THE COMMERCIAL WORLD.

SUMMARY OF THE MARKETS.

Sharp drop in exchange.
Fifteen Failures last week.
Silver unchanged.
Wheat firm. Barley steady.
Oats, Corn and Rye quiet.
Bran and Middlings unchanged.
Beans dull and weaker.
Hay steady.
Onions firm.
Butter and Eggs steady. Cheese firm.
Dressed Turkeys rather firmer.
Game still cheap.
Considerable change in Oranges.
Apples dull and lower.
Dried Fruit still quiet.
Provisions unchanged.
Rice rather weak.

WEATHER BUREAU REPORT.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU. SAN FRANCISCO, December 27, 1895, 5 P. M.—Weather conditions and general forecast:

The following are the seasonal rainfalls to date as compared with those of same date last season: Eureka 15.56, last season 17.84; Red Bluff 6.66, last season 12.28; San Francisco 4.10, last season 11.52; Fresno 1.11, last season 4.86; San Luis Obispo 4.00, last season 9.71; Los Angeles 1.71, last season, 4.75; San Diego 1.57, last season 1.97; Yuma, .32, last season 2.15.

The following maximum temperatures are reported from California stations to-day: Eureka 44, Red Bluff 48, San Francisco 51, Fresno 52, San Luis Obispo 64, Independence 56, Los Angeles 70, San Diego 66, Yuma 64.

San Francisco data—Maximum temperature 51, minimum 42, mean 46.

The storm which was central this morning in the British possessions north of Montana has moved southeastward and is now central near the boundary of North Dakota. Along the Oregon and Northern California coast the pressure is rising rapidly, and an area of high pressure has already appeared in this section. High westerly winds have prevailed along the coast from Cape Mendocino northward, which will diminish in force during the night. Rain has occurred during the past twelve hours at Eureka and thence northward, and cloudy weather prevails from Central California northward. Light sprinkles of rain are likely to occur to-night in the northern portion of California, which will be followed by fair weather Saturday. Light rain and snow will occur to-night and Saturday in Northern Nevada and Utah, which will be followed by a moderate cold wave with temperature falling about 20 deg. Saturday night.

Forecast made at San Francisco for the thirty hours ending at midnight December 28, 1895:

Northern California—Fair, except cloudy to-night, with showers to-night in the extreme north portion; cooler in the north portion, except stationary temperature at Red Bluff; brisk to high northerly winds in the north portion.

Southern California—Fair; stationary temperature; light variable winds, becoming northerly.

Nevada—Cloudy weather, with local rain or snow in the north portion to-night, followed by generally fair weather Saturday; decidedly colder in the north portion; a moderate cold wave.

Utah—Local snow; warmer to-night, turning colder Saturday afternoon; a decided cold wave Saturday night.

Arizona—Fair; stationary temperature.

San Francisco and vicinity—Generally fair Saturday; stationary temperature; brisk to high northwest winds. W. H. HAMMON, Forecast Official.

NEW YORK MARKETS.

Financial.

NEW YORK, N. Y., Dec. 27.—Stocks were weaker to-day. At the opening London was a seller and cables reported a general decline in American railway securities abroad. Following this $2,000,000 in gold was engaged for shipment to Europe to-morrow, and this had a disturbing effect on marginal holders of stocks. Besides this the street was inclined to take a less hopeful view of the prospects for financial legislation at Washington. The result was a general decline of ¼@1½ per cent in the first hour of trading. In the downward movement, Sugar, the Grangers, Louisville and Nashville, Manhattan, the Southwesterns and Western Central were most prominent.

At the decline brokers representing bear operators were liberal purchasers and the early loss was recovered. Chicago Gas was especially strong at this time and advanced to 67¾ on the decision by Judge Bischoff in the Whitner case, which, it was claimed, removes all the legal obstacles in the way of reorganizing the company. In the afternoon trading Baltimore and Ohio showed great weakness, and under liquidating sales fell to 33. The final transactions yesterday were at 40½. The break in the stock was due to the revival of the rumors about an impending receivership and an issue of ten millions of new preferred stock to provide for the floating debt and other purposes.

These reports led to the selling of Western Union, and this stock fell from 86½ to 83½, the argument having been advanced that if the rumors about Baltimore and Ohio were true the company would necessarily have to sell its block of telegraph stock. Pittsburg and Western preferred in sympathy fell 2 per cent to 18. The Baltimore and Ohio hold a controlling interest in this property. The general list held well for a time, but finally the depression in Baltimore and Ohio and the decline in Western Union had a demoralizing effect and in the last half hour there were sales of all the leading issues. Speculation closed weak in tone with prices anywhere from ¼ to 3¼ per cent lower on the day. Baltimore and Ohio, however, lost 7½ per cent.

Total sales were 233,168 shares, including 51,600 sugar, 25,200 St. Paul and 13,900 Western Union.

Bonds were weak. Sales footed up $1,859,000. Kansas and Texas seconds fell 1 to 57; Louisville, New Albany and Chicago firsts, 1 to 114; do seconds, 2¾ to 67; Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis consolidated fives, 2 to 99; Northern Pacific consolidated fives, 1½ to 32½; Reading first preference, 1½ to 24; St. Louis and San Francisco seconds, class C, 1½ to 111½; St. Louis and Southwestern firsts, 1 to 70; St. Louis, Wisconsin and Milwaukee fives, 1¾ to 108¼; do South Minnesota sixes, 1¼ to 116½; Savannah and Western consolidated fives certificates, 2½ to 62½; Southern Railway consolidated fives, 2 to 91½; Wabash debenture, series B, 4½ to 22; Detroit and Chicago ex-fives, 4 to 96, and Wisconsin Central fives certificates, 2¼ to 40¼. Kansas and Texas fours rose 1 to 84, Lake Erie and Western seconds 1¼ to 102½, Lake Shore first consolidated sevens 2 to 117; Ohio Southern firsts 1½ to 90 and Oregon Short Line sixes 1¼ to 104¼.

In Government bonds $1000 coupon fives brought 113½ and $1000 coupon fives, registered, 113½.

The Mercantile Safe Deposit Company reports silver bullion on hand 208,138 ounces; certificates outstanding, 208.

Grain.

FLOUR—Dull; easy. Winter wheat, low grades, $2 25@2 65; do, fair to fancy, $2 65@3 30; do, patents, $3 45@3 75; Minnesota, clear, $2 50@3 10; do, straights, $3@3 35; do, patents, $3 15@4; low extras, $2 25@2 65; city mills, $3 90@4; do, patents, $3 90@4 15. Southern flour—Dull; easy. Common to fair extra, $2 10@2 80; good to choice do, $2 90@3.

CORNMEAL—Dull; steady. Yellow Western, $2 30@2 35.

RYE—Nominal.

BARLEY—Nominal; No. 2, 47c; ungraded Western, 39@48c.

WHEAT—Fairly active. No. 2 red, store and elevator, 68c, afloat, 69½c; f. o. b., 68@68⅞c; ungraded red, 62@70c; No. 1 northern, 65½@65¾c.

Options opened weak at ½c decline on foreign selling, weak West and local realizing; rallied ¼@½c on local covering, and closed firm at ⅛@⅜c over yesterday, with trading fairly active. May and March most active. January, 64⅝c; February, 65½c; March, 66⅝c; May, 65c; July, 64¾c; December, 64½c.

CORN—Spot firm; quiet. No. 2, 34c elevator, 35c afloat. Options dull, firm and unchanged. December, 34c; January, 33¾c; May, 34⅜c.

OATS—Dull, steady. Options dull; steady. December, 23⅛c; January, 23⅛c; May, 23¾c. Spot prices—No. 2, 23¼c; No. 2 white, 23¼c; No. 2 Chicago, 22½c; No. 3, 22½c; No. 3 white, 23¼c; mixed Western, 22½@24½c; white do, 24@28c; white State, 24@28c.

Provisions.

LARD—Quiet, easy; Western steam, $5 50, nominal; City, $5 10; December, $5 50 nominal; refined, quiet; Continent, $6; South American, $6 30; compound, $4⅝@5.

PORK—Quiet, steady; mess, $8 75@9 25.

BUTTER—Choice moderately active and unchanged.

CHEESE—Quiet; unchanged.

EGGS—Fair demand; steadier; State and Pennsylvania, 20@25c; Southern, 19½@21c; Western fresh, 20@21c.

TALLOW—Dull; unchanged.

COTTONSEED OIL—Dull; crude, 24½c; yellow prime new, 28c; off grades, 27c.

RICE—Moderately active, firm; Domestic, 3@5¾c; Japan, 3¾@4c.

MOLASSES—Firm; New Orleans, 28@36c.

COFFEE—Quiet; unchanged to 10 points up. December, $13 70; January, $13 55; February, $13 40@13 45; March, $13 40@13 50; May $12 95@13 05; June, $12 60; September, $12 05@12 10. Spot Rio, dull, steady; No. 7, 14½c.

SUGAR—Raw dull, firm; fair refining, 3⅛@3¼c; centrifugals, 96 test, 3⅝c; refined, fairly active, firm; off A, 4 5-16@4½c; mold A, 5c; standard A, 4¾c; confectioners' A, 4⅝c; cut loaf, 6⅜c; crushed, 6⅜c; powdered, 5c; granulated, 4¾@4⅞c; cubes, 5c.

Fruit and Produce.

CALIFORNIA FRUITS: Apricots—Bags, 10¼@12c.

PRUNES—Four sizes, 5¼@5½c.

PEACHES—Peeled, 15c; unpeeled, 5¾@8½c.

RAISINS—London layers, 90c@$1 25; do 3-crown, loose Muscatel, 3@3¼c; do 4-crown, 4@4½c.

ALMONDS — Paper-shell, 10@10½c; do, soft-shell 11@12c.

WALNUTS—Soft-shell, 10c.

HOPS—Quiet; easy. State common to choice, 3@10c; Pacific Coast, 3½@10c; London market unchanged.

WOOL—Quiet; firm. Domestic fleece, 16@22c; pulled, 15@34c; Texas, 9@13c.

Merchandise.

PIG IRON—Dull. American, $12@14 50.

COPPER—Quiet. Lake, $10 25@10 37½.

LEAD—Dull. Domestic, $3 15@3 17½.

TIN—Quiet. Straits, $13 65; plates, dull.

SPELTER—Quiet. Domestic, $3 45@3 50.

CHICAGO MARKETS.

CHICAGO, ILL., Dec. 27.—At wide intervals during the day's session the wheat market gave signs of slight animation, but with the exception in each instance of a few orders of no particular consequence the trade again fell into a soporific state. There were no English markets, and the absence of cables, in conjunction with a more or less disabled condition of Eastern telegraphic facilities, gave a most pronounced character to the dullness. The market opened easy, partly in continuation of yesterday's weakness and partly by the indifference of operators, but later rallied to about yesterday's closing figures.

Reports at Chicago were 270 cars and 73,853 bushels were taken from store. Northwestern arrivals were 430 cars, against 729 last Friday and 217 a year ago. Continental markets were lower as compared with Saturday's quotations. Export clearances of wheat and flour aggregated 275,729 bushels. Nothing particularly important developed during the session, a fairly steady to firm tone prevailing throughout. May wheat opened from 57c to 57¼c, advanced to 57¾c, closing at 57⅝@c, ¼c higher than yesterday. Estimated receipts for to-morrow, 118 cars.

CORN—There was nothing lively or interesting about corn. Precisely the same course that wheat pursued was followed by this grain. The range of prices was restricted. Receipts were 402 cars, 27 more than estimated, and 74,989 bushels were taken from store. No cables were received. Export clearances amounted to 439,520 bushels. May corn opened at 27¾c and advanced to 27⅞@28c, closing at 27⅞c, a shade higher than yesterday. Estimated receipts for to-morrow 165 cars.

OATS—Were not different from the other grains, either as to the direction of prices or the slow action. The trade allowed the market to take care of itself at most times. Receipts were 301 cars. There were no oats taken from store. May oats closed a shade higher than yesterday. Estimated receipts for to-morrow 110 cars.

FLAX—Was firm. Cash, 94c; January, 92c; May, 96¾@96½c. Receipts were 49 cars.

PROVISIONS—A few members' business was scattered over a few hours' session in product. The hog market was higher, naturally producing a firmer tone to the product. The strength was afterward supplanted by a weaker tone, packers doing some selling. May pork closed 2½@5c lower, May lard 2½c lower and May ribs a shade lower.

Closing Prices.

WHEAT—December, 54⅜c; January, 54⅝@c; May, 57⅝c; July, 58¼c.

CORN—December, 25¼c; January, 25⅝@c; May, 27⅞c; July, 28¾c.

OATS — December, 17c; January, 17c; February, 17c; May, 18¾c.

PORK—December, $7 60; January, $8 47½; May, $8 82½.

LARD—December, $5 17½; January, $5 25; May, $5 47½.

RIBS—December, $4 42½; January, $4 22½; May, $4 47½.

BUTTER—Trade in butter was quiet to-day with the feeling easier. Stocks have accumulated and there was very little demand from any source. Prices were lower. Creameries—Extras, 24c asked; firsts, 22@23c; seconds, 19@20c; imitations, fancy, 16@18c. Dairies—Extras, 20c asked; firsts, 15@17c; seconds, 12@13c. Ladles—Extras, 13@15c; firsts, 10@12c; packing stock, 10@11c; roll, 11@13c.

EGGS—The feeling was steady. Only a fair business was transacted. Fresh stock on y was wanted and it sold at 20@21c; icehouse was quotable at 13½@15c.

MONEY—Was 6 per cent on call and 6@7 per cent on time loans. New York exchange sold at 90c premium.

Livestock.

UNION STOCKYARDS, ILL., Dec. 27.—Trade in cattle to-day was slow. The receipts were moderate, but there was only an indifferent inquiry. Offerings of hogs were light and there was a good demand and an average advance of 5c ₱ 100 lbs. The demand for sheep was brisk and there was a lively market at an advance of 10c ₱ 100 lbs.

CATTLE — Receipts, 3500. Common to extra steers, $3 10@4 75; stockers and feeders, $2 40@3 75; cows and bulls, $1 50@3 50; calves, $2 50@6; Texans, $2 70@3 90.

HOGS — Receipts, 8000. Heavy packing and shipping lots, $3 40@3 67½; common to choice mixed, $3 40@3 65; choice assorted, $3 50@3 55; light, $3 40@3 62½; pigs, $2 60@3 55.

SHEEP—Receipts, 8000. Inferior to choice, $2 50@3 25; lambs, $3 25@4 65.

DUN'S REVIEW OF TRADE.

NEW YORK, N. Y., Dec. 27.—R. G. Dun & Co. will to-morrow say in their weekly review of trade: Failures for the week have been 322 in the United States, against 350 last year, and 40 in Canada, against 41 last year.

The failures for the fourth quarter and the year 1895 not yet finished cannot be definitely stated, but the aggregate of deferred liabilities for the year, while much smaller than in 1893, will vary but little from that of 1894. The year's aggregate of commercial liabilities will probably be about $170,000,000; in manufacturing over $73,000,000, or 10 per cent more than last year, but in trading about $88,000,000, or 96 per cent less than last year.

The foreign and financial messages of the President were followed by violent reaction in the stock market last Saturday, with grave fears of monetary trouble. The sudden panic checked business in many departments and the industries cannot be expected to show signs of improvement until the new year begins. Orders have for months been much smaller than they were in the summer when production was expanding and prices moved rapidly, but that new causes of uncertainly have the more influence.

Bessemer pig has declined 25c more at Pittsburg. The bar-iron association has reduced its price, but not yet to the rate at which steel as well as iron bars are actually sold, and in most departments this industry suffers from the speculative advance in prices and prompt purchases last summer. It is noted that bessemer and open-hearth steel were offered at the same price in bids on 6000 tons which a Pittsburg mill will produce for the appraiser's stores here. Minor metals are a shade lower.

Anthracite coal is selling at $3 40 in New York harbor. In the great textile manufactures the usual holiday dullness is increased by delay of orders, though there is some accumulation of goods for the demand expected soon. Standard brown sheetings and drills are ⅛ lower and cotton goods average ⅛ of 1 per cent lower. For woolen goods the market is extremely dull; soft wool dress-goods and ladies' cloths are a shade lower and the average of quotations is about 1⅛ per cent lower for the week.

The shoe and leather business does not improve, and both leather and manufactured goods decline slightly, though exportation is again hoisting hides about 10 per cent for all in two weeks and for some kinds 25 per cent. Wheat and cotton were depressed by last week's panic and have had little time to recover. Wheat receipts continue unusually large for the week, 3,794,072 bushels, against 1,712,908 last year, and Atlantic exports, flour included, have been 7,526,960 bushels in four weeks of December, against 7,763,690 last year.

Russian and other supplies are moving freely. Official estimates are wholly forgotten, and the men who predicted $1 wheat have disappeared. Cotton has remained at 8½c since last Saturday, and enormous commercial and mill stocks here and abroad, with a demand for goods much smaller than in September, hinder an advance. The quantity which has come into sight is 30 per cent less than last year to date, but slightly larger than in 1892, when the crop was 6,700,000 bales.

Railroad earnings in December thus far are 6.4 per cent larger than last year, but 5.8 per cent less than in 1892. Payments through clearing-houses were abnormally swollen by last week's panic, so that the average daily for December at all points is 18.0 per cent more than in 1894 and 12.2 per cent in exports from New York for three weeks of December, which is decidedly encouraging, and a decrease of 18½ per cent in imports here.

BRADSTREET ON TRADE.

NEW YORK, N. Y., Dec. 27.—Bradstreet's to-morrow will say: As is the rule in Christmas week, wholesale trade has been quiet. The holidays, the close of the year and stock-taking tend to make business slow and promise only a light trade until late in January. Business failures in the country for a completed year number 13,013, an increase of more than 26 per cent, notwithstanding that this is the second year following the panic, in which, as shown by the records, it is usual for the number of failures to decline.

The increase in the number of failures are at the West, Northwest and in the Middle States, decreases being shown in New England, at the South and on the Pacific Coast.

Exports of wheat (flour as wheat) from both coasts of the United States this week amount to 3,457,000 bushels, as compared with 2,056,000 bushels last week, 1,814,000 bushels in the corresponding week one year ago and as contrasts with 3,100,000 bushels in the Christmas week, 1891. This week's foreign shipments of wheat (flour included) are the largest since the third week of January last.

NEW YORK STOCKS.

Bonds, Exchange, Money and Railroad Shares.

Money on call easy at 5@7%; last loan at 5%, and closing offered at 5%. Prime mercantile paper, 4½@5½%. Bar silver, 66½c. Mexican dollars, 52¼c. Sterling exchange is weaker, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4 88¾@4 88 for sixty days and $4 89@4 89¼ for demand. Posted rates, $4 88½@4 90½. Commercial bills, $4 86¾@4 87½. Government bonds steady; State bonds firm; railroad bonds lower. Silver at the board was quiet.

CLOSING STOCKS.

Am Tel & Cable	90	Norfolk & West	11½
Atchison	13⅞	Preferred	7¾
Preferred	20½	North American	4⅜
Adams Express	143	Northern Pacific	3½
Alton, Terre Haute	60	Preferred	12½
American Express	111	Northwestern	98
American Tobacco	95½	Preferred	142
Preferred	97	N. Y. Central	97
Bay State Gas	21	N. Y. Chicago & S. L	11
Baltimore & Ohio	33⅛	1st preferred	60
Brunswick Lands	¾	2d preferred	21
Buffalo, Roch & P.	20	N. Y. & N. H	177
Canada Pacific	50	N. Y. & New Eng.	45
Canada Southern	48¼	N. Y. Susq & W	9
Canton Land	50	Preferred	25⅛
Central Pacific	15	Ontario	7
Ches. & Ohio	15⅛	Ontario & Western	13
Chicago Alton	150	Oregon Improvmt	3
Preferred	170	Preferred	—
Chicago, B. & Q.	74¾	Oregon Navigation	15
Chicago & E. Ill.	43	Oregon Short Line	6
Preferred	99	Pacific Mail	25
Chicago Gas	65¼	Peoria, D. & Evans	3
Cleve & Pittsburg	160	Pittsburg & W pfd.	22
Consolidation Coal	29	Pullman Palace	154
Consolidated Gas	151	Quicksilver	2
C. C. C. & St. Louis	35	Preferred	15½
Preferred	83	Reading	4¾
Colo. Fuel & Iron	26½	RioGrande & Western	17
Preferred	98	Preferred	40
Cotton Oil Cert	16	Rock Island	65⅜
Commercial Cable	125	Rome Wat & Ogdens	118½
Del. Hudson	1.31½	St. L. & S. W	4⅞
Del. Lack & Western	159⅜	Preferred	10⅛
Denver & R. G	12½	St. Paul	68⅛
Preferred	42½	Preferred	126
Distillers	15½	St. Paul & Duluth	23
General Electric	25	Preferred	85
Erie	14⅜	St. Paul & Omaha	38
Preferred	23	Preferred	116
Fort Wayne	160	St. P. M. & M	110
Great Northern pfd	110	Silver Certificates	66¾
Green Bay	½	Southern Pacific	20½
Harlem	283	Southern R. R	8¾
Hocking Coal	2½	Preferred	26½
Hocking Valley	16	Sugar Refinery	101
Homestake	20	Preferred	96½

H. & Texas Cent	1½	Tenn. Coal & Iron	23¾
Illinois Central	92	Preferred	100
Iowa Central	7½	Texas Pacific	8
Preferred	26¾	Tol. A. A. & N. Mich	—
Kansas & Texas	11	Tol. & Ohio Cen	30
Preferred	24⅞	Preferred	65
Kingston & Pem	3	Tol. St. Louis & K. C	5
Lake Erie & Western	18⅝	Preferred	11
Preferred	67	Union Pacific	4⅛
Lake Shore	144	U. P., Den. & Gulf	3⅜
National Lead	24½	U. S. Cordage	5⅛
Preferred	86	Preferred	10½
Long Island	83	Guaranteed	20
Louisville & Nash	43⅝	U. S. Express	40
Louisville Nas. Ch.	75¾	U. S. Leather	9¾
Preferred	18	Preferred	63
Manhattan Consol	100	U. S. Rubber	26
Memphis & Charls	15	Preferred	85
Mexican Central	9½	Utica & B. River	150
Michigan Central	94	Wab. S. L. & Pac	6
Minn & S. L	—	Preferred	15½
Preferred	—	Wells-Fargo	95
Minn. & St. L. com	17	Western Union	83½
1st preferred	78	Wis Central	3½
2d preferred	44	Wheeling & L. E	9⅞
Missouri Pacific	24¼	Preferred	34¾
Mobile & Ohio	22	Am Cotton Oil pfd	62½
Nashville Chatt	78	W U Beef	8
National Linseed	20	L I Traction	16
N. J. Central	99⅞	Ann Arbor	—

CLOSING BONDS.

U S 4s, reg	109½	M K T 2ds	57⅞
Do, 4s coupon	110	Do, 4s	84
U S 4s new reg	116½	Mutual Union 6s	115
Do, 4s coupon	116½	N J Cent Gen 5s	116
Do, 2s	96	Northern Pac 1sts	106½
Do, 5s	112½	Do, 2ds	102
Do, 5s coupon	112½	Do, 3cs	73
Cherokee 4s, 1896	100	Northwest Consols	139
Do, 1897	100	Do, deb 5s	106
Do, 1896	100	O R & N 1sts	106⅛
Do, 1899	100	St L & Iron Mt Gen 5s	79
Pacific 6s of '95	—	St L & S F Gen 6s	104
D. C. 3-6 5s	110	St Paul Consols	126½
Ala Class A 4	110	St. P. C. & Pa 1sts	113
Do, Class B 4, 5s	110	Do, Pac Cal 1sts	111
La Consol 4s	97	Southern R. R. 5s	92
Missouri funding	—	Texas Pacific firsts	82
N Carolina con 6s	120	Texas Pac seconds	19⅝
Do, 4s	105¾	Union Pac 1st of '96	105⅝
So Carolina 4½s	105	West Shore 4s	106¾
Tenn new 3s	89	Mobile & Ohio 4s	64
Va funding debt	61	R Grande West 1sts	75
Do, reg	—	Ches & O 5s	106½
Do, deferred 6s	6	Atchison 4s	72
Do, trust repts 3s	6	Do, 2ds A	22¼
Canada South 2ds	105½	G H & S A 6s	104
Cen Pac 1sts of '95	103½	Do, 2d 7s	100
Den & R G 1st	101	H & Tex Cent 5s	105
Do, 4s	114½	Do, con 6s	100
Erie 2ds	87½	Reading 4s	76
Kansas Pacific 5s	65	Missouri 6s	100
Ks Pa 1sts Den div	109½		

BANK CLEARINGS.

NEW YORK, N. Y., Dec. 27.—Bank clearings totals at the principal cities for the week ended December 26, with comparisons, as telegraphed to Bradstreet's:

Cities.	Amount.	Inc.	Percentage Dec.
New York	$689,505,793	56.8	.....
Boston	93,032,697	25.6	.....
Chicago	84,215,511	19.0	.....
Philadelphia	73,278,604	.....	3.6
St. Louis	21,001,650	.....	0.9
Pittsburg	15,005,445	29.2	.....
Cincinnati	11,021,150	.....	3.4
Baltimore	13,290,800	18.9	.....
San Francisco	12,033,903	37.6	.....
Kansas City	8,717,168	8.4	.....
New Orleans	11,846,718	19.7	.....
Louisville	3,994,771	.....	1.9
Detroit	5,643,966	9.3	.....
Minneapolis	8,603,608	79.9	.....
Cleveland	6,647,686	24.8	.....
Providence	5,283,200	22.5	.....
Milwaukee	4,262,281	17.3	.....
Indianapolis	3,834,316	5.5	.....
Buffalo	4,090,410	21.3	.....
St. Paul	4,645,462	42.3	.....
Omaha	4,115,560	16.1	.....
Denver	2,429,891	.....	.....
Los Angeles	1,311,537	33.4	.....
Portland, Or	922,734	.....	15.4
Tacoma	468,436	7.5	.....
Seattle	544,683	30.4	.....
Spokane	427,468	55.0	.....
Totals U. S.	$1,144,928,202	36.6	.....
Outside of New York City	446,422,409	13.4	.....
DOMINION OF CANADA.			
Montreal	$11,950,370	46.6	.....
Toronto	7,352,664	54.4	.....
Halifax	1,223,272	30.6	.....
Winnipeg	1,194,660	24.2	.....
Hamilton	550,207	.....	6.4
Totals	$22,270,573	44.1	.....

FOREIGN MARKETS.

WHEAT IN LIVERPOOL.

LIVERPOOL, ENG., Dec. 27.—The spot market is higher at 5s 4½d@5s 5½d. Cargoes are steady at 27s 4½d arrived.

FUTURES.

The Produce Exchange cable gives the following Liverpool quotations for No. 2 Red Winter: December, 5s 2½d; January, 5s 2¾d; February, 5s 3½d; March, 5s 4¼d; April, 5s 4½d.

SECURITIES.

LONDON, ENG., Dec. 27. — Consols, 107; silver, 30 7-16d; French Rentes, 100f 52½c.

EXCHANGE AND BULLION.

Sterling Exchange, 60 days	—	$4 88
Sterling Exchange, sight	—	4 89½
Sterling Cables	—	90
New York Exchange, sight	—	07½
New York Exchange, telegraphic	—	10
Fine silver, ₱ ounce	—	66½
Mexican Dollars	—	53½

THE WEEK'S FAILURES.

The Bradstreet Mercantile Agency reports 15 failures in the Pacific Coast States and Territories for the week ending yesterday as compared with 20 for the previous week and 12 for the corresponding week of 1894. The failures for the past week are divided among the trades as follows: 1 boots and shoes, 1 millinery, 1 hotel, 1 tailor, 1 dairy, 1 butcher, 1 restaurant, 4 hardware, 1 publisher, 1 saddler and harness, 1 dry goods, 1 commission dried fruits.

PRODUCE MARKET.

WHEAT AND OTHER GRAINS.

WHEAT—The Orpheus takes for Cork, 46,404 ctls, valued at $44,176; Marechal Suchet, for Liverpool, 53,153 ctls at $54,400.

The market is firm, but no further advance is noted. No. 1, 98¾c@$1 ₱ ctl; choice, $1 01¼; lower grades, 80@97½c; extra choice for milling, $1 05@1 10 ₱ ctl.

CALL BOARD SALES.

INFORMAL SESSION — 10 o'clock — May—500 tons, $1 05⅛; 800, $1 05¼.

REGULAR MORNING SESSION—May — 100 tons, $1 05⅜.

AFTERNOON SESSION—May—200 tons, $1 05½; 1500, $1 05⅜.

BARLEY—No change to report. Feed quotable at 65@67½c ₱ ctl; choice, 68¾c; Brewing, 72½@82½c; Chevalier, $1 10@1 20 for No. 1 and 70@90c ₱ ctl for off grade.

CALL BOARD SALES.

INFORMAL SESSION—10 o'clock—No sales.

REGULAR MORNING SESSION—No sales.

AFTERNOON SESSION—May—600 tons, 70c; 100, 69⅞c.

OATS—Dealers expect no animation in this market until after the turn of the year. Milling quotable at 70@75c ₱ ctl; fancy Feed, 80@85c; good to choice, 67½@80c; common to fair, 57½@65c; Gray, 65@75c; Red, for seed, 85@95c; Black, for seed, $1 10@1 30; Surprise, 90@97½c.

CORN—The market continues very slow. Large Yellow 80@82½c; Small Round do, 82½@85c; White, 80@85c ₱ ctl.

RYE—Quoted at 75@80c ₱ ctl.

BUCKWHEAT—Quoted at 75c@$1 ₱ ctl, according to quality.

FLOUR AND MILLSTUFFS.

FLOUR—Shipment of 7150 bbls, valued at $22,000, to Liverpool. Net cash prices are: Family extras, $3 40@3 50; Bakers' extras, $3 30@3 40; superfine, $2 40@2 50 ₱ bbl.

CORNMEAL, ETC.—Feed Corn, $18@18 50 ₱ ton; Cracked Corn, $18 50@19 50 ₱ ton.

MILLSTUFFS—Prices in 10-lb sacks are as follows, usual discount to the trade: Graham Flour, 2¾c; Rye Flour, 3¼c; Rice Flour, 7½c; Cornmeal, 2¾@3c; extra cream do, 3½c; Oatmeal, 3¾c; Oat Groats, 4½c; Hominy, 4@4½c; Buckwheat Flour, 4c; Cracked Wheat, 3½c; Farina, 4½c; whole Wheat Flour, 3c; Rolled Oats, 4½c; Pearl Barley, 4¼@4½c; Split Peas, 4¾c; Green do, 5¼c ₱ lb.

HAY AND FEEDSTUFFS.

BRAN—$11 50@12 ₱ ton, jobbing rates.

MIDDLINGS—$16@19 for lower grades up to $20 00 ₱ ton, for the best.

FEEDSTUFFS—Rolled Barley, $14 50@15 50; Oilcake Meal at the mill, $21 ₱ ton; jobbing, $22 50; Cottonseed Oilcake, $21.

HAY—Steady at the old prices. Wheat is quotable at $7 50@12; Oat, $6@9; Wheat and Oat, $7@10 50; Barley, $6 50@9; Alfalfa, $6@7 50; Clover, $6 50@7 50; Compressed, $6@10 50; Stock, $5@6 ₱ ton.

STRAW—35@60c ₱ bale.

BEANS AND SEEDS.

BEANS—The market is very dull and some descriptions are lower. Bayos, $1@1 15 ₱ ctl; Small Whites, $1 25@1 40; Pea, $1 50@1 60; Large Whites, $1 15@1 30; Pink, 90c@$1 10; Reds, $1 35@1 50; Blackeye, $1 75@1 85; Red Kidney, $1 65@1 75; Limas, $2 40@2 60; Butters, $1 60@1 75 ₱ ctl.

SEEDS—Brown Mustard quotable at $1 75@2; Trieste, $1 90@2 20; Yellow Mustard, $1 25@1 50; Flax, $1 75 ₱ ctl; Canary, 3@3½c ₱ lb; Alfalfa, 6½@6¾c ₱ lb; Rape, 1¾@2c ₱ lb; Timothy, 6½c ₱ lb; Hemp, 4c ₱ lb.

DRIED PEAS—Quoted at $1 25@1 40 ₱ ctl for Niles, $1 20@1 30 for Blackeye and $1 25@1 7 for Green.

POTATOES, ONIONS, VEGETABLES.

POTATOES—No change in prices. Sweets, $1 25@2 for Rivers and — for Merced; Salinas Burbanks, 50@80c ₱ ctl; River Burbanks, 30@35c ₱ sack; Oregon Burbanks, 50@65c ₱ ctl; Oregon Garnet Chilies, 60c; River Reds, 30@40c ₱ ctl.

ONIONS—Firm at 60@75c ₱ ctl. Cut Onions, 35@50c ₱ ctl; Oregons, 75@85c.

VEGETABLES — Mushrooms are scarce and nominal at 15@25c ₱ lb; Dried Peppers, 7@10c; Tomatoes, 25@60c ₱ box; Los Angeles Tomatoes, —; Green Peas, nominal; String Beans, —; Dried Okra, 12½@15c; Cabbage, 50c ₱ ctl; Garlic, 4@5c ₱ lb; Marrowfat Squash, $8@10 ₱ ton; Hubbard Squash, $8.

POULTRY AND GAME.

POULTRY—Prices showed no change of any consequence yesterday beyond an improvement in dressed Turkeys.

Live Turkeys, 9@10c for Gobblers and 9@10c ₱ lb for Hens; Dressed Turkeys, 10@12½c ₱ lb; Geese, ₱ pair, $1 50@1 75; Ducks, $4 50@6; Hens, $4@5; Roosters, young, $4 50@5 50; do, old, $4@4 50; Fryers, $4 50; Broilers, $4@4 50 for large and $3@3 50 for small; Pigeons, $1 50@1 75 ₱ dozen for young and $1@1 25 for old.

GAME—Continues out of favor and some kinds are still lower. Quail are quotable at $1 ₱ dozen; Mallard, $2 50 ₱ dozen; Canvasback, $4@7 50 ₱ dozen; Sprig, $1 50 ₱ dozen; Teal, 75c@$1; Widgeon, 75c@$1; Small Duck, 75c; Hare, 50c@$1; Rabbits, $1 25@1 50 for Cottontails and $1 for small; Gray Geese, $2@2 50; White Geese, $1; Brant, $1 25@1 50 ₱ dozen; Honkers, $3@4; English Snipe, $1 50@2; Jack Snipe, $1.

BUTTER, CHEESE AND EGGS.

BUTTER—Steady and unchanged.

CREAMERY—Fancy, 23@24c, with sales higher; seconds, 21@22½c ₱ lb.

DAIRY—Fancy, 22½c; good to choice, 21@22c; lower grades, 18@20c.

CREAMERY TUB—19@21c ₱ lb.

PICKLED ROLL—Nominal.

FIRKIN—Nominal.

CHEESE—Continues firm. Fancy mild new, 11c ₱ lb; common to good, 7@10c ₱ lb; Young America, 11@12c; Wes ern, 11c; Eastern, 12@13c ₱ lb.

EGGS—Steady at previous prices. Fancy Eastern, 24@25c; good to choice Eastern, 22@23c; seconds, 19@21c; store Eggs, 22@25c; ranch Eggs, 26@31c ₱ dozen, with sales up to 32½c.

DECIDUOUS AND CITRUS FRUITS.

ORCHARD FRUITS—Apples are lower and dull. Persimmons, 40@75c ₱ box; Apples 75c@$1 for good to choice, 50@65c for common to fair and $1 25@1 50 for fancy; Lady Apples are weak at 75c@$1 25.

BERRIES—Cranberries are dull at $10 ₱ bbl for New Jersey and $11 for Cape Cod.

GRAPES—Nominal at 50@75c ₱ box and 75c@$1 ₱ crate.

CITRUS FRUITS—Navels are lower and weak, but Seedlings are doing better. Mandarins are lower again. California O