The Intelligencer.

THREE KINGS.

H. W. LONGFELLOW in St. Nicholas for December.

Three Kings came riding from far away,
Melchoir and Gasper and Baltasar;
Three Wise Men out of the East were they,
And they traveled by night and they slept by day
For their guide was a beautiful, wonderful star.

The star was so beautiful, large, and clear,
That all the other stars of the sky
Became a white mist in the atmosphere,
And the Wise Men knew that the coming was near
Of the Prince foretold in the prophecy.

Three caskets they bore on their saddlebows,
Three caskets of gold with golden keys;
Their robes were of crimson silk, with rows
Of bells and pomegranates and furbelows,
Their turbans like blossoming almond trees.

And so the Three Kings rode into the West,
Through the dusk of night over hills and dales.
And sometimes they nodded with beard on breast,
And sometimes talked as they paused to rest,
With the people they met at the wayside wells.

"Of the child that is born" said Baltazar,
"Good people, I pray you, tell us the news,
For we in the East have seen his star,
And have ridden far, and have ridden far,
To find and worship the King of the Jews."

And the people answered: "You ask in vain;
We know of no king but Herod the Great!"
They thought the Wise Men were men insane,
As they spurred their horses across the plain
Like riders in haste who can not wait.

And when they came to Jerusalem,
Herod the Great, who had heard this thing,
Sent for the Wise Men and questioned them;
And said: "Go down into Bethlehem,
And bring me tidings of this new king."

So they rode away; and the star stood still,
The only one in the gray of morn;
Yes, it stopped, it stood still of its own free will,
Right over Bethlehem on the hill,
The city of David where Christ was born.

And the Three Kings rode through the gate and the guard,
Through the silent street, till their horses turned
And neighed as they entered the great inn yard;
But the windows were closed and the doors were barred,
And only a light in the stable burned.

And cradled there in the scented hay,
In the air made sweet by the breath of kine,
The little child in the manger lay—
The child that would be king one day
Of a kingdom not human but divine.

His mother, Mary of Nazareth,
Sat watching beside his place of rest,
Watching the even flow of his breath,
For the joy of life and the terror of death
Were mingled together in her breast.

They laid their offerings at his feet,
The gold was their tribute to a king;
The frankincense, with its odor sweet,
Was for the priest, the Paraclete,
The myrrh for the body's burying.

And the mother wondered and bowed her head,
And sat as a statue of stone;
Her heart was troubled, yet comforted,
Remembering what the angel had said
Of an endless reign and of David's throne.

Then the Kings rode out of the city gate,
With the clatter of hoofs in proud array;
But they went not back to Herod the Great,
For they knew his malice and feared his hate,
And returned to their homes by another way.

Marshall County Teachers' Institute.

Editors Intelligencer.

MONDAY EVENING.

The exercises were opened with singing by the members of the Institute, Miss Ella Bell at the organ. F. H. Crago delivered a lecture on the subject of "Reading and Oratory," after which the subject was further discussed by B. F. Meighen, Esq., Rev. Pomeroy and Superintendent Wirt.

Adjourned at 8½ o'clock.

FRIDAY MORNING.

Institute was called to order by First Vice President, Ezekiel Bonar. Singing with Miss Maggie McGaw at the organ. The devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. George Rine, jr. After the singing of another selection the minutes of yesterday's sessions were read and the roll was called.

It was moved that the first exercise, primary reading, be dispensed with, and that the discussion of queries take its place. After the discussion was continued for a short time, T. J. Parsons gave a short but very interesting talk on the subject of Compound Numbers. A class was called to the board and a recitation conducted for a short time. A number of good queries were presented and quite an animated discussion was indulged in, a goodly number of the teachers taking part.

On motion, adjourned until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

The afternoon and evening were spent by the teachers enjoying themselves, each to his or her own pleasure.

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

The Institute was called to order at 9 o'clock by Superintendent Wirt. After singing the devotional exercises were conducted by Prof. J. M. McCombs. The minutes of the last meeting were read and the roll was called. The subject of mathematical geography was next discussed by B. F. Meighen, Esq., a former teacher of the county, and now a member of the County Board of Examiners. The address was plain and pointed, and was listened to with a great deal of interest. After a short recess the subject of mathematical Geography was further discussed by Rev. Aughey, of Dallas, W. Va., whose talk was very interesting and instructive. The talk included not only mathematical geography, but many other things were included — especially the meaning of words. Many amusing incidents were introduced into the talk.

AFTERNOON.

Song by Miss Cora Myers.

The subect of mathematical geography was discussed a short time by L. G. Brock, E. Bonar, Rev. Aughey, F. H. Williams and others.

The subject of *parsing* being next in order, and the Instructor being absent, Rev. J. H. Aughey called out a class from among the teachers and conducted a recitation on the subject. A number of sentences were given and words parsed.

After the recess the subject of political geography was opened in a few minutes talk by Prof. F. H. Crago, and it was continued by A. B. Barnett, L. G. Brock, E. Bonar and T. J. Riley.

Mr. Douglass, agent for White's Map of West Virginia, was introduced to the institute and spent a short time in presenting the claims of the map to a place in our schools.

The time from this to adjournment was consumed in the discussion of queries, some of which elicited quite an animated discussion.

There are now seventy-nine teachers enrolled, and the interest is on the increase.

An Institute will be held at Cameron on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of next week. This Institute is for the special benefit of the adjacent districts, but any teacher of the county can attend and receive a certificate of attendance.

REPORTER.

A Word About Cemeteries.

Editors Intelligencer:

I may be wasting my time and your space in defiance of Mrs. Grundy, but I must be a protestant against one of that lady's pranks.

If there is any point in King David's character surpassing excellence, I think it is his patriotism and more especially his love for Jerusalem. "Beautiful for situation" and "the joy of the whole earth," he says of it. Of course this cannot truthfully be said by the citizens of many places, but such a place as suburban New York I shall never forget, sailing from Sandy Hook to the North River one August, when the hills, residences, flowers and water combined together in such a picture as can only be limned on the heart. Again, in West Laurel Hill Cemetery, Philadelphia, standing on the heights where the eye can trace the Schulykill for forty miles sinuous and restful with, on the other side, the distant city sending out cars and steamboats to give motion to the landscape, one involuntarily wishes to be buried in just such a place. Indeed the attractions of the location have induced the stock and lot holders to spend over three millions on it. So true is it to-day that no European can accuse the American nation of lacking esthetic creations that rival, and in one instance (Central Park) surpass their own productions. Yet here has Mrs. Grundy set up her throne and commanded that the people give up a Cemetery like Mount Wood and go out to Greenwood despite the raptures of Fenimore Cooper over the Ohio river, and the beautiful situation rivalling any location in the world.

How would the Parisians rejoice over such a Pere la Chaise, or any city which has it not, be ready to build it up a grand old resting place for the dead instead of Mrs. Grundy's resort, which, looked at from the Hempfield Railroad, appears cut out for cabbage lots and allowed to go to grass.

The days of rectangles in cemeteries are gone. The roads and walks need to be serpentine to increase the perspective and show fully the individualities of the lots. Trees, Shrubs, Monuments, etc., which when squared off into 16x16 or 20x40 are after all planted in rows with straight walks just as a market grandener would use to get his crops in sections. There are rich and refined people in this city who would be liberal in their aid towards a cemetery that should be constructed on true principles. Witness the fact of the desertion from Mt. Wood to Greenwood by the lot holders in the hope of finding a place for their dead that would be in accordance with those of other cities.

The only objection I can find to Mt. Wood is the Sulphur but how easy this could be obviated by smoke consumers

Hostetter's Almanac.

The edition for 1878 of the sterling Medical Annual, known as Hostetter's Almanac, is now ready, and may be obtained, *free of cost*, of druggists and general country dealers in all parts of the United States and British America, and indeed in every civilized portion of the Western Hemisphere. It combines, with the soundest practical advice for the preservation and restoration of health, a large amount of interesting and amusing light reading, and the calendar, astronomical calculations, chronological items, etc., are prepared with great care, and will be found entirely accurate. The issue of Hostetter's Almanac for 1878, in the English, German, French, Welsh, Norwegian, Swedish, Holland, Bohemian and Spanish languages, will in all probability be the largest edition of a medical work ever published in any country. The proprietors, Messrs Hostter & Smith, Pittsburgh, Pa., on receipt of a two cent stamp will forward a copy by mail to any person who cannot procure one in his neighborhood. eod4w

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

Wheeling Wholesale Market.

OFFICE DAILY INTELLIGENCER, Wednesday, Dec. 26.

Business was dull in most departments to-day, there being very little demand for any of the leading staples in the wholesale trade. There was on Monday some activity in produce lines caused by the holiday demand for game, poultry, &c., but this was not important enough to affect the aggregate, which was light. This state of affairs is expected to continue until the opening of the new year, when business men will prepare for a new campaign, and it is hoped develop an active and prosperous business in nearly all departments of trade.

APPLES—Remain in good demand with a firm market and rather light supplies of prime to choice stock. We quote at $2 75a3 00 for prime to choice.

BEANS—The demand is moderate, and trade is quiet at unchanged prices. We quote at $2 00a2 25 for prime white navy; other grades as to quality.

BUTTER—No alteration in the sluggish character of the market for common and low grade butter can be reported. Choice table qualities meet with the usual steady demand, but on any qualities below prime, the trade is thoroughly demoralized. We quote prime rolls at 15a18c.

BAKING POWDER—25a3dc per lb.

BROOMS—Fancy, $2 00a2 25a3 00; plain $1 50a2 00.

BEESWAX—25c.

CANNED GOODS—Quotations: Peaches, 3 lb cans per doz. $2 00; 2 lb cans, $1 50; 3 lb cans tomatoes, $1 35; 2 lb cans tomatoes $1 15; Winslow corn, 2 lb cans, $1 90; sweet corn, $1 80; common corn, $1 50; strawberries, 2 lb cans, $1 75; blackberries, 2 lb cans, $1 25; raspberries, 2 lb cans, $1 75, plums, 2 lb cans, $1 75; lima beans, 2 lb cans, $1 75; cove oysters, 1 lb cans, 75; 2 lb cans $1 50.

COAL—Per 100 bushels, $6 00a7 00.

CHEESE—Is still quiet and steady, with liberal stocks in first hands and a rather sluggish demand. We quote prime Ohio factory, September make, at 13½a14c.

CHICKENS—Young $1 25a1 75 per dozen; old $2 50; Dressed, per lb, 6a7c.

CRANBERRIES—There is a fair supply, with prices steady, at $7 50a8 00 per barrel.

DRIED FRUIT—Trade continues nominal. Apples quoted at 3½a4c; Peaches, 8c for prime halves. Other quotations: Prunes, new 9c; Currants at 8c; Raisins—new $2 10, old 1 75, Valencia, new 8c.

EGGS—The supply was liberal and the market remained easy at last week's quotations. We quote strictly fresh at 20c.

FISH—Quotations: For packages containing 100 pounds of sound fish, light weight and inferior quality at prices to correspond: Codfish—boneless $5 00; Lake herring, none; pickerel, none. White Fish, $4 00. Half bbls. No. 3 mackerel $550; No. 2, $5 75.

FEATHERS—In good demand; live geese, 40a50c.

FRUIT—Oranges quoted at $7 00 per box. Lemons at $7 50 per box.

FLOUR—The trade continues quiet and steady, with light receipts and a moderate demand. We quote:

Patent Fancy brands	$9 50
Red Wheat Family	6 25
White Wheat Family	6 75
Super	5 00
Spring	6 00a6 25
Rye	3 75a4 00

FURS—We take the following quotations from a circular issued by S. Horkheimer & Co.: Mink, 10ca$1 00; muskrat, 3a10c; raccoon, 5a50c; skunk, 5a80c; grey fox, 50ca$1 00; red fox, 50ca$1 00; otter, $3 00a4 00; opossum, 5a15c; wild cat, 40a50c; house cat, 5a15c; sheep pelts, 25ca$1 00.

GROCERIES—There is a continued fair degree of activity in grocery circles, but the leading staples present no new or important features. Sugars active and firm. Syrup steady. New Orleans Molasses in good demand at our quotations. Rice stronger. Teas and spices unchanged. We quote: *Coffees*—Fair to good Rio at 18½a19½, prime at 20½a21½c, choice at 22a23c, best roasted 23c, yellow Rio 24c. *Syrups*—Common 40a45c, prime 50a55c, New Orleans Molasses, new 45a50c, old 40c. *Sugars*—Refined hard crushed and granulated 10½c, A Coffee 9½c, extra C 9½c, off C 9a9½c Commercial A Sugar 9½c, commercial C 9c, yellow C 8½c, Golden C 8c, common yellow 7½a8c; no stock of N. O. Sugar now arriving 7½a8c. *Rice*—Carolina choice 7c, New Orleans, prime 6½c.

GRAIN—Business was light in grain circles to-day, as is usually the case during the holidays. No alteration in prices was observed, and we retain previous quotations. Wheat remains quiet and steady with light business. We quote prime Pennsylvania and Ohio red at $1 20a1 25. Corn is rather easy, but quotably unaltered We quote old at 55a56c, new at 40a45c. Oats are rather firm at 25a27c. Rye is steady, with moderate supplies at 50c per bushel.

GINSENG—No. 1, dry, $1 00a1 10 per lb.

HAY—Baled remains very quiet and rather nominal, $9 00a10 00. Loose is in liberal supply at $7 00a8 00 per ton.

NAILS—The following are the card rates: Nails, Brads and Fencing—10 to 60d $2 35, 8d and 9d $2 60, 6d and 7d $2 85, 4d and 5d $3 10, 3d $3 85, 2d $5 10; Barrel—¾ inch $6 35, ⅞ in. $5 35, 1 in. $4 85, 1⅛ in. $4 10, 1¼ in. $3 85, 1⅜ in. $3 35, 1½ in. $3 10; Finishing—1 in. $7 35, 1¼ in. $6 35, 1⅜ in. $4 60, 1½ to 1¾ in. $4 35, 2 in. $4 10, 2½ in. $3 85, 3 in. and over $3 60. Casing and box—10d to 30d $3 10, 8d $3 35, 6d $3 60, 4d $3 85, 3d $4 85. Fine Blued 4d $4 10, 3d $5 35, 2d $6 10. Lining—⅞ in. $6 85, ¾ in. $8 35. Tobacco Hlid—10d $2 85, 8d $3 10, 6d and 7d $3 35. Clinch—all sizes $4 10. Cut Spikes—all sizes $2 60. Boat Spikes—all sizes $3 10. Slating—5d $3 35, 4d $3 35, 3d $4 10, 2d $5 35.

OILS—Carbon 12½c per gallon, miners, 65c.

ONIONS—Home raised, 75a80c per bushel.

POTATOES—Continue dull and lifeless, with only a light jobbing demand from store. Prices are easy but not quotably lower. We quote prime peach blows at 40a50c per bushel.

PROVISIONS—The general position of the market has undergone but little change for some days; as stated in our last, the stock of cured meats is light as yet, and prices are higher relatively than for green meats. The weather has been unfavorable for packers during the greater part of the month. We quote jobbing prices as follows: Quotations: Mess Pork—Clear at $15 50; family $15 00. Bacon—New hams 12c, new shoulders 8c, new sides 9c. New Lard—Butchers' 8½c; fancy city 8¾c Tierces, and 9c Barrels.

BAGS—2a2¼c per pound.

SEEDS—Timothy seed, $1 50 per bush.; clover nominal.

SALT—Per barrel, $1 10.

TALLOW—7½c for country.

TOBACCO—Navies, 55a60c; twists, 65a70c.

WHEELING STOGIES—Per 1,000, $10 50a11 50.

WOOL—Quoted at 40a45c for choice washed, and one-third off for unwashed; medium, 35a40c; coarse, 30a35c.

Wheeling Family Market.

MEAT AND POULTRY.			
BEEF.		VEAL.	
Round, lb	12½a15	Cutlets	15
Rump	10a12½	Roast	12½
Loin	15	Stew	10
Porter-house	15	POULTRY.	
Roast	12½	Chickens	20a25
Stew	8	Dre'd Chick'ns, prlb	10a11
Corned	10	" Turkeys	12½
Dried	20	" Ducks	12½
Tongue	50a60	FISH.	
Tripe	75	Mackerel, each	5a15
Liver	5	Herrings, doz	25
Tallow	6	Perch, string	25
MUTTON.		Cod	10
Chops	20	Fresh Salmon, lb	10a12½
Hind quarter	12½	Lobsters	25
Fore quarter	10	Clams	50
Lamb, hind quar.	12½	GAME.	
Lamb, fore quar.	15	Rabbits, each	12½
PORK.		Squirrels, "	17½
Salt	12½	Pheasants, "	25
Fresh steak	12½	Partridges, "	12½
Roast	12½	OYSTERS.	
Ham	15	Bulk, per qt	25
Ham, sliced	20	Half Can	30a40
Sausages	15		
Lard	15		
GROCERIES.			
Butter, lb	25	Citron	40
Cheese, lb	12½a15	Raisins	12½a15
Eggs, doz	25	Eng. Currants	8a10
Milk, qt	8a10	Prunes	10
TEA.		Vinegar, gal	35a40
Green, lb	85ca$1 00	Pickles	10
Eng. breakfast	40a80	Crackers, lb	10a12
Oolong	30a90	Laundry starch	8a10
Japan	30a50	Navy Beans	10
COFFEE.		CANDLES—	
Java	30a35	Sperm	25a30
Rio	22a35	Common mold	15
SUGAR.		Sal-soda	5
—(lbs for $1 00.		SOAP—	
Block, lb	7	Hard	5
Crushed, lb	7	Hominy, qt	5
Pulverized, lb	7	Beans, per qt	8a10
Granulated, lb	7	Dried apples, per lb	5
Brown, lb	10a12	Dried Peaches	12½
Molasses, gal	75	Flour, sack	00a$1 10
Syrup	60a1 00	Corn meal, peck	15a20
Honey	25	Cranberries, qt	10a12½
Buckwheat, per lb	5		
VEGETABLES AND GARDEN SAUCE.			
Onions, per peck	30	Beets, per peck	25
Potatoes, pk	15	Sweet Potatoes, per peck	40
Beans, new, per pk.	60	Pumpkins each	8a15
Carrots, per bunch	2a3	Dried Lima Beans, per peck	$1 25
Cabbage, per head	2a5		
Celery, per bunch,	5		
Apples, per peck	25a35		
FRUITS, NUTS, ETC.			
Oranges, each	3a5	Walnuts, Naples	35
Oranges, doz	40a50	Almonds, soft shell, lb	30
Lemons, each	5a10	Almonds, paper shell	40
Lemons, doz	30a40	Peanuts, quart	10
Dates, lb	15a25	Candies, assorted, lb	20
Figs	10a20		
Brazil Nuts, lb	20		
Pecan Nuts	20		
Walnuts, Eng'h	25		
SEEDS.			
Timothy, bush	$2 75a3 00	Clover, white	50a60
Red-top	1 00	Canary seed, lb	15
Clover, red, lb	18	Rape seed	15
OILS, ETC.			
Sperm, gal	$4 00	Linseed	80
Whale	1 40	Burning fluid	25
Paraffine	$2 00a2 50	Benzine	25
Kerosene	24	Alcohol	3 00
Turpentine	75	Carbon	30a40
Lard	75ca$1 00		

Baltimore Live Stock Market.

BALTIMORE, Monday, December 24, 1877.

RECEIPTS FOR THE WEEK.

Beeves	1,318
Sheep and Lambs	892
Swine	3 310
Total	5,460

PRICES OF BEEF CATTLE AT THE MARKET THIS WEEK.

Very best on sale this week	4¾a5¼ cts.
That generally rated first quality	4 a4½ "
Medium or good fair quality	3½a3¾ "
Ordinary thin Steers, oxen and Cows	2½a3 "
General average of the market this week	— "
Extreme range of prices	2½a5¼ "
Most of the sales were from	3½a4½ "

WHERE THE CATTLE ARE FROM.

Virginia	276
Ohio	817
West Virginia	107
Kentucky	64
Tennessee	24
Total	1,348

REMARKS ON BEEF CATTLE.

The arrivals of Cattle during the week amounted to 1 348 head, against 2,272 head last week, and 924 head the corresponding week of last year, and the sales during the week amounted to 865 head, against 1,757 last week, and 811 head the corresponding week of last year, and were as follows:

To Baltimore butchers	432
To York county, Pa., dealers	91
To Eastern speculators	292
To Washington City dealers	40
Total sales	865

The market has been very slow as usual at this season of the year. Sales were recorded at very long intervals, and the market held on accordingly till rather a late hour. The offerings were hardly as good as they were last week, there being very few Christmas beeves among them. Quotations 2¾a5¾ cents.

Milch Cows—The trade is very dull, quotations are low, and the supply is fully equal to the demand. Prices $20a45 per head at retail.

THE SWINE MARKET.

Arrivals this week	3,310
Arrivals last week	9 805
Arrivals one year ago	3,962

REMARKS.

The receipts are quite light in point of numbers this week, but they are adequate for all demands, which are only made by our home butchers. Prices have been well maintained, on account of the light supply, for any serious increase in the receipts would have caused a corresponding decline in quotations. Light receipts as well as trade are anticipated till after the holidays, and activity in sales can scarcely be anticipated even then unless the weather becomes more propitious for killing than it is just know. Prices were 5¾a6 cents.

THE SHEEP MARKET.

Arrivals this week	892
Arrivals last week	1,869
Arrivals one year ago	845

REMARKS.

Trade is so exceedingly dull and without any promise either of any immediate improvement, whether of activity or number of receipts, that it is scarcely necessary to give any quotations. The number, though footing up only a few hundred, are more than sufficient for the limited demand that exists. The butchers complain that they are selling nothing in market on account of the large quantities of poultry offered there and at such low figures. We may quote Sheep almost nominally at 4a5¼ cents, and a few choice held at 5½ cents.

BY TELEGRAPH.

New York Money and Stocks.

NEW YORK, December 26.—MONEY—6a7 per cent. 1-32 and interest, closing at 7. Prime mercantile paper 5a7 per cent. Custom receipts $294,000. The Assistant Treasurer disbursed $781,000. Clearings $13,000,000. Sterling dull; actual business, long 4.82½, short 4.86.

GOLD—Opened at 102¾ and closed at 102⅝. Carrying rates 4a7 per cent.

SILVER—At London no quotation. Here, silver bars are $1 20¼, greenbacks; $1 17 gold. Silver coin is ½ per cent discount.

GOVERNMENTS—Feverish.

United States 6s of 1881, coupons	109¾
Five-Twenties (1865) new	105¾
Five-Twenties (1867)	108¾
Five-Twenties (1868)	110
New Fives	105¾
New Four and a halfs	102¾
New Fours	103
Ten-forties	107½
Ten-forties (coupons)	107¾
Currency Sixes	120

RAILROAD BONDS—Steady.

STATE BONDS—Quiet.

STOCKS—Were generally strong and higher in the early dealings. On the announcement of the failure of Netter & Co. prices fell ¼ to ¾ per cent, closing at a fractional recovery.

Transactions aggregated 69,000 shares, of which 2,500 were New York Central, 32,000 Lake Shore, 3,000 Northwestern common, 4,000 preferred, 1,500 Rock Island, 6,000 St. Paul common, 4,000 preferred, 5,000 Lackawanna, and 6,500 Western Union.

Western Union	76⅝	Northwestern com	84⅛
Quicksilver	16¼	Northwestern pfd	63⅛
Quicksilver pfd	28	New Jersey Central	19⅝
Pacific Mail	22	Rock Island	100⅛
Mariposa	2⅛	St. Paul	85⅛
Mariposa preferred	2⅝	St. Paul preferred	72⅛
Adams Express	97½	Wabash	15⅝
Wells, Fargo & Co.	87½	Fort Wayne	91
American	49½	Terre Haute	3
United States	48½	Terre Haute pfd	15⅝
New York Central	106⅝	Chicago & Alton	78
Erie	8⅝	Chicago & Alton pfd	101
Erie preferred	24	Ohio & Mississippi	8
Harlem	142	Delaware & Lacka	50⅝
Harlem preferred	—	A. & P. Telegraph	22
Michigan Central	57⅝	Missouri Pacific	11½
Panama	134	Burlington & Quin	111⅛
Union Pacific	64⅛	Hannibal & St. Joe	11⅛
Lake Shore	60⅝	Central Pac. bonds	107⅝
Illinois Central	73	Union Pacific bonds	107⅝
Pittsburgh	77	Land Grants	103⅛
C. C. C. & I.	34⅛	Sinking Fund	94

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Chicago.

CHICAGO, December 26.—Flour—Quiet and unchanged. Wheat—Moderately active and higher; extra white Michigan $1 10¾, No. 2 Chicago spring $1 10½ cash and December, $1 10¼a1 10⅜ January, $1 11¼a1 11¼ February, No. 3 Chicago spring $1 03, rejected 84¼a89c, No. 1 Minnesota spring $1 13⅛. Corn—Active and a shade higher; No. 2 high mixed at 45c cash, 44⅝c bid December, 43c bid January, 42¼c bid February, 44c May, rejected 34½c. Oats—Quiet but steady; No. 2, 25½c bid last of December, 25½c January, 25⅛a25¼c February. Rye—In fair demand; No. 2 at 56c. Barley—Quiet but steady at 57a57½c January, 58½c February. Dressed Hogs—Nominal. Pork—Demand fair and market firm at $11 70a11 75 cash, $11 75a11 80 December, $11 75 January, $11 90a11 92½ February. Lard—Fair demand at $7 72½ cash, December and January, $7 80a7 82½ February. Bulk Meats—Shoulders 4¼c, short rib 6⅝c, short clear 6c. Whisky—Steady at $1 06.

At the close Wheat was unsettled and lower at $1 10½ January, $1 11a1 11⅛ February. Corn firm at 43a43½c January, 42¼c February, 43⅝a44c May. Oats dull; 25c January, 25½c February. Pork quiet and easier at $11 70a11 72½ January, $11 87½a11 90 February. Lard quiet at $7 72½a7 75 January and cash, $7 80 February.

New York.

NEW YORK, December 26.—Cotton—Quiet at 11¼a11⅜c. Flour—Dull; No. 2, $3 00a4 25, superfine western and State $4 85a5 15, common to good $5 45a5 65; good to choice $5 70a8 00, white wheat extra $6 05a8 75, fancy $6 80a8 25, extra Ohio $5 50a7 50, St. Louis $5 50a8 25, Minnesota patent process $7 40a9 00. Wheat—Quiet; No. 3 Chicago spring afloat $1 30, No. 2 Chicago nominally $1 34a1 35, rejected spring $1 25, No. 2 Milwaukee nominally $1 36a1 37, No. 1 spring nominally $1 39a1 40. Rye—Quiet; western 73a74c. Barley—Dull and nominally unchanged. Malt—Firm. Corn—Quiet but firm for old; ungraded new western mixed 50a58c, round yellow 58c, steam mixed 60c. Oats—A shade stronger; western mixed and State 35a40c, white western 36a42½c. Hay—Shipping at 60c. Hops—Unchanged. Coffee—Quiet but steady; Rio cargoes 15¾a19¼c, jobbing at 15¾a21c. Sugar—Firm; fair to good refining 7¼a7½c, prime 9⅜c, refined 9¼a9⅝c. Molasses—Quiet and unchanged. Rice—Quiet. Whisky—Steady at $1 00½a1 10.

Toledo.

TOLEDO, December 26.—Wheat—Firm; No. 1 white Michigan $1 31½, extra white Michigan $1 36, amber Michigan spot $1 31, seller December $1 30¾, seller January $1 31¾, seller February $1 34, No. 1 red winter $1 32, No. 2 spot $1 28¼, seller December $1 28½, No. 3 red $1 14, No. 2 spring $1 12½. Corn—Steady; No. 2 spot 50½c, new spot and seller December 48½c, seller January 45c, rejected 49c, new 42¾c, new damaged 37½c. Oats—Dull; No. 2, 28½c. Clover Seed—Prime $4 70.

At the close Wheat was easier; No. 1 white Michigan $1 31½, amber Michigan spot $1 31, seller January $1 31½, No. 2 red winter seller January $1 28¾. Corn steady; high mixed 51c, No. 2 new seller January 45c. Clover Seed—$4 40a4 50 for No. 2.

Cincinnati.

CINCINNATI, December 26.—Cotton—Dull at 10⅝c. Flour—Steady; family $5 50a5 75. Wheat—Steady; red $1 15a1 25. Corn—Good demand at 39a40c. Oats—Firmer at 29a31c. Rye—Unsettled and lower at 60a62c. Barley—Dull and nominal. Pork—In fair demand at $11 75, held $11 90. Lard—Dull and nominal; steam held at $7 90, kettle 8¼a8½c. Bulk Meats—Dull at 4½a5¾a6½c. Bacon—Quiet at 6¼a7¼a7¾c. Green Meats—Dull and nominal. Butter—Dull and unchanged. Linseed Oil—Quiet at 56a58c. Whisky—Steady at $1 05.

HOGS—Quiet; common $3 50a3 75, light $3 80a3 95, packing $4 00a4 10, choice held higher.

Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA, December 26.—Flour—Dull; superfine $4 00, extra $5 00, Minnesto family $5 35a6 25, high grades and patent $6 50a7 00. Wheat—Quiet and firm; amber $1 43a1 46, red $1 40a1 42, white $1 45a1 50. Corn—Firmer but not quotably higher. Oats—Quiet and firm; western 36a38c, western mixed and State 35½a37c. Rye—Unchanged. Provisions—Quiet and unchanged. Butter—Quiet and unchanged. Cheese—Quiet; western 24cc. Petroleum—Nominal; refined 13a13½c, crude 10½c. Whisky—$1 11.

Chicago Cattle Market.

CHICAGO, December 26.—The *Drovers' Journal* reports:

CATTLE—Receipts 2,300; shipments 660. Choice strong and 10a15c higher; sales at $3 00a5 25; feeders and stockers easy at $3 10a3 70.

HOGS—Receipts 13,000; shipments 4,400. Higher and irregular; mixed packing $4 00a4 15, light $4 10a4 25, shipping $4 30a4 35.

SHEEP—Receipts 175; firm and a shade higher.

New Orleans.

NEW ORLEANS, December 26.—Coffee—Demand fair and market firm; Rio cargoes ordinary to prime 17a19¾c. Sugar—Steady and in good demand; inferior to good common 4¾a5⅝c, common to good common 5¾a6¾c, prime 7c, yellow clarified 7¾a8¼c. Molasses—Dull and lower; common 20a22c, fair 26a27c. Rice—Quiet and firm; Louisiana ordinary to choice 4¾a6½c.

Dry Goods.

NEW YORK, December 26.—Business very light with package houses and the jobbing trade quiet. Cottons quiet. Brown and colored cottons steadily and held by agents. Fancy prints dull. Shirtings are in fair demand. Men's woolens less active. Foreign goods dull.

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