SLIGHT SLUMP IN WHEAT.

The Market Opens Weak and on a Moderate Business Closes a Shade Off.

Tendency Toward Lower Prices for Corn, Oats and Provisions.

Financial Operations in the Monetary Centers---The General Quotations.

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—The trading in wheat was not extensive. The wires were all down throughout the East and communication with the leading markets was almost entirely cut off. This put the trading into the hands of the local and Western trades and of course decreased the volume of business done. The foreign markets were closed on account of the Christmas festivities, and no news affecting values were received from those sources. The market was held within ½c limit, although all the big dealers took a hand, and the volume of trading by professionals was fairly large. The feature at the opening was weakness, with all scalpers selling. When the price of May broke to 82c, there was demand enough to prevent the market from going lower. The reaction which followed was on buying by shorts and some buying for long account encouraged by the action of the shorts, and by the liberal clearances at Baltimore. December was neglected. January sold 77⅝@77⅞c to 77⅝c. May opened at 82¼c, sold off to 82c, up to 82⅜c, off to 82⅛@82¼c, up to 82½@c, off to 82¼c, and rested at 82⅛c at 1 o'clock. There was little news of importance. Minneapolis received 271 cars, and Duluth received but 5 cars. Chicago received but 55 cars, with 16 cars of the contract grade. New York cleared 16,000 bu of wheat, Philadelphia 6,000 bu and Baltimore 93,000 bu. There were no cable advices, the foreign markets being closed. Cars estimated for this market for Friday, 165. Wheat closed with some show of strength and at the top for the session. Receipts were 12 cars winter wheat, 41 cars spring, 588 cars corn and 140 cars oats by rail, and 6,000 bu sping wheat by canal. Withdrawals from store were 1,923 bu, winter wheat, 18,325 bu, spring, 2,893 bu, corn, and 49,872 bu, oats. The trade in corn was quite large. The enormous receipts all over the West, and the dry and colder weather made the market quite weak except for December. Western owners were selling quite freely, but the only buyers were the shorts. Oats were as weak as corn. M. Counselman & Co., the Middle Elevator company, Milwaukee people, and the receiving firms were all selling. May opened at 23⅜c, and sold off to 22c. There was not only an easy feeling in provisions to-day, but at times positive weakness. That pries did not break sharply is because the offerings were not heavy. Although receipts at the yards were light, and prices for hogs higher by 5c or 10c, mess pork yielded from $9.12½ to $9.05 for January, and $9.55 to $9.47 for May. Lard was from 2½c to 5c lower all around. Short ribs were weak without any material change. The market promises nothing better before the close of the year.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

ARTICLES.	Opening.	High est.	Lowest.	Closing
No. 2 Wheat:				
December.....	77⅝	77⅝	77⅝	77⅝
January.....	77⅝	77⅝	77½	77⅝
May.....	82½	82½	82	82⅛
No. 2 Corn:				
January.....	30½	30½	30	30¼
February.....	30⅞	.....	.....	30
May.....	32	32⅛	32⅛	31⅞
No. 2 Oats:				
January.....	20¼	20¼	20	20⅛
May.....	22⅜	22⅜	22	22⅜
Mess Pork:				
January.....	9 12½	9 12½	9 02½	9 05
February.....	9 17½	9 22½	9 15	9 15
May.....	9 55	9 55	9 45	9 45
Lard:				
January.....	5 85	.....	.....	5 82½
February.....	5 85	.....	.....	5 85
May.....	6 00	6 02½	6 00	6 00
Short Ribs:				
January.....	.....	.....	.....	4 65
March.....	4 75	4 75	4 72½	4 72½
May.....	4 87½	.....	.....	4 85

Cash quotations were as follows: Flour dull and unchanged. Wheat—No. 2 spring, 77⅝c; No. 3 spring, nominal; No. 2 red, 77⅝c. Corn—No. 2, 31¼c. Oats—No 2, 20c. Rye—No. 2, 44½c. Barley—No. 2, 55@60c. Flaxseed, No. 1, $1.35. Timothy Seed—Prime, $1.22. Pork—Mess, per bbl., $8.50@9.12½. Lard—Per 100 lbs, $5.80. Short ribs sides (loose), $4.65@4.75; dry salted shoulders (boxed), $4.12½@4.25; short clear sides (boxed), $5@5.05. Whisky—Distillers' finished goods, per gal., $1.02. Sugars—Cut loaf, unchanged; granulated unchanged; standard A, unchanged. Receipts—Flour, 19,000 bbls.; wheat, 51,000 bu; corn, 447,000 bu; oats, 151,000 bu; rye, 25,0 0 bu; barley, 42,000 bu. Shipments—Flour, 32,000 bbls; wheat, 21,000 bu; corn, 374,000 bu; oats, 139,000 bu; rye, 9,000 bu; barley, 43,000 bu. On the produce exchange to-day the butter market was dull. Fancy creamery, 27@27½c; choice to fine, 17@19c; finest dairies, 18@19c; fine, 9@13c. Eggs, 19@20c.

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Duluth Grain.

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DULUTH, Dec. 26.—The market was dull and featureless to-day. Prices were a shade lower than on Tuesday. Cash No. 1 hard opened, sold and closed at 78½c. ⅛c below Tuesday's close. No. 1 northern opened at 77c, sold later at 75¼c and closed at that; No. 2 northern sold and closed at 71c. December wheat was nominally the same as cash, with no transactions. May No. 1 hard opened at 84½c, dropped to 84⅛c, recovered to 84½c, eased off and closed at 84⅜c. No. 1 northern May was nominally at 81⅜c at the close.

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Milwaukee Produce.

MILWAUKEE, Dec. 26.—Flour dull and steady. Wheat quiet; No. 2 spring, on track, cash, 73@74c; May, 76⅜c; No. 1 northern, 82c. Corn easier; No. 3, on track, 28½@29c. Oats slow; No. 2 white, on track, 22½@23c. Rye easier; No. 1 in store, 44½@44⅝c. Barley steady; No. 2, in store, 46⅝c. Provisions quiet. Pork, $9.05. Lard, $5.82½c. Butter steady; dairy, 18@20c. Eggs firm; fresh, 21@22c. Cheese unchanged; cheddars, 9@9½c. Receipts—Flour, 5,900 bbls; wheat, 22,600 bu; barley, 2,100 bu. Shipments—Flour, 32,400 bbls; wheat, 1,600 bu; barley, 5,900 bu.

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New York Produce.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Flour—Receipts, 32,017 pkgs; exports, 8,220 bbls, 2,446 sacks; dull, heavy; sales, 116,625 bbls. Wheat—Receipts, 23,650 bu; exports, 16,026 bu; sales, 800,000 bu; futures, 4,800 bu spot; spot market dull, lower; No. 2 red, 85½@85¾c elevator, 86¾@86⅞c afloat. 86⅛@87¾c f. o. b.; steamer No. 2 red, 83c; No. 3 red, 82¾@83c; steamer No. 3 red, 76c; ungraded red, 76@80½c; No. 1 northern, 93¾@93½c; No. 1 hard, 96½@97c; options dull, ⅛@¼c lower; steady; No. 2 red, December, closing at 85⅜c; January, 85⅜@85¾; closing at 85⅝c; February 86¾@86 13-16c, closing at 86⅝c; March, 87⅜@88c, closing at 87⅞c; April closing at 88⅝c; May, 88¾@89 1-15c, closing at 88⅞c; June, 88@88⅛c, closing at 88c. Rye easy. Barley dull. Barley malt quiet. Corn—Receipts, 152,200 bu; exports, 2,335 bu; sales, 2,696,000 bu futures, 207,0 0 bu spot; spot market fairly active, ½@1c lower; weak; No. 2, 39¾@40¼c in elevator, 40⅜@41⅛c afloat; ungraded mixed, 35@41c; steamer mixed, 37½@39c. No. 2 white, 42@42½c; options active, 1⅝@c lower, steady; December, 39⅝@40c, closing at 39⅝c; January, 39⅝@39¾c, closing at 39⅝c; February, 39 5-16@39 4-16c, closing at 39⅜c; March, 39⅝c; May, 39⅝@40c; closing at 39⅝c. Oats—Receipts, 95,000 bu; exports, 1,665 bu; sales, 440,000 bu futures, 61,000 bu spot; spot market dull, lower; options moderately active, weaker; December, 28⅝c; January, 28⅛@28⅜, closing at 28¼c; February, 28@28⅛c, closing at 28c; spot No. 2 white, 31@32½c; mixed western, 29½@29½c; white western, 29@34c; No. 2 Chicago, 29¼@29½c. Hay quiet, steady. Hops strong, quiet. Coffee—Options 15@20 points down, closed steady; sales, 47,750 bags, including December, 15.75@15.85c; January, 15.75@15.80c; February, 15.85c; March, 15.90@15.95c; April, 15.95@16c; May, 16@16.05c; July, 16.10@16.15c; September, 16.20@16.25c; October, 16.15@16.2 c; November, 16.15c; spot Rio quiet easy; fair cargoes, 19¾c; No. 7, 17c. Sugar—Raw dull and nominal; fair refining, 4⅞c; centrifugals, 96 test, 5⅝c; refined quiet. Molasses—New Orleans steady. Rice steady, quiet. Petroleum quiet, steady; United closed $1.03 for January. Cottonseed oil easy; yellow, 33c. Tallow weak; city ($2 for packages), 4½c. Rosin quiet but firm. Turpentine dull; steadier at 43⅜@44½c. Eggs—Fresh in demand; firm; Western, 26c; receipts, 2,350 packages. Pork quiet; mess, inspected, $10.50@10.75; do, uninspected, $10.25@10.50; extra prime, $9.50@9.75. Cut meats slow; middles inactive. Lard easier; sales, 500 tierces Western steam at $6.15, closing at $6.15 bid; options, sales, 3,000 tierces January at $6.12@6.15, closing at $6.14 asked; February, $6.22 asked; March, $6.28@6.30, closing at $6.28 asked; May, $6.37@6.39, closing at $6.37 asked. Butter dull; weak; Elgin, 28@29c; western dairy, 9@18c; western creamery, 14@27c; western held, 10@18c; Western factory, 7@18c. Cheese quiet; steady; Western, 8@10c. Pig iron steady. Copper dull; firm; lake, January, 14.25c. Lead nominal; domestic, 3.90c. Tin quiet and steady; straits, 21c.

Toledo Grain.

TOLEDO, O., Dec. 26.—Wheat dull, firm; cash and December, 81c; January, 81½c, May, 85½c, closing at 85c; January, 82c; May, 83⅜. Oats quiet; No. 2 white, 24½c. Clover seed dull, steady; cash, December and January, $3.50. Receipts—Wheat, 8,835 bu; corn, 24,202 bu; clover seed, 621 bags. Shipments—Wheat, 4,591 bu; corn, 1,400 bu; oats, 600 bu; rye, 2,259 bu; clover seed, 322 bags.

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Kansas City.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 26.—Cattle—Receipts, 5,000 head; shipments, 2,600 head; market 10@20c lower; natives, $3.20@4.40; cows, $1.50@2.40; stockers and feeders, $2@3. Hogs—Receipts, 10,000 head; shipments, 600; market steady; all grades selling at $3.55@3 65; bulk, $3.57½@3.60. Sheep—Receipts, 700 head; shipments, 600 head; market steady; good to choice muttons, $4@4.75; stockers and feeders, $3.30@4.

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St. Louis Produce.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 26.—Flour very quiet. Wheat—The market ruled dull and listless till late in the session, when selling became heavy and the close was ⅛@¼c above Tuesday. No. 2 red, cash, 77⅛@77⅝c; December, 77½c, closing at 77¾c bid; May, 81½@82⅜c, closing at 81¾ July, 77⅝c, closing at 77¾c asked. Corn lower; No. 2 mixed, cash, 24⅝c; December closed at 25⅜@25½c asked; year, 25⅜@25½c nominal; January, 25¾@25⅞c asked; February, 26½c, asked; March, 27c; May, 28½c bid; July, 29⅝c. Oats lower; No. 2 cash, 20c asked; May, 21¾c asked; January, 19c bid. Rye in better demand; 45c for No. 2. Barley more doing; Minnesota, 58c; Wisconsin, February delivery, 50c.

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FINANCIAL.

New York.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Clearings, $135,920,505 balances, $5,933,531. Money on call tight, ranging from 8 to 15 per cent; last loan 15 per cent; closed offered at 15 per cent. Prime mercantile paper, 5⅜@7½ per cent. Sterling exchange quiet and weak at $4.80¼ for 60-day bills and $4.84 for demand. Owing to the closing of the London stock exchange to-day and the extremely slim attendance at the board, the business done in stocks here was on the same limited scale as that of Tuesday, and the fluctuations, except in a half dozen stocks which monopolized all the interest in the speculation, were made within a range of less than ½ per cent. The features of the forenoon's operations were the selling of Lackawanna and Reading short to a limited extent and the buying of Sugar Refineries in response to the widely distributing points to buy which were circulated at the opening of business. The coal stocks were sensibly affected by the continued unseasonable weather and reports of a partial cessation of work in the collieries, but little impression was made upon their prices, and the endeavor in the afternoon to recoup the short sales of the forenoon resulted in an advance which completely wiped out the losses of the morning. Sugar was bought on a story that the capital stock was to be reduced by a cancellation of certificates. It made a material advance in the forenoon, rising 2 per cent from its lowest point, and finally closed with a gain of one for the day. Pacific Mail was strong also on the rumors of increased compensation for the transportation of the mails, but it occupied a small place in the market. There was fair trading in Missouri Pacific, which, after a decline of ⅜c in the early dealings, fully recovered, the dealings in the stock possessing no particular significance. Tennessee Coal made one of its spurts, and Denver, Texas & Fort Worth was weak, but the rest of the market was entirely unchanged, though one or two stocks showed fractional declines. The general list presented a firm front throughout the whole day, but the fluctuations were so small that no character was given to the dealings, and in the afternoon the market was as near total stagnation as is possible to get. The close was dull, but steady to firm at about opening figures. The final changes are for insignificant fractions, except in Tennessee Coal which rose 1½c. Railroad bonds as usual were more active than stocks, the business aggregating $966,000, but the market failed to present as strong a front as usual of late and weakness was the principal feature in the forenoon, while a better tone prevailed later in the day. The dealings were without feature of interest and the final changes are irregular.

The Post's financial article says: There was a disposition manifested to-day to look for lower prices for the next week, owing to the continued closeness of money, and which will scarcely be relieved much until after the first of the year. Call loans in the forenoon were 9, 7 and 9 per cent, and though these rates would of themselves not check speculation, the apprehensions of a temporary pinch before the interest and dividend disbursements could relieve the money market to have an effect which, in conjunction with the usual holiday dullness makes lower prices. Governments dull, but firm. State bonds dull and steady. The total sales of stocks to-day were 96,100 shares, including: Delaware, Lackawanna & Western, 20,600; Missouri Pacific, 13,063; Reading, 8,900.

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Oil Markets.

OIL CITY, Pa., Dec. 26.—National Transit certificates opened at $1.02⅞; highest, $1.03½; lowest, $1.02⅞; closing at $1.03⅜; sales, 49,000 bbls; clearances, 968, 00 bbls; charters, 4,167 bbls.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 25.—Petroleum dull but firmer; National Transit Certificates opened at $1.03, closing at $1.03⅜; highest, $1.03⅜; lowest, $1.03.

BRADFORD, Pa., Dec. 26.—National Transit certificates opened at $1.03, closing at $1.03; highest, $1.03⅛; lowest, $1.03; clearances, 496,000 bbls.

TITUSVILLE, Pa., Dec. 26.—National Transit certificates opened at $1.02⅞; highest, $1.03½; lowest, $1.02⅞; closing at $1.03⅜.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Petroleum dull and the movement very narrow. The opening was steady at $1.02¾, and light buying caused an advance to $1.03⅛. Interest then died out and the closed dull at $1.03. Stock Exchange—Opening, $1.02½; highest, $1.03⅛; lowest, $1.02½, closing at $1.03. Consolidated Exchange—Opening, $1.02¾; highest, $1.03; lowest, $1.02½, closing at $1.03. Total sales, 94,000 bbls.

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Chicago.

UNION STOCK YARDS, CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—Cattle—Estimated receipts, 13,000. Supplies were much too large for the demand to-day, notwithstanding the fact that a liberal proportion were pretty good quality shipping and killing steers, and a slow, weak and uneven trade resulted. Sales: Natives, common light to heavy prime, $2.50@5; cows and bulls, $1.25@2; stockers, $2@3. Hogs—Estimated receipts, 15,000; market easy and at 5@10c lower. Sales of packing grades were largely as $3.55@3.60; choice packing sold at $3.62½ to $3.66; with fancy up to $3.60. Sorted light about 180 pounds sold mainly at $3.60 with $3.65@3.70 paid for fancy or singeing qualities. Light, underweight lights, $3.50@3.70. Prices are quoted: Light grades, $3.50@3.75; rough packing $3.45@3.50; mixed lots, $3.50@3.70; heavy packing and shipping, $3.50@3.70. Sheep—Estimated receipts, 4,000 head; market steady; muttons, $3.5@3.55; bulk, $4.50@5c lambs, $5@6.10.

Kansas City Grain.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 26.—Wheat lower; No. 2 hard, cash, 61c bid; December, 60c bid; No. 2 red, cash, 69@70c. Corn slow; No. 2 cash, 21½c bid, 22c asked; December and January, 21¾c asked. Oats—No. 2, cash, 18c; December, 18c asked.

Chicago.

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—Bank clearings, $13,334,000. New York exchange at par. Money 6 per cent on call and 6@8 per cent for time loans.

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do 2d pfd	21½	Tenn. C. & I.	77
Erie	27	Texas Pacific	21¼
do pfd	62	Tol. & O. C. 1st pfd	75
Fort Wayne	154	Union Pacific	40⅜
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do pfd	114¾	Bulwer	20
Mpls. & St. Louis	5¼	R. & W. P. Ter.	21⅜
do pfd	11¼	Atchison	33⅜
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LOCAL MARKETS.

St. Paul.

Wheat was quiet and unchanged. Corn was strong under an advance of 2c, with very heavy receipts. Oats were weaker. Barley and rye dull. Millstuffs somewhat stronger. Bran lower. Hay unchanged. Dressed hogs steady. Eggs steady. The call:

Wheat—No. 1 hard, 78@79c; No. 1 northern, 76@77c; No. 2 northern, 73@75c.

Corn—No. 3, 29c bid.

Oats—No. 2, mixed, 19c bid; No. 2 white, 21c bid; December, 21c bid; January, 21½c bid; May, 24c bid; No. 3, 18c bid.

Barley—No. 2, 45@50c bid; No. 3, 38@42c bid.

Rye—No. 2, 35c bid.

Ground Feed—No. 1, $10.75@11.50.

Cornmeal—Unbolted, $11.50 asked.

Bran—Bulk, $6.25@6.50.

Hay—No. 1 upland prairie, $6@7; No. 1, $5@6; timothy, $7.50@8.

Dressed Hogs—$3.80@4.

Potatoes—23c bid.

Eggs—Fresh, $6.60 asked; held, $5.40@5.70.

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Wholesale Produce.

Pork, Bacon, Lard, Etc.—Pork, mess, $11.50; hams, 10½c; salt dry long clear, 6⅜c; smoked long clears, 7c; breakfast bacon, 9¼c; long spiced rolls, 9c; tierce lard, 6⅜c; keg lard, 7⅛c; 3-lb tin pail, 7⅜c; 5-lb tin pail, 7½c; 10-lb tin pail, 7⅜c; 20-lb wood pail, 7½c.

Flour—Patents, $4.50@4.75; straight, $4@4.10; bakers', $3.50@3.65; buckwheat, $4.75@5.

Beans—Medium, $1@1.25.

Dressed Meats—Fancy-dressed steers, $4.25@4.50; choice steers, $4@4.25; cows and heifers, $3.25@3.50; country-dressed beef, $2.50@3.50; hindquarters, 4@5c; forequarters, 2@3c; veal, 4@5c; extra heavy mutton, 7c; mutton ranging from 30 to 40 lbs, 7½@8c; country-dressed mutton, 4½@5c; pigs' feet and tripe, 90c@$1 per kit; quarters, $2.

Oysters Per Can—Standards, 30c; best standards, 40c; selects, 35c; best selects, 45c. Bulk Oysters, Per Quart—Standards, 45c; selects, 55c; counts, 60c.

Fish—Lake Superior trout, No. 1, 8c; Lake Superior whitefish, No. 1, 9c; Lake Superior whitefish, No. 2, 6c; fine Lake Superior herring, 6c; Lake Superior pike, 7c; pickerel, 6c; smelts, 10@15c; salt water herring, 6c; croppies, 8c; black bass, 12@15c; lobsters, 25c; halibut, 25c; salmon, 25c; red snappers, 25c; bluefish, 25c.

Furs—Mink, 50c@$1; marten, $1.25@2.50; otter, $6@8; beaver, per lb., $3@4; fisher, $5@7; cross fox, $3@5; silver grey fox, $15@75; red fox, $1.65; kit fox, 40c; wolverine, $1; timber wolf, $3; prairie wolf, $1; lynx, $4@5; wildcat, 50c; house cat, 15c; skunk, 50@60c; muskrat (fall), 11c; muskrat (winter), 13c; muskrat (kits), 5c; badger, $1; black bear, $16@25; black cub bear, $4@7; brown bear, $16@20; brown cub bear, $4@7; grizzly bear, $10@15; grizzly cub bear, $4@5; raccoon, 60c@$1; sheep pelts, 25@85c.

Hides, Etc.—Green hides, per lb, 4c; green salted hides, per lb, 4½c; green salted long-haired kip, per lb, 4c; green salted veal kip, per lb, 4½c; dry flint hides, per lb, 7c; dry salted hides, per lb, 6c; green calfskins, per lb, 4½c; dry calfskins, per lb, 6c; wool, washed, per lb, 24@26c; wool, unwashed, per lb, 16@19c; tallow, per lb, 4c; ginseng, per lb, $2.75; seneca, per lb, 32c; beeswax, per lb, 20c; dry deer skins, fall, per lb, 30c; dry deer skins, winter, per lb, 25c; dry antelope skins, per lb, 23c; dry elk skins, per lb, 20c; dressed buckskin, per lb, $1.25.

Produce Exchange.

Butter quiet and unchanged. Cheese firm. The weather is a little more favorable for poultry. Chickens steady. Turkeys a trifle weaker. Pheasants and quails a shade firmer. Apples are somewhat firmer. Oranges steady. Lemons quiet. Cranberries firm and higher.

Butter—Extra creamery, 20@22c; extra dairy, 10@14c; packing stock, 6@7c.

Cheese—Fancy, 11@11½c; fine, 7@8c; fair, part skim milk, 4@6c.

Maple Sugar—9@10c.

Maple Syrup—Per gallon, $1.15@1.25.

Honey—Slow at quotations: Fine white new clover, 13@15c; buckwheat, 10@11c.

Malt—Per bushel, 60@70c.

Oranges—Fancy, $2.75@3.

Lemons—Fancy, $4@5.

Nuts—Pecans, Texas polished, medium to large, 8@10c per lb; almonds, Tarragonas, 17c; California soft-shelled, 18c; filberts, Sicily, 12c; walnuts, new California, 12@15c; cocoanuts, $6 per 100; hickory nuts, $1.50 per bu; shellbarks, $1.75@1.85 per bu; Brazils, 10@12c; peanuts, Virginia hand-picked, 8½c; roasted, 10½c.

Dates—Persians, 7@8c; in mats, 5½c; figs, new, 12@15c.

Bananas—Fancy, $2@3.

Cider—Choice Michigan, 16-gallon kegs, $3 per keg; choice refined, 16-gallon kegs, $3; choice refined, 32-gallon bbls., $5@5.50 per bbl.; Ohio cider, $4 per half-bbl., $7 for full bbl.

Veal—5@6c.

Onions—40c per bu.

Carrots—35c per bu.

Poultry—Dressed chickens, 7@8c; turkeys 10@12c; ducks and geese, 8@9c.

Game—Prairie chickens, $3@3.25 per doz; pheasants, $2.50@2.75; ducks, $1@3.50; venison, 7@8c; quail, $1.75.

Apples—Fancy, $3@3.50; standard, $2.75@3.

Grapes—Concords, 10-lb baskets, 40@45c; Delawares, 10-lb baskets, 50@55c.

Chestnuts—$3@3.50 per bu.

Radishes—13@20c per doz.

Cabbage—$1.25@1.50, standard crates.

New Beets—15@20c per doz bunches.

Celery—30@35c.

California Fruits—

Grapes—Malaga, $6.50@7.50 per keg.

Pears—$2.25@2.50 per box.

Peaches—$1.50.

Plums—$1@1.50.

Sweet Potatoes—Jerseys, $3.50@4 per bbl; Muscatines, $3.75@4 per bbl; Illinois, $3.75@4.

Cranberries—Bell and bugle, $9.50@10; Cape Cod, $9; bell and cherry, $7.50@8.50.

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MINNEAPOLIS MARKETS.

Chamber of Commerce.

There were no public cables, and private ones noted the usual dullness abroad incident to this season of the year. New York noted some strength on exports and withdrawals from store, while an under current of confidence existed here on small wheat movement and fair inquiry for consumption. No large lines of May appeared to be in the market, but there were many small lots of it offered with little pressure to sell. Relatively there appeared to be more strength than shown in several other places. Cash and many limited orders were not filled owing to a narrow range in the market. Bidding was at times within less than 1c of May in Chicago at the same time.

Following are the closing quotations: No. 1 hard, December, 78⅝c; January, 79c; May, 83¾c; on track, 79½@80c; No. 1 northern, December, 76¼c; January, 76½c; May, 81½c; on track, 77¾@78c; No. 2 northern, December, 73c; January, 73c; May, 78c; on track, 73@76c.

The two days' receipts were 271 cars, and shipments 30 cars. The early demand was slow, with holders asking about Tuesday's figures. Subsequently there was more inquiry, and with a little shading in prices the offerings were pretty well cleaned up. The Duluth receipts were but 5 cars, and the country movement was reported very light, though for two days before Christmas considerable was moving. The prospect for local stocks appears to indicate a small increase, if there is any. The large mills were all grinding, mainly from current arrivals, with no great amount coming from either private or public storage. Shippers still claimed the low grades were held above their reach. Some sold, but in spite of moderate offerings other lots found no buyers at the figures asked.

Car lot sales by sample, delivered: 8 cars No. 1 hard, 79½c; 12 cars No. 1 hard, 80c; 2 cars No hard, o. t., 79c; 2 cars No. 1 hard, 79c; 2 cars No. 1 hard, 78½c; 70 cars No. 1 northern, 78c; 8 cars No. 1 northern, 78¼c; 8 cars No. 1 northern, o. t., 77⅞c; 2 cars No. 1 northern, poor, o. t., 77½c; 2 cars No. 1 northern, o. t., 78½c; 10 cars No. 1 northern, 77¾c; 10 cars No. 1 northern, 78½c; 2 cars No. 1 northern, poor, 77½c; 2 cars No. 1 northern, 78½c; 6 cars No. 2 northern, 75c; 5 cars No. 2 northern, 74¾c; 2 cars No. 2 northern, poor, 72½c; 2 cars No. 2 northern, 75½c; 2 cars No. 2 northern, 77c; 2 cars No. 2 northern, 76c; 3 cars No. 3, 73½c; 2 cars No. 3, 73c; 2 cars No. 2, 72c; 2 cars rejected, 74½c; 2 cors rejected, o. t., 70c; 2 cars rejected, 59½c; 2 cars rejected, f. o. b., 67c; 2 cars rejected, 70½c; 1 car No. 3 oats, 20c; 1 car oats, 19c; 1 car corn, yellow, o. t., 28c; 5 cars corn, to arrive, 27½c.

FLOUR AND COARSE GRAINS.

Flour—The added daily output of mill grinding yesterday will probably aggregate 21,200 bbls. Patents, sacks to local dealers, $4.75@