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EFFECT OF A REPORT.

Grain Markets Rather Unhinged by the Government Crop Bulletin.

Wheat Lost a Fraction, but Corn and Oats Advanced.

Provisions Strong, the Bull Clique Being Still in Absolute Control.

Stock Speculation Bullish During the Greater Part of the Day.

CHICAGO, Jan. 4.—The announcement that the government crop report for January would be issued this afternoon rather unhinged the grain markets. With regard to wheat there was no decided opinion formed concerning the report, but traders in corn and oats concluded that as regards those articles it must necessarily help the bulls. Corn is ½c higher, and oats from ⅜c to ½c higher. Provisions were strong and showed the bull clique to be still in absolute control. At the close pork was 10c higher, lard and ribs each 17½c.

In wheat there was more doing than yesterday. The opening was about ¼@⅜c lower than yesterday, and prices eased off another ⅛c or so, then became steadier, but again fell back. Later a stronger feeling developed and prices advanced ⅜@⅝c, became easier, and the closing was about midway between the high and low points of the day. There were pretty free offerings during the early part of the session, which caused the weakness, but the advance in corn and provisions helped the market and assisted in establishing the later advance. Cables were favorable; the receipts in the Northwest were lighter than they have been of late, but toward the close came moderate selling by some of the prominent local operators, and some "long" wheat was also reported to have been sold. Local stocks of contract wheat were reported at 5,782,000 bu, against 5,412,000 bu the preceding week.

The sentiment developed in corn was quite the reverse of that which has prevailed for some days past, higher prices ruling, which were fairly well sustained up to the close. The better tone was due largely to the action of provisions and to a prospective "bullish" government report. The opening was weak at ¼@⅜c decline from the final figures of yesterday, the receipts of 704 cars overrunning the estimates considerably, having that influence, but the demand soon improved and sold up with little reactions a full 1c, receding later ½c, ruled steady and closed with ½@⅝c gain. A prominent local speculator was credited with moderate purchases, and many of the smaller shorts provided for outstanding contracts on the advance.

A large trade was transacted in oats, and there was a firmer market, due largely to sympathy with other grains and also to the belief that the government report would be bullish. Less disposition to sell existed, and the shorts showed more uneasiness and bought freely. Prices advanced ⅜c, and the market closed steady at nearly the top figures, with a gain of ⅜@⅝c.

The report of the stock of provisions on hand was the stimulating feature, the aggregate supply being less than 33 per cent of the stocks on hand one year ago. This feature made "shorts" somewhat uneasy and encouraged more orders on outside account on the buying side of the market. At the same time local manufacturers and some of the leading local speculators were also inclined to purchase rather freely of the more deferred deliveries. Reports from Liverpool indicated a light stock on hand, with a further advance of 1s in lard and bacon. The receipts of products were rather light, and the shipments of all kinds were quite large and prices were advanced sharply, with considerable competition for the offerings. At the extreme figures reached there was a little more pressure to sell, and prices settled back slightly.

Estimated receipts for tomorrow: Wheat, 280 cars; corn, 300 cars; oats, 170 cars; hogs, 33,000.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

ARTICLES.	Closing.	Lowest.	Highest.	Opening.
Wheat, No. 2—				
January	71⅞	72½	72	72⅜–½
May	78½	79⅝–⅞	78¼	78⅝–¾
July	76¾	77½	76¾	77¼–⅜
Corn, No. 2—				
January	41¼	41¼–⅜	40¼–⅜	41⅞
February	41⅝–½	42⅝	41⅝	42½
May	45½	46½	45½	46¼
Oats, No. 2—				
January	30⅛	30⅝	30⅛	30½
February	31⅜	31⅞	31⅜	31¾
May	34½	35¼	34½	35–35⅛
Mess Pork—				
January	16 25	16 77½	16 25	16 75
May	16 70	17 25	16 70	17 17½
Lard—				
January	10 70	10 75	10 62½	10 62½
May	10 62½	10 17½	10 00	10 15
Short Ribs—				
January	8 90	9 15	8 90	9 15
May	9 10	9 32½	9 00	9 20

Cash quotations were as follows: Flour steadier; holders asking 10@15c advance on the better grades, bakers' not sharing in the upward tendency. Wheat—No. 2 spring, 72¾@72½c; No. 3 spring, 60½@62½c; No. 2 red, 72¾@72½c. Corn—No. 2, 41½c. Oats—No. 2, 30½@31c; No. 2 white, 33½@34½c; No. 3 white, 32@32½c. Rye—No. 3, 55c. Barley—No. 2, 65c; No. 3, f. o. b., 40@48c; No. 4, f. o. b., 35@45c. Flaxseed—No. 1, $1.09½. Timothy Seed—Prime, $2.02@2.03. Mess Pork—Per bbl, $15.62½@15.75. Lard—Per 100 lbs, $10.70. Ribs—Short sides (loose), $9.12½@9.15; dry salted shoulders (boxed), $8.37½@8.50; short clear sides (boxed), $9.50@9.60. Whisky—Distillers' finished goods, per gal, $1.30. Sugar unchanged. Corn—No. 3, 36½c. Receipts—Flour, 12,000 bbls; wheat, 292,000 bu; corn, 235,000 bu; oats, 238,000 bu; rye, 6,000 bu; barley, 65,000 bu. Shipments—Flour, 27,000 bbls; wheat, 20,000 bu; corn, 124,000 bu; oats, 206,000 bu; rye, 3,000 bu; barley, 54,000 bu. On the produce exchange today the butter market was firm; creamery, 20@30½c; dairy, 18@20c. Eggs firm; strictly fresh, 27@28c.

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Duluth Wheat.

Special to the Globe.

DULUTH, Jan. 4.—There was a fair demand for May wheat on the board this morning, with a weak opening at ⅜c off for futures and ½c off for cash. After the opening, however, the market ruled active with a tendency to advance. During the last hours the market was dull. Receipts here showed a falling off, postings for the day being wheat 142 cars. The close was firm but dull, with buyers at figures unchanged from yesterday, as follows: Cash—No. 1 hard, 69½c; No. 1 northern, 67c; No. 2 northern, 61¼c; No. 3 northern, 55c; rejected, 47c. January—No. 1 hard, 69½c; No. 1 northern, 67c; May—No. 1 hard, 75⅝c; No. 1 northern, 73c. Rye, 41c. Flax, cash, $1.05; January, $1.03¼; May, $1.11¼.

Cars Inspected—Wheat—No. 1 hard, 441 cars; No. 1 northern, 180 cars; No. 2 northern, 41 cars; No. 3 spring, 9 cars; rejected, 4 cars; no grade, 2 cars, total, 259 cars.

Receipts—Wheat, 229,301 bu.

Cars on Track—St. P. & D., 16 cars; Northern Pacific, 29 cars; Great Northern, 87 cars; C., St. P., M. & O., 102 cars; total, 142 cars.

Milwaukee Produce.

MILWAUKEE, Jan. 4.—Flour quiet. Wheat steady; May, 70⅝c; No. 2 spring, 65c; No. 1 northern, 70@72c. Corn quiet; No. 3, 36½@37c. Oats active; No. 2 white, 34@35c; No. 3 do, 31½@33½c. Barley quiet; No. 2, 64c; straight, 40@41c. Rye higher; No. 1, 59c. Provisions firm.

New York Produce.

NEW YORK, Jan. 4.—Flour—Receipts, 65,157 pkgs; exports, 3,533 bbls, 28,715 sacks; moderate demand, strong; sales, 14,100 bbls; low extras, $2.10@2.55; winter wheat, low grades, $2.10@2.55; fair to fancy, $2.55@3.75; patents, $3.85@4.25; Minnesota clear, $2.50@3.40; straights, $3.60@4; patents, $4.25@4.75; rye mixtures, $2.90@3.50. Cornmeal—Dull, steady.

Wheat—Receipts, 21,700 bu; exports 184,052 bu; sales, 1,185,000 bu futures, 88,000 bu spot. Spots firmer, with options moderately active; No. 2 red, 80c in store and elevator, 80⅜c afloat, 79½@80⅝c f. o. b.; No. 1 northern, 83½c; No. 1 hard, 89⅜c; No. 2 northern, 79½c; No. 3 spring, 74c. Options opened weak at ¼@½c decline on large receipts West and weakness there, and ruled dull, as awaiting the government report due today, closing steady after advancing ⅜@⅝c on shorts covering and following the West; No. 2 red, January, 78@78½c, closing at 78½c; March, 80⅝@81c, closing at 80⅞c; May, 82½@83 3-16c, closing at 83c.

Rye—Nominal.

Barley—Dull.

Barley Malt—Quiet.

Corn—Receipts, 28,800 bu; exports, 24,000 bu; sales, 250,000 bu futures, 26,000 bu spot; spots firmer, dull; No. 2, 50c elevator, 50⅞@51c afloat; No. 3, 48½@49½c; steamer mixed, 50½c; No. 2 white, 53c; options were dull and ⅜@⅝c higher, as following wheat and the West; February, 50⅛@50⅜c, closing at 50⅜c; May, 51½@52¼c, closing at 52⅛c.

Oats—Receipts, 48,300 bu; exports, 140 bu; sales, 150,000 bu futures, 100,000 bu spot; spots firmer, moderately active; options quiet, stronger; February, 37½@38⅛c, closing at 38⅛c; May, 39@39⅜c, closing at 39⅜c; spot No. 2 white, 42⅜c; mixed Western, 37@39c; white Western, 41@46½c; No. 2 Chicago, 38⅜c.

Hay—Quiet, steady; shipping, 65c; good to choice, 75@90c.

Hops—Dull, steady.

Coffee—Options opened steady, 10 points down to 10 points up; closed barely steady, 5 points down to 5 up; sales, 42,500 bags, including: January, 16@16.10c; February, 15.90c; March, 15.50@15.95c; April, 15.80c; May, 15.70@15.85c; July, 15.60@15.80c; September, 15.70@15.85c; October, 15.60c; December, 15.80c; spot Rio dull, steady; No. 7, 17c.

Sugar—Raw quiet, firm; sales, 100 bags muscovado, 89-test, at 3c; refined fairly active firm; No. 6, 4¼@4 7-16c.

Molasses—New Orleans, fair demand, steady.

Rice—Fair demand, steady.

Petroleum quiet, steady; United closed 54c bid for February. Cottonseed Oil firmer; crude, 43c; yellow, 47c. Tallow firmer, wanted; city ($2 for pkges), 5 5-16@5⅜c. Rosin quiet, steady.

Eggs quiet; unsettled, weaker; western best, 29@30c; western late gathered, 28c; southern, 28c.

Hides quiet, steady.

Pork — Quiet, stronger; old mess, $15.50; new mess, $16.25@16.75; extra prime, nominal. Cut meats active, stronger. Pickled bellies, 9½@9⅝c; Middles firmer; short clear, $9.25. Lard quiet, stronger; Western steam closed at $11.05; sales, 290 tierces at $11. Options, sales none; January, $10.90; March, $10.55; May, $10.40.

Butter—Fair demand, firm. Cheese fairly active, firmer.

Pig iron dull, steady; American, $12.75@15.50. Copper quiet, unchanged; lake, $12.20. Lead dull; domestic, $3.85. Tin firm; straits, $19.75.

St. Louis Produce.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 4.—Flour steady and unchanged. Wheat declined ⅜@½c early, recovered later and closed about as yesterday. Cash, 68c; January, 68½c; February, 69¾c; May, 74½c; July, 74⅜c. Corn declined ¼c early, recovered and advanced, finishing ⅜c above yesterday. Cash and January, 37c; February, 37⅛c; March, 39¼c; May, 41⅜c. Oats—Cash dull, 31c bid; May higher at 34⅜c. Rye firmer, small sales East side. Barley slow, small sales; Iowa and Minnesota at 61c. Bran scarce locally; country points higher at $6@57½c. Hay unchanged. Flaxseed easier at $1.07½.

Toledo Grain.

TOLEDO, Jan. 4.—Wheat dull, steady; No. 2 cash and January, 73½c; May, 78⅞@79c. Corn inactive, steady; No. 2 cash, 40c; January, 40½c; No. 3, 39c; No. 4, 37c. Oats dull; cash, 35c. Rye quiet; cash, 55c. Cloverseed dull, steady; prime, cash, $8.05; January, $8.07½; February, $8.12½; March, $8.17½.

Kansas City Grain.

KANSAS CITY, Jan. 4.—Wheat dull and steady; No. 2 hard, 64½@69c; No. 2 red, 69c. Corn firm; No. 2 mixed, 32¾@33c; No. 2 white, 34@34½c. Oats steady; No. 2, 26½c; No. 2 white, 30@31c.

Liverpool Grain.

LIVERPOOL, Jan. 4.—Wheat firm; demand fair; holders offer moderately. Corn firm; demand good; mixed Western, 4s 3½d per cental.

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FINANCIAL.

New York.

NEW YORK, Jan. 4.—The temper of speculation at the stock exchange was bullish during the greater part of the day, but dealings were somewhat better distributed than of late. Among the industrials American Sugar Refining was the special card, selling up from 112¾ to 115 for the common, and 100 to 101¼ for the preferred. Manhattan dropped from 155½ to 153½, and quickly rose to 156. The Western railway shares were stronger, more particularly for the Union Pacific group, which secured advances of 1@1½ per cent, the bonds of the Union Pacific and of its subsidiary companies at the same time making material advances under an increased demand. The heavy reduction in the Union Pacific collateral trust notes and other evidences of a substantial improvement in the financial condition of the company have created avery bullish feeling on that stock, as well as on Oregon Short Line and Oregon Navigation.

In the late afternoon trading the rise was checked by a sudden break in Distilling and Cattle Feeding from 65¾ to 61½ on stop-order sales. Other industrials sympathized to the extent of 2⅛ in Sugar and 1½ in Chicago Gas. At the same time the coal stocks were subjected to a sharp pressure and yielded 1⅝@2 per cent, except for Delaware & Hudson, which remained steady. The general list reacted ¼@1 per cent from the highest, but the market closed firm at some recovery.

The one obvious comment called for by the stock market at the opening of the new year is that it shows no sign of financial alarm. "Trustworthy critics," says the financial writer of the Evening Post, "agree, however, that the currency is threatened with serious complications, and unite, as a rule, in the opinion that only heroic measures can avert something like a crisis. The sudden convulsion which seized the market Dec. 15 and continued for nearly a week was peculiar, however, in that it worked out its own cure. It left behind it higher money rates, turned the international movement of credit in our favor and checked abruptly the new engagement of gold for export. So far it was clearly a restoration of the market to equilibrium. Yet barely a fortnight has passed, and the local money market is gravitating back to exactly the position occupied before the heavy gold shipment began. Allowing for the stringency incidental to the January payments, the loan market stands again on a level of very great ease. Sterling exchange is hardening again, and imports show no sign of falling of.

"While strength in the stock market under such circumstances is remarkable, it is not surprising to those who have studied its tendencies during the last two months. Sharing, perhaps, the feeling of the commercial community, the financial community has refused to look upon the currency situation as a distinct menace. This is largely due, of course, to the continuance of a strong investment demand for first-class securities, and to the unusually large supply of money which can be controlled by cliques interested in advancing or maintaining prices. The issue of new silver currency at the rate of $45,000,000 or more a year has contributed to this second factor, both directly through the manufacture of new money and indirectly, through the consequent depression of interest rates. The grave question then is, whether this swelling of the money fund with silver notes is actually and of itself forcing out gold, and this is the problem which the new year must very soon solve. Thus far the winter gold exports have had a partial explanation in the exceptional demand from Austria. Even last week's shipment was described as an old order contracted for when the Austrian government was still in the market. But the Austrian bid for gold is now withdrawn and future operations in sterling must be based on the general merits of the market."

The Total Sales of Stocks

today were 674,000 shares, including:

Atchison	3,750	New England	5,200
Chicago Gas	7,500	North. Pac. pfd	4,400
Distilling	33,850	St. Paul	9,800
Louisville & N.	4,800	Sugar	40,800
Manhattan	5,100	Union Pacific	34,800
Missouri Pacific	6,800	Western Union	6,000

Stocks—Closing.

Atchison	35½	North Am. Co.	10⅜
Adams Express	132	Northern Pacific	16
Alton & Terre H.	33	do pfd	46⅛
do pfd	150	U. P. D. & Gulf	16½
American Ex.	117	Northwestern	115⅜
Baltimore & O.	93¾	do pfd	141½
Canada Pacific	88¼	N. Y. Central	103¾
Can. Southern	55⅝	N. Y. & N. Eng.	44¼
Cen. Pacific	27¾	Ont. & Western	18⅛
Ches. & Ohio	22½	Oregon Imp.	19⅞
Chicago & Alton	140	Oregon Nav.	76
C., B. & Q.	97½	O. S. L. & U. N.	22
Chicago Gas	81⅝	Pacific Mail	38
Consol. Gas	124½	P., D. & E.	16½
C., C., C. & St. L.	59	Pittsburg	155
Colo. Coal & Iron	37¼	Pullman Pr. Car	196
Cotton Oil Cert's.	42¾	Reading	49⅜
Del. & Hudson	132⅛	Richmond Ter.	7
Del., L. & W.	151¼	do pfd	30
D. & G. R. pfd.	53½	Rio G. Western	24
Distillers & C. F.	62¼	do pfd	61½
East Tennessee	3¾	Rock Island	83¾
Erie	23⅝	St. L. & S. F. 1st pfd	75
do pfd	53¾	St. Paul	75⅝
Fort Wayne	153	do pfd	128½
Great Nor. pfd	132	St. Paul & Omaha	47⅛
Chi. & E. Ill. pfd.	98½	do pfd	116
Hocking Valley	28½	Southern Pacific	34¼
Illinois Central	99	Sugar Refinery	112⅞
St. Paul & Duluth	41	Tenn. C. & I.	36
Kan. & Tex. pfd.	23¾	Texas Pacific	9⅛
Lake Erie & W.	22½	Tol. & O. Cen. pfd	89
do pfd	75½	Union Pacific	39⅝
Lake Shore	127½	U. S. Express	58
Lead Trust	45	W., St. L. & P.	11
Louisville & N.	72	do pfd	23¾
Louisville & N.A.	23½	Wells-Fargo Ex.	141
Manhattan Con.	153¾	Western Union	95¼
Memphis & Chas.	50	Wheeling & L. E.	21½
Mich. Cen. rail	103	do pfd	62
Missouri Pacific	56⅛	Mpls & St. L.	17
Mobile & Ohio	25½	D. & R. G.	16
Nash. Chatt.	86	Gen. Electric	112⅛
Nat. Cordage	138	Nat'l Linseed	38½
do pfd	112¼	Col. Fuel & Iron	65½
N. J. Central	123	do pfd	109
Norfolk & W. pfd	37	Houston & T. C.	5

Government and State Bonds.

Government bonds steady. State bonds neglected.

U. S. 4s reg.	113	do 2ds	112½
do 4s coup.	113	N. W. consols	136
do 2s reg.	100	do deb. 5s	105
Pacific 6s of '95	103	St. L. & I.M.G. 5s	84¼
La. stamped 4s	98	St. L. & S. F. G.M.	106½
Missouri 6s	103	St. Paul consols	127
Tenn. new set. 6s	100	St. P. C. & P. 1sts	115
do 5s	100	T. P. L. G. Tr. R.	76¾
do 3s	73½	T. P. R. G. Tr. R.	26
Canada So. 2ds	103⅜	Union Pac. 1sts	104½
Cen. Pacific 1sts	104	West Shore	102
D. & R. G. 1sts	117⅜	R. & G. W. 1sts	77
do 4s	84	Atchison 4s	81⅞
Erie 2ds	101	do 2½s class A	54⅛
M. K. & T. Gen. 6s	80	G. H. & S. A. 5s	104
M. K. & T. Gen 5s	48½	do 2d 5s	102½
Mut. Union 6s	113	H. & T. C. 5s	104½
N. J. C. int. cert	100	do con 6s	102¾
N. Pacific 1sts	115		

New York Mining Stocks—West.

Crown Point	$0 03	Plymouth	$0 55
Con. Cal. and Va.	2 00	Sierra Nevada	1 20
Deadwood	1 25	Standard	1 40
Gould & Curry	90	Union Con.	1 00
Hale & Norcross	1 00	Yellow Jacket	40
Homestake	12 00	Iron Silver	40
Mexican	1 10	Quicksilver	3 50
Ontario	13 00	do pfd	17 50
Ophir	1 80	Bulwer	1 00

Money Markets.

CHICAGO, Jan. 4.—New York exchange 65c premium. Sterling exchange steady, $4.86 for sixty-day bills, $4.85 for sight drafts. Money steady, 6 per cent.

NEW YORK, Jan. 4.—Money on call easier at 4 to 6 per cent; last loan, 4; closed offered at 4. Prime mercantile paper, 5@6. Sterling exchange firm, with actual business at $4.85¾@$4.86 for sixty-day bills, and $4.87¼ for demand.

Union Stock Yards.

Receipts, 1,900 hogs, 461 cattle, 20 calves, 129 sheep.

Hogs—Shade lower. Quality fair, three very good loads selling at $6.65, even with yesterday's top. Packers cleared the yards at $6.50@6.55.

Cattle—Steady and active. A good run and buyers took hold early, all grades moving well. Dressed beef dealers complained of a dearth of good butcher cattle, and the same fault was found by stocker and feeder men, one buyer wanting eight or ten cars of 800 to 1,100-lb steers of good quality. Two butcher steers were good enough to bring $4. Quotations: Prime steers, $3.60@4; good steers, $2.75@3.25; prime cows, $2.50@3; good cows, $2@2.50; common to fair cows, $1.25@2; light veal calves, $3.50@4; heavy calves, $2@3; stockers, $1.50@2.25; feeders, $2@3; bulls, $1.25@2.25.

Sheep—Good firm, others steady. Local buyers took most of the receipts, paying $4@4.20 for good muttons. Quotations: Muttons, $3.50@4.50; lambs, $3.75@4.50; stockers and feeders, $2@4.25.

Chicago.

CHICAGO, Jan. 4.—Cattle—Receipts, 15,000; shipments, 4,000; market slow, barely steady; prime to extra steers, $4.95@5.50; others, $3.75@4.85; stockers, $3@3.50; cows, $3@3.60. Hogs—Receipts, 30,000; shipments none; market steady; rough, $6.75@6.80; good mixed and packing, $6.85@6.90; prime heavy and butchers' weights, $6.95@7.10; light, $6.60@6.90. Sheep—Receipts, 11,000; shipments, 1,500; market 10@15c lower; natives, $3.85@5.25; Westerns, $4.90@5.15; lambs, $3.85@6.

Kansas City.

KANSAS CITY, Jan. 4.—Cattle—Receipts, 7,300; market dull and weak; steers 10@15c lower, $3.30@6; cows, 5@10c lower, $1.75@4; stockers and feeders steady to strong, $2.90@3.75. Hogs—Receipts, 11,000; shipments, 2,300. The market was fairly active and steady to strong, closing 5c lower; all grades, $5.25@6.75; bulk, $6.50@6.75. Sheep—Receipts, 1,200; shipments, 3,000. Good sheep were scarce and nominally strong; others dull and weak; muttons, $3.75@4.85.

Petroleum.

NEW YORK, Jan. 4.—Petroleum has been strong; opening, 53¾c; highest, 54c; lowest, 53¾c, and closing at 54c bid.

PITTSBURG, Jan. 4.—National Transit certificates opened at 53¾c; closed at 54c; highest, 54c; lowest, 53¾c.

MINNEAPOLIS.

Chamber of Commerce.

This market was quiet, with small receipts in the Northwest, 253 cars at Minneapolis and 142 cars at Duluth. The interior movement shows small activity since the holidays. Prices are hardening on account of the small receipts that do not promise more than the mills at home will grind. A part of the arrivals do not go in on the milling demand, and to supply the difference wheat may have to be drawn from the elevators. Former trouble on account of too large arrivals does not seem to be likely to assume large proportions again in the near future. Liverpool was higher by ¼d at the closing.

Wheat closed as follows: January, opening, 66c; highest, 66c; lowest, 65c; closing, 65c; May, opening, 71⅝c; highest, 72c; lowest, 71½c; closing, 71⅝c.

On Track—No. 1 hard, 67½c; No. 1 northern, 66c; No. 2 northern, 61@63c.

FLOUR AND COARSE GRAINS.

Flour—Receipts, 890 bbls; shipments, 24,335 bbls. Quoted at $3.50@3.80 for first patents, $3.35@3.50 for second patents, $2.60@2.90 for fancy and export bakers', $1.10@1.35 for low grades in bags, including red dog. Local millers advise that demand is good.

Bran and Shorts—Quoted at $8.50@9.25 for bran, $10.25@10.50 for shorts.

Corn—Receipts, 15,400 bu; shipments, 27,880 bu; quoted at 38@39c for No. 3, and No. 2 yellow at 39c; corn very dull, receipts light and demand also light. See sales.

Oats—Receipts, 4,050 bu; shipments, 3,520 bu; quoted at 29c for No. 3 white, 29@29c for No 3 oats; demand is slow. See sales for other grades.

Barley — Receipts, 5,840 bu; shipments, 5,670 bu; quoted at 30@45c for No. 3; really choice, see sales.

Rye—Receipts, none; shipments, 550 bu; No. 2 rye sold today at 44c f. o. b.; demand light; receipts small.

Flax—The market is based on Chicago markets, less the freight. Flax closed at $1.09⅝. Timothy, $2.03, nominal; March, $2.08 in Chicago.

Feed—Millers held at $14.25@14.75 per ton; less than car lots, $14.75@15, with corn meal, $13.50@14; granulated meal, $20.

Hay—Receipts, 59 tons; shipments, none; the market is steady for choice upland at about $6.25@7 for Iowa upland.

Sample Cash Sales—No. 1 northern, 100 cars, 66c; No. 1 northern, 12 cars, 65⅛c; No. 1 northern, 6 cars, 65c; No. 1 northern, 2 cars, 66⅛c; No. 1 northern, to arrive, 10 cars, 66c; No. 1 northern, 1 car, 66⅛c; No. 1 northern, 1 car, 65⅜c; No. 1 northern, 1 car, 66⅜c; No. 2 northern, 26 cars, 62c; No. 2 northern, 7 cars, 62½ cents; No. 2 northern, 7 cars, 63c; No. 2 northern, 15 cars, 61c; No. 2 northern, 2 cars, thin, 61c; No. 2 northern 1 car, 61½c; No. 3 northern, 2 cars, 58c; No. 3 northern, 2 cars, 60c; No. 3 northern, 6 cars, 59c; No. 3 northern, 5 cars, 57c; No. 3 northern, 2 cars, old, 56c; No. 3 northern, 1 car, old, 55c; No. 3 northern, 2 cars, 55c.

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Regular Meeting.

OFFICE BOARD FIRE COMMISSIONERS, ST. PAUL, Dec. 27, 1892.

The Board of Fire Commissioners of the City of St. Paul met at 7:30 o'clock p. m.

Present—Commissioners Prendergast, Marvin, Mitsch and Vice President Freeman.

Absent—President Warner.

Minutes of the previous meeting read and approved.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From Robinson and Cary Company, relating to bursted section of Chicago rubber hose.

Referred to the Chief Engineer.

REPORTS.

From the Chief Engineer, reporting the resignation of D. F. Hennessy, captain of Engine company No. 9; Con Carew, second pipeman of Engine Company No. 12; the appointment of Thomas Radford; the promotion of P. J. McDonough from lieutenant of Engine No. 4 to captain of Engine Company No. 9; Thomas Lumley, from first pipeman of Engine Company No. 1 to lieutenant of Engine Company No. 11; Daniel Moran, from second pipeman of Supply Hose No. 1 to first pipeman of Engine Company No. 1; William Inuman, third pipeman of Engine Company No. 3, to second pipeman of Engine Company No. 12; also recommending the removal of box 22 from the old Court block to the corner of Fourth and Cedar streets. Report accepted and adopted.

From the Superintendent of Fire Alarm, reporting he had completed a line to the West side pumping station and placed a gong in the station. Report accepted and adopted.

The monthly reports of Master Mechanic, Veterinarian and company officers on inspection of buildings were presented, read and placed on file.

On motion of Commissioner Martin, the Secretary was instructed to advertise for proposals for doing veterinary work of the department for the year 1893, bids to be submitted at meeting to be held on Tuesday evening, Jan. 3, 1893. On motion of Commissioner Freeman, the Secretary was instructed to ask for quotations on 1,000 feet of White Anchor and Maltese Cross 2½-inch rubber steam fire hose.

The pay roll of department for month of December, 1892, amounting to $14,781.95, and the following bills were presented: N. W. Fuel Company, $1,692.22; Geo. A. Dougher, $15.50; St. Paul Brass Works, $104.58; Schurmeier Wagon Company, $22.00; Vacuum Oil Company, $22.28; Maendler Bros., $53.70; Wallace & Allard, $5.25; C. W. Hackett Hardware Company, $54.00; Joslin & Company, $602.78; Griggs Bros., $534.09; N. W. Telephone Exchange, $20.00; E. B. Chandler, $5.00; E. B. Preston & Co., $3.75; Geo. A. Dougher, $45.50; C. C. Berkman & Sons, $95.35; Goodyear Rubber Company, $4.50; J. P. Gribben Lumber Company, $34.80; St. Paul Ice Company, $51.30; Mathias Heck, $132.95; Noyes Bros. & Cutler, $35.70; A. F. Stewart, $6; John Martin Lumber Company, $37.36; Chas. Friend & Son, $28; The Gutta Percha & Rubber Company, $1.37; Nicols & Dean, $5.17; J. L. Hertz & Son, $2; Chas. Brown, $225; Geo. Blake, $200; A. Montbriand, $225; Waterous Engine Works Company, $25; total, $4,297.77.

On motion, allowed and referred to the Comptroller by the following vote:

Yeas—Commissioners Prendergast, Martin, Mitsch and Mr. Vice President—4.

Nays—None.

Adjourned.

GEO. W. FREEMAN, Vice President.
WM. O'GORMAN, Secretary.

Special Meeting.

OFFICE BOARD FIRE COMMISSIONERS, ST. PAUL, Jan. 3, 1893.

The Board of Fire Commissioners of the City of St. Paul met at 7:30 o'clock p. m.

Present—Commissioners Prendergast, Martin, Mitsch, Stilwell and Vice President Freeman.

The Board met for the purpose of opening bids for doing the veterinary work of the department for the year 1893. The following bids were submitted, opened and read:

E. P. and W. M. Berkman, $70 per month; B. W. Kirby, $885 per annum; Frank Allen, $1,500 per annum; A. H. Bolton, $950 per annum; G. A. Dallimore, $8 per head per year; B. A. Pomeroy, $1,100 per annum; R. White, $800 per annum; Olaf Schwarzkopf, $800 per annum.

On motion of Commissioner Martin the Board awarded the contract to Olaf Schwarzkopf at the price and for the sum of $800 per year. Contract ordered drawn and forwarded to Common Council for approval.

A legislative committee, consisting of the President, Commissioners Prendergast, Martin and Stilwell, were appointed to consult with the Ramsey county delegation regarding fire department matters.

Adjourned.

GEO. W. FREEMAN, Vice President.
WM. O'GORMAN, Secretary.

AUCTION SALE.
Kavanagh & Johnson, Auctioneers.
LADIES, do not fail to attend the great auction sale of fine millinery goods at 145 East Seventh st.; sale will begin promptly at 10 a. m. Thursday, Jan. 5, and continue from day to day until all the stock is sold. Kavanagh & Johnson, Auctioneers.

SITUATIONS OFFERED.

Males.

AGENTS for Bankers' Mutual Aid Ass'n; easiest plan in state to work. D. T. McNaughton, Secy, Germania Bank Bld. St. Paul.

BARBER wanted at Clarendon Hotel Barber Shop, corner Sixth and Wabasha.

BARBER—Good barber wanted at 86 East Seventh st.; steady work.

BOY wanted in wholesale store; wages $10 per month. Address T 5, Globe.

BE SURE TO SEE Bridges; he is back at his old stand, where he is serving chicken and turkey dinners, steaks and chops at the same old price. 414 Jackson st.

COATMAKERS — Two coatmakers wanted at once; good pay and steady work. Address Wm. Lawinson, Grand Rapids, Minn.

EDITOR—Wanted, an editor for a national monthly newspaper; state experience, where last employed and salary wanted. Address X 7, Globe.

FREE BEER with each dinner at the New York Restaurant, 443 Jackson st.

MAN—Wanted, man for Turkish baths. Apply Phoenix Athletic Club, Drake block.

SALESMEN—To sell goods to merchants by sample; $100 a month for workers; no charge for samples; inclose stamp. Model Manufacturing Company, South Bend, Ind.

SALARY OR COMMISSION to agents to handle the Patent Chemical Ink-Erasing Pencil; the most useful and novel invention of the age; erases ink thoroughly in two seconds; works like magic; 200 to 500 per cent profit; agents making $50 per week; we also want a general agent to take charge of territory, and appoint sub agents; a rare chance to make money; write for terms and sample of erasing. Monroe Eraser Mfg. Co., X4, La Crosse, Wis.

SALESMEN WANTED—Two or three more first-class men to handle the best line of installment goods in the Northwest; big pay to right men. W. A. Edwards, 81 West Third st., St. Paul, Minn.

SOLICITORS—Men of energy and tact to solicit for Bankers' Life Association of St. Paul; salary or guarantee as preferred. Address C. E. Secor, St. Paul, Minn.

SOLICITOR wanted for new accident insurance; no competition; good chance for man of push and ability. Apply at the store No. 145 East seventh st., from 9 to 10 mornings.

TEAMSTERS — Wanted, two teamsters; must be acquainted with the city. Call at 95 East Fourth st.

TEAMSTERS—Two teamsters wanted. 628 Park av.

WANTED—Reliable men in every county in the United States to distribute circulars at $3 per thousand. Address, with stamp, National Advertising and Information Bureau, Box 1173, Chicago, Ill.

WANTED—Young men to learn telegraphy and railroad business; positions guaranteed; we have more orders for operators than we can fill. Northwestern Telegraph Institute, 320 Grand Block, St. Paul, Minn.

WANTED—Young men and ladies to learn telegraphy, shorthand, bookkeeping, etc.; students can make board. Globe Business College, Endicott Building.

Females.

AT LARPENTEUR'S all places free and best help. 51 West Exchange st.

CHAMBERMAID—Wanted, situation as chambermaid in hotel or club. Address V 2, Globe.

COOKS—Wanted, two competent cooks for private families; $18; no washing. Call Albion Dry Goods, 392 Selby av.

DINING ROOM AND KITCHEN girls wanted at Windsor Hotel.

DINING ROOM GIRL at 522 Cedar st.

DISHWASHER—One girl to wash dishes and one for kitchen work. 414 Broadway.

HOUSEWORK—Girl to help at general housework. 254 West Fifth st.

HOUSEWORK—Wanted, a German or Scandinavian girl to do general housework at 462 Holly av.; no washing.

HOUSEWORK—Wanted, young girl for plain, light housework. 493 Broadway, up stairs.

HOUSEWORK — A first-class girl for housework in small family; will pay big wages. Call at 95 South Wabasha.

HOUSEWORK—Girl wanted at 23 College av. east.

HOUSEWORK—Wanted, girl for general housework; small family. Apply 328 Fuller st.

HOUSEWORK—A girl for general housework at 418 East Tenth st.

HOUSEWORK—A girl for general housework can find good place at 15 Ingalhart; small family and steam-heated house; steam-heated room for girl.

HOUSEWORK—Good girl for general housework. Call at once. 448 East Ninth st.

HOUSEWORK—A good girl for general housework; small family, good wages. Call at 236 Pleasant av.

HOUSEWORK—Wanted, a good Swede girl; good wages. 205 Smith av.

HOUSEWORK — Wanted, a girl to do plain cooking and housework in an American family. Apply at 316 Grotto st.

HOUSEWORK — Neat girl for general housework; good wages. 69 Summit av.

HOUSEWORK—Girl for general housework; German