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WEATHER REPORT.

WASHINGTON, December 24.—Indications for Virginia, light rains, followed by fair weather; colder; northwesterly winds.

For North Carolina and South Carolina, rain followed by fair weather; colder; northwesterly winds.

RANGE OF THERMOMETER at Spence, Tyree & Co.'s shoe house, Broad street, Dec. 24, 1886:

9 A.M.	12 M.	3 P.M.	6 P.M.
49	63	64	62

In midst of that hour and with adorers few
He doth inaugurate His earthly reign,
Who came the ancient promise to pursue,
And man's lost heritance restore again.

THE LEGEND OF CHRIST CHURCH.

Near the southern coast of England,
Rising dark from hills of green,
An ancient church with Norman towers
By the sailor's eye is seen.

Seven centuries have written
Strangest stories on each stone,
Making thus a vast palimpsest
With rank ivy overgrown.

Of the legends, rarest, sweetest,
Is the story of its birth,
When the mighty frame was lifted
Skyward from its native earth.

In the time of William Rufus,
Norman monks both brave and good,
Laid with zeal its strong foundations,—
For its timbers hewed the wood.

Day by day there labored with them
One who from the forest came;
No one knew his home or nation,
No one ever asked his name.

As wild violets on the hillside
Bloom when southern winds have blown,
By the deft blows of his chisel
Flowers sprang from solid stone.

And the woods felt all the magic
Of his gentle artist hand—
Yielded shapes that filled with wonder
All the skillful Norman band.

When at eventide the master
Paid the wages of the day,
Heeding not, the wondrous stranger
Wended to the hills his way.

Then the puzzled workmen queried:
"Who is this, who asks no hire,
Yet whose perfect skill leaves nothing
Truest art could e'er desire?"

None gave answer to their question,
But as whirling mountain snows
Heap great drifts among the gorges,
Steadily the church arose.

Till the hour came for placing
The great beam which spans the nave;
For its length the oak tree, bowing,
All his mighty fiber gave.

No oak on the hills of England
Towered so far above his kin
As this monarch, strong, sound hearted,
Fit church walls to enter in.

Ah! we all fall short in something,
Measured by the law's demand,
And the oak beam failed in inches
By the distance of a hand.

Then despair possessed the workmen;
When that toilsome day was done,
Mournfully they plodded homeward;
Lingered there the Silent One.

How he labored in the starlight,
While cool night winds round him stirred,
While the world in silence slumbered,
Their is no recorded word.

But the first faint flush of sunrise
Showed the beam set in its place,
While the stranger met the workmen
With a smile upon his face.

Speaking low, in accents gentle,
Like some distant anthem's strain:
"Unless the Lord doth aid in building,
All the work of man is vain."

As the mists drift from a landscape,
Swept the dimness from their sight;
Knew they then 'twas Christ, the Master,
Who had labored through the night.

B. W.

Of the 12,000 boot and shoemakers in Berlin, half of them are said to be out of work.

In London there are 35,000 shoemakers, 6,000 of which are women. Sixty or seventy hours work a week is the average for a London shoemaker.

CHRISTMAS AND THE CYNIC.

A Pessimist and Optimist Talk it Over.

"There is more brotherly love and uplifting of spirit in a good fat turkey than in all the Christmas stories that ever were penned," said the cynic. "Holiday literature is not to my taste. It is usually of forced growth. Written to fit the day, it has a flavor of unnaturalness. The hero of the Christmas story is either translated on that day, or he has a streak of perfectly phenomenal luck. It's never so in real life. In fact, pleasure is more evasive on Christmas than at any other time, notwithstanding all the extravagant sentiment set afloat about the good will business."

To which the optimist replied: "But isn't it a good thing to have even the stories come out right? It's pleasant to know that make-believe people find one day in the year joyous. There are so many wet blankets flung around on the other 364."

"I would rather have my slice of good will cut up and given to me every now and then than to have a big chunk of it on Christmas," continued the cynic. "All this bluster isn't sincere. Plenty of people give presents because it's expected of them, not because they have a feeling of tenderness toward their fellow mortals. And how is humanity benefited by a spurt of generosity?"

"It isn't perfection, this world isn't," said the optimist, musingly, "but there's lots of goodness in the human animal after all. Nobody but the babies cares for presents particularly; but it's a pretty custom to give them. We're likely to grow so despicably selfish if there was no Christmas to remind us that we could make somebody else glad. And when you come right down to solid facts, the dear, grotesque old myth, Santa Claus, has done more toward expanding the human heart and keeping it tender toward the children and the poor than all the sermons. What would we do without this good genius of Babyland who fills the stockings while their owners are away in the beautiful Land of Nod? The simple unquestioning faith they have in him is worth more than the crown of kings. There is no danger of the earth being made too good by a gush of generosity. We still have all the old scourges and a few new ones. The Russians still toil in agony in the Siberian mines.

The gaunt wolf of famine still prowls through the streets of great cities and on lonely country roads. The forked tongue of the hydra-headed devil of slander strikes here and there doing its blasting work. The north wind stings through the beggar's rags. The hot breath of disease still leaves its olden track of sorrow in the houses of the rich and the hovels of the poor. and the old, old marplot, Death, is as formidable as ever. Oh, no, there is no danger of the grim old world getting too good even for a day, but through the leaden sky there gleam such stars of promise that one can almost forget that Christmas trees are sawed off at the base and have sticks for roots.

"Speaking of Christmas trees," said the cynic, "I saw the most miserable caricature of one to-day that could be imagined. It was a cast off limb from some Dives' umbrageous one. A small Lazarus had dragged it home, set it up near the front window in the paternal shanty and strung it full of his miserable possessions. There wasn't an article worth a penny in the lot. The collection was the most depressing one ever on exhibition. Small chunks of nothing wrapped in greasy paper, clusters of old buttons found on the sidewalk from time to time, bits of leather, nails, whittled sticks, pieces of colored glass, and a small china doll with both arms and legs broken off, comprised the assortment. Being a cynic, I'm not much given to emotional ecstasy, but I could have wept over this serious burlesque of Christmas cheer. And that's about what Christmas means to half the people. The bluster and pleasure of the well-to-do only emphasizes the distress of the poverty stricken. The Christmas angels are not impartial. They fly swiftly over the roofs of the wretched and linger long by the hearthstones of the rich."

The optimist smiled and sighed as he musingly answered: "Yes, the milenium is a long way off, but there is some good will among us, some generosity, some unselfishness, some almost perfect love, and some hope for the future of the race. We can't all have full Christmas trees any more than we can all have continual joy and riches and contentment. It isn't in the plan; but it's something for a few to have pleasure. It has been said that if you make children happy while they are children, you make them happy twenty years later by the memory of it. The rain of sorrow will fall upon them soon enough. Care and grief, old age and death are waiting for them down the road."

"Well, I wish the false would be rung out and the true rung in as soon as possible," said the cynic, as he walked away. G. G.

THE HAPPIEST MOMENT.

HOW IT CAME TO THE GUESTS OF A CHRISTMAS PARTY.

Honor, aged 20, and her Aunt Margaret, aged 38 and unmarried, maintained themselves by keeping a morning school for young ladies in Paradise row, one of the back streets of Camden Town, London, which consists of ten mean little houses. Aunt Margaret was the daughter of the rector of Brayleigh, and Honor was her sister's child. The sister had married an artist, and she and her husband both died when Honor was a mere baby. Her aunt and grandfather had educated her. Soon after the rector's death the two women were impoverished by the failure of the bank which contained their little store of wealth. So the school was opened, and they got on fairly well, enjoying their independence, [illegible] not in receipt of a very promising [illegible].

Honor had an uncle—her father's brother—the [illegible] Bryson, who, although he gave them [illegible] aid, always invited his niece [illegible] to spend the holidays at his home. [illegible] the Christmas of 1872 drew near [illegible] gentlewomen began to [illegible] bits of finery in the expectation of [illegible] visit to Uncle Bryson's. Instead of the anticipated invitation they received a [illegible] polite note from Uncle B. saying [illegible] coming so far must have always [illegible] upon them," and therefore he "would [illegible] again press the invitation." He softened [illegible] blow with a check for £20. his

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THE NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS.

What Was Done on the Eve of the Festival of Christendom.

Yesterday was in some respects one of the most quiet Christmas Eves Richmond ever witnessed. The streets were thronged all day. There was a small corner on firecrackers and the price went up, but the small boy is rarely ever left and managed to get there all the same, and to-day we will no doubt hear plenty of noise. Last night despite the pitiless rain THE TIMES reporters traversed the city but found nothing of interest. The usual Christmas Eve night crowds were not out, still there were many people on Broad street. Some of the stores appeared to be doing a good business, but the greatest crowds were at the five and ten-cent stores. The rain took the starch out of the reporters, and the readers of the TIMES are spared this morning the reading of a column of Christmas gossip that had been expected. They join with the editorial staff in wishing one and all a merry, pleasant, and quiet Christmas.

Up In a Balloon.

A neat fence was yesterday erected around that portion of the Capitol Square from which Professor King and Kris Kringle propose to ascend to-day in their air-ship.

They will be escorted from Manchester across the free bridge by about two hundred subjects of the Christmas patron saint.

The line of march in Richmond will be up Ninth street to Main, up Main to Belvidere, up Belvidere to Broad, down Broad to Ninth, thence to Capitol Square. The ascension will take place from the grass plot opposite St. Paul's church, as near after 1 o'clock as possible. Before starting, Santa Claus will give all the children a present.

The Criminal Calendar.

Police Justice D. C. Richardson, during this year has tried 2,181 civil cases, 3,415 criminal cases, and 4,306 ordinance cases; 280 cases were sent to the grand jury, 295 convictions of misdemeanor, and 409 persons committed to jail in default of security for good behavior. City fines collected, $5,259.77; State fines collected, $1,167.40; costs collected, $1,103.82—total fines and costs collected, $7,530.69.

Special Sunday Services.

The following special services are announced:

The First English Lutheran church will hold appropriate Christmas services at 12 noon to-morrow. Choice selections of music will be sung by a large trained chorus. A short sermon will be preached by the pastor, Rev. W. C. Schaeffer. The church walls are decorated with suitable sentences and mottoes. All persons wishing to enjoy a brief, bright and joyous Christmas service will receive a hearty welcome at this church.

First Presbyterian church, Sunday, December 26th.—Organ prelude, "Pastoral Symphony" (Messiah), Handel. Anthem, for solo, duet and chorus, "Morning Star," Greene. Hymn 74, "Hark! What Means Those Holy Voices?" Hymn 68, While Shepherds Watched." Collection, trio, for female voices, "Say, Where is He Born?" from the oratorio of "Christus," Mendelssohn. Hymn 72, "To us a Child of Hope is Born." Doxology, organ prelude, Bach. Night service—Organ prelude, Lyozt. Anthem, for solo and chorus, "Glory be to God, on High," Chandler. The services conducted by the pastor, Rev. R. P. Kerr. Organist and director of music, Mr. N. B. Clapp.

St. Paul's church Christmas service will commence at 11:30 A. M.

At St. Peter's Cathedral high mass at 10:30 A. M. The choir will sing Mozart's Twelfth Mass. At 8:30 high mass, followed by low mass. Masses also at 7 and 9 o'clock A. M.

For regular services consult THE TIMES church directory.

Remember the Poor.

Now is the time for the exercise of Christian charity. Help those in need out of your store. If you know of any one in need, relieve their necessities. This is not only right and proper, but it may be bread cast upon the waters.

"Crawford?"
"Lally?"
"Did you ever hear the 'Elixir of Love' by the Boston Ideals?"
"No, but I've seen it."
"Where?"
"At the Commercial Club bar—Clemmer or club whisky."

FOREIGN NEWS MICELLANY.

Mr. Parnell's health is reported to be improving.

The Loughrea case against Messrs. Dillon, Sheehy, Harris and O'Brien was dismissed.

It is reported that the Queen will urge the Marquis of Hartington to accept office in the Salisbury cabinet.

The French press have been warned against publishing military news which would be of use abroad.

Mr. Chamberlain made a speech at Birmingham, which apparently makes possible the reunion of the Liberal party.

The Pope, replying to the Christmas congratulations of the Cardinals, spoke at some length upon the position of the church in Italy.

The morning London *Post* states that it has authority for denying that negotiations are pending between the Vatican and the English Government.

The resignation of Lord Randolph Churchill from the British cabinet has excited much surprise and regret in England. In Ireland there is much rejoicing over the supposed discomfiture of the government.

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FROM WASHINGTON.

The Departments all closed at noon yesterday to afford the employees an opportunity to prepare for Christmas.

Secretary Lamar is still out of town. The other members of the Cabinet will spend to-day quietly at their homes.

Senators Sherman, Logan, Edmunds, Van Wyck, and most of those owning residences in Washington will remain here for Christmas.

Secretary Endicott, accompanied by his son, left Washington yesterday evening for his home in Salem. He is expected back early next week.

Secretary Whitney expects to have his time to-day pretty well occupied in assisting Mrs. Whitney with the X-mas trees that she has prepared.

Secretary Bayard left Washington yesterday morning on some private business, but he is expected to return this evening, and will spend Xmas at his Washington home.

The President and Mrs. Cleveland expect to spend to-day very quietly with Mrs. Folsom at Oak View. They will probably drive out this evening. The President did not see any callers yesterday.

Assistant Paymaster Edwin B. Webster, United States Navy, left Washington last week under orders to report for duty at the inspection department, Mare Island navy yard, California. His wife and mother accompanied him.

Surgeon-General Hamilton, of the marine hospital service, in his annual report to the Secretary of the Treasury, recommends the establishment of a hospital for incurables in the District of Columbia, which would at the same time receive superannuated sailors without homes of their own.

The collector of customs at New York has been directed to allow a drawback on the exportation of castor oil and castor pomace manufactured from imported castor beans at the rate of 20½ cents per gallon of the oil and 13 cents per 100 pounds of the pomace, less the legal retention of 10 per centum.

The Naval Board of Inspection that made the statutory survey of the U. S. S. Tennessee at New York has reported to the Navy Department that the vessel cannot be repaired, and will have to be condemned. It is likely that the Tennessee will take the place of the Minnesota as receiving ship at New York.

Officer Daniel J. Sheehan was shot in the right thigh about 4 o'clock this morning while endeavoring to arrest a colored man whose actions were suspicious. The ball was probed for but has not been found. The officer was in citizen clothes and the criminal might have mistaken him for a "night doctor." The culprit escaped. The wound is serious.

TELEGRAPHIC SUMMARY.

Miss Winnie Davis has returned to Syracuse.

A more bullish feeling pervaded the wheat market Thursday.

The cotton market was depressed by the resignation of an English Cabinet minister.

Frank and William Rupertus have found gold on their property near Paducah, Ky.

The appointment of ex-Alderman Walsh to be warden of the New York Tombs has provoked much criticism.

District Attorney Martine thinks that the remaining "boodle" cases will not be disposed of within a year.

Mrs. Rice Gould, of Rutland, N. Y., committed suicide by hanging. She was laboring under a fit of temporary insanity.

The funeral of Mrs. Benjamin Yates, better known as Marie Zoe, the actress, took place at Hempstead, L. I. She died suddenly on Sunday, in her 46th year.

The stockholders of the St. Louis and Chicago and the St. Louis, Chicago and Peoria railroad have consolidated the two roads under the name of the former.

The contract for the construction of the building for the Chamber of Commerce in Cincinnati has been awarded to Narcross & Co., of Worcester, Mass., for $524,000.

John Edwards, senior partner of the firm which began the puplication of the *Daily Advertiser* over fifty years ago, and the oldest printer in Portland, Me., died, aged 85 years.

Judge Jackson, of the United States Circuit Court at Cincinnati, has ordered decrees entered at Covington, Ky., for the sale of the Kentucky Central Railroad and the Chattaroi Railroad.

The boiler at a saw-mill three miles east of Vandalia, Ill., belonging to John Smith, blew up yesterday afternoon, killing Mr. Smith outright and badly wounding a workman. It is thought that the latter's wounds will prove fatal.

George W Childs, of Philadelphia, has sent a Christmas present to the First Presbyterian church of Long Branch, N. J., in the shape of a check for $500, to enable the society to cancel its floating debt.

William Warner, who shot and killed Mrs. Mary Lynch at Newtown, Conn., returned to his house about 8 o'clock Wednesday and shot himself. His body was found lying across that of his victim. He left a note in which he gave the cause of the murder as jealousy.

A Handsome Christmas Present.

BALTIMORE, MD., December 24.—Mr. T. Harrison Garrett has presented to the Society for the Protection of Children from Cruelty and Immorality, a handsome property, about four miles from the city, known as "Hall Springs." It contains thirty-six acres and is improved by a large hotel building. The cost of the property was $20,000.

BY TELEGRAPH.

THE EVENTS OF A DAY AS WIRED FROM AT HOME AND ABROAD.

An Adams Bequest—A Peculiar Accident—Girls Enticed Away by Chinamen—Held for Poisoning Her Husband—North Carolina Murder—A Double Tragedy—A Fire—Heavy Failure—Strike Ended—&c., &c.

KILLED BY MASKED MEN.

A Negro and His Wife Assassinated in Louisiana.

NEW ORLEANS, December 24.—A special to the *Times-Democrat* from Kosciusko says: At midnight Wednesday night four or five armed and masked men went to the house of Jordan Teague, a colored man, living on Mr. Dodd's place about four miles below the town, and demanded entrance, claiming to have a search warrant. A son of Teague opened the door and, on discovering that the men were masked and armed, made a hurried exit through a back window, the party firing at him as he fled. The men then killed Jordan and shot his wife several times, inflicting what are thought to be fatal wounds. One bullet passed through the woman's tongue and she cannot speak, but has signified that she knows who shot her. There are different opinions as to the cause of the killing and who the guilty parties are. The community is highly incensed at the cowardly outrage, and there is no doubt that a thorough investigation will be made of the affair.

An Adams Bequest.

QUINCY, MASS., December 24.—Seventeen years ago Thomas Adams, a native of this town, but no connection of the historic Adams family, died in Roxbury and left $10,000 to the Unitarian Church here on condition that a like sum be given the society by the Adams family within two years of the death of the testator's widow. The latter died in February, 1885, and now the heirs of the late Charles Francis Adams signify their intention of giving the $10,000.

A Peculiar Accident.

NEW ORLEANS, LA., Dec. 24.—Yesterday Second Engineer Thomas Hunter and six Chinese firemen of the British steamer Suez went to the coal bunkers for the purpose of trimming the coal. The engineer carried a lamp. As soon as he entered the bunkers an explosion occurred, caused by the accumulated gas coming in contact with the flame of the lamp. The engineer and six Chinamen were badly burned about the face, hands and body, Hunter and three of the Chinamen fatally, it is believed. All were sent to the Charity Hospital.

Girls Enticed Away by Chinamen.

MILWAUKEE, WIS., December 24.—The marriage of two white girls to Chinamen was frustated through the efforts of the Chicago and Milwaukee authorities Wednesday. Tuesday afternoon a woman reported to the authorities that her daughter, Annie Ludwig, aged 16 years, with her cousin, Alice Bloom, aged 19 years, hsd disappeard. Chicago detectives learned that the two girls had been enticed away by two Chinamen. Through an arrangement the Chinese met the parties and obtained their consent to marry. It wrs arranged that the girls should come to Milwaukee. Each one received $10, and the Chinaman agreed to follow later. The authorities telegraphed Chief of Police Reis, and the girls were found at a boarding-house and taken to the central station. They were returned to their homes.

Held for Poisoning Her Husband.

BELFAST, ME., December 24.—The examination of Martha M. Crockett for the murder of her husband, Ruel Crockett, by arsenical poisoning, at Swanville, November 27, was finished yesterday. The prisoner was fully committed to await the action of the grand jury in January. She is about fifty-eight years old and appears to be a woman of little intelligence.

A North Carolina Murder.

CHARLOTTE, N. C., December 24.—The colored people of Grover, in Cleveland county, are much excited over the murder of Murral Nicholess by Till Murrah. Nicholess was attending a festival at Murrah's house and was intoxicated. On being ordered from the room by Murrah, Nicholess stabbed him in the breast causing almost instant death.

A Double Tragedy.

MANSFIELD, OHIO, December 24.—At 8 o'clock this morning a 13-year old boy named Cales was struck and instantly killed by a train at the depot. The remains were carried home where his mother was lying seriously ill. She was so shocked by the terrible tidings that her death resulted shortly after.

Brooklyn Car Strike Ended.

BROOKLYN, N. Y., December 24,—The street car strike, which yesterday promised to be a most serious affair, was settled last night after a tie-up of fourteen hours, and the men gladly returned to work. There was some rioting, and several persons were hurt, but the most serious loss was sustained by merchants, whose Christmas customers were shut off a whole day from reaching them.

Fire at Long Island City.

LONG ISLAND CITY, December 24.—The loss by the fire at Mayor & Lowenstein's varnish works last night, is stated by a member of the firm to be between $75,000 and $90,000. The amount of insurance is supposed to be about $25,000. The origin of the fire is unknown, the flames being first seen issuing from the storage warehouse shortly after 11 o'clock. The fire was not subdued until 4 o'clock this morning.

Heavy Failure at Minneapolis.

MINNEAPOLIS, December 24.—The Pray Manufacturing Company yesterday assigned. Liabilities, $290,000; assets, $150,000. The company has been in financial difficulty some time, and was unable to reach satisfactory terms with creditors.

FINANCIAL.

Reported by C. W. Branch & Co., bankers and brokers, No. 1111 Main street.

New York Stock Market.

REVIEW.

NEW YORK, December 24.—The market today has been a very limited one and wholly of a holiday nature, but values have held their own fairly well and there are indications of a better market after the holidays. To-day has been very quiet and without a feature of any kind. Transactions have been on a limited scale and the trading has been almost wholly confined to the room speculators. The outside public being inclined to keep aloof till after the turn of the year. There is nothing, however, to alter our opinion as to the real status of business generally throughout the country, and we are still inclined to be conservatively bullish. The market closed about steady. Money 6 per cent.

STATE SECURITIES.	Bid.	Asked.
North Carolina 4's, c.,	99⅝	102
North Carolina 6's, c.,	123	—
Virginia 6's, consols,	52	—
Virginia 6's, peelers,	42	—
Virginia 3-4-5 10-40's,	44	—
Virginia 3's, new,	65½	65½
Virginia consol coupons, old,	65	—
Virginia consol coupons, July, '83,-January, '85,	35	—
CITY BONDS.		
Lynchburg 5's,	103½	—
Richmond 8's,	144	146
Richmond 6's,	122½	124
Richmond 4's,	103½	—
RAILROAD STOCKS.		
A. & C. Air-Line,	90	95
Canada Southern,	62⅞	63
Del., Lack. and Western,	133⅝	133½
Erie,	33	33¼
E. Tenn., 1st preferred,	74½	75½
E. Tenn., 2d preferred,	28½	28½
E. Tenn., common,	14½	15
Hocking Valley,	35	35½
I., B. & W.,	15½	17
Jersey Central,	50½	50¾
Lake-Shore,	94½	94⅝
Louisville and Nashville,	63⅛	63¼
M., K. T.,	31⅛	31⅜
N. & W., preferred,	49	49½
New York and New England,	51½	51⅜
Northwestern,	113¼	113¼
Northern Pacific,	60	60½
New York Central,	112⅞	113
Petersburg,	70	74
Pacific Mail,	48	48¼
Reading,	33¼	33⅜
R. & P.,	100	—
Richmond Terminal,	33	33¼
R., F., and P. div. obliga.,	103½	105½
St. Paul,	89⅞	89¾
Union Pacific,	60⅛	60¼
Western Union Tel.,	69⅞	69¼
RAILROAD BONDS.		
East Tennessee 5's,	97¼	97¾
Richmond and Alleghany, 1st,	71	72
Virginia Midland, incomes,	96	98
Georgia Pacific, 1st,	105	111
R. and D. debentures,	109	111
Texas-Pacific Rio's,	72¼	73
A. and P. incomes,	27	27½
New Orleans Pacific, certs.,	80	81
Shenandoah Valley, gen'l 6's,	44	47

Chicago Grain and Produce Market.

Reported by C. E. Redford & Co., Grain Commission Merchants, No. 6 South Twelfth street.

CHICAGO, December 24, 1886.

	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.
Wheat.			
January,	78	77⅝-¾	77⅝-¾
February,	78¾	78½	78⅝
May,	85¾	85⅜	85⅜
Corn.			
January,	36⅝	36⅜	36½
February,	37⅛	37	37
May,	42¾	42½	42½-⅝
Oats.			
January,	25⅜	25⅜	25⅜
February,	26¼	26¼	26¼
May,	31	31	31
Pork.			
January,	11.45	11.40	11.40
February,	11.60	11.50	11.55
May,	12.00	11.85	11.97
Lard.			
January,	6.27	6.25	6.25
February,	6.35	6.35	6.35
Short-Ribs.			
January,	5.70	5.70	5.70
February,	5.77	5.75	5.75
March,	5.90	5.85	5.85

Estimated receipts of hogs, 25,000.

REMARKS.

The feeling in wheat has been strong today, though market has been exceedingly dull. There were no new developments in the foreign situation, but the present unsettled condition of things was sufficient to prevent any heavy selling. There were no buying orders of consequence in market and so the deal became simply a scalping one, and trading was almost entirely local. The export trade is good but receipts continue large. At close market looks pretty well evened up. Corn dull and steady, hardly any business going on. Provisions strong and higher, on decrease in receipts of hogs, receipts falling short of yesterday's estimate.

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Saturday Matinee—TRIX.
Saturday Night—UNKNOWN.

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