BUYING BY LEITER

BULL CLIQUE SUPPORT COUNTER-BALANCED THE BEARISH STATISTICS AT CHICAGO.

DECEMBER UP A NET POINT.

MAY OPENED AND CLOSED FIRM, WITH AN ADVANTAGE OF A QUARTER.

OATS CLOSE HIGHEST IN MONTHS.

Flood of Short Selling, Followed by Heavy Purchases at the Low Point Touched.

MARKET SUMMARY.

Wheat.	Close.	Prev. Day.
May, Chicago	94¼	94
May, Minneapolis	91⅜	91¼
May, Duluth	92½	92⅜
May, New York	95¼	95⅝

FINANCIAL.

Bar silver, New York	56¾	57
Call money, New York	2½@3	3@3½

CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—Wheat opened firm today and closed firm at ¼c advance for May and 1c higher for December, but it had several radical changes of feeling during the session. Statistics were bearish, but the influence of strong coarse grain markets and support from the Leiter party counter-balanced this in the end. Corn closed without change. Oats gained ¼@⅜c. Provisions were firm until near the end when they became heavy and closed 2½@5c higher.

The opening in wheat was firm, May starting at 94¼c again t yesterday's final price of 94c and holding for a few minutes at 94¼@94⅜c. There was moderate buying at the start, influenced apparently by the strength of Liverpool, where ¼@⅜d advance was recorded in face of the ¼@⅜c decline here yesterday. The early firmness shown by corn and oats also helped. There was official confirmation of the small exports from all countries to Europe last week, that the Liverpool Corn Trade News cablegram advised of the day before. The figures made the total world's shipments 6,635,000 bu and as this country contributed 4,575,000 bu, the quota of all the other exporting countries in the world amounted to only 1,878,000 bu. A weak spell succeeded the firm start caused by heavy receipts in Chicago and in the Northwest and an estimate, emanating from what was considered a reliable source, that Argentina would have an exportable surplus of 60,000,000 bu. The Chicago receipts were 488 cars, and the estimated addition to the contract stock in regular warehouses from today's receipts was 390,000 bu. Minneapolis and Duluth received 657 cars against 290 a week ago and 344 the corresponding day of the year before. Trading was very dull and the market broke very easily on moderate offerings, May selling down to 93½c. When the clearances of wheat and flour at New York for the day were reported as equal to 415,000 bu the weakness that set in was arrested and succeeded by another period of considerable strength, May recovering to 94¼c and holding for some time at close to that figure. The Leiter people were conspicuous buyers on this advance. The wheat and flour on ocean passage decreased 320,000 bu; Bradstreet's made the world's visible 90,000 bu more that it was a week ago, showing an increase on this side of 1,290,000 bu, and a decrease in and afloat for Europe, of 1,200,000 bu. A year ago on the corresponding week there was a net decrease in world's stocks of 2,555,000 bu. The total wheat and flour cleared from the principal Atlantic ports was equal to 557,000 bu. The contract stock of wheat in Chicago Saturday night last was 7,257,288 bu, an addition of 2,077,000 bu for the week, and since Saturday enough has been received to make the stock 8,500,000 bu. After 12 o'clock the market experienced another weak spell during which May dropped to 93½@93⅝c, but toward the close became quite strong again, and gradually recovered to 94¼c, where it closed. December was weak early, but was shot up to $1.01¼ on buying of perhaps 25,000 bu. It closed at 99½c. Afternoon deliveries of wheat amounted to 250,000 bu, half of which came from Armour. Allen & Grier received it.

Corn was quite active and irregular. It was firm at the opening on higher cables and the foreign demand, but broke quickly on the unexpectedly heavy receipts, 954 cars, with quite a rush of selling. The heavier holders stood pat, however. In sympathy with the late firmness of wheat, the corn market became strong again and was well supported for the rest of the session. May ranged from 30¼c to 29¾c and closed unchanged at 30⅛c. Oats market was a very broad and important one. The market shared the opening firmness of wheat and corn, but the advance provoked a flood of profit-taking and short selling, which caused a sharp decline. At the bottom heavy buying commenced again, the Leiter interests being credited with the purchase of 750,000 bu, while other prominent people bought heavily. Rumors of the sale of fifty loads for direct shipment to London contributed to the firmness. Closing prices were the highest for several months. May ranged from 24c to 23⅝@23½c, closing at 24c.

Provisions at the start and for some time after were steady. Hogs receipts were small, and yard prices higher, which helped to maintain prices. Trading was dull with outside orders limited and fluctuations during the morning were narrow. A few minutes before the close some heavy selling orders supposedly from John Cudahy, caused a slump and left the market weak. At the close May pork was 5c lower at $8.87½, May lard, 2½c lower at $4.70 and May ribs 2½c lower at $4.52½. Estimated receipts tomorrow: Wheat, 235 cars; corn, 310 cars; oats, 240 cars; hogs, 32,000 head.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

	Opening.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.
Wheat—				
Dec.	98	1 00¼	97¼	99½
Jan	94¼	94⅝	94¼	94⅝
May	94¼	94½	93½	94¼
Corn—				
Dec	27¼	27⅜	27	27⅜
Jan	27⅜	27⅝	27	27⅜
May	30¼	30¼	29¾	30⅛
Oats—				
Dec	22¾	22⅞	22½	22¾
Jan	23⅞	24	23½	24
Mess Pork—				
Dec	.....	.....	.....	7 70
Jan	8 75	8 77½	8 70	8 70
May	8 92½	8 95	8 87½	8 87½
Lard—				
Dec	.....	.....	.....	4 42½
Jan	4 55	4 57½	4 52½	4 55
May	4 72½	4 72½	4 67½	4 70
Short Ribs—				
Dec	.....	.....	.....	4 35
Jan	4 40	4 40	4 35	4 37½
May	4 55	4 55	4 50	4 52½

Cash quotations were as follows: Flour, steady. Wheat—No. 2 spring, 89¼@90c; No. 3, spring, 84@91c; No. 2 red, 96½@99½c. Corn—No. 2 yellow, 27⅜@27½c; No. 2, 27⅜@27½c. Oats—No. 2, 23½@23¾c; No. 2 white, f. o. b., 24¾@25¼c; No. 3 white, f. o. b., 24½@25c. Rye—No. 2, 26¾c. Barley—Sample, f. o. b., 26½@28c. Flaxseed—No. 1, $1.17½@1.21½. Timothy Seed—Prime, $2.75. Mess Pork—Per bbl., $7.70@7.75. Lard—Per 100 lbs., $4.52½@4.55. Ribs—Short sides (loose), $4.35@4.75. Shoulders—Dry salted (boxed), 4⅝@4¾c. Sides—Short clear (boxed), $4.65@4.75. Whisky—Distillers' finished goods, per gal., $1.19. Receipts—Flour, 33,000 bbls; wheat, 232,000 bu; corn, 365,000 bu; oats, 483,000 bu; rye, 17,000 bu; barley, 75,000 bu. Shipments—Flour, 22,000 bbls; wheat, 5,000 bu; corn, 80,000 bu; oats, 430,000 bu; rye, 34,000 bu; barley, 22,000 bu. On the produce exchange today the butter market was firm; creameries, 15@21c; dairies, 12@18c. Eggs, firm; fresh, 21c. Cheese, quiet; 8@8½c.

MINNEAPOLIS GRAIN.

MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 28.—Wheat opened at ¼c higher for the May future this morning, but failed to hold the advance for more than a minute, and in less than five minutes the May price was down to 90¾@90⅞c, as against 91½c at the opening. There was a rally to 91c by 10 a. m. From that time up to 11 o'clock values did not vary much more than ¼c, with trading very light. Outside of statistical figures general news was scarce and unimportant.

From 11 a. m. to noon the wheat market possessed no feature save dullness combined with nervousness, being governed entirely by the course of the Chicago market. The action of Leiter and comrades are watched with intense interest. There are only four days left to determine the outcome of the deal. A late advice from New York advised that acceptances from Liverpool were received for large quantities of wheat at that point at an advance over yesterday. Just before noon it was reported that the "clique" had made liberal sales of spot wheat in Liverpool above quotations.

December wheat opened at 93¼c, being the same as yesterday; declined to 92⅞c, and firmed up to 93½c by noon. The cash wheat market was a little slow for No. 1 northern, the demand being very light for this grade. The premiums over May, however, held steady at 3c. Lower grades sold well for anything possessing good milling qualities. Poorer stuff was hard to move. Receipts here were 402 cars; shipments, 69 cars.

During the noon hour wheat was both weak and strong, being strong and active toward the close. December wheat closed at 93c, and May at 91⅜c.

RANGE OF PRICES.

	Opening.	High-est.	Low-est.	Closing. Today.	Closing. Yes.
May	91½	91½	90⅞	91⅜	91¼
July	....	....	....	90⅛	90
December	93⅛	93⅛	92⅞	93	93⅛

On Track—No. 1 hard, 94⅝c; No. 1 northern, 94⅛c; No. 2 northern, 88⅝c; December oats, 23¾c; corn, 26½c; flaxseed, $1.17½.

Curb on May wheat, sellers 91⅜
Puts on May wheat 91
Calls on May wheat 91¾-91⅞

SAMPLE SALES.

No. 1 hard, 1 car 96¼
No. 1 hard, 2 cars 96
No. 1 northern, 20 cars 94
No. 1 northern, 2 cars 95
No. 1 northern, 2 cars 95¾
No. 1 northern, 1,000 bu, to arrive 94
No. 1 northern, 2 cars 94½
No. 1 northern, 2 cars, to arrive 94
No. 2 northern, 1 car 88¾
No. 2 northern, 3 cars 88¼
No. 2 northern, 8 cars 89
No. 2 northern, 4 cars, choice 90
No. 2 northern, 2 cars, to arrive 88¼
No. 2 northern, 600 bu, to arrive 88½
No. 3 wheat, 3 cars 85½
No. 3 wheat, 57 cars 85
No. 3 wheat, 3 cars, choice 86½

FLOUR.

Flour—The flour market possesses no new features. It is simply steady, with the demand fair. Millers generally expect a quiet market till after the holiday season is over.

First patents ..... $5 10@5 20
Second patents ..... 5 00@5 10
First clears ..... 4 85@5 00
Second clears ..... 3 75@4 00

In wood, 20c extra is charged.

Corn—No. 2 yellow, 26c; No. 3, 25½@24¾c; No. 4, 25¼@25¾c.

Oats—No. 3, 23¼@23⅜c; No. 3 white, 23½c.

Rye—No. 2, 45c.

Barley—No. 5, 24¼c.

Feed—Trade is good in all lines.

Coarse corn meal and cracked corn, in sacks, per ton, sacks extra, to jobbers only $10 25
No. 1 ground feed, 2-3 corn, 1-3 oats, 80-lb sacks, sacks extra 10 75
No. 2 ground feed, ½ corn, ½ oats, 75-lb sacks, sacks extra 11 00
No. 3 ground feed, 2-3 oats, 70-lb sacks, sacks extra 11 25

STATE GRAIN INSPECTION.

Railroads.	No. 1 hd.	No. 1.	No. 2.	No. 3.	Rej.	NG.
G. N.—B. Div...	11	51	52	48	16	3
G. N.—F. F. D..	51	163	57	19	27	5
C., M. & St. P..	..	37	53	52	34	..
M. & St. L.....	..	6	46	26	2	
Soo Line	3	12	14	..	..	
Northern Pac...	4	44	24	3	8	1
C., St. P., M. & O.	..	17	42	55	60	3
C. G. W.....	..	..	..	4	4	..
Totals	66	315	246	241	175	11

Other Grains—Winter wheat, 44 cars; No. 3 corn, 48 cars; No. 4 corn, 6 cars; no grade corn, 1 car; No. 3 oats, 75 cars; no grade oats, 3 cars; No. 2 rye, 7 cars; no grade rye, 1 car; No. 3 barley, 1 car; No. 5 barley, 3 cars; no grade barley, 5 cars; No. 1 flax, 25 cars; rejected flax, 4 cars; no grade flax, 1 car.

Cars Inspected Out—Wheat—No. 1 hard, 3 cars; No. 1 northern, 360 cars; No. 2 northern, 16 cars; No. 3, 19 cars; rejected, 18 cars; no grade, 2 cars; No. 2 corn, 1 car; No. 3 corn, 3 cars; No. 3 oats, 56 cars; No. 2 rye, 8 cars; No. 3 rye, 1 car.

RECEIPTS AND SHIPMENTS.

Received—Wheat, 402 cars, 284,520 bu; corn, 18,900 bu; oats, 52,320 bu; barley, 720 bu; rye, 2,200 bu; flax, 2,440 bu; flour, 972 bbls; hay, 39 tons; fruit, 159,344 lbs; merchandise, 1,558,240 lbs; lumber, 22 cars; barrel stock, 3 cars; machinery, 452,200 lbs; coal, 1,625 tons; wood, 526 cords; pig iron, 22 cars; stone and marble, 1 car; live stock, 1 car; dressed meats, 132,000 lbs; hides, pelts, etc., 20,000 lbs; railroad materials, 1 car; sundries, 15 cars; car lots, 837.

Shipped—Wheat, 69 cars, 53,130 bu; corn, 4,860 bu; oats, 2,740 bu; barley, 830 bu; flax, 4,440 bu; oil cake, 115,280 lbs; flour, 49,425 bbls; millstuffs, 2,154 tons; fruit, 20,000 lbs; hay, 10 ton; merchandise, 1,151,210 lbs; lumber, 12 cars; machinery, 50,300 lbs; coal, 57 tons; cement, 100 bbls; ties, 4 cars; railroad iron, 1 car; live stock, 5 cars; dressed meats, 28,631 lbs; railroad materials, 6 cars; sundries, 18 cars; car lots, 667.

DULUTH GRAIN.

DULUTH, Minn., Dec. 28.—The market was extremely dull, only three May trades being made all day, all at ¼c off, at 92⅜c. The close was at 92½c bid. Cash, 12,000 bu elevators. The mills last week ground 8,950 bbls, shipped 8,950, and have in house 10,400. Wheat—No. 1 hard cash, 93c; No. 1 northern, cash, 92c; May, 89½c bid; December, 93¼c; No. 2 northern, 87c; No. 3, 82c. To Arrive,—No. 1 northern, 92½c; rye, 45¾c; oats, 24½c; barley, 25c; flax, $1.19; May, $1.23; corn, 27@27½c. Car Inspection—Wheat, 255 cars; corn, 44; oats, 14; rye, 8; barley, 6; flax, 14. Receipts—Wheat, 201,145 bu; corn, 37,382 bu; oats, 11,595 bu; rye, 1,933 bu; barley, 4,503 bu; flax, 2,302 bu.

ST. PAUL GRAIN.

Quotations on hay, grain, feed, etc., furnished by Griggs Bros., commission merchants:

Wheat—Yesterday's market was rather quiet, track prices ruling about the same as on Monday. No. 1 northern, 94@95c; No. 2 northern, 87@89c. @ @

Corn—No. 3 yellow, 26@26½c; No. 3, 25½@26c.

Rye—43½@45c.

Barley—25@30c.

Oats—No. 3 white, 23@23½c; No. 3, 22@22½c.

Seed—Timothy, $1.10@1.30; red clover, $3.20@3.80; flax, $1.15½@1.16½.

Flour—Patents, per bbl, $4.80@5.20; straight, $4.40@4.60; bakers', $4@4.30; rye flour, $3.20@3.40.

Ground Feed and Millstuffs—No. 1 feed, $10.75@11; coarse cornmeal, $10.25@10.50; bran, bulk, $7.75@8; shorts, $8@8.50.

Hay—Market very much depressed; no demand whatever for common hay. Choice to fancy upland, $5@6; fair to good wild upland, $4@5; low grade hay, $3@3.75; timothy, good to choice, $6.75@7.25. Straw steady; oats, $3@3.25; rye, $3@3.25.

OTHER GRAIN MARKETS.

GRAIN GOSSIP.

Gossip by private wire to C. H. F. Smith & Co., St. Paul, members of the New York stock exchange and Chicago board of trade.

Closing cables: Paris flour, December, 15c; May, 10c higher compared with Thursday. Wheat, December, 15c higher; May, 15c higher. Antwerp unchanged.

Although Liverpool closing cables do not indicate a rise in prices, from a reliable source it is learned that cable offers from this side at an advance over Liverpool bids this morning have been accepted. There is more business in sight in that direction.

London—Wheat off coast, nothing doing; on passage, nominally unchanged. Corn off coast, nothing doing, 3d higher; on passage, rather firm, 3d higher. Russian shipments, wheat, 1,744,000 bu; corn, 248,000 bu. Paris, wheat and flour firm; December wheat, 20c higher; January wheat, 20c higher; December flour, 25c higher; January flour, 45c higher; French country markets quiet.

NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—Flour—Receipts, 21,073 bbls; exports, 18,148 bbls; quiet but firmer on the improvement in grain; rye flour steady; buckwheat flour dull; buckwheat dull; corn meal firm; rye quiet; barley steady; barley malt steady. Wheat—Receipts, 149,850 bu; exports, 333,752 bu; spot firm; No. 2 red, $1.02; options rallied on active covering in coarse grain markets, closing ⅛@¼c net higher; No. 2 red, May, 94⅝@95⅝c, closed 95¼c. Corn—Receipts, 42,900 bu; exports, 350,960 bu; spot firm; No. 2, 35⅝c; options opened steady with wheat, but declined on heavy receipts with a late rally on covering; closed ⅛@½c net higher; May, 34 15-16@35⅛c, closed 35⅛c. Oats—Receipts, 127,200 bu; exports, 220,169 bu; spot strong; No. 2, 28⅛@28¾c; options were quiet but stronger on large export purchases West and improvement in cash circles, closed ⅛@¼c net lower; May closed 28¾c.

BRADSTREET'S AVAILABLE.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—Special cable and telegraphic dispatches to Bradstreet's, covering the principal points of accumulation, indicate the following changes in available supplies last Saturday, as compared with the preceding report: Wheat, United States and Canada, east of Rocky mountains, increase 1,290,000 bu; afloat for and in Europe, decrease 1,200,000 bu; world's supply, net increase, 90,000 bu. Corn, United States and Canada, east of Rocky mountains, decrease 42,000 bu. Oats, United States and Canada, east of Rocky mountains, decrease 1,025,000 bu. Among the more important increases, not reported in the official visible supply statement, were gains of 240,000 bu of wheat at Chicago private elevators; 148,000 bu at New Orleans and 294,000 bu at points in Manitoba and at Fort William, Ont. The important decreases are 400,000 bu at Northwestern interior elevators and 40,000 bu at Akron, O.

WHEAT MOVEMENT.

The following are the receipts and shipments at principal wheat markets:

	Receipts. Bushels.	Shipments. Bushels.
New York	149,850	333,752
Philadelphia	23,386	51,410
Baltimore	44,107	8,000
Toledo	19,043	3,200
Detroit	4,498	976
St. Louis	37,612	18,700
Boston, two days	21,626	None
Chicago	231,823	4,878
Milwaukee	28,600	3,250
Duluth	201,145	409
Minneapolis	285,420	53,130
Kansas City	54,600	48,000

MILWAUKEE.

MILWAUKEE, Dec. 28.—Flour steady. Wheat steady; No. 1 northern, 93c; No. 2 spring, 88c; May, 93½c. Corn steady; No. 3, 28c. Oats steady; No. 2 white, 25@25¼c. Rye lower; No. 1, 47½c. Barley firm; No. 2, 42c; sample, 28@33c. Receipts—Flour, 4,000 bbls; wheat, 29,000 bu; barley, 17,000 bu. Shipments—Flour, 5,000 bbls; wheat, 3,000 bu; barley, 10,000 bu.

ST. LOUIS.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 28.—Wheat unsettled; No. 2 red cash elevator, 97¾@98c; December, 98c; January, 95c; May, 97⅛c; July, 81½c; No. 2 hard cash, 88c. Corn better; No. 2 cash, 26c; December, 25¼c; January, 25⅝c; May, 28¼c; July, 28¾c. Oats better; No. 2 cash, 22½c; December, 23c; May, 24¾c.

KANSAS CITY.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 28.—Wheat steady to ½c lower; No. 1 hard, 86c; No. 2, 86½c; No. 3, 84c; No. 4, 80c; No. 1 soft, 93c; No. 2, 90c; No. 3, 88c; No. 4, nominally 82@84c; No. 2 spring, 82c. Corn—Good demand; ¼c higher; No. 2 mixed, 24c. Oats about unchanged; No. 2 white, 22¼c. Rye—No. 2, 43½c.

LIVERPOOL.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 28.—Closing: Wheat quiet, ¼@⅜d higher than Thursday; December, 7s 6⅜d; March, 7s 6⅞d; May, 7s 4⅜d; July, 7s 1⅜d. Corn quiet, ⅛@⅜d higher than Thursday; December, 3s 2⅝d; March, 3s 2½d; May, 3s 2⅞d.

TOLEDO.

TOLEDO, Dec. 28.—Wheat—Dull; firm; No. 2 cash, 95¼c; May, 95c. Corn—Steady; No. 2 mixed, 28c. Oats—Steady; No. 3 mixed, 23c. Rye—No. 2 cash, 46½c.

PRODUCE.

ST. PAUL MARKET.

Note—The quotations which follow are for goods which change hands in lots in the open market. In filling orders, in order to secure the best goods for shipping and to cover the cost incurred, an advance over jobbing prices has to be charged.

Butter—Market steady on all grades.

Creameries—
Extras ..... .21½@.22
Firsts ..... .19 @.20
Dairies—
Extras ..... .19 @.20
Firsts ..... .15 @.17
Seconds ..... .12 @.14
Hand separator ..... .19 @.20
Roll and print ..... .14 @.16
Ladles—
Extras ..... .14 @.15
Firsts ..... .12 @.13
Packing stock ..... .12 @.13

Cheese—Market steady. Trade slight.
Twins, fancy full cream, new ... .10 @.10½
Twins, fair to good ..... .08 @.09
Full cream, Young America, new. .10½@.11
Swiss cheese ..... .12 @.13
Brick, No. 1 ..... .12
Brick, No. 2 ..... .09 @.10

Eggs—Market firm; receipts moderate.
Candled stock, fresh, cases included ..... .14½@.15

Beans and Peas—Market well supplied; movement slow.
Fancy navy, per bu ..... 1.15@1.20
Medium, hand-picked, per bu .... .90
Yellow peas, per bu ..... .60@ .70

Potatoes—Steady.
Burbanks, car lots, per bu..... .48@ .50
Early Ohios, car lots, per bu.... .52@ .55
Mixed stock, car lots, per bu.... .40@ .45
Sweet potatoes, per bbl..... 2.50@3.00

Vegetables—
Radishes, per doz ..... .40
Cauliflower, per doz ..... 1.00@1.25
Beets, per bu ..... .40
Celery, per doz ..... .25
Rutabagas, per bu ..... .40
Turnips, per bu ..... .40
Mint, per doz ..... .30
Carrots, per bu ..... .25
Cucumbers, per doz 1.00
Parsley, per doz ..... .20
Egg plant, per doz ..... .75

Miscellaneous—
Concord grapes, basket ..... .20
Catawba grapes, 5-lb basket.... .13
Malaga grapes, bbl ..... 6.00@7.00

Cranberries—
Bell and bugle, bbl 8.00
Cape Cod, bbl ..... 7.50@8.00
Jersey cranberries, bbl.. ..... 7.00@7.50

Apples—
Jonathans, bbl ..... 5.50@6.00
Ben Davis, bbl ..... 3.00@3.25
Winesaps, bbl ..... 4.00@4.50
Common, bbl ..... 2.25@2.50

Lemons—
Fancy Messinas, per box ..... 2.75@3.00
California, per box ..... 3.50@4.00

Oranges—
California navels ..... 3.50@4.00
California seedlings, box 3.00
Mexicans, box 3.50
Floridas, box 5.00

Nuts—
Hickory, per bu 1.75
New California walnuts, lb..... .09 @.10
Black walnuts, per bu ..... .75@1.00
Peanuts, raw, per lb ..... .04½@.05
Peanuts, roasted, per lb ..... .05½@.06
Brazils, per lb ..... .08 @.09
Pecans, per lb ..... .06 @.07
Filberts, per lb ..... .09 @.10
Hazelnuts, per lb ..... .05 @.06
Chestnuts, per lb ..... .20

Bananas—Supply light; demand active.
Choice shipping, large bunches.. 1.75@2.00

Figs and Dates—
Figs, fancy, five crowns ..... .13 @.14
Figs, fancy, four crowns ..... .11 @.12
Fard dates, 10-lb boxes ..... .07 @.08
Hallowee dates, new ..... .05 @.05½

Honey—
White clover ..... .13 @.14
Extracted ..... .07 @.08
Maple syrup, per gallon ..... .75 @.80

Apple Cider—Liberal supply; values firm; movement active.
Sweet, per bbl ..... 5.00@5.50
Sweet, per half bbl ..... 2.75@3.00
Hard, per bbl ..... 5.00@6.00
Hard, per half bbl ..... 3.00@3.50

(No charge for package or carriage.)

Dressed Meats—Supply moderate; demand firm.
Veal, fancy ..... .07 @.07½
Veal, medium ..... .06 @.06½
Hogs, country dressed ..... .03½@.04

MINNEAPOLIS MARKET.

MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 28.—Low grade butter is a shade easier. Creamery extras are in fair demand by jobbers and retailers at quotations and sentiment on this grade is steady. Firsts and seconds in creameries are in fair demand. Dairy extras are scarce and selling well at quotations. Medium and low grade dairies are in heavy supply and weak. Ladles are meeting with moderate request. Roll and print is easy and the choice sweet grade ½c lower. Packing is weaker. Strictly fresh eggs are in excellent demand, with receipts of this grade light. Held stock is in heavy supply and moving slowly. Storage eggs are quiet. The dressed poultry market is weak and overstocked. Turkeys are moving slowly. Chickens, ducks and geese rule quiet. Veal is firm. Mutton and lamb are in light supply. Dressed hogs are steady.

BUTTER AND EGGS.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—Butter—Creameries, 15@21c; dairies, 12@18c. Eggs firm; fresh, 21c; receipts, 8,111 pkgs; steady; Western creamery, 15@22c; Elgins, 22c; factory, 12@17c. Cheese—Receipts, 3,331 pkgs; quiet; large white, September, 8½c; small, 9@9¼c; large colored, September, 8½c; small, 9½c; late made, 7⅞@7¾c; small, 8¼@8½c; light skims, 6@6½c; part skims, 4½@5½c; full skims, 3@4c. Eggs—Receipts, 6,133 pkgs; firm; state and Pennsylvania, 21@24c; Westerns, 21@24½c.

Chicago, Dec. 28.—Dressed poultry steady; turkeys, 9@10c; chickens, 5½@6c; ducks, 6@7c.

LIVE STOCK.

UNION STOCKYARDS.

Receipts—1,900 hogs, 300 cattle, 67 calves, 75 sheep.

Hogs—Strong and active, 10c higher than Friday. The quality was good, best bunches bringing $3.40.

Representative Sales—

No.	Wt.	D'k'ge.	Price.	No.	Wt.	D'k'ge.	Price.
1	350	..	$1 50	53	190	..	$3 27½
2	340	80	3 00	45	215	40	3 30
1	340	..	3 10	51	179	..	3 30
2	400	..	3 10	62	195	..	3 30
5	134	..	3 10	77	196	40	3 30
5	108	..	3 10	33	174	..	3 30
6	125	..	3 10	74	189	120	3 30
2	350	120	3 10	37	181	80	3 30
3	110	..	3 10	110	189	..	3 32½
3	326	..	3 10	84	209	120	3 32½
2	95	..	3 15	72	155	40	3 32½
4	362	..	3 15	56	189	..	3 32½
3	576	..	3 15	85	191	80	3 32½
4	305	..	3 15	59	182	40	3 35
56	114	..	3 20	79	208	..	3 35
82	170	..	3 22½	50	195	..	3 35
81	212	..	3 25	80	207	..	3 37½
59	165	..	3 25	150	202	..	3 37½
20	159	..	3 27½	65	206	..	3 37½
59	191	40	3 27½	5	452	80	3 37½
105	161	120	3 27½	18	204	..	3 40
28	209	80	3 30	16	224	..	3 40

Cattle—Steady and active. Of the receipts a few cars were Iowa cattle of fair quality. Yards cleared of all grades.

Representative Sales—

No.	Wt.	Price.	No.	Wt.	Price.
Canners—			Bulls—		
1	880	$2 00	1	1180	$2 50
2	1050	2 20	2	705	2 65
2	1095	2 25	2	1115	2 65
1	760	2 25	1	780	2 65
1	900	2 25	1	960	2 70
1	790	2 25	1	810	2 75
2	670	2 30	2	1120	2 75
1	830	2 30	1	470	2 75
6	926	2 30	1	1420	2 75
1	780	2 35	1	1150	2 80
3	800	2 35	1	490	3 00
1	1010	2 40	1	1460	3 00
1	1000	2 40	Stock Cows and Heifers—		
2	920	2 40	1	710	2 50
9	980	2 40	2	460	2 55
4	980	2 40	3	490	2 65
2	915	2 40	1	440	2 70
Butcher Cows and Heifers—			2	555	2 70
1	1180	2 50	2	320	2 75
3	850	2 50	2	670	2 80
1	1150	2 50	6	300	2 80
2	975	2 50	2	675	2 80
2	960	2 50	2	——	3 00
2	975	2 50	2	400	3 00
2	955	2 50	Stockers and Feeders—		
2	815	2 50			
2	1015	2 60	43	551	3 00
1	970	2 60	14	256	3 50
4	887	2 65	1	260	3 50
1	950	2 75	2	885	3 60
4	755	2 75	4	607	3 60
2	855	2 75	1	380	3 60
1	1040	2 75	4	370	3 75
2	840	2 85	1	300	3 75
2	1240	2 85	1	360	3 90
5	1040	2 85	10	336	4 00
5	1070	2 85	Milkers and Springers—		
1	650	2 90			
3	636	2 90	1	springer ..for	29 00
3	636	2 90	1	springer ..for	30 00
3	1086	2 90	1	cow .....for	31 00
1	1050	3 00	1	cow .....for	23 00
1	1100	3 00	1	cow and 1 calf	35 00
5	916	3 10	1	cow .....for	21 00
2	905	3 15	Veal Calves—		
16	1021	3 25	1	110	5 00
2	1115	3 25	1	150	5 00
11	1103	3 35	Butcher Steers—		
1	1040	3 35	1	900	3 40
1	700	3 40	1	870	3 40
1	1170	3 40	15	1063	4 25
10	834	3 40	2	880	3 50
7	758	3 40	8	920	3 50
1	1060	3 40	35	1130	4 15

Sheep—Strong. Not enough sheep and lambs coming in to supply the demand.

Representative Sales—

No.	Wt.	Price.	No.	Wt.	Price.
2	125	$4 00	1 lamb	80	$4 75

CHICAGO.

CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—There was the usual Tuesday dullness in the cattle trade today, but prices were no lower, only about 3,000 head being secured. Fed Westerns sold at $3.75@4.75 and Iowa and Missouri fed Texans brought $4@4.35. The bulk of the steers crossed the scales at $4.15@4.90. Plenty of common steers sold around $4, the poorest lots going for $3.70@3.85. The stocker and feeder trade was slow at $3.40@4.20, and cows and bulls sold at steady prices. Calves were unchanged, best grades selling at $5.75@6.00. Today's offerings sold readily at stronger to 2½c higher prices. Sales were largely at $3.42½@3.50; coarse heavy packers selling at $3.30@3.37½ and prime butcher weights at $3.55@3.57½. Light weights were numerous, and were slow of sale at a discount. Pigs sold largely at $3.30@3.45. Market was weak late in the day. There was a very good demand for sheep and lambs and prices were steady at $3@3.50, for common up to $4.85@4.70 for strictly choice. A few inferior lots and culls sold at $2.25@2.85. Western fed sheep were wanted at $3.60@4.45; with ewes going largely at $3.75@4. Lambs were in good demand at $4@5.85, for common to prime lots, with a few culls at $3.75@4.50. Receipts—Cattle, 3,000; hogs, 18,000; sheep, 12,000 head.

MINNEAPOLIS.

NEW BRIGHTON, Dec. 28.—Receipts—Cattle, 56; hogs, 60. Cattle—Steady on good beef grades and desirable feeding classes. 1 bull, 1,310 lbs, $2.75; 2 cows, av 1,045 lbs, $2.45; 1 heifer, 480 lbs, $2.90; 1 cow, 1,020 lbs, $2.50; 1 heifer, 750 lbs, $3.25; 5 stockers, av, 873 lbs, $2; 3 cows, av 936 lbs, $2.25; 6 stockers, av 600 lbs, $3.50. Hogs—Market strong and firm demand, market 10c higher than Friday. 99 hogs, av 190 lbs, $3.35; 70 hogs, av 189 lbs, $3.30; 22 hogs, av 185 lbs, $3.30; 43 hogs, av 218 lbs, $3.30; 79 hogs, av 238 lbs, $3.32½; 141 hogs, av 150 lbs, $3.30; 72 hogs, av 183 lbs, $3.25; 1 hog, 500 lbs, $3. Sheep—Steady and good, demand strong.

MIDWAY HORSE MARKET.

Barrett & Zimmerman's report: Market fair, prices low; demand principally for heavy horses. A large stock on hand. The following representative sales are for horses this day:

		Wt.	Price.
1	pair bay horses, 5 and 6 years	3,600	$250
1	pair bay horses, 6 and 7 years	3,400	200
1	pair bay horses, 5 years	3,000	175
1	pair gray mares, 6 and 7 years	2,800	160
1	pair gray mares, 5 years	2,600	140
1	sorrel horse, 6 years	1,600	80
1	sorrel horse, 5 years	1,500	75
1	sorrel horse, 6 years	1,400