LIVERPOOL PRICES MAKE WHEAT FIRM

REPORTS OF CONTINUED URGENT DEMAND ABROAD LIFT MARKET.

WORLD'S SHIPMENTS FOR WEEK ARE LIGHT

Corn Hardens With Wheat, Effect of Favorable Weather Being Offset by Smallness of Receipts—Oats Are Governed by Action of Corn—Scattered Buying Strengthens Provisions.

Chicago, Dec. 23.—Wheat developed fresh strength today, influenced by Liverpool reports of continued urgent demand. Besides predictions were that world's shipments this week, other than from America, would be light. After opening ⅛ off to 1 cent up, with December at 1.21½ and May at 1.23 to 1.24, the market underwent a moderate sag, but then rose all around to well above yesterday's level.

Corn.

Corn hardened with wheat. The fact that the weather was favorable was offset by continued smallness of receipts. Opening prices, which ranged from unchanged to ⅛ and ¼ higher, were followed by a slight decline and later a general gain.

The close was nervous 2½ to 3 cents net higher.

Oats.

Oats were governed chiefly by the action of corn.

The close was unsettled at ¾ to ¾@⅞ net advance.

Provisions.

Scattered buying by commission houses gave firmness to provisions. Weakness in the hog market was largely ignored.

Daily Grain Letter.

[From Lamson's wire, Masonic Temple; phone 193.]

Chicago, Dec. 23.—Wheat—An unexpectedly higher cable brought a strong spot for further profit taking by scattered longs early. This caused setback, which found substantial resting orders below last night's closing prices and, when reports of fresh export business began to come in, the market rallied rapidly. There is further talk of compelling all steamers to carry a large percentage of their cargoes as wheat or other foodstuffs, and plans are being made to move from Winnipeg to the seaboard, all rail, a very large amount of wheat during the season in which navigation by lake is closed. All this speaks volumes of the urgency and persistency of the foreign demand for wheats, both Canadian and domestic.

Corn—Scattered holders accepted profits. The car stiuation to move corn from the country becomes more acute and country elevators are calling for help to move their low grade corn.

Oats—This market reluctantly followed other grains at a respectful distance, but in the cash crowd, there was better demand for low grade oats than for some time. The market shows very little independent action.

Chicago Grain Close.

Chicago, Dec. 23.

Wheat—No. 2 red, 1.23½@1.24; No. 3 red, 1.15@1.18; No. 2 hard, 1.22¼@1.25; No. 3 hard, 1.15½@1.19¾.

Corn—No. 2 yellow, old, 75; No. 4 white, new, 67; No. 4 yellow, new, 68@69½.

Oats — No. 3 white, 41½@42¼; standard, 43½@44.

Range of Chicago Grain Prices.

Wheat—December opened at 1.21½; highest, 1.25; lowest, 1.20¾; closed, 1.24⅝; May opened at 1.23; closed, 1.25⅝.

Corn — December opened at 70⅜; highest, 71⅝; lowest, 70; closed, 71⅛; May opened at 74¼; closed, 75.

Oats—December opened at 42; highest, 42½; lowest, 42; closed, 42½; May opened at 45½; closed, 45⅞.

Chicago Produce.

Chicago, Dec. 23.

Butter—Unchanged; creamery extras, 33½; extra firsts, 31@33; firsts, 26@30; packing stock, 19@20.

Eggs—Unsettled; receipts, 1,434 cases; at mark, cases included, 22@28½; ordinary firsts, 26½@27; firsts, 28@28½.

Cheese—Unchanged; daisies, 17¾; twins, new, 16¾; Young Americas, 17½; long horns, 17½; brick, 18.

Poultry—Alive, lower; turkeys, 16; fowls, 11½; springs, 12½.

Pork—January, 18.35; May, 18.50; cash, 16.05.

Lard—January, 9.57½; May, 9.87½; cash, 9.50.

Ribs—January, 9.80; May, 10.15; cash, 9.87½@10.25.

Rye No. 2—96½.

Barley—61@69.

Timothy—5.00@7.75.

Clover—10.00@19.00 (mostly 17.50.)

Chicago Potato Market.

Chicago, Dec. 23.

Potatoes—Higher; minnesota and Dakota Ohios, 65@73; Minnesota and Dakota whites, 70@75; Michigan and Wisconsin whites, 68@78. Receipts, 18 cars.

New York Produce.

New York, Dec. 23.

Butter—Steady; receipts, 6,698 tubs; creamery extras, 34½@36; extra firsts, 28½@33½; extra seconds, 25½@28.

Cheese—Firm; receipts, 2,174 boxes; state whole milk special, flats, held, white or colored, 17¼@17½; average fancy, 17.

Eggs—Weak; receipts, 8,722 cases; fresh gathered selected extras, 35@36; extra firsts, 33@34; firsts, 31@32; seconds, 29@30.

Poultry—Alive, steady; western chickens, 14; fowls, 13@14½; turkeys, 25@26; dressed, steady; fresh killed western chickens, 15@27; fowls, 13@17½; turkeys, 23@25.

Liverpool Grain.

Liverpool, Dec. 23.

Wheat—No. 1 Manitoba, 13s; No. 2 Manitoba, not quoted; No. 3 Manitoba, 12s 7d; No. 2 hard winter, new, 12s 1d.

Corn—New American mixed, 9s 4d.

St. Louis Cash Grain Close.

[Furnished by Taylor & Patton, over 22 East Main stheet.]

Wheat—No. 3 red, 1.20@1.21; No. 4 red, 1.05@1.11; No. 3 hard, 1.13@1.16½; No. 4 hard, 1.07@1.10.

Corn—No. 2, 70@71; No. 3, 69½@70; No. 4, 67; No. 2 white, 71; No. 3 white, 70; No. 2 yellow, 70; No. 4 yellow, 68½@69.

Oats—No. 2 41@41½; No. 3, 39½@40; No. 4, 36@39½; No. 3 white, 42@42½; No. 4 white, 39½@41½.

Range of Prices.

Furnished by Taylor & Patton, grain merchants, over 22 East Main street. Phone 68.

	Open.	High.	Low.	—Close— To-day.	Yes-t'rday
Wheat—					
Dec.	121½	125	120¾	124⅞	121⅝
May	123½	126	122½	125⅝	123
July	114	116½	113⅜	116⅛	113⅝
Corn—					
Dec.	70⅜	71⅝	70	71⅛	70⅜
May	74⅜	75⅝	73¾	75	74⅛
July	74⅝	75¾	74⅛	75⅜	74½
Oats—					
Dec.	42	42½	42	42½	42⅛
May	45½	46	45⅜	45⅞	45½
Pork—					
Jan.	18.27	18.37	18.27	18.35	18.17
May	18.45	18.52	18.45	18.50	18.35
Lard—					
Jan.	9.57	9.57	9.57	9.57	9.60
May	9.87	9.87	9.85	9.87	9.87
Ribs—					
Jan.	9.80	9.82	9.80	9.80	9.77
May	10.12	10.20	10.12	10.15	10.10

Kansas City Cash Grain Close.

[Furnished by Taylor & Patton, over 22 East Main stheet.]

Kansas City, Dec. 23.

Wheat—No. 2 red, 1.21; No. 4 red, 1.01@1.07; No. 2 hard, 1.12@1.16; No. 3 hard, 1.10@1.14; No. 4 hard, 1.01@1.02.

Corn—No. 2, 67; No. 3, 65¾@66; No. 4, 65; No. 2 white, 67; No. 3 white, 66; No. 2 yellow, 67½; No. 3 yellow, 66¾; No. 4 yellow, 65¾.

Oats—No. 2, 39@40; No. 3, 38@39; No. 2 white, 43@43½; No. 3 white, 42½.

Peoria Cash Grain Close.

[Furnished by Taylor & Patton, over 22 East Main stheet.]

Peoria, Dec. 23.

Corn—Receipts, 135 cars; ½@1 lower; No. 3, 68 bid; No. 4, 66; No. 5, 64½; No. 6, 62@62½; No. 5 white, 64½; No. 6 white, 62½; No. 3 yellow, 68 bid; No. 4 yellow, 66; No. 5 yellow, 64@65½; No. 6 yellow, 62@62½.

Oats—Receipts, 8 cars; unchanged; No. 3 white, 40¾@41; No. 4 white, 39¾@40.

Grain Trade News Items.

[From Lamson Bros.' wire, Masonic Temple. Phone 193.]

Receipts—Wheat, 2,555,000; corn, 967,000; oats, 871,000.

Shipments — Wheat, 828,000; corn, 416,000; oats, 584,000.

Clearances—Wheat and flour, 1,249,000 bushels; corn, 52,000 bushels; oats, 143,000 bushels.

Chicago cars tomorrow—Wheat, 229; corn, 252; oats, 96.

LOCAL MARKETS.

Prices Paid to Farmers by Marshalltown Merchants.

The following prices are quoted by Marshalltown dealers for the different varieties of farmers' provisions, grain, produce and hides, tallow, wool, pelts and skins:

E. D. Batesole quotes the following prices for country produce:

Butter—27.

Eggs—32.

Benedict Flour and Feed Company will pay the following prices at their place of business in this city, subject however to market changes:

New corn—40 to 50.

Oats—37.

Wheat—1.00.

Local Live Stock Market.

Brittain & Co., today quoted the following prices for hogs in wagon load lots:

Premium hogs over 200—5.85.

Hogs, 150 to 200—5.60.

Hogs, 100 to 150—4.85.

Good packers—5.75.

Coarse packers—5.25.

FRENCH STEAMER ASHORE.

Small Vessel Runs Aground While Attempting to Escape Submarine.

Tortosa, Span, Dec. 22, via Paris, Dec. 23.—The small French steamship Boukkous, with a cargo of sugar, ran ashore at the mouth of Ebro river today, while attempting to escape a submarine.

Des Moines Merchant Dead.

Des Moines, Dec. 23.—John W. Chase, senior member of the grocery firm of Chase Bros., died at his home here this morning from the effect of injuries he suffered two weeks ago when he was struck by a motor car.

LEFT-OVER SUPPLY AFFECTS HOG TRADE

VALUES AGAIN DECLINE BECAUSE OF OFFERINGS EXCEEDING DEMANDS.

HEAVY FRESH STOCKS ADD TO BURDENS

Market Dull and 5 and 10 Cents Under Wednesday's Average—Cattle Comparatively Scarce and Market Shows Some Strength—Sheep and Lambs Not Plentiful—Current Values.

Chicago, Dec. 23.—Hog values declined today because of the big supply, which included many left over from yesterday.

Eleven markets received 190,500 hogs Wednesday, or 12,900 more than last Wednesday, 47,000 more than a year ago and 114,200 more than two years ago. Total the first half of this week, 558,000, or 72,000 more than same period last week, 121,000 more than like time last year and 275,000 more than corresponding three days two years ago. Total for 1915 to date, 26,026,000, or 3,086,000 more than the same period 1914 and 1,807,000 more than corresponding time 1913.

Cattle.

Cattle were comparatively scarce and the market gave some show of strength.

Quality deterioration has been on for a week or more today it was difficult for buyers to find a really choice drove of steers. Short fed 1100 to 1350 lb stuff made up most of the run and a big slice of the crop was appraised at $6.50@8.25, while sales were rarely above $9.25. Two droves of 1621 to 1647 lb. beeves, plain but very fat, cashed at $9.65, and this was high spot in the morning rounds, tho some belated trains were scheduled to carry more choice handy beeves. A tidy fat yearling class sold at $9.50 and a few handy and heavy beeves off a lot of corn sold at $9.10@9.25. A range of $8.40@8.85 took a lot of strictly good light and handy steers which are due to dress out well, and at $7.75@8.25 it was a medium to good class, while down at $7.00@7.50 the stuff showed plenty of corn, but not much quality. Numerous little packages of 600 to 800 lb. steers cashed down to $5.50 and lower, a tailing cannery kind going down to $4.75, tho the crop carried a small quota of stuff that was appraised below $6.00, and within a range of $6.25@6.75 it was chiefly a 900 to 1050 lb. kind of common quality off soft corn.

Failure of the market to show sharp price gains today well emphasized a condition of sluggishness in beef trade which has been complained of for the past week, due to the poultry competition, and this state of affairs is bound to prevail except for the choicest quality of beef until after the holidays. It will necessitate a small run of beef steers in the week ahead to prevent some sharp downturns in price.

Sheep.

Sheep and lambs were not plentiful. Thousands of half fat lambs are being slaughtred at Chicago daily that would go back to the country for finish and to figure in the visible supply if the feeder outlet was open. This means scarcity later in the winter and less competition for the Colorado output. Many of these lambs have realized no more money than when bought at Omaha, owing to poor picking in corn fields. Such liquidation promises to put more money into the pocket of the late feeder and when liquidation subsides a high market is expected the rest of the winter.

Chicago Live Stock.

Chicago, Dec. 23.

Cattle—Estimated receipts for today, 3,000; market firm.

Native beef steers	5.80@10.25
Western steers	6.20@ 8.20
Cows and heifers	2.80@ 8.30
Calves	6.25@ 9.65

Hogs—Estimated receipts for today, 51,000; market dull, 5 to 10 cents lower.

Light	5.50@6.25
Mixed	5.90@6.45
Heavy	6.05@6.15
Rough	6.05@6.15
Pigs	4.25@5.25
Bulk	5.90@6.40

Sheep—Estimated receipts for today, 5,000; market firm.

Wethers	6.10@6.80
Native lambs	6.85@9.50

Representative Hog Sales.

No.	Av.	Price.
19 mixed hogs	211	$5.90
68 mixed hogs	266	6.10
76 mixed hogs	239	6.25
64 mixed hogs	241	6.35
67 good heavies	278	6.00
62 good heavies	301	6.15
60 good heavies	325	6.30
58 good heavies	338	6.40
7 rough hogs	381	6.05
4 rough hogs	404	6.15
81 lights	143	5.90
79 lights	151	6.10
76 lights	162	6.25
66 lights	169	6.35

Representative Cattle Sales.

No.	Av.	Price.
20 steers	913	$5.90
18 steers	975	6.15
18 steers	1034	6.30
17 steers	1166	6.45
16 steers	1147	6.75
17 steers	1214	6.90
16 steers	1237	7.00
15 steers	1154	7.20
16 steers	1236	7.35
14 steers	1359	7.70
15 steers	1376	7.65
13 steers	1281	7.80
14 steers	1352	8.00
12 steers	1471	8.25
11 steers	1446	8.40

Omaha Live Stock.

Omaha, Dec. 23.—Cattle—Estimated receipts for today, 1,500; market steady.

Native steers	5.75@9.25
Cows and heifers	5.25@6.75
Western steers	6.00@7.50
Texas steers	5.75@6.75
Stockers and feeders	5.00@7.25

Hogs—Estimated receipts for today, 18,000; market lower.

Heavy	6.20@6.35
Light	6.10@6.30
Pigs	5.25@6.20
Bulk	6.15@6.25

Sheep—Estimated receipts for today, 1,200; market slow.

Yearlings	6.75@7.15
Wethers	5.75@6.50
Lambs	8.40@8.85

Kansas City Live Stock.

Kansas City, Dec. 23.—Cattle—Estimated receipts for today, 700; market strong.

Prime fed steers	9.00@9.75
Dressed beef steers	6.25@8.00
Western steers	6.00@8.25
Stockers and feedess	5.50@7.75
Bulls	4.75@6.75
Calves	6.00@9.00

Hogs—Estimated receipts for today, 7,000; market lower.

Bulk	6.00@6.40
Heavy	6.30@6.50
Packers and butchers	6.20@6.45
Light	5.90@6.25
Pigs	5.00@5.75

Sheep—Estimated receipts for today, 2,200; market steady.

Lambs	8.25@8.85
Yearlings	6.75@7.50
Range ewes	5.25@6.00
Range wethers	5.75@6.50

TRAIN HITS TRUCK.

Switch Engine and Machine Collide in Yards at Grinnell.

Special to Times-Republican.

Grinnell, Dec. 23.—Last evening at 5 o'clock, while M. & St. L Switch engine was backing two cars of coal to the college heating plant, the cars struct the motor truck of the J. W. Harpster furniture store at the Fifth street crossing. The truck was carried 100 feet and landed in the ditch. The top was reduced to kindling wood but the engine and frame were not greatly damaged.

Carroll Dickersob, who was driving was not injured, but his escape was miraculous. Several who witnessed the accident say there was no light on the rear of the coal car, but the trainmen say two employed with lanterns were on the car.

GARST BOOSTS STATE LIABILITY.

Industrial Commissioner's Plan Finds Favor With Union Labor.

Cedar Rapids, Dec. 23.—Warren Garst, state industrial commissioner, whose resignation eakes effect Jan. 1, has been here conferring with labor leaders and politicians relative to launching a boom for state liability insurance under the provisions of the workmen's compensation act.

Local labor leaders say union labor in Iowa will heartily indorse the move.

PAROLE FOR MRS. VON CLAUSSEN

Writer of Threatening Letters to Be Released From Asylum.

Nyack, N. Y., Dec. 23.—After being confined in state institutions for the insane since Nov. 19, 1914, Mrs. Ida von Claussen, writer of threatening letters to Theodore Roosevelt and others, is to be released from the state hospital for the insane at Middletown. She will be placed in the custody of her brother, Matthew Claussen, of New York City.

While she has shown improvement, the court says she is not deemed entirely cured.

I. H. C. CO-OPERATIVE PLAN.

Employes of Harvester Company Have Chance to Become Stockholders.

Chicago, Dec. 23.—The International Harvester Company announced a plan today to assist its 35,000 employes to become stockholders.

Under the plan which becomes effective tomorrow all employes will have an opportunity to purchase profit sharing certificates of the company, payment to be made in monthly installments from their salaries.

RECORD CHRISTMAS MAIL.

Postal Business Heaviest in History of Department.

Washington, Dec. 23.—The postoffice department received reports today from every section of the United States to the effect that the Christmas mail is heavier than ever before and is being moved without delay.

FOUND GUILTY OF MURDER.

Jury Convicts Henry Hopkins, Accused Slayer of Galesburg Police Chief.

Galesburg, Ill., Dec. 23.—Henry Hopkins, colored, was found guilty today of the murder of Galesburg's former chief of police, T. L. Mathews. He will be imprisoned for life.

Vacancy on Naval Board.

Washington, Dec. 23.—The vacancy on the naval advisory board caused by the resignation of Henry Wise Wood, of New York, will be filled by the American Society of Aeronautic Engineers, which selected Mr. Wood, Secretary Daniels announced today. Mr. Wood's letter of resignation has not been received.

—and the Worst is Yet to Come

NOT EASY SLEDDING FOR MR. WILSON

PRESIDENT TO HAVE STRONG OPPOSITION FOR RENOMINATION IN 1916.

WILLIAM J. BRYAN OUT WITH CHIP ON SHOULDER

"Commoner" Said to Be Prepared to Knock Administration Into Cocked Hat—Wilson Certain to Be Renominated Despite Growing Opposition Within Own Party.

[Special Correspondence.]

Washington, Dec. 23.—Democratic politicians opposed to President Wilson are busy stirring things up in the hope that they will be able to head off the renomination of the president.

Not only is William Jennings Bryan out with a chip on his shoulder, in a state of preparedness to knock this administration into a cocked hat, but there are plenty of others.

It falls out that while there is today a lot of gossip about the Gary dinner and the intent of Roosevelt there is a lot of other gossip of a sort that points to big developments within the democratic party.

Under the present circumstances, considering the grip President Wilson has on his party, it would be foolish to predict he would not be nominated. At the same time, it is impossible to ignore a lot of anti-Wilson activity within the party which may have big results before it is ended.

It was noted some days ago, after the democratic national committee met here, that the administration leaders were uneasy because of the persistent report that Bryan was getting ready to run against Wilson. It developed at that time that Bryan was out to fight Fred B. Lynch for the national chairmanship. It also developed that Bryan thru friends had intimated a willingness to support Champ Clark for president.

Since then, there have been other developments. The factional feeling within the democratic party in congress has increased. The anti-Wilson sentiment in that body has grown rather than diminished.

Clark's Friends Awake.

Moreover, the friends of Champ Clark are not sleeping. Speaker Clark is not going to entrust his fortunes to William J. Bryan and run the chance of getting a knife stuck under his fifth rib. He feels that is what happened to him at Baltimore and he will not expose himself to such a thing again. Nevertheless his old lieutenants in a number of cases are stirring. They will omit no chance to promote the talk that Speaker Clark is going to be a great factor in 1916. Many of the democratic opponents of the president in congress would like to support Clark.

In quarters friendly to Clark, it is asserted that Senator Underwood would gladly support Clark and has so conveyed word to the speaker. This is not confirmed but it has been a subject of gossip in political circles for some time that Senator Underwood regretted he did not throw his strength at Baltimore to Speaker Clark. It is not believed Underwood will make any effort to get the 1916 nomination, unless President Wilson should say he would abide by the one-term plank. So far as that is concerned, the Clark activity now being displayed is understood to be proceeding without effort on the part of the speaker.

AVIATORS TO STUDY.

Will Take Course in Auto Factories to Familiarize Themselves With Motors.

New York Dec. 23.—A plan by which members of the aviation corps of the United States army and navy will be enabled to obtain three months training in automobile shops on the handling of motors has been arranged by members of the naval advisory board and of the Automobile Club of America.

Kings and Shaving.

The classic case of a king who knew better than to let anybody else shave him is that of Dionysius the Elder, tyrant of Syracuse, who appears to have been unable to shave himself; for he is said to have resorted to the uncomfortable device of singeing off his beard with hot walnut shells, says the London Chronicle. We may suspect that Napoleon's was another case of the kind. Rogers asked Talleyrand whether Napoleon shaved himself. "Yes," replied Talleyrand; "one born to be a king has someone to shave him; but they who acquire kingdoms shave themselves." That way of putting it pleasantly emphasizes the practical superiority of the parvenu to the helpless spoiled child of heredity; but prudence probably entered into the matter also, if Talleyrand's statement was correct.

The Climax.

"We had a bad accident the last time we were out motoring." "What was it?" "We were so unfortunate as to knock down a man and fracture his skull—" "That was bad." "But that wasn't the unfortunate part of it. The man was holding a sharp knife in his hand, and the point of it punctured our tire."

Worms Used in Medicine.

The earthworm, or the common fishworm, was utilized by the medical practitioners in Europe two and three hundred years ago. The worms were for internal administration, and sometimes made into an ointment or embrocation for external use.

Just Wanted Opportunity.

Gentleman—"I wouldn't mind helping you if I thought there was anything in you." Tramp—"Gimme a dime, boss, an' see how quick dere'll be somethin' in me."—Boston Transcript.

Opportunity Neglected.

Arnotto or annatto, as it is commonly called (Bixa orellana), grows wild and in abundance in the Port Limon district of Costa Rica, but no one there has ever attempted to develop this rich natural resource into an industry, and the trees have never been planted or cultivated, nor has the fruit ever been gathered for commercial purposes. Judging from its natural growth, there is no doubt that it could be cultivated and gathered with good profit.

Just Wanted to Know.

We were out to dinner and little brother piped up, just as the meal was about over: "Father, please pass the jelly, or is it scenery?"—Chicago Tribune.

Have You Done Your Share Toward Fighting "White Plague"?

Have you bought your Red Cross Christmas seals?

If not, invest in some this week and attach them to Christmas letters and packages as well as your business letters. In order to avoid confusion in cancellation the stamps should be placed on the reverse side of packages. By purchasing some of the stamps you will be able to help some poor unfortunate who needs care and nursing. Half of the money raised in this county goes to the work of fighting tuberculosis at home.

At the following places Red Cross seals may be purchased: McBride & Will, Morgan, Mayer, Elder, Sieg, Beinert, Old Reliable, Pilgrim, and Stepan drug stores; Lay's and Benedict & Brintnall's dry goods stores; Simmons' book store, Miller's and Tuttle's jewelry stores, D. C. Wilbur store, furniture; Kallenberg's grocery, and the Y. M. C. A.

Public Sale!

Having sold my farm and decided to move to Minnesota, I will sell at public auction, 4½ miles south of Marshalltown, on Center street road and 1½ miles west, 1 mile east of Haverhill and 3 miles north, sale to begin at 12 o'clock sharp.

Wednesday, Dec. 29

The following described property:

One bay mare 5 years old, weight 1,200, sound except wire mark on right hind leg; a good worker. Yearling colt, dark gray, weight 950.

17—HEAD CATTLE — 17

Consisting of nine milk cows, black cow 7 years old, fresh three weeks; black cow 2 years old, fresh one week; black cow 2 years old, will be fresh in two weeks; roan cow 2 years old, will be fresh in March; two red cows 2 and 3 years old, fresh last September; two 2-year-old red heifers, fresh last July; 2-year-old red heifer, will be fresh in March; 8-year-old cow, will be fresh in March; one yearling steer, one grade Shorthorn bull 1 year old; one last summer steer calf, two fall calves, one steer and one heifer, two small calves, one steer and one heifer.

8 HEAD OF SHEEP—Eight head of high grade Shropshire ewes, all bred.

MACHINERY, ETC.

McCormick 6-foot cut binder, in good running order; Tiger force feed seeder, with grass seed attachment; John Deere riding cultivator, box hay rack, new; bob sled, spring wagon, road cart, good as new; good single harness, 264-egg Successful incubator, good as new; steel wind mill wheel, 30-gallon iron kettle, two long hog troughs, one good Monarch telephne.

About 6 tons clover hay in barn; about 10 tons straw in stack; about four dozen chickens.

FREE LUNCH AT 11:30

TERMS OF SALE—All sums of $5.00 and under, cash; on all sums over that amount, a credit of 12 months will be given on bankable notes bearing 8 per cent interest from date of sale. No property to be removed until settled for.

L. A. WILKIE

J. R. MANSHIP, Auctioneer.
E. B. CLARK, Clerk.

St. Nicholas the Scholar's Saint.

A correspondent of a British church paper, referring to a statement doubting whether there ever was a schoolboy's patron saint says that St. Nicholas, our old friend Santa Claus "was generally recognized as being in a special sense the patron and protector of schoolboys or young scholars at Eton and elsewhere. He was once even invoked by name in schoolboy games with the cry of "Nicklas!" when a player hard-pressed appealed for a temporary truce or immunity." "There is little doubt," says the writer, "that the 'N. of M.' standing as typical Christian names in the Church of England catechism are initials of the children's patron saints, Nicholas and Mary."

CLOSING OUT

Public Sale

As I have decided to quit farming, I will sell at public auction on the James McNamara farm, seven miles south of Marshalltown on the Center street road, three miles west of Ferguson and two miles east of Haverhill, beginning at 12 o'clock, noon,

Thursday, Dec. 30, 1915

The following described personal property:

6 Recorded Percheron Horses

Two black mares in foal, 8 and 12 years old; one black stud colt, 1 year old; one yearling black mare colt; two black suckers, mare and stud.

4 HORSES AND MULE 4

One gray gelding 10 years old, weight 1,400; one bay mule 2 years old, 15 hands high, weight 1,000; been worked. One black mare 2 years old, well broke double, weight 1,050; one bay gelding 4 years old, weight 1,200, broke to all harness.

8 HEAD OF CATTLE 8

Four milk cows, one due to calve by sale time, rest will be fresh early in the spring; three spring calves, one heifer and two bulls; these are good high grade Shorthorns. One heifer calf 2 months old. The milch cows are all choice.

One sow and eight pigs, six bred for March farrow; these are all high grade Durocs. One yearling Chester White boar. One yearling Duroc boar. One Angora Nanny Kid, 2 Dez. Pullets.

FARM MACHINERY ETC.

One Flying Dutchman hayloader, put up six acres of hay, one Dain mower, one McCormick hay rake, one Janesville gang plow, one Janesville sulky plow, one 20-foot pounder harrow, one harrow cart, one disc, one Hayes corn planter with drill, one Tower surface plow, one International shovel plow, (new); one McCormick 7-foot binder, one Corn King spreader, one Columbia 3¼ medium height wagon and box, one hay rack, 12-horse steam boiler and engine, one 60-gallon kettle, two large hog crates, one 8-foot steel hog trough, three long wood troughs, two 20-rod rolls of new American 26-inch fence, a large roll of 6-foot chicken netting, some 2-foot, one inch mesh, some chicken coops, one hen setter, one slop cart, some barrels, 4-horse evener, 3-horse evener, double trees, one set of 1½ inch harness, some odd harness, one disc cultivater, some lumber, one power or hand washing machine, one barrel churn, one water separator, 10-gallon milk can, 6-hole range, air tight heater, large piece of linoleum, Strongberg-Carlson telephone, dinner bell. Many articles too numerous to mention. Empire Separator. Platform Scales.

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