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BUSINESS IN STOCKS IS LESS THAN RECENT AVERAGE.

MANY STRONG SPOTS, HOWEVER, ARE DEVELOPED.

Some of Most Notable Features of Recent Advance Laggard or Inclined to Sag.

New York, Dec. 1.—Prices moved upward in the opening dealings in stocks today in a fairly uniform manner. But that was the last of uniformity in the day's market. There were many strong spots and they were developed in rotation, spreading the effect of the strength through the session of the Stock Exchange, but the general list did not become animated at any time, and the day's business was considerably contracted from the recent average.

Some of the most notable features of recent advances were laggard or inclined to sag on light offerings. As against the sharp gains in special stocks there were no well-defined weak spots, but only dullness and heaviness.

There is still unabated confidence that the tranquillity of the money market is not to be disturbed by the year-end requirements, although it is commonly expected that rates will work somewhat closer. So long as money rates remain easy, there seems nothing that can disturb speculative confidence in the present market. There was a revival of confidence that the Northern Securities decision was imminent, but some uncertainty was professed as to what its character would be, so that this served to induce some hesitation, rather than to stimulate speculation, as has usually been the case. The strength of St. Paul was generally attributed, however, to hope of an early decision of the securities case. Most notable advances were divided between stocks of extremely high-grade class, and those of little tried and suspected issues.

This apparent anomaly is easier to understand when it is considered that both classes of stocks are likely to be not widely distributed, and in consequence heavy to move.

The junior Vanderbilts were conspicuous examples of the class to-day. A distinctly detected absorption for investment of this group of stocks is of a greater sentimental effect on the market for securities than almost any other act that would be named in the operations of the market. For this reason, the concerted advance in the group is a favorite device of the market leaders to help along the rest of the market by sympathy.

The rapid manner in which these prices were advanced to-day was sufficient to mark them as suspect, the railroad investor, as has been truly observed, not following the manner of a bargain-counter rush to secure his holdings. The active trading at receding prices in cotton helped railroads which have a large traffic in that commodity, and Illinois Central had the additional advantage of a sale of $12,000,000 of its bonds.

The rise in Amalgamated Copper was based on rumors of an intended increase in the dividend on one of its subsidiary companies. Railroad earnings reported were generally favorable. The conclusion of the London settlement occasioned a favorable influence from that source. The December first settlements here, and the payment of a $20,000,000 installment on Southern Pacific preferred stock induced a scramble to both for call and time loans. But this was not an effective influence in the stock market.

The reactionary tendency became fairly general, however, late in the day, and the closing was weak and generally below last night's level of prices.

Bonds were easier. Total sales, par value, $7,805,000. United States new 4s coupon advanced ¼ per cent on call.

Bar Silver.

London, Dec. 1.—Bar silver firm, 27¾d per ounce.

New York, Dec. 1.—Bar silver 59⅝c.

SHAFFER TO ASK PRESIDENT TO HELP SETTLE A STRIKE.

Will Request Roosevelt to Suggest That Steel Workers' Differences Be Arbitrated.

Washington, Dec. 1.—President Shaffer of the Amalgamated Iron and Steel Workers arrived here to-day from Pittsburg. He has an engagement to see the President to-morrow, in company with Representative Thomas of the Nineteenth Ohio District.

Mr. Shaffer's mission is to enlist the influence of the President in the settlement of the iron and steel workers' strike now in progress in Youngstown and Girard, O. He will propose that the President suggest to the United States Steel Company that the differences between the company and the strikers be submitted to arbitration.

No intimation is given as to the answer that the President will make to the proposition.

Kentucky Couple Wed.

Miss Edith Lowe of Fort Scott, Kas., and Philip Rogers, a groceryman of Paducah, Ky., met by appointment in East St. Louis yesterday, secured a marriage license and after being married by Justice of the Peace James M. Beach they crossed the river to spend Francis Day at the Fair. The Lowes had lived in Paducah until several months ago, and unknown to the parents of the young lady, she had become engaged to marry Rogers. Their troth was kept up by correspondence.

Annual Report of Granite City.

City Clerk J. R. Ewing of Granite City yesterday submitted his annual report, in which every transaction during the fiscal year from May 1, 1903, to April 30, 1904, was recorded. The final recapitulation shows an appropriation of $40,000 and an expenditure of $25,526.27.

New York Stock Quotations.

New York, Dec. 1.—Following are the highest, lowest and closing quotations for stocks on the Stock Exchange to-day, with the amount of sales:

	Sales.	High.	Low.	Close.
Atchison	32,500	89¼	88	87⅞
Do. pfd	4,000	103⅞	103¼	103⅝
Baltimore & Ohio	27,900	98⅝	97¼	97½
Do. pfd	900	95⅝	95	95
Canadian Pacific	7,200	134⅛	133⅝	133¼
Central of New Jersey				191
Chesapeake & Ohio	4,800	50⅛	49¼	49¾
Chicago & Alton	200	43	42¾	43
Do. pfd				80
Chicago & Great Western	14,100	25⅝	24¼	24¼
Chicago & Northwestern	6,800	214½	211	211¼
Chi., Mil. & St. Paul	45,200	177⅝	175⅛	175½
Do. pfd	600	185⅛	184	184¼
Chicago Terminal & Trans	200	14⅝	14⅛	14
Do. pfd	2,900	25⅝	25	25⅝
C., C., C. & St. Louis	5,700	93⅝	90⅛	91
Colorado Southern	700	23	22⅝	22½
Do. 1st pfd	200	58⅝	56½	56½
Do. 2d pfd	700	35⅞	35¼	35¼
Delaware & Hudson	2,400	188½	186½	186½
Del., Lack. & West	700	335	326	327½
Denver & Rio Grande	200	33¼	32¼	32¼
Do. pfd	1,100	86⅝	86¼	86
Erie	22,900	40⅝	38⅞	39¼
Do. 1st pfd	1,800	74	73	72¾
Do. 2d pfd	600	67⅝	67	66¾
Hocking Valley	200	87	86	86⅝
Do. pfd	800	90⅝	90⅝	90⅝
Illinois Central	16,300	158¼	156⅝	157
Iowa Central	400	30⅞	30¼	30¼
Do. pfd	600	66⅞	66¼	66½
Kansas City Southern	5,000	31⅛	30⅛	30¼
Do. pfd	2,000	54	53	53¼
Louisville & Nashville	18,400	142	141¼	141⅝
Manhattan L	1,200	168	167½	167½
Metropolitan Securities	13,600	83⅝	81¼	83⅝
Metropolitan St. Ry	8,400	125¼	122¼	124⅝
Minneapolis & St. Louis	100	64	64	63
M., St. P. & Sault Ste. M.				99¼
Do. pfd				165
Missouri Pacific	71,600	111¼	109⅝	110
Missouri, Kansas & Texas	8,400	24⅛	23¼	23⅝
Do. pfd	4,900	64	62⅝	62⅝
National R. R. of Mex. pfd	300	43⅝	43	43⅝
New York Central	7,600	141⅝	139⅝	139⅝
Norfolk & Western	17,000	75¼	73¼	74
Do. pfd				92
Ontario & Western	8,100	43⅝	42¼	42¼
Pennsylvania	12,500	139¼	137⅝	137⅝
P., C., C. & St. Louis	500	76⅝	76	76
Reading	89,500	78⅝	77¼	77⅝
Do. 1st pfd	1,100	88⅝	88⅝	88⅝
Do. 2d pfd				80⅝
Rock Island Co	12,800	36⅞	36	36
Do. pfd	3,900	85	84	84¼
St. L. & S. F. 2d pfd	1,200	68⅞	68¼	68¼
St. Louis Southwestern	2,100	28⅝	25⅝	26
Do. pfd	5,300	55⅝	54	54⅞
Southern Pacific	17,000	67⅞	66⅝	66⅝
Southern Railway	44,300	36⅝	35¼	35⅝
Do. pfd	900	95⅝	95⅝	95⅝
Texas & Pacific	8,500	38	34	34⅝
Toledo, St. Louis & West	2,200	37⅝	37	36⅝
Do. pfd	700	56⅝	55⅝	56⅝
Union Pacific	55,500	116¼	115¼	115¼
Do. pfd	1,200	95¼	95¼	95¼
Wabash	1,500	24	23⅝	23⅝
Do. pfd	8,500	47¼	46¼	46⅝
Wheeling & Lake Erie	600	21	20¼	20¼
Wisconsin Central	500	23⅝	23⅝	23⅝
Do. pfd	400	48	47¼	47¼
Mexican Central	12,200	21¼	21¼	21¼
Southern Pacific pfd	2,000	118¼	117	117
EXPRESS COMPANIES.				
Adams				238
American				215
United States				130
Wells-Fargo				243
MISCELLANEOUS.				
Amalgamated Copper	124,800	83⅝	80⅝	80⅞
American Car & Foundry	1,400	34	33¼	33⅝
Do. pfd	700	93⅝	92¼	93⅝
American Cotton Oil	500	33¼	33¼	33¼
Do. pfd	100	93	93	93¼
American Ice	500	8⅝	8⅝	8⅝
Do. pfd	300	89¼	89	89¼
American Linseed Oil	200	16¼	16¼	16¼
Do. pfd				38
American Locomotive	5,500	35¼	34⅝	34⅝
Do. pfd	300	103⅝	103¼	103
American Smelt. & Ref	12,700	82¼	81¼	81¼
Do. pfd	100	113¼	113¼	113
American Sugar Refining	2,200	151⅝	149⅝	150
Anaconda Mining Co	2,400	116	115	115¼
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	21,200	69	68	68¼
Colorado Fuel & Iron	15,800	57	55¼	55¼
Consolidated Gas	14,400	216⅝	215⅝	215¼
Gen. Electric	3,800	34	33¼	33¼
Do. pfd	1,100	81	81	80¼
Distillers' Securities	9,800	29¼	28	28⅝
General Electric	1,900	192	191	190¼
International Paper	500	20¼	19⅝	20¼
Do. pfd	700	79¼	79	79
International Pump	300	40	40	39¼
Do. pfd				85
National Lead	21,100	24⅝	24	24⅝
North American	600	104⅝	104¼	104
Pacific Mail	900	49	48⅝	48¼
People's Gas	10,600	111⅝	110¼	110¼
Pressed Steel Car	1,200	41¼	40⅝	40¼
Do. pfd	500	90¼	89⅝	90
Pullman Palace Car	300	240	237	238
Republic Steel	1,800	18	17⅝	17⅝
Do. pfd	200	71¼	71¼	71
Rubber Goods	9,500	26⅝	25¼	25⅝
Do. pfd	200	94	94	94
Tennessee Coal & Iron	5,200	76⅝	75	75¼
United States Leather	7,800	14	13⅝	13⅝
Do. pfd	1,300	86¼	86¼	86¼
United States R. & I. Co.	400	32¼	31⅝	31⅝
United States Rubber	400	33½	33	33⅝
Do. pfd	800	92¼	91	90¼
United States S	117,100	32⅝	31¼	31¼
Do. pfd	36,000	94	92	93
Westinghouse Elec	1,500	184¼	184	183
Western Union	600	93	92¼	92¼

Total sales for the day, 1,305,700 shares.

New York Curb Stocks.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

New York, Dec. 1.—Curb stocks were somewhat irregular to-day. Northern Securities moved up in the early trading from 123¾ to 125¼. A few sales thereafter carried it down to 123¼. It was marked up to 124¼ before the close. United States Shipbuilding common, "when issued," was advanced from 22¼ to 25⅝. The preferred, when issued, was marked up 2 points, from 78 to 81. The certificates moved up from 46¾ to 47¾. American Can preferred sold down from 60 to 58⅝. The common, after changing hands at 12, closed unchanged at 11¾. The copper group displayed no feature of novelty. Tennessee was worked up from 40¾ to 43¼, relapsing on a few sales to 41. Interborough Rapid Transit, after a further advance to 169, broke on a few hundred shares to 165½. Jamieson Co. improved on the reported success of the Japanese at Port Arthur, advancing from 87½ to 88¼. Mexican Government 4s were maintained at 93½. Standard Oil improved, $20 to $35.

National Bank Circulation.

Washington, Dec. 1.—The monthly statement of national bank circulation shows that at the close of business November 30, 1904, the local circulation was $460,679,075, an increase for the year of $39,572,006, and for the month of $3,897,575. The circulation, based on United States bonds, was $427,947,505, an increase for the year of $44,929,021, and for the month of $2,416,824. The circulation secured by lawful money amounted to $32,731,570, a decrease for the year of $5,356,925, and for the month of $19,349. The amount of bonds on deposit to secure circulation notes was $431,075,940, and to secure public deposits $114,275,550.

Chicago Stock Market.

Quotations by G. H. Walker & Co., No. 307 North Fourth street:

	Bid.	Asked.
Biscuit com	56	58¼
Do. pfd	115¼	116
Box. com	2	2¼
Do. pfd	11	11¼
Can. com	13¼	13¾
Do. pfd	58	58¼

Treasury Statement.

Washington, Dec. 1.—Available cash balances $143,344,658; gold $83,812,615.

New York Money Market.

New York, Dec. 1.—Money on call firm, 3¼@4 per cent; closing bid 3¼; offered at 3¾; time loans firm; 60 days, 90 days and 6 months 4 per cent; prime mercantile paper 4@4½ per cent. Sterling exchange steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at 4.8555@4.8660 for demand and at 4.8270@4.8275 for 60-day bills; posted rates 4.845 and 4.875; commercial bills 4.8238@4.8255; Mexican dollars 47¼c; Government bonds firm; railroad bonds easier.

Bond Quotations at New York.

New York, Dec. 1.—Bond quotations are as follows:

United States refunding 2s, registered	104
United States refunding 2s, coupon	104½
United States 3s, registered	104½
United States 3s, coupon	104½
United States new 4s, registered	130½
United States new 4s, coupon	131
United States old 4s, registered	105¼
United States old 4s, coupon	106¼
Atchison general 4s	102⅝
Atchison adjustment 4s	94½
Atlantic Coast Line 4s	99⅝
Baltimore and Ohio 4s	103½
Baltimore and Ohio 3½s	94½
Central of Georgia 5s	111
Central of Georgia 1st inc. (offered)	92
Chesapeake and Ohio 4½s	101½
Chicago and Alton 3½s	82¼
Chicago, Burlington and Quincy new 4s	110
C., M. & St. P. general 4s	110½
Chicago and Northwestern consol. 7s	128½
C., R. I. & P. R. R. 4s	81⅝
C., R. I. & P. R. R. col. 5s	94⅝
C., C., C. & St. L. general (ex. int.)	101
Chicago Terminal 4s	84½
Consolidated Tobacco 4s	85
Colorado and Southern 4s	89
Denver and Rio Grande 4s	101½
Erie prior lien 4s	102
Erie general 4s	92
Fort Worth and Denver (ex int.)	108½
Hocking Valley 4½s	111
Louisville and Nashville unified 4s	103½
Manhattan consol. gold 4s	105½
Mexican Central 4s	76½
Mexican Central 1st inc	28½
Minneapolis and St. Louis 4s	93
Missouri, Kansas and Texas 4s (ex. int.)	100⅝
Missouri, Kansas and Texas 2ds	86⅝
National Railroad of Mexico consol. 4s	81½
New York Central general 3½s	101⅝
New Jersey Central general 5s	135½
Northern Pacific 4s	104¼
Northern Pacific 3s	75
Norfolk and Western consol. 4s	103½
Oregon Short Line 4s and partic	100⅝
Pennsylvania convertible 3½s	103⅝
Reading general 4s	102½
St. Louis and Iron Mountain consol. 5s	110⅝
St. Louis and San Francisco funding 4s	89
St. Louis Southwestern 1st 4s	97½
Seaboard Air Line 4s	85
Southern Pacific 4s (ex. int.)	94
Southern Railway 5s	119¼
Texas and Pacific 1sts (ex. int.)	119½
Toledo, St. Louis and Western 4s	83½
Union Pacific 4s	106
Union Pacific conv. 4s	114⅝
United States Steel 2d 5s	104⅝
Wabash 1sts	111⅞
Wabash deb. B	66½
Wheeling and Lake Erie 4s	93⅝
Wisconsin Central 4s	93
Colorado Fuel conv. 5s	87

New York Curb Market.

Quotations by G. H. Walker & Co., No. 307 North Fourth street:

	Bid.	Asked.
American Can com	11⅝	11⅞
Do. pfd	58⅝	59⅝
American Lt. & Traction com	66	74
Do. pfd	98	100
British Columbia Copper	7⅝	7½
Electric Boat com	40	44
Do. pfd	68	74
Electric Vehicle com	16	19
Do. pfd	23	27
Greene Copper	31	31¼
Havana Tobacco com	35	37
Do. pfd	44	46
Interborough Rapid Transit	165½	166
International M. M. com	14	14¼
Do. pfd	38¼	39½
Mackay Company com	39	38½
Do. pfd	74⅝	75
Manhattan Transit	4⅝	4⅞
Mont. Boston	37	37½
New Orleans Railway com	5⅝	6
Do. pfd	20	27
Northern Securities	123⅝	124⅛
New York Transportation	7½	8½
Otis Elevator com	48	49
Do. pfd	99	100
Standard Milling com	8⅛	10
Do. pfd	33	35
Seaboard Air Line com	18½	19
Do. pfd	28⅝	29
Standard Oil	623	630
Tennessee Copper	41⅝	42
Tonopah Mining	9	10
Union Copper	1⅝	2¼
United Copper	10½	12
White Knob Copper	⅞	1
BONDS.		
Brooklyn Union Gas Deb. 6s	190	196
Seaboard Air Line 5s	99	99¼
New Amsterdam 1st 6s	110¼	112
United States of Mexico 5s	102⅝	103
Standard Mill 1st 5s	78	82
Wabash Pittsburg 1sts	91¼	91⅝
Do. 2ds	44⅝	45

STOCKS AND BONDS IN BOSTON.

Boston, Dec. 1.—Following were the quotations on money, bonds and stocks:

MONEY.

Call loans, 2@4; time loans, 4@6.

BONDS.

Atchison adj. 4s... 83⅝ | *Mexican Cent. 4s. 75⅝
Do. 4s... 103

RAILROADS.

Atchison	87½	Fitchburg pfd	139
Do. pfd	103⅝	Mexican Central	21⅛
Boston & Albany	254	N. Y., N. H. & H.	196½
†Boston & Maine	168½	Union Pacific	115⅝
Boston Elevated	153		

MISCELLANEOUS.

Am. Agre. Chem.	20	General Electric	190
Do. pfd	84½	Mass. Electric	14⅝
Am. Pneu. Tube	5½	Do. pfd	62½
American Sugar	150	Massachusetts Gas	40
Do. pfd	135½	United Fruit	107½
Am. Tel. & Tel.	148	United Shoe Mach.	59
American Woolen	23	Do. pfd	31¼
Do. pfd	93	United States Steel	31½
†Dominion I. & S.	18¼	Do. pfd	93
Edison Elec. Ill.	253	Westing. com	91

MINING.

Adventure	6¼	Mohawk	55
Allouez	17	Mont. C. & C.	4⅝
Amalgamated	80	Old Dominion	27½
American Zinc	12⅝	Osceola	98
Atlantic	17½	Parrot	32
Bingham	27⅝	Quincy	115
Cal. & Hecla	675@680	Shannon	9¾
Centennial	19	Tamarack	127
Copper Range	79¾	Trinity	13⅝
Daly West	18	U. S. Mining	28
Dominion Coal	66¼	U. S. Oil	11⅝
Franklin	12½	Utah	46½
Granby	67	Victoria	4⅝
Isle Royale	28	Winona	10¼
Mass. Mining	9⅛	Wolverine	107
Michigan	9		

*Asked. †Bid. ‡Ex.-div.

Mining Stocks in New York.

New York, Dec. 1.—Mining stocks in New York were quoted as follows:

Adams Con	25	Little Chief	5
Alice	60	Ontario	350
Breece	12	Ophir	230
*Brunswick Con	20	Phoenix	18
Comstock Tun	4	Potosi	16
Con. Cal & Va	170	Savage	13
Horn Silver	155	Sierra Nevada	42
Iron Silver	220	Small Hopes	26
Leadville Con	3	Standard	190

*Offered.

Eggs.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

New York, Dec. 1.—Eggs—Receipts, 7,409 cases. The weather was colder, threatening snow, and stimulating. The market, however, was quiet, with no disposition shown to advance asking rates in face of the full listed receipts, which include about 1,000 cases consigned to warehouses direct and a number of cars of late purchases of storage, made in the West at about 1c for approved quality landed here. Refrigerators moved steadily at quotations, which are based upon actual sales. Quotations unchanged.

Philadelphia, Dec. 1.—Eggs firm; good demand; near-by firsts and Western firsts 32c at mark.

Chicago, Dec. 1.—Eggs firm; at mark, cases included, 19½@24c; firsts 24½c; prime firsts 26½c; extras 28½c.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 1.—Eggs steady; fresh Missouri and Kansas stock, new No. 2 white-wood cases included, 25c; case count 23½c; cases returned, ½c less.

Coffee.

New York, Dec. 1.—Coffee—Spot Rio steady; No. 7 invoice 8½c; mild quiet.

The market for coffee futures ruled quiet and irregular. The opening was steady at unchanged prices to an advance of 5 points in sympathy with lower French cables than expected. Brazilian receipts continued relatively full, however, and during the middle session there was enough liquidation to cause a partial decline of 5 points. Later a few buying orders came in and the market was finally higher. Sales were reported of 46,250, including Dec. at 6.95c; Jan. at 7c; March at 7.20@7.25c; May at 7.40c; July at 7.60c; Sept. at 7.75c.

Wool.

London, Dec. 1.—A sale of sheepskin was held in Mincing Lane to-day. The offering amounted to 4,738 bales. The attendance was large and bidding was spirited. Merinos were ¼@½d higher and crossbreds ¼@1d dearer. The advance was largely due to American buying. Following are the sales of clothing and combing: New South Wales, 96 bales at 5⅞@7¼d; Victoria, 917 bales at 6@9d; South Australia, 603 bales at 5½@8½d; West Australia, 645 bales at 5½@9¼d; Tasmania, 945 bales at 5¼@9½d; New Zealand, 1,636 bales at 6½@7¾d; Punta Arenas, 1,248 bales at 5@9¼d; Buenos Ayres, 61 bales at 6@8d.

Butter and Cheese.

New York, Dec. 1.—Butter firm; street price, extra creamery 26@26½c; official price, creamery, common to extra, 16@26c; do. held, common to extra, 19@24c. Cheese unchanged.

Philadelphia, Dec. 1.—Butter firm; good demand; extra Western creamery 26½@27c; extra near-by prints 29c. Cheese unchanged; New York full creams, fancy 11¾c; do. choice 11⅜@11½c; do. fair to good 10¾@11¼c.

Chicago, Dec. 1.—Butter firm; creameries 19@25½c; dairies 15@22c. Cheese steady; 11@11½c.

Kansas City, Dec. 1.—Butter steady; creamery 21@22c; dairy, fancy 17c.

Sugar.

New Orleans, Dec. 1.—Sugar firm; open kettle 3⅝@4¼c; do. centrifugal 4⅛@4⅝c; centrifugal whites 4 13-16@4⅝c; yellows 4⅝@4 13-16c; seconds 3⅝@4 5-16c. Molasses steady; open kettle 18@21c; centrifugal 7@22c. Sirup steady, 25@30c.

New York, Dec. 1.—Sugar—Raw steady; fair refining 4¼c; centrifugal, 96-test 4⅝c; molasses sugar 4c; refined steady.

Dry Goods.

New York, Dec. 1.—A general flat market in dry goods is the result of the continued slump in the raw material. Comparatively little weakness, however, has resulted from this change, and the market remains as depleted of the majority of lines as any time of late. Jobbers are indifferently busy.

Turpentine and Rosin.

Savannah, Dec. 1.—Turpentine firm; 46½c. Rosin firm; A, B, C $2.52½; D $2.55; E $2.57½@2.60; F $2.62½@2.65; G $2.67½@2.70; H $2.80; I $3.35; K $3.90; M $4.30; N $4.50; W. G. $4.75; W. W. $5.10.

New York, Dec. 1.—Rosin quiet. Turpentine steady, 50@50½c.

Petroleum.

Oil City, Dec. 1.—Credit balances $1.60; certificates, no bid. Shipments 65,196, average 74,133; runs, 118,713, average 72,602. Shipments—Lima 76,189, average 66,675; runs—Lima 83,047, average 63,008.

WEATHER REPORTS STRONG FACTORS IN OVERCOMING WHEAT ADVANCE

Oats in Narrow Range Are Dull, and Provisions Make No Headway.

Heavy Primary Receipts and Other Grains' Weakness Affects Corn.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 1.—One of the bull motives which operated to bring about the sharp recovery in wheat yesterday was still in good working order early to-day, that of unsettled weather in Argentina. Various cable messages from that country reported the harvest progressing under unfavorable conditions, and Liverpool was ¾d higher, but late cables said the weather was improving.

The other motive, that of drought, damage to the growing crop in this country, was handicapped by the prediction of snow or rain for Nebraska and Missouri and of snow flurries in Southern Illinois and Indiana, and by a report from Kansas City during the session that some keen observers had detected snow flurries in Kansas.

There was no indication of moisture to any liberal extent, but the possibility of a breaking of the drought had a good deal of weight with speculators. Sentiment was bullish early, there was some open Armour support, offerings were light and there was a further advance of ⅝c in May and July and of 1c in Dec., the fact that there were practically no deliveries of wheat here before the opening bringing in some Dec. demand.

But on this bulge there was an evident decrease on the part of some of the recent buyers to take profits. Between $1.10 and $1.10⅝, the top price for May, offerings increased. There was selling by Cudahy brokers, and other selling through scattered commission houses, which could not be identified, although pit traders were inclined to suspect Armour selling and ran away from it. Under these offerings and pit selling, there was finally a sharp break of 1¼c, under which the May price sank to $1.09⅝. On this break there was open and aggressive Armour support again, buying of possibly 700,000 bu. and a partial rally, but the bulge brought out more selling and the close was 1¼c lower for the day at $1.09½ sellers.

Dec. lost as much, $1.07¾, the July was relatively weak as the natural result of the possibility of snow in the Southwest, losing ⅝c to 98⅝c. The selling, as a rule, was scattered rather than concentrated. Comstock was an early buyer and Pringle a buyer on the dip. There was a disposition to follow the fluctuations in Minneapolis, the May there erratic in its quick changes from strength to weakness, but closing about steady.

The cash market was dull; sales 15,000 bu. Sixteen cars of contract grade were turned out of private houses.

CORN FLUCTUATES.

The threat of unsettled weather in the corn belt, the large cash sales of the day before, and the opening strength in wheat were combined causes for advance of about ¼c in corn early. But there was some Dec. liquidation, some selling of May by cash houses, and some bear pressure which bore prices down, the close ⅛c lower for both Dec.

Receipts overran the estimate at 460 cars, and 402 cars were estimated as tomorrow's arrivals. The quality of the receipts is steadily improving, nearly 60 per cent of the arrivals grading No. 3 or better. Country sales were still liberal, especially from Iowa and Nebraska, but much of this corn is headed for Gulf ports for export, and will not come to this market. Cash prices were steady, the demand smaller; shipping sales 100,000 bu. At 45½c for May a general commission demand developed which was not all filled.

OATS DULL.

Trade in oats continued dull, the outside range bare ⅛@¼c, and the principal business buying of Dec. and selling of May by longs and shippers, against sales of Dec. and purchases of May by elevator interests, which are after the carrying charges. Closing prices were a trifle lower. Cash prices were steady, the shipping demand dull; sales 100,000 bu. There were 103 cars in and 77 estimated.

PROVISIONS DECLINE.

There was heavy liquidation of ribs and lard by the Cudahy Packing Company, and John Cudahy to-day, but local shorts and the smaller packers took the offerings readily, and prices were off only 2½c at the close. Pork declined 10c. The official statement of local stocks this afternoon shows a decrease for the month of 2,100 bbls. pork, 8,900 tcs. lard and 3,410,000 lbs. ribs.

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

New York, Dec. 1.—Flour—Receipts, 21,423; exports, 4,041 bbls.; sales, 4,000 pkgs.; market dull. Rye flour firm. Buckwheat flour quiet. Cornmeal quiet. Rye nominal. Barley quiet. Wheat—Receipts, 15,000 bu.; sales, 2,900,000 bu. futures; spot steady; No. 2 red $1.15¼ f. o. b. afloat; No. 1 Northern Duluth $1.20¼ f. o. b. afloat. At first very firm and nearly a cent higher on further adverse Argentine crop news and light interior receipts, wheat eventually weakened under liquidation, coupled with predictions for rain or snow in the Southwest. The close was partially 1¼c net lower; sales included No. 2 red May $1.11 5-16@1.11 7-16, closed $1.11¼; July $1.03@1.04⅛, closed $1.03¾; Dec. $1.15¼@1.15⅝, closed $1.15¼. Corn—Receipts, 34,725 bu.; sales, 20,000 bu. futures, 24,000 bu. spot; spot steady; No. 2 54c nominal elevator and 54½c afloat; No. 2 yellow 54½c; No. 2 white 55c. Option market was dull and featureless all day, closing ⅛c net lower; May 51⅝@51¾c, closed 51⅝c; Dec. closed 57c. Oats—Receipts, 121,500 bu.; spot dull; mixed oats, 26 to 32 lbs., 34½@35½c; natural White, 30 to 32 lbs., 36@37c; clipped white, 36 to 40 lbs., 37@39½c; options quiet and about steady; Dec. 35⅝@36¼c, closed 35¾c. Feed steady; spring bran $20; middlings $20. Hay irregular. Hops steady. State, common to choice, 1904, 26@33c; 1903 30@35c; olds 14c; Pacific coast, 1904, 30@36c; 1903 28@34c; olds 14@17c. Hides quiet. Leather firm. Wool firm. Beef firm. Cut meats steady; pickled bellies 7¾@8¼c. Lard quiet; Western steam closed $7.30 nominal; refined easy; continent $7.35. Pork steady. Tallow firm. Cottonseed oil easy; prime crude nominal; do. yellow 25¼@25½c. Petroleum steady. Rice quiet. Molasses steady.

Duluth, Minn., Dec. 1.—Wheat, No. 1 Northern to arrive: No. 1 Northern $1.09⅝; No. 2 Northern $1.01⅝; on trk.: No. 1 Northern $1.09⅝; No. 2 Northern $1.09⅝; Dec. $1.09⅝; May $1.11⅛. Oats—To arrive and on trk. 29¼c.

Minneapolis, Dec. 1.—Wheat, irregular; No. 1 Northern $1.11¼@1.12; No. 2 Northern $1.06@1.09; May $1.05⅛. Rye easy; No. 1 80@80½c. Barley dull; No. 2 55c; sample 30@50½c. Corn steady; No. 3 new 48@50c; May 46⅝c bid.

Cincinnati, Dec. 1.—Whisky—Distillers' finished goods steady on basis of $1.24.

Chicago, Dec. 1.—Cash quotations were as follows: Flour easy. Wheat—No. 2 spring $1.08@1.08¼; No. 3 $1.02@1.02¼; No. 2 red $1.11¼@1.12¼. Corn—No. 2 49c; No. 2 yellow 52c. Oats—No. 2 31½c; No. 3 white 31@32c; No. 3 white 29¼@31¼c. Rye—No. 2 73@75c. Barley—Good feeding 38c; fair to choice malting 42@50c. Seeds—Prime timothy, $2.70. Clover—Contract grade $12.25. Provisions—Mess pork, per bbl. $11.40@11.45; lard, per 100 lbs. $6.95; short ribs sides (loose) $6.62½@6.75; short clear sides (boxed) $6.75@6.87½. Whisky, basis of high wines $1.24.

Kansas City, Dec. 1.—Wheat—Dec. $1.01¾; May $1.01⅛; July 90¼c. Cash: No. 2 hard $1.03@1.04; No. 3 $1.02@1.03; No. 4 93c@$1.01; No. 2 red $1.05@1.06; No. 3 $1.01@1.03;