over $1,300,000.00

ANOTHER LET-DOWN—WEAKNESS THE FEATURE.

WHEAT TOUCHED LOWEST PRICE ON THE CROP.

Corn Was Better All the Way Through, but Wheat Was Generally Weak and Dull.

Office Republic,
Saturday, Dec. 1, 1900.

WHEAT—The opening was 1-16c better at 69⅛c for Dec. and 72¼c, the former then selling up to 69⅝c and May up to 73⅝c and back to 73¼c. Dec. appeared to be most wanted. The current month developed quite a stiff show of strength, though it was delivery day. Deliveries were about 400,000 bu, and the wheat went to parties representing outside mills. This strength in Dec., it was said, was due to the elevators who turned loose the cash wheat and worked up the strong turn and decreased premium between Dec. and May to cause the wheat to return to their own hands. Whether this was so or not it looked rather gauzy. The difference between the months was cut down about 1½c. Dec. sold as high as 69⅝c and did not go below 68⅝c, while May was selling at 73⅝c and off to 72⅝c.

This supposed strength in Dec. did not hold out long, as a decline to 68⅛c followed, but late rallied, and at close 69⅛c was bid. May recovered to 72⅞c, fell back to 72⅛c, and late went back to 72 9/16c, closing at 72c bid. The news could not be considered bullish. Continental cables reported Paris and Berlin ½c lower, and Buda-Pesth ⅝c higher. A reassuring report came on the Argentine crop. Clearances were only 265,000 bu. It is understood that 250,000 bu. of the wheat delivered went back to the elevators.

Cash Market—Received 2,812 sks. and 54 cars local and 3 cars through. Weak and averaged lower. No demand save from city millers. Offerings small. By sample, switched, No. 2 red sold at 71@71½c this and 71½@71¾c E. Side; No. 3 red at 68@69½c; No. 4 at 68@68c; weevily at 70½c; rejected at 66c; No. 2 hard at 68@68½c; No. 3 hard at 67@67½c.

CORN—The tone of this market was firmer and better, also, at the opening, though speculative interest was light enough. Receipts were good, though by no means heavy, and the weather favorable for country deliveries. Liverpool was unchanged at ¼d lower. May opened where it closed yesterday, at 55c, and later sold at 55⅛c. For Dec. 54½c bid.

The out movement from the markets was still liberal, and clearances well maintained, latter amounting to 67,000 bu. There was little to the local market at any time. Dec. was offered at 54½@54¾c, and later that bid. May sold late at 55⅛c.

Cash Market—Received 1,142 sks. and 57 cars local and 10 cars through. Lower and a dull and heavy market. Sales delivered at 55½c to 55¾c for No. 2, 55½c to 56c for No. 3; St. Charles white at 56c to 56½c, No. 3 white or better, to arrive, at 56½c.

OATS—The future market barely attracted attention. There were bids of 23c for Dec. and 24½c for May, but no sellers at these rates.

Cash Market—Received 22 cars local and 4 cars through, buyers generally holding off for Monday. On trk. No. 2 at 23½@24c; No. 3 at 23c; No. 2 Northern at 25½@26c; No. 2 white at 26½@27c; No. 3 white at 26@26½c; No. 4 white at 25½@26c; rust-proof at 24c.

RYE—None offered and market nominal at 48½c for No. 2 and 47½c for No. 3.

HAY—Received 267 tons local and 90 tons through; shipped 419 tons. A firm market at the recent advance, with ready sale for any description, save actually poor or damaged.

Prices on trk range: Timothy $14 for choice, $13@14 for No. 1, $11.50@12.50 for No. 2, $9@11 for No. 3; prairie, $10@11 for No. 1, $8@10 for No. 2, $8@8.50 for No. 3. Clover $9@12.

STRAW—Wheat on trk $4.25, rye $6.

GRASS SEEDS—Clover $16@18. Timothy $3.50@4.20; red top 50c for chaff to $8.50 for fancy; millet 60@90c; Hungarian 55@60c.

CASTOR BEANS—Bid $1.20 per bu. for prime in car lots.

BEESWAX—$2.60 per 100 lbs., pure basis.

FLAXSEED—No market established.

FLOUR—A very moderate domestic demand and that chiefly for hard winter flours. Export business practically nil.

Quotations on soft winter wheat flour are as follows:

Patents $3.50@3.60; straights $3.30@3.40; extra fancy $3.15@3.25; clear $2.75@3; low and medium $2.25@2.50.

Hard winter in jute sacks, $2.25@2.60 for bakers, $2.80@3 for straights, and $3.30@3.40 for patents.

RYE FLOUR—Jobbing at $3.00 in sks. and $3.25 in bbls.

CORN MEAL—$2; pearl meal, grits and hominy $2.

MILLFEED—Firm. Bran 65@67c in large and 60@65 in small sks.; 62c in bulk; brown feed 60c and 65c; middlings 70@72c; all basis E. trk. At mill, bran 58@60c, and shipts. per 17,000.

LEAD—Market quiet and unchanged at $4.25 asked for soft Missouri and bid for chemical; desiderated nominally $4.32½.

SPELTER—Steady at $5.15.

Prices on Change.

The following tables show the range of prices in futures and cash grain:

	Closed Friday.	Range Saturday.	Closed Saturday.
Wheat—Nov.	69⅛ n	.....	.....
Dec.	69⅝@⅝	68⅝@69⅝	69⅛ n
Jan.	70⅞@⅞	.....	70⅛ n
May	73⅞@74	72⅞@73⅝	72⅞ n
Corn—Nov.	54⅛ n	.....	.....
Dec.	54@54¼	54@54½	54⅛ n
May	55⅛	54⅞@55⅛	55⅛
Oats—Nov.	23 n	.....	.....
Dec.	23 n	.....	23 n
May	24½ n	.....	24½ n

Cash wheat, corn and oats range at:	Last Year.	Friday.	To-day
Wheat—No. 2 red	69@70c	71	69@72
No. 2 red	68@69c	69	68@69
No. 4 winter	66@68c	64	66@68
No. 2 hard	68	67	67
No. 3 hard	66@67c	66	66@67
Corn—No. 2	54@54½c	56	54@56
No. 3	52@53c	55	54@55
No. 2 white	54½@55c	56@56½	56@56½
No. 3 white	54 n	.....	55@55½
Oats—No. 2	23@23½c	25	23@24
No. 3	23 n	.....	23@23½
No. 2 white	24½@25c	26	24@26
No. 3 white	24 n	.....	24@25
No. 2 Northern	25@25½c	24	24@24½
No. 2 white	26@26½c	26@26½	26@26½
No. 3 white	25@26c	26	26@26½
No. 4 white	24@25c	25@25½	25@25½

Movement of Grain.

	Receipts. Wheat.	Receipts. Corn.	Shipments. Wheat.	Shipments. Corn.
St. Louis	49,57	55,800	19,000	125,797
Chicago	129,000	805,000	149,000	255,000
Toledo	2,000	20,000	6,000	10,000
Detroit	2,968	20,041	.....	16,903
Kansas City	43,000	25,200	17,000	16,000
Milwaukee	2,100	21,200	1,200	2,100
Minneapolis	1,092	38,760	1,000	15,000
Duluth	1,000,000	30,000	422,000	10,000
New York	124,000	76,000	8,000	88,000
Baltimore	2,000	246,000	.....	100,000
Philadelphia	2,000	28,000	.....	400,000
Boston	148,000	140,000	2,000	100,000
New Orleans	69,000	20,000	.....	16,000
Galveston	3,000	.....	.....	.....

Stocks of Grain in Store.

	To-day.	Yesterday.	Last Yr.
Wheat	4,162,000	3,970,000	2,900,000
Corn	2,027,000	2,041,000	421,000
Oats	81,000	82,000	7,000
Rye	31,000	32,000	26,000
Barley	36,000	36,000	36,000
Contract grades—			
No. 2 red wheat	2,284,000	2,280,000	1,746,000
No. 2 hard	26,000	26,000	60,000
No. 2 corn	32,000	16,000	29,000
No. 2 white corn	11,000	9,000	19,000
No. 2 oats	26,000	26,000	.....
No. 2 rye	7,000	4,000	2,000

Shipments of Flour.

St. Louis, 12,000 bbls.; Chicago, 42,000 bbls.; Detroit, 700 bbls.; Milwaukee, 5,000 bbls.; Minneapolis, 24,000 bbls.; New York, 12,000 bbls. and 12,000 sks.; Baltimore, 24 bbls.; Boston, 6,000 bbls. and 9,000 sks.; Philadelphia, 1,000 bbls. and 25,000 sks.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

Local Fruit, Vegetable, Poultry, Egg and Butter Quotations.

St. Louis, Saturday, Dec. 1, 1900.

The produce markets were generally dull and unchanged to-day. There was the usual Saturday lack of demand, but prices were well sustained, as usually as a rule were light. Shippers were inclined to hold off until Monday, and local buyers were well supplied, but holders were firm in their views.

Potatoes were scarce, and the market was strong and advancing. Receipts were light, and choice eating varieties were especially wanted. Tomatoes and otherwise fair stock was dull and easy. Receipts of Spanish onions were also light, and choice stock met with ready sale at full quotations.

Sweet potatoes were dull and slow at unchanged prices.

Cauliflower was scarce, in good demand and firm.

Cabbage was also scarce and firm, as there was a good demand for choice stock.

Radishes were plentiful, and the market was dull and slow.

Cabbages was steady and in fair demand. There was a good inquiry for choice Holland but inferior or damaged stock of any kind was dull and slow.

Onions were quiet and steady. There was a limited demand for fancy globes, but damp or sprouted stock was hard to sell.

String beans were plentiful, and the market was dull and weak.

Tomatoes were scarce, in good demand and firm.

Cucumbers were dull and weak.

Celery was in fair demand and steady, but other vegetables were quiet and unchanged.

Apples were again in active demand, and the market was firm. There was a good inquiry from both local packers and shippers for both Eastern and Western fruit.

Pears were scarce, in good demand and firm at unchanged prices.

Cranberries were firm and in good demand.

Grapes were scarce and firm at unchanged prices. Receipts were light and there was a good demand.

Oranges were quiet and steady. Offerings were moderate, but were ample for the demand.

Lemons were quiet and steady.

Other fruits were steady and unchanged.

Live poultry was quiet and unchanged.

Offerings of turkeys were less liberal, and there was a slight improvement in the demand, but thin and rough stock was plentiful and slow. Chickens were in fair demand and offerings were light, but prices were unchanged.

Ducks were quiet and steady, and geese were unchanged.

Dressed poultry was plentiful and dull. There was considerable held over stock on the market, and receipts were fairly heavy, but choice stock was steady.

Veals were steady and in fair demand at unchanged prices.

Game was dull and weak. Rabbits were plentiful and lower, and offerings of quail were also in excess of the demand.

Wild was dull and nominal, with the exception of blind pheasants, which was steady. Offerings were heavy, but holders were firm in their views.

Hides were unchanged. Dry stock was firm, but green salted were weak. Receipts were moderate. Pelts were firm and in good demand.

Eggs.

The market was again quick but very strong to-day. Receipts were light, but shipments were also light, and there was a fair local demand for good stock.

Fresh receipts sold at 30c, less off, but cold storage and held stock was dull.

Receipts at St. Louis to-day were 1,061 cases, and shipments, 8,800 cases.

Dairy Products.

Butter—There was only a limited demand and the market was dull and slow, while offerings were in excess of the requirements. Prices were unchanged. Quotations: Creamery, Extra 27c; fine creamery, 25c; dairy, Extra 19@20c; fine dairy, 17@18c; grease & Country-Store-packed 12@15c; good to choice dairy, packed in tubs, 16@18c; Extra 18c; fancy 15c; Roll 12c for good to 15c for choice.

Cheese—Quote: Texas 11@12c; choice 11@12c; Y. A. 12@13c; New York 12@13c; Limburger 10@12c; Swiss 12@13c; brick 12@13c.

Provisions.

Both firm and steady.

Pork—New standard jobbing 15 c lb. $13.

Lard—Choice steam 8c, side 8c, compound 7½c.

Green Hams—On basis 10c for 8 and 8 average in cartons 12c, other sizes in proportion. From the block, delivered: Home S. 9½c, Ben Hur 9½c, Ben Hur Roll 12c for good to 13c for choice.

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Wool.

Wool was dull and nominal, with the exception of blind pheasants, which was steady. Offerings were heavy, but holders were firm in their views.

Hides were unchanged. Dry stock was firm, but green salted were weak. Receipts were moderate. Pelts were firm and in good demand.

Furs.

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Poultry, Game and Veals.

LIVE POULTRY—Chickens—Straight young fair old roosters, 5c; broilers 9c. Turkeys—Choice dressing stock 8c; thin and poor less. Ducks 9c. Geese—Per feathered 22@26c. Old pigeons per doz. Young pigeons 12½c.

DRESSED POULTRY—Quote scalded and undrawn, with heads and feet on: Turkeys at 10c per lb. Chickens 6@7c. Ducks 7@8c. Geese 6@8c.

GAME—We quote choice, select, sweet stock only: Quail-Bobwhite $1.75; drawn $1.50. Prairie chickens—Dark 18. Pheasant 18. Wild turkeys, per lb. Teal 10c. Mallard 15. Ducks per doz. Mallards $3; redheads or canvasbacks $2. Brownwing teal $1.50; mixed $1.25. Jacksnipe $1.50. Plover $1.25. Woodcock—Large in Dec. Rabbits—Per doz. Cottontails, per doz. Jackrabbits, per doz. Squirrels—Per doz., each, 20@25c.

VEAL—Choice fat at 10@11c per lb. fair at 9@10c. Thin and rough at 7@8c. Sheep—Dull at 3@4c. Lambs—Dull and lower at 5@6c per lb. Spring lambs, $5@6 per lb. Hogs—Dull at 6@6½c per lb. for choice; back lambs at 2½@3c.

Fruits and Vegetables.

APPLES—Quote: Eastern, packed—Baldwins and greening at $3.50@3.75; some sing at $3 for choice varieties. Ben Davis, Missouri and Kansas, packed in tiers, $2@2.50. Western packed—Ben Davis and greening range from $2.75@3 to $3.50; winesap and selling at $3.50.

GRAPES—Quote: Concord, Colorado at 20@25c. Malagas at 75@75c per pony basket, bulk Malagas at 75@75c per lb.

PEARS—Quote: Keifer at $2.25 per bbl.

CALIFORNIA PEARS—Quote: Winter Nelis at $2.50@2.75 per box.

BANANAS—Quote: Jobbing lots on trk., Florida at $2.00@2.25 per bunch for sports and bright, green to mottled bunches. California—Jaffa at $2.25@3; navels at $2.25; Mexican Sonora at $2.50@3.50 and Jamaica at $2.50@3.50 per bunch.

LEMONS—Quote: Messina and California at $3.00@4 per box.

ORANGES—Quote: Jamaica at $3 to $3.50 per box.

PINEAPPLES—Quote: Jamaica at $5 to $6 per dozen.

CRANBERRIES—Quote: Jobbing from store at from $8 for early black to $9 for fancy late varieties.

POTATOES—Northern on trk. receipts light and in good demand and firm at 60@65c for choice, fair quality. Ones sold home from farmers wagons at 55@60c per bu.

ONIONS—Quote: Spanish yellow globe at $2@2.25 and yellow at $2@2.25; red, soft, small and inferior nominally less.

CABBAGE—Quote: Domestic at $12@12.50 and Holland weed at $16@18 per ton del. Dealers charge $1.50 per crate on small orders.

CELERY—Choice to fancy white plume at 20c to 25c per doz.; small to medium at 15c to 20c; home-grown at 15c to 25c per bunch. Celery roots dull at 35c per doz.

STRING BEANS—Florida round green at $1.50@1.75 per bu. hamper. New Orleans offerings poor and not selling, choice round worth $2 per bu. box.

TOMATOES—Last sales Florida at $3@3.25 per 6-basket crate for choice ripe.

EGG PLANT—Quote choice Florida at $2.50@3 per 1½-bu. crate.

PEPPERS—Some choice Florida offering; quotable at $1.50 per 6-basket crate.

CUCUMBERS—Offerings liberal; demand quiet. Quote Florida at $1.50 per bu box or hamper.

GUMBO—Near Orleans at 50@60c per bu. box; Florida at $1.25@1.50 per 6-basket crate.

CAULIFLOWER—Choice Long Island held at $2@2.25 per bbl.

TURNIPS—Home-grown will have at from 75c to 90@95c per bbl for washed per bu., orders charged 10@15c per bbl. Consignments unsalable.

SPINACH AND KALE—Home-grown selling at 75c per bu. box.

RADISHES—New Orleans sold at 25@30c per doz. bunches.

CARROTS—We quote bulk Northern at 50@60c per bu. for old. On orders double charge $1 per bbl.

BEETS—Sell at $1 per bbl. on orders.

SWEET POTATOES—Home-grown Bermudas sell at 50c yellow Nansemond and queen at 60c, and at $1.25 per bbl. for Bermuda and $1.75 for Nansemond on orders.

SAUERKRAUT—Quote bbls. at $3.50; half bbls. at $2.25; small orders charged higher.

HORSERADISH—Quote home-grown at $3@3.25 per bbl. on orders.

SPANISH ONIONS—Quotable at $1.40@1.50 per crate.

Miscellaneous Markets.

FEATHERS—Steady; prime 1 c in small sks. 4c; in large sks. 4½c. Choice dark goose 25c; X 22@23c; XX 19@20c; XXX 16@17c; XXXX 14@15c. Chicken 25c. Turkey Tail 28c; wing 8c. Pointers 4c; wing and tail 3c; wing and tail and pointers 2c. Ducks 2c.

SHEEP PELTS—Full wool pelts at 50c to 70c, according to amount of wool on them; lamb at 20@40c. Southern 25@40c; shearlings at 20@25c; stock, fallen, 10@20c per lb.

BEESWAX—Quote at 27c per lb. for prime.

ROOTS—Ginseng at from $3.50 for small to $4.25 for large, lady slipper at 2c; seneca at 3c; pink at 16c; golden seal at 48c. Max quote at 3c; snake at 25c; black h. Angelica 3@4c; Wahoo, Bark of root 8c; bark of tree 20c; blood 25c; bloodroot 8c; skullcap leaves 20c; sassafras bark, wild, 4@5c; cultivated 4c.

DEER SKINS, ETC.—Prime deer skins 30c per lb.; Texas at 25c; antelope 10c per lb.; coat 25c to 50c each; damaged less.

GENSENG—Quotable per nat. Raw at $3.50 bulked at $3.75; per cul. less in car lots.

DRIED FRUIT—Quote: Apples Evaporated 10@11c at 5c; quarters at 3@5c; fancy at 6@7c; choice at 5@5½c; pealings at 2c; sun-dried quarters at 2c to 3c; chips and pealings neglected; no price quotable. Peaches—Fancy evaporated unpeeled halves at 4c; choice 3½c to 3¾c.

DRIED GREEN PEASE—Jobbing from store at $1.50@1.60 per bu. Quote at $1.30@1.40; split $2.

WHITE BEANS—We quote hand-picked yet leaned to a jobbing way from store at $2@2.05; machine-picked $1.80@1.90 per bu. Western at $1.75@1.80; Weevily less. Lima beans at 6½@6½c per lb.

HONEY—Comb at 16c to 17½c—fancy white choice 15@16c; inferior dark and broken less. Extracted and strained in bbls. 7@8c and in cans at 8@9c.

SALT—E. side: Medium $1.25; granulated $1.35 per bbl. worth 10c per bbl. more this side.

METAL PIG IRON AND METALS—Quote: Wrought iron 42½c; heavy cast 42½c; malleable 27½c; steel 27½c—breakage 27½c; stove 27½c; barrel 28c. Light brass 8c; heavy brass 11c; heavy copper 12c; light copper 8c; rolled zinc 6c (cost $7.20); oak bark three cents shaved 20c; pork bbl. 5c.

MOSS—We quote: Gray and brown mixed 17@18c; fine gray and brown and black mixed 20c; black and brown de 23c; black 27c. Medium picked N at 27c; NN at 37c; NNN at 45c; NNNN at 55c; inferior picked less.

COVERAGE—Quote: Land tierce at $1.15; pork bbls. 35c; half-bbls. 25c; slack-cask roundhoop four bbls. 35c; flat-hoop do. 32c; half-bbls. 25c; meal bbls. 25c; produce or apple bbls. 25c.

COTTONSEED OIL—Crude: Prime yellow, per gal., white at 27c; winter yellow 40c and white 45c.

CASTOR OIL—In lots of 200 gals or over at 12c per lb. for No. 1 and 10½c for No. 2—smaller quantities 1c per lb. more.

HOPS—Nos. at 1900 lbs. old 1899 crop at 19@21c; foreign at 42@45c.

SORGHUM—Selling for 18c per gal for poor to 25c for prime.

CIDER—Quote: Steady in demand and firm at $7.50@8 per bbl. for Eastern; Western nominal.

MAPLE SUGAR AND SIRUP—Some arriving and selling at 10@13c per lb. for sugar and 90c per gal. for strap.

BROOM CORN—In light offering; readily salable at 5c to 5½c per lb.

BONES—Choice Bleached at $18 per ton; other kinds from $16 to $17 per ton.

RAGS—Per 100 lbs.: Country rags at 50c; old rope at 50c. Manila $1.25. No. 2 Jute, Rubber 28.

HIGHWINES—Selling on a basis of $1.27.

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

New York, Dec. 1. Flour—Receipts 27,651; exports 21,328; easy and generally 5c to 10c lower to sell, with demand poor; winter patents $3@3.25; winter straights $2.75@3; Minnesota patents $3.50@3.75; winter extras $2.40@2.70; Minnesota bakers' $2@2.25; winter low grades $2.40@2.65. Rye flour quiet; fair to good $3@3.25; choice to fancy $3.25@3.40. Buckwheat flour quiet, $2.15@2.25. Buckwheat quiet, 60@62c f. o. b. Corn-meal quiet; yellow Western 86c; city, kiln-dried, $2.15@2.20. Rye quiet; No. 2 Western 61c c. i. f. afloat; State rye 59@59½c c. i. f. Barley quiet; malting 64@66c c. i. f. Buffalo; feeding 64@65c c. i. f. Buffalo. Barley malt dull; Western 65@75c. Wheat—Receipts 125,225; exports 8,018; spot steady. No. 2 red 72½c f. o. b. afloat. No. 2 red 76c elevator. No. 1 Northern Duluth 78½c f. o. b. afloat. No. 1 hard Duluth 86c f. o. b. afloat. Options opened steady and advanced a little in spite of rather liberal deliveries on December contracts and lower cables, being stimulated by the unfavorable weather in Argentina news and rumors of export business. A final reaction, due to pressure to the late delivery, made the close easy at 1c@¾c net decline. Jan. closed 75½c. March 74¾@75 5-16c, closed 75½c. May 73⅞@73⅞c, closed 73⅞c. Dec. closed 76½c. Corn—Receipts 96,325; exports 68,266; sales 19,000 bu. futures and 32,000 bu. spot. No. 2 elev. and afloat 55½c f. o. b. afloat. Options opened dull and barely steady, influenced by the weather in Argentina, but ruled easy under increased receipts, the better cables and moderate unloading. Later it ruled on sharp covering of Dec., helped by small deliveries, closed firm on revival of a report of export business. May 47 9-16@47 11-16c, closed 47½c. Dec. 47 9-16@47½c, closed 47½c. Oats—Receipts 16,000; exports 12,000; spot steady. No. 2 Dec. 23½c. No. 2 white 25½c. No. 3 white 25½c. No. 2 Chicago 25½c. No. 3 white 25½c. Options quiet and about steady. Rye quiet; shipping 59@60c; good to choice 62@63c. Hops steady. State common to choice 1900 crop, 19@22c; Pacific Coast 1900 crop, 19@22c. Hay firm; good to choice, $16@17. Hides steady; Texas 19@20c. Leather steady. Beef firm; family $16@18; mess $10@12; beef hams $19@20. Pickled pork firm; extra India mess $16@17; family mess $17@18. Tallow steady; prime city, 5c. Cottonseed oil dull; prime crude 26c, do. yellow 29c. Rice firm; domestic fair to extra 5¼@6¾c; Japan 4¾@5c. Molasses steady. New Orleans open kettle good to choice, 32@34c.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 1. Wheat—Dec. 67½c, May 69½c; cash No. 2 hard elev. 67@67½c, track 68@69c; No. 3 hard 65@67c. Corn—No. 2 mixed 55c, Dec. 53½c, May 54½c; cash No. 2 mixed 55c; No. 2 white 56@56½c; track No. 2 white 56c, No. 3 white 55@55½c. Oats—No. 2 mixed 24c, No. 2 white 25½c; choice prairie $8@8.50. Butter—Creamery 18@22c; dairy fancy 17c. Receipts—Wheat 84,000 bu; corn 12,000; oats 1,000. Shipments—Wheat 84,000 bu; corn 12,000; oats 1,000. Eggs firm; fresh Missouri and Kansas stock 30c, cases included, for extra; first, 28c; ordinary firsts 24@26c; prime firsts 32c; dirties 22c; cold storage stock 22@24c.

Liverpool, Dec. 1. Beef—Extra India mess easy at 68s. Pork—Extra prime mess—Western firm at 72s. Bacon—Short cut, 34 to 38 lbs., steady at 46s 6d. Lard—American refined, in pails, steady at 38s; prime Western, in tcs., steady at 38s 3d. Bacon—Long clear middles, heavy, 41 to 45 lbs., firm at 45s 3d; short clear middles, 36 to 38 lbs., firm at 44s; clear bellies, 18 to 18 lbs., steady at 46s. Cumberland cut, 25 to 30 lbs., strong at 47s 6d; short ribs, 18 to 20 lbs., firm at 48s 6d. Shoulders—Square, 11 to 13 lbs., strong at 32s 3d. Refined—Finest United States quiet at 38s; good United States dull at 37s 6d. Cheese easy. American fine white 51s 6d; American finest colored 52s 6d. Tallow firm; prime city 26s 3d. Australian in London 25s 6d. Cottonseed oil—Hull refined quiet; spot quiet at 26s 9d. Turpentine spirits dull at 28s. Rosin—Common steady at 4s. Tea—Lowest oil steady at 22s 6d. Petroleum—Refined quiet at 5½d. Petroleum—Canadian quiet at 5½d. Flour 8s. Leaf lard fancy winter steady at 8s 6d. Hops at London (Pacific coast), 1899, £2 5@£3 5s. Wheat steady; No. 1 California 8s 2½d. No. 2 red Western winter 6s. No. 1 Northern spring 6s 3d. Future quiet; Dec. 5s 10½d; March 6s. Corn—Spot quiet; American mixed, new, 5s. 1. Futures nominal; Dec. 5s 8d; Jan. 5s 9d; March 5s 9d.

Toledo, O., Dec. 1. Wheat—Easy, active, lower; cash and Dec. 74c; Jan. 74c; May 74¾c; Feb. 73¾c; steady; cash 74½c; Dec. 74¼c; May 73¾c; Feb. 73¾c; sales 19 cars. Corn—Dull, lower; cash 55½c; Dec. 55½c; May 56¼c; Feb. 56¼c; sales 10 cars. Oats—Dull, steady; cash 25½c; Dec. 25½c; May 26¼c; sales 5 cars. Rye—Dull, lower; cash 60c; Dec. 60½c; sales 1 car. Clover seed—Dull, steady; cash $1.90; Dec. $1.90; March $1.95; sales 19 bags. Timothy—Dull, steady; cash $3.05; Dec. $3.05; March $3.10; sales 1 car. Barley—Dull, lower; cash 50c; sales 1 car. Flaxseed—Dull, lower; cash $1.36; Dec. $1.36; Jan. $1.36; Feb. $1.36; March $1.36; sales 2 cars.

Chicago, Dec. 1. Cash quotations were as follows: Flour dull, market nominally unchanged. Wheat—No. 3 spring, $1.02@1.06; choice $1.06@1.08; No. 2 red, $1.08@1.09. Corn—No. 2, 57@57½c; No. 3 yellow 57½c. Oats—No. 2 white 27½@28c; No. 3 white 27@27½c; No. 2 mixed 26½@27c. Rye—No. 2, 60c. Barley—No. 2, 55@60c; No. 3, 50@55c; No. 1 flaxseed, $1.36; No. 1 Northwestern $1.44; prime timothy $4.30. Mess pork, per bbl, $13.50@13.62½. Lard, per 100 lbs, $7.97@8. Short ribs and shoulders, $7.50@7.75. Whisky, basis of high wines $1.27. Butter, dull; creamery, 19@22c; dairies, 19@22c. Cheese—Active, steady, 10@11c. Eggs—Firm, quiet, fresh 32c.

LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

Natives Quiet but Firm—Texans Strong—Hogs Lower.

St. Louis, Saturday, Dec. 1, 1900.

CATTLE—Native Cattle Trade—No important transactions occurred in this city in the cattle lands outside of the shipment of a couple of Texas cattle from Kansas to that state which was reported among the stockyards cattle holdings. The few strictly native cattle were neglected of buyers, one selling at $2.25 to $2.50 a steer, dull feeders at $2.70 to $2.75, stock heifers at $2.50 to $2.75, good calves at $4.50 to $5.25, bulls at $2.50 to $2.75 and stockers at $3 per cwt. and off. The best beef steers, with the exception of last week, but medium grades, which represent a large majority of the supplies, are 10c to 15c lower. Well-fed butcher cows and heifers are slow at 5c off. Best stockers and feeders show a slight advance, medium grades are 10c lower. Best calves are strong, while others are no better than steady, in fact, the most desirable stock steers and heifers improved slightly in general tone. While the most desirable cows and dull. Good to choice cows sold at $2.50 to $2.60 per 100 lbs. Bulls remained unchanged and milch cows found an indifferent inquiry.

Southern Cattle Trade—Southern cattle supplies were 29 cars, 11 of which were from Kansas, Tex., 6 from Pearsall, Tex., 2 from Arkansas and 1 from Tennessee. They changed hands at well-sustained prices, and included Mississippi steers at $2 to $2.25, Arkansas and Tennessee bulls and stags at $2.65 to $2.75 and cows and mixed cattle at $2.25 to $2.35, and Texas bulls at $2.50, cows at $2.65, and steers as to size, average at $2.75 to $2.85. Receipts for the week aggregate 23 carloads and values in general close on about a par with a week ago.

Representative sales:

No.	Dess.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Dess.	Av.	Pr.
8	cattlemen	1,000	$3.00	6	heifers	570	$2.50
4	yearlings	522	2.75	2	mixed	850	2.50
1	bull	1,050	2.65	4	bull	1,162	2.50
1	stag	920	2.65	18	cows	775	2.50
2	steers	425	2.50	6	steers	725	2.50
1	mixed	680	2.40	8	steers	862	2.50

HOGS—A good liberal supply of hogs came on sale for Saturday and included a good representation of all grades. The packers were inclined to act as sellers, and the market opened slow and lower. The decline on good to fancy heavies amounted to about 5c, lights and pigs were lower. Packers and speculators bought the hogs, but butchers and a few feeds averaged 10c to 25c lower at $5.90 to $6.05. Packers paid $6.05 to $6.10 for most of the hogs they got, and $6.12½ for an extra good lot.

The Swift & Co. purchases consisted of 832 head, 224 lbs. average, at $6.10; 700 head, 180 lbs. at $6.07 and 232 head, 224 lbs. at $6.12½. The Nelson packing house purchased 1,700 head, 200 lbs. average, at $6.05 and 19 head that averaged 32 lbs. at a cost of $4.25.

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