MODES, NEW AND OLD

The Tasty Parisian Notes Some That Are Modern and Others Stale.

French Ladies Have Not Yet Discarded the Plain and Simple Skirt,

But Have Modified Them So That They Do Not Look So Aggressive.

Fantastically Festooned Sashes Are Worn With Quite Pleasing Effect.

Special Letter to the Globe.

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—Paris, that gay votary of fashion, tells us a few new things and much we already knew before. She has not yet discarded the plain, simple skirt and gives no hint of doing so, possibly because with her supreme good taste she knows that now they have modified their short stiffness with the demi-train, they are the most becoming thing a woman can wear. When they were short their plainness was too aggressive and obvious, but now plainness is transformed into simplicity and the result is that we have a garment which in Redfern's opinion is a thing ladies had better wear as long as they can. The trimming on these pretty skirts is either narrow rows of fur, a band of passementerie or simply a wide hem with rows of machine stitching. The variety of trimming which gives individuality to the costume is limited to the front of the bodice, and a little novelty is introduced in the shape and arrangement of the coat tails, and the disposal of the belt or sash. The basque is discarded and in its place has appeared a bodice which has apparently no beginning and no ending; its fastenings are not visible, whose edges are lost under a charming girdle, and it is altogether a subtle and distracting arrangement. The belt is worn very much, but not the round belt that is so disastrous in its effect on a buxom figure; but the pointed belt, which starts from the side seams under the arms, and slopes down to a point in front, where the dainty enameled flower clasp or the jet ornament marks its boundary. Sashes are worn, but they are festooned fantastically, and only those who belong to the inner circle of fashion would recognize them as sashes. The corselet is much worn, sometimes with a full blouse, sometimes with a tight bodice, but it is recommended only to the slender waisted; hence those who glory in the absence of a small waist should choose some other style.

Here is a gown which Redfern declares to be the only one in this style which has yet been launched upon the world of fashion. The top jacket, which is mounted in sections over a tight basque, is made of striped grey and black camel hair cloth cut on the bias. It has short Elizabethian sleeves and a high curved-out collar, edged with silver-grey fox. The tight-fitting basque underneath is of black velvet and an edging of fur is placed around the hips. The material of the skirt is cut on the bias in the back portion and on the straight in the front. Three narrow bands of fox fur with black velvet between form the trimming at the base of the skirt. We have got so accustomed to seeing the seal coat made always in the plain conventional form that when we meet with one shaped in a new fashion we are apt to regard it as almost too complete a departure from the regular style to take our fancy at once.

But this design which Redfern has originated is both stylish and becoming

It is, of course, very costly. The long panel down the front of white cloth embroidered with gold is quite a new innovation; the white cloth under sleeves, showing beneath the curtain sleeves of seal and the trimming of bear which borders this daring creation, all help to make it a costly garment.

With it is worn one of those new hats which resemble a man's old-fashioned beaver, cut down, and trimmed with a band of velvet, a bow and buckle in front, and a group of feathers at the back. This style of chapeaux is not suitable to the young, but for ladies somewhat advance, say towards the thirties, are very becoming.

LE BARON DE BREMONT.

ROUND DANCING.

The Style of Ten Years Ago Now Revived.

Detroit Free Press.

THERE is no doubt that round dancing in general is going back to the style of ten years ago—slower and more graceful than the dancing of recent seasons, which has been more of the dashing, romping kind. The waltz especially is danced with a slow, undulating motion, the feet remaining on the floor and "gliding" through the movements.

One of the new dances is the "Pirrouette" which is danced to waltz music. It is of the "Oxford Minuet" style in its first part—the dance that last season made one of the most remarkable successes of all the new dances, differing, however, in that it is all in waltz time, and is much easier to learn. Already a great favorite, it promises to take as well as did the Oxford. Prof. R. F. Thuma, of Pittsburg, is its author. The Spanish Yorke is another dance that is easy and graceful. The Cycle polka, which is dedicated to the "L. A. W." bicyclers, will probably be boomed to success. Both the last named dances are by George W. Wallace, of New York. La Favorite, by M. B. Gilbert, of Portland, Me., is a new dance of much merit which has been adopted by the American Society of Professors of Dancing. Mr. Gilbert is the gentleman who arranged the popular "Berlin." Le Broncho, by Prof. Davis, of Toronto, is a combination of the old ripple of Newport, and waltz, danced to schottische time specially arranged, and makes a unique and pretty dance, although rather difficult, except for an expert in the ripple and waltz. La Zieka and Polka Polonaise are by the same author, the latter being in its first movement similar to the Polka Dot waltz of H. A. Strassburg, though danced in different time. The Seaside polka, also known as the Carlton, Skaters' and Russian polka, was new last season and is still a great favorite. It is similar to one of the roller skating movements and had its origin therein. It is about the only thing left of the roller skating craze. The Russian is also one of the new style of minuet combinations similar to the Pirrouette and Oxford.

The fact that many of the new dances are merely combinations of old dances makes it an easy matter for a good dancer to acquire them, and a new dance or combination must be easy to catch or society will not take it up. Very few persons care to return to dancing school to learn new dances, preferring to depend on "picking them up" by seeing others who are attending school dance them at parties and balls. If a dance is too difficult to "pick up" it usually dies of neglect, as few persons will make an extra effort to learn it. Often, however, a beautiful movement or dance is spoiled by the people who can "pick them up as fast as they come out," not catching the true meaning of the dance. The trouble is fast disappearing, however, the modern dancing schools having advanced classes at which only the novelties are taught. The Bon Ton Gayety, Berlin, Yorke, Skip Schottische, Polka Dot Waltz, Duchess, The Rye, Belle Canadienne and an additional few of the newer dances of the past two years are still very popular.

Not many years ago—before the flood of new dances—three or four constituted the limit of variety at the grandest ball and everyone danced the same dance at the same time. Now, when the orchestra plays a schottische different couples will dance at the same time the Gayety, Skip Military, Two Step, etc., or a waltz will produce the Polka Dot, the Pirrouette, the side step waltz, etc. To polka music can be danced the Seaside, Rush, Heel and Toe, Detroit, Duchess, Berlin, Fascination, etc., although nearly all these dances have special music to fit them.

Many of the objections to round dancing have been done away with, especially the just one of gentlemen holding their partners too close. Now the only proper way is to hold your partner almost at arms' length. It produces better dancing, as the position gives more freedom of movement, and does away with the stiff and stilted style.

Seasonable Words.

Brooklyn Eagle.

"Taking time by the forelock" never counts for more than in selecting Christmas presents early in the season. For those who have many friends and who do not need to wait for means, it is a saving both of money and time, as every day it will be more difficult to get waited on, and prices will rise. For some reason or other cut glass seems just now to be specially low. Here are a few of the most useful articles to be found in cut glass with their prices: Just think of fruit dishes at $3, and very pretty cracker jars at $5! I couldn't believe I heard straight when the clerk mentioned $3.50 as the price of a good-sized water bottle for the table. They ranged from this to $30. Punch bowls can be found as low as $5, and rose bowls all the way from $5 to $25. Celery trays cost rather more, $12 being the price of one with star design. Finger bowls can be obtained as low as $7 per dozen. What more dainty than a vinegar or oil bottle at $2.50? But this year, as last, toilet articles will be set forth in every possible variety of design and material. Cut glass toilet bottles range from $6 to $18. Brushes with old silver backs are now sold for $4.75. A set of brush, comb and mirror in old silver, always a useful gift, can be had for $13.50. Silver puff boxes vary from $3.70 to $4.50, but these are no prettier than those in white wood at $1.25, which one can decorate with hand-painted posies. Among novelties at the stationery counters are solid silver pen trays and pink and blue feather dusters with silver handles. A silver banquet lamp with pretty shade is reasonable enough at $4.

An Able Financier.

Detroit Free Press.

As a young man passed along the street a resident remarked to a visitor:

"That is one of our ablest financiers."

"Why, I am astonished," was the reply. "He doesn't look to be over twenty-five."

"He isn't so old as that, even."

"How does he happen to be so successful?"

"Blamed if I know. He came here a stranger three years ago with nothing except his good looks, and today he is the husband of the richest woman in the town."

To Old Mexico.

"The Burlington" has now on sale excursion tickets to principal points in Mexico at greatly reduced rates. No more interesting country can be selected for a winter journey. The unrivaled service and accommodations of "The Burlington," with two trains each day to St. Louis, makes it the favorite line. Tickets will be good for to six months from date of sale, and may be obtained at the ticket office, No. 164 East Third street, where any further information will be cheerfully furnished.

QUIET IN GRAIN PITS.

Changes in Prices Were Very Narrow on 'Change at Chicago,

Ream, Cudahy and Pardridge Maintaining a Pronounced Bear Sentiment.

Shorts in Corn Appear to Have Evened Up on Their Late Scare.

Good Demand for Bonds, but Light Stock Trading on Wall Street.

CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—Wheat was extremely quiet today, price changes very narrow, and while a firm tone was maintained most of the day, there was at no time any decided strength. Cables, while quoting a steady tone abroad, did not fail to note that trade there was exceedingly slow, with buyers holding off in view of the weakness in America. The report that Germany had reduced the duty on wheat 30 per cent helped the market some, though more by preventing a decline than any other way. The duty has heretofore been 32½ cents per bushel, and the reduction amounts to 9¾ cents per bushel.

The bear sentiment is still pronounced and is lead by Ream, with Cudahy, Pardridge and other bear plungers acting in line with him. Ream stood in the pit and sold generously on all firm spots, but covered a good deal of the big line sold yesterday and previously, whenever he could do so at a good profit. The bulls had no leader and acted in a cautious, half-hearted and discouraged way. Milmine-Bodman took back some of the wheat they sold yesterday. Gifford, Baxter, Linn and the New Yorkers were good sellers. Geddes, Kirkwood and Dunn made liberal purchases.

The seaboard clearances were rather light, aggregating about 300,000 bu. Late cables to the board were all dull and lower, both in Great Britain and on the continent. These advices and continued selling caused the market to weaken during the last hour. May opened at 98c, sold to 98¼c, eased off to 97⅞c, back to 98⅜c, off to 97⅞c, up to 98c again, weakened and closed at 97¾c.

Corn shows very little life for seller this year, and kept steady at 54@55c. There is but little demand, and it begins to look as if the shorts had pretty well evened up on the big scare of Wednesday last. The nervousness seems to be extending into January, and that future was higher, with shorts active buyers. The receipts of contract corn are still light, only 19 cars today out of 243, and there is a growing apprehension as to how shorts will be filled. May was steady within a range of ½c and closed at the bottom. Oats were quiet and steady during most of the session, but weakened, and receded some during the last hour with other cereals.

Hog products quiet and steady. Cudahy was a liberal seller of pork, which was weak early, but improved some. In the afternoon Ream and Cudahy joined in an attack on prices, which yielded the more readily because of the weakness in grains, going to the bottom prices of the day. There was a partial recovery, however, and the close was at medium figures. Estimated receipts for Monday: Wheat, 260 cars; corn, 380 cars; oats, 220 cars; hogs, 50,000 head, and 240,000 next week.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

ARTICLES.	Opening.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.
No. 2 Wheat—				
December.....	91⅝	92	91⅜	91⅝
January.....	93⅝	93	92¼	92⅜
May	98	98⅜	97⅝	97¾
No. 2 Corn—				
December.....	54	55½	54	55
January	46¼	47⅛	46¼	46½
May	43⅝	43⅝	43⅛	43⅛
No. 2 Oats—				
December.....	33¼	33¼	32⅞	32⅞
January	32⅛	32¼	32	32⅛
May.....	33⅛	33¼	33⅛	33⅛
Mess Pork—				
January	11 07½	11 07½	10 90	10 95
May	11 52½	11 52½	11 35	11 40
Lard—				
December.....	6 00	6 02½	6 00	6 00
January.....	6 12½	6 15	6 10	6 12½
May.....	6 50	6 50	6 45	6 47½
Short Ribs—				
December	5 37½	5 40	5 35	5 37½
January.....	5 40	5 42½	5 37½	5 40
May.....	5 82½	5 82½	5 75	5 80

Cash quotations were as follows: Flour steady and unchanged. Wheat—No. 2 spring, 91⅝c; No. 3 spring, 84@85c; No. 2 red, 91⅝c. Corn—No. 2, 54½c. Oats—No. 2, 32⅝c; No. 2 white, 34@34½c; No. 3 white, 32½@33c. Rye—No. 2, 86c. Barley—No. 2, 59c; No. 3 f. o. b., 43@60c; No. 4, f. o. b., 30@42. Flaxseed—No. 1, 93½@94c. Timothy Seed—Prime, $1.26@1.22. Mess Pork—Per bbl, $8.37½@8.50. Lard—Per 100 lbs, $6.02½. Short Ribs Sides—Loose, $5.40@5.60. Dry Salted Shoulders—Boxed, $4.37½@4.50. Short Clear Sides—Boxed, $5.70@5.75. Whisky—Distillers' finished goods, per gal, $1.18. Sugars unchanged. Receipts—Flour, 29,000 bbls; wheat, 119,000 bu; corn, 199,000 bu; oats, 173,000 bu; rye, 24,000 bu; barley, 65,000 bu. Shipments—Flour, 16,000 bbls; wheat, 69,000 bu; corn, 160,000 bu; oats, 167,000 bu; rye, 6,000 bu; barley, 54,000 bu. On the produce exchange today the butter market was quiet and unchanged. Eggs 23@24c.

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Milwaukee Produce.

MILWAUKEE, Dec. 12.—Flour quiet. Wheat easy; May, 95¼c; No. 2 spring, 88c; No. 1 northern, 92c. Corn steady; No. 3, 43c. Oats firm; No. 2 white, 34@34½c; No. 3 white, 32½@33½c. Barley easy; No. 2, 58½c; sample on track, 50@62½c. Rye firm; No. 1, 89c. Provisions easy. Pork—January, $10.92½. Lard—January, $6.10. Receipts—Flour, 7,000 bbls; wheat, 63,000 bu; barley, 52,000 bu. Shipments—Flour, 5,000 bbls; wheat, 6,000 bu; barley, 31,100 bu.

Duluth Wheat.

Special to the Globe.

DULUTH, Dec. 12.—Cash and December opened at an advance of 4c above yesterday's close, and May went up 1⅝c. The bulk of the trading was done in cash and May wheats. The receipts of wheat for the week were small, amounting to only 935,000 bu, and the shipments only 140,000 bu. The increase in stock here is 770,000 bu. Strong cables were the cause of the firmness here at the opening; but the large exports from the United States this week acted to prevent any material rise in foreign markets. Bradstreet's estimate of the exports of wheat from both coasts is 6,031,000 bu. Cash ruled fairly steady in this market up to noon, while May lost ⅛c. The clearances from foreign ports for the week are 3,401,700 bushels of wheat, a decrease of 258,200 bushels. The decrease in wheat and flour for the week is equivalent to 31,400 bushels. The close here was the same as yesterday, as follows: No. 1 hard, cash, 89c; December, 89¼c; May, 96c. No. 1 northern, cash, 88c; December, 88¼c; May, 95c. No. 2 northern, cash, 82¼c. Receipts—Wheat, 149,065 bu; flax, 2,218 bu. Shipments—Wheat, 2,959 bu. Cars Inspected In—Wheat—No. 1 hard, 21; No. 1 northern, 118; No. 2 northern, 24; No. 3, 8; rejected, 1; no grade, 28; total, 200. Cars on Track—Wheat—St. Paul & Duluth, 9; Northern Pacific, 65; Great Northern, 197; C., St. P., M. & O., 7; total, 278. Last Year—Wheat, 317. Flax—6.

New York Produce.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Flour—Receipts, 19,721 pkgs; exports, 8,886 bbls, 9,220 sacks; dull and heavy; sales, 18,500 bbls. Cornmeal sales, 18,550 bbls; quiet and steady; yellow Western, 315,360 bbls. Wheat—Receipts, 8,250 bu; exports, 135,752 bu; sales, 624,000 bu futures, 26,000 bu spot; spot market dull, unsettled, easier; No. 2 red, $1.06¼; store and elevator, $1.08¼ afloat, $1.07¾@1.09 f. o. b.; No. 3 red, $1.02½; ungraded red, 98c@$1.07¼; No. 1 northern, $1.09¼@1.09¾; No. 1 hard, $1.13@1.13½; No. 2 northern, $1.03½@1.03¾; options generally slow and dragging, with only local influences and scalping trading. A decline of ⅛@⅜c occurred early followed by an advance of ¼@½c, closing firm at ⅛@⅜c over yesterday; No. 2 red, December, $1.06¼, closing at $1.06¼; January, $1.06½@1.07, closing at 107; February, $1.08¾@1.09⅜, closing at $1.08⅛; March, $1.09@1.09¼, closing at $1.09¼; April, $1.09¼@1.09⅝, closing at $1.09⅜; May, $1.08¾@1.09¼, closing at $1.09¼; June, $1.07⅝@1.08, closing at $1.08. Rye weak; Western, $1.02½@1.04. Barley dull; No. 2 Milwaukee, 73@74c. Barley malt—Country made, 85c. Corn—Receipts, 161,200 bu; exports, 8,080 bu; sales, 357,000 bu futures, 30,000 bu spot; spot market lower, quiet, closing steady; No. 2 62@62½c elevator, 63½c afloat; ungraded mixed, 50@63c; No. 3, 55c; steamer mixed, 60c; options: December declined slightly on expectations of freer supplies; other months advanced ⅛@¼c, with few sellers; trading dull; December, 62@63c, closing at 62¼c; January, 56¾@57c, closing at 57c; February, 54¾@55c, closing at 55c; May, 52½@52¾c, closing at 56¾c; steamer mixed December, 50½c. Oats—Receipts, 116,850 bu; exports, 580 bu; sales, 10,000 bu, 690,000 bu spot; spot market easy and dull; options dull, weaker; December, 41c; January, 40c; May, 39⅜c; spot No. 2 white, 41½c; mixed western, 40@42c; white western, 40@45c; No. 2 Chicago, 42¼c. Hops fair, active, firm; fair to choice, 21c. Coffee options opened steady and unchanged to 10 points decline; closed barely steady at 5@20 points up; sales, 15,750 bags, including: December, 12.75@12.85c; January, 12.15@12.35c; February, 11.9.@12.05c; March, 11.75@11.95c; May, 11.65@11.75c; June, 11.55c; July, 11.55@11.62c; September, 11.40@11.50c; October, 11.40; spot Rio quiet and firm: No. 7, 13¾@13⅞c. Sugar dull; fair refining, 3 1-16c; sales, 900 bags centrifugals, 96 test, 3⅞c; refined dull. Molasses—Foreign nominal; New Orleans firm, fair demand; common to fancy, 33@38c. Rice fairly active and firm; domestic and fair to extra Japan, 5½@5¾c. Cottonseed oil steady. Tallow firm and dull; strained, common to good, $1.37@1.40. Turpentine more active, steady, 33½@33¾c. Eggs quiet, easy; Western, 24@25c; receipts, 2,108 packages. Pork moderate demand, steady; old mess, $9.50; new mess, $10.50; extra prime, $8.50. Cut meats dull, steady; pickled bellies, 5⅝c; ham, 8½c; middles, about steady; short clear, $6.15@6.22½. Lard steady, dull; Western steam, $6.45; options sales, 250 tcs: January, $6.47, closing at $6.46 bid; February, $6.56 bid; March, $6.66 bid; May, $6.81 bid. Butter dull and weak; Western dairy, 10@22c; Western creamery, 20@30c; Western factory, 14½@22c; Elgin, 30c. Cheese dull about steady; part skims, 4½@9c. Pig iron dull; American, $15.75@18.

St. Louis Produce.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 12.—Flour dull and weak, unchanged. Wheat closed 1@2⅜c lower than yesterday; No. 2 red cash, 94⅜c; December, closed 93¾c bid; January, 95⅝c, nominal; May, 98⅜@98½; July, 93c asked. Corn closed ¼@¼c lower than yesterday; No. 2 cash, 49½@41c; year closed 39¾c bid; January, 39⅜c bid; February, 39⅜c asked; May, 40⅜c. Oats weak and lower; No. 2 cash, 33½c bid; May, 33c, nominal. Rye weak and lower: No. 2, 88c. Barley dull, neglected. Hay dull, unchanged. Bran quiet, firm; east track, sacked, 81@82½c. Flaxseed strong, 89c.

Kansas City Grain.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 12.—Wheat dull, lower; No. 2 cash, 78½c bid. Corn higher; No. 2 cash, 38c bid, 39¼c asked. Oats steady; No. 2 cash, 30c bid, 31½c asked; December, 30½c bid; January, 32c bid, 31⅜c asked. Butter and eggs unchanged. Receipts—Wheat, 29,400 bu; corn, 2,000 bu; oats, 2,000 bu. Shipments—Wheat, 30,000 bu; corn none; oats, 6,000 bu;

Toledo Grain.

TOLEDO, Dec. 12.—Wheat dull, easier; No. 2 cash and December, 96¼c; January, 98c; May, $1.02½. Corn active, steady; cash, 47½c. Oats quiet; cash, 34c, nominal. Rye nominal; cash, 91½c. Cloverseed active, steady; prime cash and December and January, $5.40; February and March $5.50.

Liverpool Grain.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 12.—Wheat quiet; holders offer moderately. Corn easy, demand poor; mixed Western, 5s 9d per cental.

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FINANCIAL.

New York.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Today's stock market was almost a repetition of that of yesterday, especially in showing a good demand for bonds, while the trading in stocks was light, the latter being subject to heavy pressure by the professionals, which imparted a weak tone to the dealings during most of the session. Easy money rates in all the important financial centers seem to be driving the investment class into good investment bonds and stocks as the only available means of using their money. This condition of affairs is looked upon as a forerunner of better prices.

The continued strength in foreign exchange and the interpretation that there is selling of American securities by foreign holders renders two parties possible in the stock market, and the bears are both active and aggressive from time to time. Today the feature was the persistent pressure to sell by the professional element, and while Missouri Pacific received most attention at first and was used to start the ball rolling, other stocks scored equally as heavy net losses, which was accomplished in the face of another encouraging bank statement. The only really strong points in the market today were the low-priced specialties, and the Iowa Central shares were most prominent.

As a rule, however, the list was devoid of special feature, moving with unusual conformity. The yearly decline was soon checked, and a partial rally followed, but the late dealings saw a renewal of the pressure in a more general way, and prices slowly melted until the close. The business was only moderate, but the last prices were as a rule the lowest of the day. The final losses are generally large fractions in the active stocks and small ones in the others. Missouri Pacific ended down 5%; Lake Shore a like amount, and Burlington 3½c.

The Post says: It may be said that the week closing today has gone far towards solving the disputed problem, what could be the outcome of the unprecedented and strongly mixed situation in the financial world? There was no clear answer to this question until after the crisis in Paris had been adverted, for the course of the markets showed unmistakably that, whatever might be the facts in our own commercial outlook, a crash in Europe must inevitably spread great discouragement in every financial center. Europe's troubles are probably not over; it still remains to be seen what methods impoverished and bankrupt Russia will be forced to employ. The operations of Russian financiers in 1892 will furnish a spectacle of unusual interest. But the fact that the diplomats and bankers of Europe have shown both determination and power to protect credits at critical points is a strong assurance that the worst is over, and that what we have to look for in Europe next year will be chiefly business stagnation and prevailing poverty. The appearance of investment buyers in force this week shows the view taken by our most intelligent capitalists, and gives ground for the belief that American finance has practically shaken loose from Europe.

Total Sales of Stocks

today were 121,713 shares, including:

Atchison	9,450	Northwestern....	2,150
Can. Southern...	7,650	North American	2,150
Chicago Gas	9,823	N. P. pfd.....	5,340
Del. & Western...	2,500	Reading.....	2,500
Erie	3,530	Rich. & W. P...	12,616
Louisville & N..	3,300	St. Paul.....	6,950
Missouri Pacific.	7,18[illegible]		

Stocks—Closing.

Atchison.....	42½	Northwestern....	114⅛
Adams Express.	143	do pfd.....	139
Alton & Terre H.	30	N. Y. Central ..	116¼
do pfd.....	125	N. Y., C. & St. L.	20¼
Am. Express.....	114	do pfd.....	80
B., C. R. & N...	32	Ohio & Miss.....	23
Canadian Pacific.	90	do pfd.....	85
Can. Southern...	62¾	Ontario & West'n	20⅛
Central Pacific...	31½	Oregon Impov't.	25
Ches. & Ohio....	23¼	Oregon Nav.....	79
do 1st pfd.....	58	North American.	16⅞
do 2d pfd.....	37	Pacific Mail.....	36¾
Chicago & Alton.	136	P., D. & E.....	20⅝
Chi., B. & Q.....	104½	Pittsburg.....	148
Rio Grande West.	41½	Pullman P. Car..	170½
do pfd.....	72	Reading.....	38⅛
C., C., C. & St. L.	70¾	Rock Island.....	84⅝
Del. & Hudson...	122⅝	St. L.&S.F.1st pfd	76
D., L. & W.....	138⅜	St. Paul	77¾
D. & R. G. pfd...	44¼	do pfd	121¾
East Tennessee..	6¼	St. P., M. & M...	113½
do 1st pfd.....	40	St. P. & Omaha..	37½
do 2d pfd.....	13	do pfd.....	104½
Erie	30⅝	Tenn. C. & I.....	30
do pfd.....	70⅛	Texas Pacific ...	11⅝
*Fort Wayne.....	132	Tol. & O. C. pfd.	80
Chicago & E. Ill.	66	Union Pacific....	40⅞
Hocking Valley..	28⅛	U. S. Express....	50
Houston & Tex..	34½	Wab., St. L. & P.	12⅝
Illinois Central..	105⅝	do pfd.....	27½
St. Paul & Duluth	41½	Wells-Fargo Ex..	140
Kansas & Texas..	16½	Western Union...	81½
Lake Erie & W...	20	Am. Cotton Oil...	29
do pfd.....	67	Colorado Coal....	33½
Lake Shore	124⅝	Homestake.....	11½
Louisville & N...	80⅝	Iron Silver.....	145
Louis. & N. A...	21½	Quintario	41
Memphis & Chas.	26	Quicksilver.....	3⅞
Mich. Central....	108½	do pfd.....	21½
M., L. S. & W....	89¾	Sutro.....	5
do pfd.....	127¼	Bulwer.....	49
Mpls. & St. Louis.	8½	R. & W. P. Ter...	11⅝
do pfd.....	18⅝	Wis. Central	17
Mo. Pacific.....	56⅝	Gt. Northern pfd.	118
Mobile & Ohio...	40	Chicago Gas.....	63⅛
Nash. & Chatt..	90½	Lead Trust.....	17⅝
N. J. Central....	112¼	Sugar Trust	88¼
N. & W. pfd.....	51¼	Southern Pacific.	39¼
Northern Pacific.	24⅛	O. S. L. & U. N..	23
do pfd.....	67⅞	Distillers' Trust..	61⅜
U. P., D. & G.....	16		

*Ex-div.

Government and State Bonds.

Government and state bonds have been dull and firm. State bonds have been neglected.

U. S. 4s reg.....	116¾	Mutual Union 6s..	105
do 4s coup.....	117¾	N. J. C. Int. Cer.	100¾
do 2s reg.....	100	N. Pacific 1sts....	117½
Pacific 6s of '95...	108½	do 2ds.....	111½
Louis'na st'ped 4s	87⅛	N. W. Consols...	137½
Tenn. new set, 6s.	104	do deb. 5s.....	104½
do 5s.....	101	St. L. & I. M. G. 5s.	86
do 3s.....	70	St. L. & S. F. G. M.	109
Can. South'n 2ds.	99½	St. Paul Consols.	128
Cen. Pacific 1sts.	107¼	St. P., C. & P. 1sts.	115
D. & R. G. 1sts...	115½	T. P. L. G. T. R..	82
do 4s.....	80	T. P. R. C. T. R..	28¾
Erie 2ds.....	104⅜	Union Pac. 1sts..	108½
M. K. & T. G. 6s..	78½	West Shore.....	103
do do 5s.....	46	R. G. West. 1sts...	78¾

San Francisco Mining Stocks.

Alta	$0 70	Ophir.....	$2 90
Bulwer	40	Potosi.....	1 45
Best & Belcher..	2 20	Savage	1 80
Bodie Con.....	60	Sierra Nevada...	1 95
Chollar.....	1 35	Union Con.....	1 55
Con. Cal. & Va..	4 25	Utah	55
Crown Point....	90	Yellow Jacket...	1 15
Gould & Curry..	1 20	Commonwealth.	30
Hale & Norcross.	1 45	Nevada Queen..	20
Mexican.....	1 80	Belle Isle.....	30
Mono.....	50	N. B. Isle.....	30
Navajo.....	15	Del Monte.....	50

Money Market.

CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 12. — New York exchange 20c discount. Money at 6 per cent. Sterling exchange dull at $4.83 for sixty-day bills and $4.85½ for sight drafts.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Money on call easy, with no loans; closing offered at 2 per cent. Prime mercantile paper, 4@4½. Sterling exchange quiet and steady at $4.82 for sixty-day bills, and $4.84¾ demand.

Bank Statement.

WALL STREET, Dec. 12.—The weekly bank statement shows the following changes: Reserve, increase, $1,475,875; loans, increase, $77,000; specie, increase, $137,400; legal tenders, increase, $2,013,100; deposits, increase, $2,698,500; circulation, decrease, $3,500. The banks now hold $15,342,500 in excess of the 25 per cent rule.

Movement of Specie.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—The exports of specie from the port of New York last week amounted to $195,401, of which $24,523 was gold and $17,878 silver. Of the total exports $15,503 in gold and $164,774 silver went to Europe, and $7,950 gold and $10,104 silver to South America. The imports of specie amounted to $1,078,652, of which $1,062,357 was gold and $16,295 silver.

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LOCAL MARKETS.

St. Paul Produce.

The markets are stationary at the former figures, but in some points display increasing activity.

The quotations are:

Wheat—No. 1 hard, 88@89c; No. 1 northern, 86@88c; No. 2 northern, 82@83c.

Corn—New sample, 43@44c.

Oats—No. 2, 32@33c; No. 2 white, 34@32½c; No. 3, 3 @31c.

Barley and Rye—No. 2, 50@55c; No. 3, 4[illegible]@45c; No. 2 rye, 88c; malt, 65@75c.

Ground Feed and Millstuffs—Prices on all best grades are governed by jobbers and mills. No. 1, $17; No. 3, $18; low grade, $14@14.50. Cornmeal, bolted, $2@3; unbolted, $17@17.50. Bran, bulk, $13@13.50.

Flour—Prices steady: trade active at quotations. Patents, $4.8@5.10; straight, $4.40@4.60; bakers', $3.85@4.15; rye, $1.5[illegible]@5; buckwheat, 5[illegible]c.

Hay—No. 1 upland, $10@10.50; No. 2 upland, $9@9.50; No. 1 wild, $8@8.50; No. 2 wild, $7@7.50; No. 1 timothy, $12.50@13.50; No. 2 timothy, $11@12.

Butter—Creamery, 28@31c; first creamery, 25@26c; second creamery in tubs, 22@24c; first dairy, 20@22c; second dairy, 15@17c; packing stock, 12@12½c.

Cheese—Full cream, 12@12½c; primost, 7@8c; brick, 13@14c; Limburger, 12@12½c; Young America, 13@14c.

Eggs—Fresh, per doz, 22@24c.

Hogs—Dressed, $4.25@4.50.

Poultry—Dressed turkeys, 9@10c; chickens, 6@7c; ducks and geese, 8@9c.

Vegetables—Hubbard squash, 6@75c per doz; potatoes, 19@20c; sweet potatoes, Jerseys, $3.25@3.50; onions, green, per doz, 15c; per bu 60@65c; cabbage, per crate, $1.10@1.25; beets, doz, 35c; lettuce, doz, 15c.

Grapes—Concord, 10-lb baskets, 25@37c; Delawares, 10-lb baskets, 30@35c; Muscats, Tokays and Malaga, bbls, $7@8.

Fruits—Oranges—Florida, $2.50@2.75; Mexican, $2.50@3.25. Lemons—Choice, $4.50@5; fancy, $5@5.50. Apples—Choice, $3; fancy standard, $3@3.50 per bbl. Cape Cod cranberries, $7.5@9 per bbl; Wisconsin bell and cherry, $7.50@8 per bbl. Figs—Bags, 60-lb, 9c; 2-crown, 16c; 3-crown, 18c; 5-crown, 21c. Dates—Hallowee, 6½-lb boxes, 5c; Persian, 50-lb boxes, 7c; Sayre, 60-lb boxes, 6c; Fards, 10-lb boxes, 12c; golden, 10-lb boxes, 10c.

Miscellaneous—Veal, per 100 lbs, $6@7; hides, steer, green, per lb, 5½c; hides, cow, green, per lb, 4c; hides, calf, green, per lb, 6c; hides, steer, salt, per lb, 6½@7c; hides, cow, salt, per lb, 4½@5c; pelts, 25c@$1.50; wool, washed, 25c; unwashed, 15@17c; tallow, 4½c; pork, mess, $12@13; beef, $8.50; bacon, $9.5 @11; hams, 11½@11½c; lard, $8.50@10.25; hops, 25c.

Nuts—Peanuts, raw, 5@6c; peanuts, roasted, 8c; walnuts, California, 13@14c; Grenoble, 14c; Naples, 14c; pecans, 12@16c; Brazils, new, 8@10c; almonds, Tarragona, 18c; almonds, California, 16c; filberts, Sicily, 11c.

Cider—New apple, pure juice, bbls, $9@3; ½-bbls, $3.5 @5.75; orange, ½-bbls, $4.50; pear, ½-bbls, $6.50; peach, ½-bbls, $8.50.

Honey, per lb, 18@20c. Maple sugar, 11 @12c. Maple syrup, per gal, $1@1.50. Cocoanuts, per 100, $5.

Game—Mallard ducks, doz, $3@3.25; common, $1.50@1.50; prairie chickens, $1.50@4; pheasants, $1.50@5. Venison—Saddles, 14½c per lb; whole, 5@6c. Quail, per doz, $1.75 @2.

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