New York Stock Market

NEW YORK, December 21.—People dealing in stocks kept an eye on the money market to-day, and seemed to be suspicious of developments in that field in spite of supernatural tranquility there. There heavy calling of loans by some of the banks yesterday was followed by a rise above 5 per cent. in the call loan rate late to-day. The body of the security list was inert to-day, and the only perceptible play of prices was in specialties which are not usually traders in comprehensive stock market movements.

Even in these the movements were not sustained. Consolidated Gas had another advance on repetition of rumors of a melon cutting, but lost all of its advance later. The disproof of the rumors which carried up the Atlantic Coast Line group has proved discouraging to followers of this condition of vague reports. The Atlantic Coast Line collateral bonds to-day fell back to about the level they started from on the sensational upward movement of last week. The Copper stocks enjoyed a brief spurt of activity and strength on no other news than the steps taken in the Guggenheim merger heretofore reported, and an advance in the price of Lead by the American Smelting Company. Rumors of coming dividend increase were effective in moving some industrial stocks.

The market leaders, such as the railroad stocks and United States Steel stocks, were under more or less pressure. Bonds were irregular.

Total sales, par value, $2,449,000.

United States bonds 3s advanced 1-8 per cent. on call.

Total sales of stocks to-day, 474,700 shares.

NEW YORK, December 21.—Money on call firm, 4@5 per cent.; ruling rate, 4 7-8; closing bid, 4 7-8; offered at 4 7-8 per cent. Time loans soft and fairly active; sixty days, 4 1-2 per cent.; ninety days, 4 1-4@4 1-2; six months, 4 1-4. Prime mercantile paper, 5 to 5 1-2 per cent. Sterling exchange steady with actual business in bankers' bills, at $4.8460@$4.8470 for sixty-day bills, and at $4.8810 for demand. Commercial bills, $4.84 1-2. Bar silver, 50 5-8. Mexican dollars, 44.

RICHMOND STOCK MARKET.

Richmond, Va., December 21, 1909.

STATE SECURITIES.	Bid.	Asked.
North Carolina 4s, C. 1910	99	...
Virginia 3s, Old, C. and R., 1932	92	...
Centuries, 2-3, C. and R., 1991	92¾	92¾
RAILROAD BONDS.		
A. C. L. R. R. Con. Tr. 4 p. c.	95	...
C. and O. R. and A. Gen'l M. 4½s	106	...
Georgia Pac. 1st 6s C. 1922	113	...
Georgia, Sou. and Fla., 1945	108	...
Georgia and Ala. Con. 5s, 1945	105	...
Nor. and West. Ry. 4s, 1944	98	...
Nor. and West. Ry. Poca. 4s, 1944	89	...
Rich. and Dan. Gold 6s, C. 1915	106	...
Seaboard Air Line 4s, 1950	84	...
Southern Railway 1st 5s, 1994	111	...
So. R. Dev. G. M. 4s A. 1956	81	...
STREET RAILWAY BONDS.		
Va. Ry. and Power Co. 5s, 1934	90½	91
STREET RY. STOCKS.	Par.	
Va. Ry. and Power Co. pfd	100 69	...
Va. Ry. and Power Co. com	100 22½	23
RAILROAD STOCKS.	Par.	
Atlantic Coast Line com	100 126	...
Atlantic Coast Line com	100 136	...
Chesapeake and Ohio	Nov. 100 87	...
Norfolk and Western com	100 90	...
Rich., Fred. and Pot. com	100 290	...
R., F. and P. Div. Oblig	100 285	...
Southern Railway pfd	100 74	...
Southern Railway com	100 32	...
BANK AND TRUST CO. STOCKS.		
American National	100 165	...
Broad Street Bank	25 34½	...
Bank of Richmond	100 125	...
City	25 34½	...
First National	100 297½	305
Merchants National	100 566	...
National Bank of Virginia	100 135	...
National State Bank	100 135	...
Planters National	100 515	...
Savings Bank of Richmond	25 61½	...
Union Bank of Richmond	50 192	...
Virginia Trust Company	100 100	...
INSURANCE COMPANIES.		
Virginia Fire and Marine	25 68	70
MISCELLANEOUS.		
Va.-Car. Chem. pfd. $ p. ct.	100 122	...
Va.-Car. Chem. com	100 50	...
Va.-Car. Chem. 1st Mort. 5s, 1923	98	...

Quotations for interest-paying bonds are as a price, to which interest must be added. Income bonds and certificates of indebtedness are flat.

COTTON MARKETS.

NEW YORK, December 21.—After a quiet morning the cotton market became more active and decidedly firmer to-day with prices on most positions making new high records for the season on a renewal of Western bull support and covering. The close was off from the best and barely steady, but the last prices showed a net gain of from 8@21 points. The market opened steady at an advance of 2@9 points in sympathy with the steady showing of the Liverpool market and gradually worked higher on local covering, support from spot houses, covering of hedges by continental interests and a little fresh buying, encouraged by favorable views of the trade situation. The refusal of textile interests in Fall River to make Friday an extra holiday was considered a bullish factor as bearing upon conditions in the cotton goods trade, while advices from the South claimed that there was a better spot demand for filling out December engagements. These considerations, together with the steadiness of the market in face of recent liquidation, seemed to render local shorts uneasy, and as soon as the covering movement started houses with Western connections became considerabe buyers, with January contracts selling up to 15.25 and May to 15.88, or from 22@23 points above the closing figures of last night. January led this advance on buying by spot houses and rumors that one of the leading spot interests in the trade was preparing to receive all cotton tendered on January contracts, while the Western buying was accompanied by rumors that Mr. Patten was re-entering the market on the bull side. At the close January was quoted at 15.19 and May at 15.82 bid. Southern spot markets officially reported early were unchanged to 1-16c. higher. Slightly larger receipts are supposed to reflect "Christmas cotton," and the fact that these offerings have been absorbed without any sign of weakness in the spot situation figured largely in the day's buying motive.

Receipts at the ports to-day were 48,200 bales against 44,472 last week and 76,528 last year. For the week 200,000 bales against 205,125 last week and 356,336 last year. To-day's receipts at New Orleans 6,473 bales against 23,741 last year, and at Houston 6,792 bales against 21,142 last year.

Cotton futures opened easy and closed barely steady.

	Open.	High	Low.	Close.
December	15.06	15.09	15.00	15.10
January	15.04	15.23	15.01	15.19
February	...	...	...	15.37
March	15.40	15.59	15.40	15.52
April	...	...	...	15.65
May	15.70	15.89	15.70	15.81
June	15.61	15.61	15.61	15.72
July	15.69	15.85	15.68	15.78
August	15.40	15.57	15.38	15.34
September	14.16	14.23	14.12	14.21

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SALES:		Open.	High	Low.	Bid. Closing.	Asked.
1,200	Amer. Agri. Chem. Co.	46	47¼	46	47⅛	47¼
200	Allis-Chalmers	15¼	15⅛	15¼	15	15½
24,600	Amalgamated Copper	87⅞	88⅞	87⅝	88¼	88⅞
1,100	American Can	13¾	14	13½	13⅞	14
3,000	American Can, pfd	82½	82½	81½	81½	82
200	Amer. Car and Foundry	72	72	71⅝	71⅝	72
600	American Cotton Oil	68	68	67¼	68	68½
100	American Locomotive	60¾	60¾	60¾	60½	61
100	Amer. Locomotive, pfd	114	114	114	114	115
14,300	American Smelting	102	102¾	101⅝	102¼	102
200	Amer. Beet Sugar, com.	46¾	46¾	46¾	46½	47
1,400	American Sugar	121½	121½	121¼	121⅛	121½
2,250	Amer. Tel. and Tel. Co.	142⅝	142⅝	142¼	142¼	142⅝
15	American Tobacco, com.	430	430	430	430	435
100	American Tobacco, pfd.	96½	96½	96½	96½	96½
2,700	Anaconda Copper	49¾	50½	49¾	49¾	50
4,400	Atchison	121¾	121¾	121⅝	121⅝	121¾
700	Atlantic Coast Line	136	136¼	135	136¼	136½
2,200	Baltimore and Ohio	118	118¼	117⅛	117½	117⅝
3,725	Brooklyn Rapid Transit	80⅝	81	80⅛	80⅝	80½
300	Canadian Pacific	179	179	179	179	179½
8,350	Central Leather	46⅞	47½	46½	47	47¼
1,800	Chesapeake and Ohio	87¼	87½	86¾	87	87¼
500	Chicago Great Western	21¼	21⅜	21¼	21⅛	21½
800	Chi., Mil. and St. Paul	158	158¼	157¾	157¾	158
900	Chicago and Northwest	181	181⅛	181	181	181½
1,700	Colorado Fuel and Iron	50⅞	51⅝	50⅞	50½	51
35,235	Consolidated Gas	159⅛	162	158½	159¼	160½
2,500	Den. and Rio Gran., com.	52	52¼	51⅝	51⅝	51¾
2,800	Den. and Rio Gran., pfd.	87	87¾	86⅞	86⅞	87
400	Distillers' Sec. Cor.	37	37⅛	37	37	37½
1,000	Erie	34⅛	34¼	34	34	34¼
400	Erie, 1st pfd	50½	50½	50¼	50	50½
	Fed. Min. and Sm., pfd.	...	...	...	87⅝	89
622	General Electric	160½	160½	160	160	161
2,770	Great Northern, pfd.	143½	143⅝	143¼	143¼	143⅝
625	Great Northern Ore ctfs.	81	81½	80¾	80¾	81¾
500	Illinois Central	147⅛	147½	147⅛	147⅛	148
6,000	Int. Metropolitan	24½	25	24⅝	24½	24¾
6,400	Int. Metropolitan, pfd.	61½	62¼	60⅞	61⅛	61¼
200	Int. Mer. Marine, com.	7⅝	7⅝	7⅝	7⅝	7½
100	Int. Mer. Marine, pfd.	23⅞	23⅞	...	23¾	24
300	International Paper	16¼	16⅜	16¼	16	16½
1,200	Int. Paper, pfd.	61½	62½	61½	62	62½
2,900	Louisville and Nashville	156½	157½	156	157¼	157½
600	Manhattan	138½	139	138½	139	140
3,200	Mo., Kan. and Texas	49¼	49⅜	48⅞	49	49½
100	Mo., Kan. and Tex., pfd.	74	74	74	74	74½
500	Missouri Pacific	71½	71½	71½	71¼	71½
7,050	National Lead	38⅞	39⅝	38⅝	39	39½
9,000	New York Central	122⅝	123⅝	123	123	123¼
600	N. Y., Ont. and Western	49½	49½	49	49	49¼
1,600	Norfolk and Western	99½	100	99½	99½	100
1,600	Northern Pacific	145¾	145¾	145⅝	146⅝	146¼
28,600	Pennsylvania	135¾	136	135⅝	135⅞	136¼
4,900	People's Gas	116¼	116¾	115½	115¾	116
200	Pressed Steel Car	51½	51¾	51½	51¾	52¼
49,100	Reading	170⅝	171½	170½	170½	170⅝
400	Republic Iron and Steel	46¼	46¼	46¼	46	46½
100	Republic I. and S., pfd.	104¾	104¾	104¾	104½	106
26,000	Rock Island	45	45⅝	44½	44¾	44⅞
3,900	Rock Island, pfd.	91¼	93¼	91¼	91¾	92¼
	Sloss-Sheffield	...	...	...	86½	87½
35,300	Southern Pacific	134¼	134⅝	133⅞	133⅞	134
3,300	Southern Railway	32⅛	32¼	31⅞	31⅞	32
600	Southern Railway, pfd	73⅞	74	73⅞	73¾	73¾
25	Standard Oil	668	668	668	666	669
800	Tennessee Copper	38⅝	38⅞	38⅝	38½	39
500	Texas Pacific	35½	35½	35¼	35⅛	35¼
17,300	Union Pacific	202¾	203¾	202⅞	202½	202⅝
1,000	United States Rubber	54½	54½	53¾	53¾	54¼
64,900	United States Steel	91⅝	91⅞	91¼	91⅛	91½
600	United States Steel, pfd	124¾	125¼	124¾	124¾	125¼
12,900	Va.-Car. Chemical	50	51⅝	50	51⅝	51½
100	Va.-Car. Chemical, pfd	125	125	125	123	126
2,400	Wabash	21⅝	21⅝	21¼	21¾	21½
7,000	Wabash, pfd.	58¾	59⅝	58⅛	58⅞	59
500	Western Union	77½	77½	77½	77¼	77½

Total sales for day, 475,400 shares.

CLOSING BOND QUOTATIONS

American Tel. and Tel. conv. 4s	105½	Erie conv. 4s, series "A"	81	Southern Pacific conv. 4s	104½
American Tobacco 4s	77½	Erie conv. 4s, series "B"	73½	Southern Pac. R. R. 1st ref. 4s	94⅝
American Tobacco 6s	106	Interborough Metro. 4½s	83¾	Southern Railway 6s	111¼
Atchison conv. 4s	121¼	Inter. Merc. Marine 6½s	71	Southern Railway gen. 4s	81½
Atchison conv. 5s	121⅛	Kansas City Southern 1st 3s (bid)	73½	United States refunding 2s, registered	101½
Atlantic Coast Line 1st 4s	95	Louisville and Nash. Un. 4s	100¼	United States refunding 2s, coupon	101½
Brooklyn Transit conv. 4s	90¾	Missouri Pacific 4s	81¾	United States 3s, registered	101¾
Central of Georgia 5s	105¾	Norfolk and Western 1st con. 4s	98	United States 3s, coupon	101¾
Chesapeake and Ohio ref. 5s (bid)	105	Norfolk and Western conv. 4s	102	United States 4s, registered	114½
Chicago, B. and Quincy gen. 4s	99½	Pennsylvania conv. 3½s (1915)	96¼	United States 4s, coupon	110½
Chicago, R. I. and Pac. R. R. col. 4s	73⅞	Pennsylvania consol 4s	104½	Union Pacific 4s	102¼
Chicago, R. I. and Pac. R. R. col. 5s	102¼	St. Louis and San Fran. fg. 4s	84¾	Union Pacific conv. 4s	116
Chicago, R. I. and Pac. Ry. rfg. 4s	99	St. Louis and San Fran. gen. 5s	88⅝	Union Pacific 1st and ref. 4s	98
Col. and Sou. ref. and ex. 4½s (bid)	102	St. Louis S'western con. 4s (bid)	70½	United States Steel 2nd 5s	105
Denver and Rio Grande 4s	94½	St. L. S'western 1st gold 4s (bid)	93⅝	Virginia-Carolina Chemical 5s	98¾
Denver and Rio Grande ref. 5s	84½	Seaboard Air Line 4s	84⅛	Wabash 1st and ext. 4s	76½

October	13.48	13.59	13.48	13.54	

Spot cotton closed quiet, 30 points higher; middling uplands, 15.40; middling gulf, 15.65. Sales 200 bales.

Cotton, quiet; middling, 15.40; gross receipts, 2,354 bales; sales, 200 bales; stock, 159,291 bales.

Total to-day at all ports—Net receipts, 48,200 bales; export to France, 6,400 bales; stock, 837,926 bales.

Consolidated at all ports—Net receipts, 122,191 bales; export to Great Britain, 23,117 bales; to France, 6,400 bales; to the Continent, 15,248 bales; to Mexico, 1,800 bales.

Total since September 1 at all ports—Net receipts, 4,788,260 bales; export to Great Britain, 1,293,881 bales; to France, 653,711 bales; to the Continent, 1,413,206 bales; to Japan, 18,894 bales; to Mexico, 8,805 bales.

NEW ORLEANS, LA., December 21.—COTTON—Spot steady, 1-16c. higher; middling, 15 3-16c. Sales on the spot 1,200 bales and 2,200 to arrive. Futures opened steady, 2@4 points upon favorable cables. The market had a firm undertone all day as the result of a decided improvement in the spot demand. Fresh buying for long account became of considerable volume in the afternoon session and prices were put 17@29 points over yesterday's closing. Very little trading that brokers could call bearish in character was in evidence, the bulk of the offerings coming from satisfied longs. Strong longs absorbed these offerings. The very cold weather over the belt attracted considerable attention, and it was called a bullish factor because it had the effect of reducing the movement. Quite a number of towns in Mississippi telegraphed that they were receiving no cotton at all. The closing was firm at a net advance of 16@19 points. Futures closed firm. Closing bids: December, 15.33; January, 15.39; March, 15.82; May, 16.17; July, 61.30; September, 14.11; October, 13.45.

RICHMOND PRODUCE MARKET.

Unless otherwise stated these quotations are wholesale prices. Oders filled from stores in small lots are charged extra.

FLOUR—Receipts liberal; market quiet but firm at quotations. WHEAT—Receipts light; market firm at quotations. CORN—In good demand. OATS—In active demand. RYE—Very dull. HAY—Receipts continue liberal and demand fair for the best grades. Low grades dull.

POTATOES—Market quiet and inactive.

APPLES—Receipts continue liberal. Only choice to fancy stock wanted.

EGGS—Active. Light receipts.

BUTTER—Continues active at the advance.

POULTRY—Live—All kinds in fair demand to-day at prices quoted. Dressed—In fair demand with light receipts. Turkeys for Christmas trade should arrive here not later than December 22d and 23d. Dressed much preferred.

GAME—Such as quoted in good demand.

VIRGINIA BACON—Unchanged and active.

RECEIPTS FOR THE WEEK—Wheat, 31,910 bushels; corn, 28,668 bushels; oats, 20,916 bushels; rye, 1,588 bushels; flour, 4,621 barrels; hay, 581 tons; millfeed, 508 tons.

STOCK IN ELEVATOR—Wheat, 13,569 bushels; oats, 2,981 bushels.

POULTRY—LIVE.	Per pound.
Turkeys, large and fat	17
Turkeys, small and thin	15
Chickens, as to size	14 @ 16
Hens	11 @ 12
Ducks, large, young	13
Roosters, piece, live	30 @ 40
Guineas, piece, live	25 @ 30
Geese, per piece	50 @ 65
POULTRY—DRESSED.	
Turkeys, choice, undrawn	20
Turkeys, fair to good, und'n	17 @ 19
Ducks, choice, undrawn	16 @ 17
Ducks, fair to good, undrawn	14 @ 15
Chickens, large	14 @ 15
Chickens, small	16
Chickens, mixed sizes, lb	14 @ 15
Hens, lb	12 @ 13

Drawn poultry from 1 to 2 cents a pound more than undrawn. Undrawn preferred.

BUTTER.	
Choice family packed	26 @ 28
Choice dairy packed	26 @ 28
Choice store packed	23 @ 25
Packing	22
EGGS.	
Crates, nearby, fresh laid	29
Crates, other sections	28
Barrels and boxes	26 @ 27
GAME.	
Wild turkeys, per lb	16 @ 17
Rabbits, fancy, large, piece	20
Rabbits, choice, large, piece	15 @ 17
Rabbits, small and ragged, pc.	10 @ 12½
Squirrels, piece	6 @ 8
HIDES.	
Dry flint, lb	18
Dry salted, lb	16
Green, salted, lb	11½
Green, lb	10½
Dry flint, calfskins	16
FURS.	
Otter, common to prime	5.00 @ 15.00
Beaver, common to prime	3.00 @ 6.00
Mink, common to prime	1.00 @ 4.50
Raccoon, common to prime	35 @ 1.00
Muskrat, common to prime	30 @ 35
Opossum, common to prime	10 @ 25
Red fox	1.50 @ 2.50
Gray fox	60 @ 1.00
Wild cat, common to prime	20 @ 30
Skunk, common to prime	50 @ 1.50
Rabbit skins, per lb	10 @ 11
Deers skins, dry, lb	25
FRUITS AND VEGETABLES.	
APPLES—Fancy, bbl	3.00 @ 3.50
Choice, per bbl	2.25 @ 2.75
Poor to fair	1.75 @ 2.00
Pippins and winesaps, fcy.	4.00 @ 5.00
LEMONS	5.00 @ 6.00
ORANGES—Fla., fancy	1.75 @ 2.00
GRAPEFRUIT—Fancy	2.50 @ 3.00
PINEAPPLES—Fancy, crate	2.00 @ 2.25
BLACK PEAS	1.50 @ 1.75
BLACKEYE PEAS—	
No. 1, per bus	2.00 @ 2.25
No. 2, per bus	1.75 @ 2.00
CLAY PEAS—Bushel	1.30 @ 1.40
MIXED PEAS	1.35 @ 1.50
BEANS—	
Navy, No. 1 white	2.00 @ 2.25
Common to choice	1.50 @ 1.75
Colored	1.65 @ 1.75
POTATOES—Fancy, bus	50
ONIONS—	
Choice, yellow, 100 lbs	1.25 @ 1.50
Choice, red, 100 lbs	1.25 @ 1.50
CABBAGE—Danish, ton	18.00 @ 20.00
CELERY—	
Fancy, large, bunch	50 @ 65
Choice, bunch	30 @ 40
WHEAT.	Car lots.
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No. 2 red, Western	1.27
No. 2 red, Virginia (bag lots)	1.26 @ 1.28
No. 3 red	1.25
Steamer	1.20 @ 1.23
Virginia (bag lots)	1.00 @ 1.25
CORN.	Car lots.
No. 2 white	69
No. 3 white	68
No. 2 mixed	68
No. 3 mixed	67½
Virginia (bag lots)	64 @ 68
New corn (on cob, dry)	65 @ 67
OATS.	Car lots.
No. 3 mixed	49
No. 3 mixed	48
No. 2 white	51½
No. 3 white	49
Winter seed	5 @ 66
RYE.	
No. 2 (car lots)	83
No. 3 (car lots)	82
Virginia (bag lots)	75 @ 80
HAY.	
No. Timothy	18
No. 2 Timothy	16.50
No. 3 Timothy	15.00
Light Clover, mixed	17.00
No. 1 Clover, mixed	16.50
No. 2 Clover, mixed	15.00
No. 1 Clover	15.00
No. 2 Clover	14.00
STRAW—Compressed	8.50
Loose pressed, large bls	9.50 @ 10.00

Load your cars so that hay at doors represents contents and thu savoid rejections.

This market grades hay in accordance with the rules of the National Hay Association.

FLOUR.	
Winter super	4.20 @ 4.35
Winter extra	4.85 @ 5.00
Winter clear	5.40 @ 5.60
Winter straight	5.85 @ 5.85
Winter patent	6.10 @ 6.25
CORNMEAL—	
City, sacked	74 @ 76
Country bolted, sacked	72 @ 73
MILLFEED—	
Shipstuff, ten. sckd, winter	25.00
Bran, winter	24.00
Shipstuff, spring	24.50
Bran	23.50
COUNTRY PRODUCE—WHOLESALE.	
FEATHERS—	
Live geese, lb	50 @ 55
Mixed, lb	40
SEEDS—	
Clover, bus	8.25 @ 9.25
Timothy, bus	1.75 @ 2.00
Orchard grass, bus	1.35 @ 1.70
Buckwheat, bus	95 @ 1.05
German millet, bus	1.25 @ 1.40
BEESWAX—Per lb	28
DRIED APPLES—	
Sliced, per lb	5 @ 5½
Quartered, per lb	4 @ 5
Dark	3½ @ 4
DRIED PEACHES—	
Peeled, per lb	10 @ 12
Peeled, dark, per lb	7 @ 8
Unpeeled, per lb	3½ @ 4
CHERRIES—	
Pitted (new, dry order	12 @ 13
RASPBERRIES—Per lb	16 @ 18
BLACKBERRIES	4 @ 4½
WHORTLEBERRIES	9 @ 10
WOOL—	
Tubwashed, free of burrs	30 @ 33
Unwashed, free of burrs	27 @ 28
Merino, unwashed	22 @ 25
Burry, 2 to 8c. per lb. less.	
ROOTS—	
Ginseng, per lb	5.00
Seneca, per lb	40 @ 45
Virginia snake, per lb	25 @ 30
May apple, per lb	3 @ 3½
True pink, per lb	20 @ 25
Wild ginger, free of fibre	8 @ 11
Wild ginger, natural	6 @ 7
Virginia star grass	10 @ 18
PEANUTS—Farmers, lb	3 @ 4
BACON—Hams, small	20
Hams, large	18
Sides, smoked	13 @ 13
Shoulders, smoked	14 @ 15
DRESSED HOGS	9 @ 10
LARD—Country, prime	13 @ 14
FLAXSEED—Per bus	1.20 @ 1.40
TALLOW—Per lb	5 @ 5½
WALNUTS—Per bus	55 @ 60
WALNUT KERNELS—Lb	12
CHICKEN COOPS	85 @ 90
TURKEY COOPS	1.15 @ 1.25
EGG CRATES	45 @ 50
BUTTER BUCKETS—Doz	2.75 @ 3.00

CATTLE MARKET.

Beef cattle, good to prime	5¼	@ 5¾
Beef cattle, common to fair	3	@ 5
Bulls	3	@ 3¾
Cows	2¼	@ 4¼
Calves	7	@ 8
Calves, large runners	5	@ 6
Sheep	3	@ 5
Spring lambs	5	@ 6½
Hogs	7	@ 8½

Receipts for the week—Cattle, 309 head; calves, 59 head; sheep, 33 head; hogs, 3,053 head.

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKET.

NEW YORK, December 21.—FLOUR—Market steady. Rye Flour, Buckwheat Flour, Cornmeal and Rye—Steady. Barley—Quiet. Wheat—Easy; No. 2 red, $1.28@1.30 elevator, domestic, $1.29 nominal. afloat. Options closed ¼@1¼c. net lower. December, $1.25; May, $1.18¾; July, $1.19⅞. Corn—Steady; No. 2, 71c. elevator, domestic; 71c. delivered, and 69½c. f. o. b. afloat, nominal. Options closed unchanged. December, 71c.; May, 75c. Oats—Firm; mixed, 47c. Options closed unchanged; May, 49½c.

Cut Meats—Steady. Lard—Easy. Tallow—Steady. Petroleum—Steady. Rosin and Turpentine—Quiet. Rice—Quiet. Molasses—Firm. Sugar—Raw, easy; refined, quiet. Coffee—Futures closed unchanged to 1½c. higher. Spot steady; Rio, No. 7, 8½@9⅝c.; Santos, No. 4, 9c.; mild, quiet; Cordova, 9@11½c. Butter—Strong; creamery, specials, 37½c.; extras, 36½c. Cheese—Firm and unchanged. Eggs—Strong; State, Pennsylvania and nearby, 45@50c.; do., henery, brown and mixed, fancy, 42@43c.; do., gathered, brown, fair to prime, 35@41c.; Western extra, firsts, 36@38c.; firsts, 32@35c.; seconds, 29@31c.; refrigerators, 21@25c. Potatoes—Easy and unchanged. Cabbages—Firm and unchanged. Peanuts and Freights—Unchanged.

The cottonseed oil market was firm, closing at a net advance of 3@12 points with sales of 21,300 barrels. Near the close there was a slight setback under realizing. January, 7.63@7.66; March, 7.68@7.69; May, 7.73@7.74; July, 7.77@7.81. Prime crude, 6.67; prime summer yellow, 7.47@7.62; prime winter yellow, 7.75@7.88; prime summer white, 7.87@7.95.

CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET.

CHICAGO, December 21.—Wheat prices declined still further to-day owing to renewed selling by long holders. At the close prices were 1⅝@2c. to 1¾@11c. below the previous close. Coarse grain and provisions also closed weak.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
WHEAT—				
Dec.	1.16⅛	1.16⅝	1.15⅝	1.16
May	1.18½	1.19⅛	1.11⅝	1.11⅝
July	1.03½	1.03½	1.02	1.02⅛
CORN—				
Dec.	62⅝	62⅞	61⅝	61⅝
May	65⅞	67¼	66¼	66¼
July	66⅝	67½	66	66
OATS—				
Dec.	44⅛	44½	43¾	44
May	45¾	45⅞	45¼	45⅜
July	43¼	43½	42⅝	42⅞
MESS PORK—Per bbl.				
Jan.	21.77	21.77	21.72	21.72
May	21.90	21.92	21.72	21.72
LARD—Per 100 lbs.				
Jan.	12.87	12.87	12.75	12.75
May	12.02	12.02	11.90	11.90
July	11.97	11.97	11.87	11.87
SHORT RIBS—Per 100 lbs.				
Jan.	11.70	11.70	11.52	11.52
May	11.47	11.47	11.30	11.30
July	11.42	11.42	11.27	11.27

Receipts—Wheat, 6,000 bushels; corn, 100,000 bushels; oats, 270,100 bushels. Shipments—Wheat, 46,200 bushels; corn, 121,900 bushels; oats, 237,100 bushels.

Cash Wheat—No. 2 red, $1.27@1.23; No. 3 red, $1.26@1.27; No. 2 hard, $1.16@1.18; No. 3 hard, $1.10@1.16; No. 1 northern, $1.18@1.19; No. 2 northern, $1.16@1.17; No. 3 spring, $1.10@1.16. Corn—No. 3 yellow, 61@61½c.; No. 4, 58@59½c.; No. 4 yellow, 59@59½c. Oats—No. 2 white, 48½c.; No. 3 white, 44½@45½c.; No. 4 white, 44½@44¾c.; standard, 45½@45½c.

BALTIMORE, MD., December 21.—WHEAT—Dull; spot, contract, $1.21½; southern on grade, $1.11½@1.22. Corn—Firmer; spot, contract, 67@67½c.; southern, 64@66½c. Oats—Firmer; No. 2 white, 50@50½c.; No. 2 mixed, 48@48½c. Rye—Dull; No. 2 western, domestic, 80½@81c.

RICHMOND GRAIN MARKET.

Richmond, Va., December 21, 1909.

WHOLESALE QUOTATIONS ON CHANGE.

WHEAT—Car lots.		
No. 2 red, Western		@ $1.27
No. 2 red, Virginia		@ 1.26
No. 3 red		@ 1.24
Steamer	1.20	@ 1.23
Virginia (bag lots)	1.00	@ 1.25
CORN—Car lots.		
No. 2 white		@ 69
No. 3 white	68	
No. 2 mixed	68	
No. 3 mixed		@ 67½
Virginia (bag lots)	64	@ 68
Corn on the cob	65	@ 67
OATS—Car lots.		
No. 2 mixed		@ 49
No. 3 mixed	48	
No. 2 white		@ 51½
No. 3 white		@ 49
Winter seed (bag lots)	55	@ 65
RYE—Car lots.		
No. 2		@ 83
No. 3		@ 82
Virginia (bag lots)	75	@ 80

CATTLE MARKETS.

RICHMOND LIVE STOCK MARKET.
(Sales at Union Stock Yards.)

Richmond, Va., December 21, 1909.

Report of the live stock market for the week ending December 20:

Best steers, 5½@6c.; one extra lot higher; medium to good, 4½@5¼c.; common to fair, 3½@4¼c.; best heifers, 5c.; medium to good, 4¼@4½c.; common to fair, 3@4c.; best cows, 4c.; medium to good, 3½@3¾c. Cows and calves, $20@50.00 per head. Calves, 4½@7c.; extra, 7½c.; best sheep, 5@5½c.; medium to good, 4@4¾c.; common to fair, 3@3½c.; best lambs, 8c.; medium to good, 6@7c.; common to fair, 4@5c.; best hogs, 8¾c.; light hogs, 8¼@8½c.; pigs, 6½@7¼c.; sows and stags, 6@6½c.

Receipts—Cattle, 507 head; calves, 88 head; sheep, 122 head; hogs, 3,712 head.

CHICAGO, ILL., December 21.—CATTLE—Receipts estimated at 6,000 head. Market steady. Steers, $5@9.00; cows, $2.50