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Wheat Opened Higher, Punctuated and Closed the same as Thursday—Live Stock Transactions Brisk.

FORT WORTH MARKETS—DAILY REVIEW.

OFFICE OF THE GAZETTE,
FORT WORTH, TEX., Dec. 24, 1886.

It was to be expected that trade would be heavy to-day, and so it was, unusually heavy, even for the day before Christmas. The markets of the world, Fort Worth included, seem to be at a standstill so far as prices are concerned. Prices are firm.

DOMESTIC GRAIN AND FLOUR MARKETS.
The price of wheat, while generally inclined to respond to the declining visible supply stocks, the fair export demand and to reports of declining India shipments and of British stocks at seaports, has gone off some during the week owing to the exceptional influences at work in financial circles, which had, as they generally must have, an influence at all speculative centers. Some heavy holders sold out a long line of wheat at Chicago and New York, which tended to check, and this, with the semi-panic in Wall street and the spasmodic reaction in railway and investment securities generally, prevented the exhibition of strength in the wheat market which, without these influences, might have been expected. The visible supply of wheat declined 379,000 bushels on the week against a freshly predicted increase. Spot wheat and near options on Friday were about off for the day and active, the bulk being for export. May was most prominent of the options. Liberal sales are reported by cable hence to England.

Indian corn, the visible supply of which increased 121,000 bushels last week, was heavy, and went off somewhat in sympathy with the weakening of wheat, and owing to decreased export and speculative inquiry. Indian corn was flat and easy on Friday, with light export demand. Speculation was stagnant.

Oats have been quiet and prices have acted in sympathy therewith. The visible supply last week increased 168,000 bushels. Oats were a shade stronger on Friday, but quiet for spot and options.

Wheat flour, having been in better request abroad, and in somewhat reduced production at home, particularly in the Northwest, prices have been firmly held. Flour was generally in moderate demand on Friday, but was held steadily.—[Bradstreet's].

BUTTER—15¢ per lb.; creamery 25¢. COTTON—Strips, low middling, tinged, 7½¢; good middling 8½¢.

COFFEE—Rico, 15¢ per lb.; prime 16¢; choice 16½¢; Lagnaya, 17¢; Java 23¢; Golden Rio 17½¢; Pea Berry 20¢.

CHEESE—The better grades and Ohio factory 10¢ per lb.; fresh cream twine 15¢.

CHOCOLATE—25¢ per lb.

CANNED GOODS—Prizes per dozen: Pine apples, standard, 2½¢; peaches, standard, 2½¢; 2 lbs \$2.00; seconds, 2 lbs \$1.15; 3 lbs \$1.60; tomatoes, standard, 2 lbs \$1.00; seconds, 2 lbs \$1.15; 3 lbs \$1.30; green corn \$1.00; green peas 1.00; blue gooseberries 25¢; raspberries, 25¢; cranberries, 25¢; peaches, 2 lbs \$1.75; 3 lbs \$2.00; 4 lbs \$2.25; salmon 1.00; 2 lbs \$1.65; 3 lbs \$1.85; mackerel 1.00; 2 lbs \$1.35; 3 lbs \$1.50; salmon 1.00; 2 lbs \$1.35; 3 lbs \$1.50; Americans, 25¢ case; imported \$2.50; 10¢ case; strawberries, 2 lbs \$1.35; blackberries 1.00; green grapes 4¢; Eagle condensed milk 15¢; green grapes 4¢; Eagle condensed milk 15¢.

COTTONWOODS—Prints: Albion, solid colors, 5¢; Allen's fancy, 5½¢; Pink's 5½¢; Holme's 5½¢; American fancy, 5½¢; Anchor, 4½¢; Arctic, 4½¢; tunnel, 5½¢; Eddystone, 5¢; Gloucester, silver gray, 5½¢; Harriet S. Sherman's, 6¢; steel grey, 5½¢; Windsor fancy, 6¢.

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