THE SPECULATIVE MARKETS.

Wheat Opens Stronger On Rumors of a Foreign War.

CORN SHOWS MORE STRENGTH.

Oats Dull and Featureless—Cattle Characterized By Fluctuations—Hogs Active and Higher—General Quotations.

CHICAGO PRODUCE MARKET.

CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—Special Telegram to the BEE.]—The wheat market opened stronger. New York was ⅜c higher at 97⅛c for May. Wheat quickly responded to the news that was coming in, advancing to 86c and 86⅛c for May. The air was full of war talk and damage to Australian crops. When the market struck 86c it also struck some wheat, which stopped the advance and deadened trading, sagging back to 85⅞c, ruling steady with only a moderate trade. May sagged off to 85⅝@85⅞c on a desultory movement, but the undertone kept firm with New York buying and sending news of an alleged confidential sort about the war feeling abroad, and as they emphasized it by buying, the wheat crowd had to believe there was something in it, and shorts and scalpers turned tail and ran, May advancing to 86¼c. Sales at the outside, however, were limited. Receipts were quite moderate, while clearances showed up first rate, Baltimore contributed $4,000 bushels to the movement. The closing public cable quoted Liverpool quiet with moderate demand and unchanged prices. From 86¼c prices eased back quickly to 85¾@86c, then there was a steady swell to 86⅛c, principally on buying orders from New York, who kept on buying without giving any new reason for it, and the only conclusion is that war news and firm private cables found strong believers in Gotham. Fifteen loads were taken at New York for export. The close was strong at 86⅝c bid for May, 78¾c for January, 79¼c for February and 80¼c for March. Corn opened with a fair show of animation in the speculative market, and there were some outside orders received, principally on the buying side, but business was not as large in the aggregate as yesterday and trading generally was of a local scalping order. A strong feeling was again developed, the improvement being mainly in sympathy with provisions and wheat. The receipts continue fair and the New York market was firm. The closing prices for leading futures were ¼@⅜c higher for the day, seller January closing at 37⅞c, February at 37⅝@37¾c and May at 40⅜c. The fluctuations in prices were within a narrow range. Oats were dull and featureless but firmer, May closing at 31¼@31⅜c. May pork sold to-day up to $12.52½. Swallerton, one of the richest of the packers, says: "I think that it is quite as likely to sell at $16.00 as any other figure." There were only 14,000 hogs at the yard, about 10,000 less than were expected. This determined the crowd, and the price, which was started at $12.37½, was soon run up 15c. Everybody is mixed over the speculative situation. It is generally admitted that packers have not engineered the advance, and it is quite generally believed that they have not participated in the profit of it. Outsiders, the country and local scalpers have so far made the money. The question now is, can outsiders who have no packing houses go on successfully with a provision deal. B. P. Hutchinson has of late been a very large buyer. It was the talk that he bought 40,000 head yesterday. He is not an outsider. Although he has no packing house his son has, and "Old Hutch" himself has been long enough in business to have all the points down fine. The bucket shops have looked at this strong pork market with anxiety. It is the countryman's favorite trade, and he has been buying full and beating the bucket shops in a way that neither he nor they have experienced for years. To-day in mess pork there was an advance established amounting to 20@22½c, in lard of 5@7½c, and in short ribs of 12½@15c. February pork closed at $12.15 and May at $12.50, the latter selling at the extreme range of $12.35@12.52½. February lard closed at $6.42½, and the same option of ribs at $6.05.

2:15 p. m.—May wheat 86⅛c, May corn 40⅜c sellers. New York reported twenty boat loads of wheat and eleven boat loads of corn taken for export.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK.

CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—[Special Telegram to the BEE.]—CATTLE—The market to-day was quoted all the way from slow and a shade lower to active and 10c higher and by good judges, too. The market was quite uneven. Those who did not happen to have fat, tidy cattle yesterday and sold some of that sort to-day consider the market a good deal higher, while some who got the full strong yesterday market on the most desirable qualities and happened to have rough and thin cattle to-day naturally considered trade slow and even weaker. On the whole there was no quotatable changes. Rough and lean cattle did sell slowly and some nice little cattle sold no better than yesterday, but on the average were 15@20c higher than last Friday on all the more desirable kind. The receipts for the week show quite a decrease compared with last week, but current arrivals are quite heavy, enough for this season. Shipping steers, $3.40@3.50; bulk, $3.90@4.40; stockers and feeders, $2.25@3.80; cows, bulls and mixed, $1.50@3.30; bulk, $2.25@2.60; Texas cattle, $2.25@3.25.

HOGS—Receipts, 14,000; strong and 5@10c higher; rough and mixed, $3.95@4.45; packing and shipping, $4.40@4.70; light, $3.75@4.35; skips, $2.70@3.65.

SHEEP—Receipts, 1,000; active and 10@20c higher; natives, $2.50@4.85; western, $3.00@4.00; Texans, $2.00@3.25; lambs, $4.00@5.25.

St. Louis, Dec. 28.—CATTLE—Receipts, 400; shipments, none; strong; choice heavy native steers, $4.30@4.75; fair to good shipping steers, $3.80@4.30; butchers' steers, fair to choice, $4.00@4.10; feeders, fair to good, $2.60@3.20; stockers, fair to good, $2.00@2.80.

HOGS—Receipts, 1,800; shipments, 1,300; shade stronger; choice heavy and butchers' selections, $4.40@4.55; packing, fair to good, $4.15@4.35; Yorkers, medium to fancy, $3.95@4.15; pigs, common to good, $2.75@3.85.

Kansas City, Dec. 28.—CATTLE—Receipts, 900; shipments, none; shipping grades strong and 5c to 10c higher; cows strong and active; common to choice, $3.30@4.40; stockers, $2.25@2.75; feeding steers, $2.70@3.40; cows, $1.50@3.00.

HOGS—Receipts, 53,00; shipments, 500; strong and 5c@10c higher; common to choice, $4.10@4.25.

OMAHA LIVE STOCK.

Tuesday, Dec. 28.

Cattle.

The receipts were light and there was no stock in the yards that had been held over. The market opened active, and nearly everything was sold. There is a demand for choice corn-fed steers. Corn-fed cows and bulls sold well to-day.

Hogs.

The receipts were heavier and the market active. Everything was sold before the market closed. Good heavy hogs sold about 5c higher than yesterday, but common hogs did not sell as well as yesterday. There were so few in yesterday that the packers were forced to pay as much for common loads as they paid for good loads, which accounts for common hogs selling lower to-day.

Sheep.

There were a few in to-day, but there was no market for them and they were shipped on to Chicago.

Receipts.

Cattle	300
Hogs	2,300
Sheep	600

Prevailing Prices.

Showing the prevailing prices paid for live stock on this market.

Choice steers, 1350 to 1500 lbs.	$4.30@4.40
Choice steers, 1100 to 1350 lbs.	4.00@4.25
Good feeders	2.65@3.00
Good to choice corn-fed cows	2.85@3.25
Fair to medium grass cows	2.00@2.50
Good to choice bulls	1.50@3.00
Light and medium hogs	4.10@4.20
Good to choice heavy hogs	4.25@4.30
Good to choice mixed hogs	4.20@4.25
Good to choice sheep	2.75@3.30
Fair to good sheep	2.25@2.50

Representative Sales.

CORN-FED STEERS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
43	1100	$3.65	8	1265	$4.05
19	1078	3.85	16	1156	4.10
15	1236	3.95	17	1344	4.30
38	1163	4.05	19	1301	4.30

BULLS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
1	1530	$1.75	1	1650	$2.90
1	1850	2.40	2	1475	3.10
2	1575	2.50	1	2150	3.35

COWS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
3	1056	$2.70	3	1243	$2.90
24	1145	2.80			

HOGS.

No.	Av.	Shk.	Pr	No.	Av.	Shk.	Pr.
70	252	200	$4.10	109	258	160	$4.25
66	272	160	4.15	70	261	200	4.25
92	184	—	4.15	61	296	200	4.25
68	230	520	4.15	50	270	120	4.25
57	263	120	4.15	64	312	200	4.25
57	233	280	4.20	57	283	280	4.25
67	262	120	4.20	72	236	120	4.25
65	304	200	4.20	71	258	240	4.25
60	236	120	4.20	73	276	240	4.25
70	229	80	4.20	64	265	80	4.25
72	254	40	4.20	56	344	160	4.25
60	255	120	4.20	58	256	80	4.25
65	248	200	4.20	54	385	200	4.30
54	192	40	4.20	53	299	120	4.30
49	392	200	4.25	55	231	120	4.32½

Shipments.

Showing the number of cattle, hogs and sheep shipped from the yards during the day.

CATTLE.

No. cars.	Rt.	Dest.
2	N. W.	Chicago
1	Mil.	Chicago

SHEEP.

No. Cars.	Rt.	Dest.
4	C. B. & Q.	Chicago

Range of Prices.

Showing the highest and lowest prices paid for loads of hogs on this market during the past seven days and for the same time last year:

	Nov.		Dec. 1886		Dec. 1885	
22d	3.50	@3.75	4.05	@4.20	3.25	@3.40
23d	3.55	@3.85	4.00	@4.15	3.17½	@3.42½
24th	3.45	@3.65	4.05	@4.20	3.17½	@3.42½
25th	3.45	@3.65	Holiday.			
26th	3.45	@3.65	Sunday		3.32½	@3.45
27th	3.50	@3.65	4.20	@4.25	Sunday	
28th	Sunday		4.10	@4.32½	3.40	@3.45

All sales of stock in this market are made per cwt. live weight unless otherwise stated. Dead hogs sell at ½c per lb. for all weights. "Skins," or hogs weighing less than 100 lbs. no value. Pregnant sows are docked 40 lbs. and stags 80 lbs, by the public inspector.

Notes.

Cattle active.

Hogs all sold.

Hog market advances.

A very fine bull brought $3.35 to-day.

One choice load of hogs brought $4.32½ to-day.

There were 600 sheep in to-day, but none sold.

G. H. Hammond & Co. bought 1,283 hogs day.

W. E. Ritchey, Ulysses, was in looking for stock cattle.

A. J. Greenamyer, of Council Bluffs, was here to-day.

Lewis Akin, Clarinda, Ia., had in with a load of cattle.

C. W. Parmelle & Co., Cedar Creek, had in a load of 19 cattle.

John Swisher had in one load of cattle from Emerson, Ia.

Hon. J. Cox, Hampton, Neb., was a visitor at the yards to-day.

J. C. Welch, Clarinda, was here and sold two loads of cows.

The hog market is 5c higher on choice hogs and lower on common.

J. C. Dunning, Shelby, Neb., was in and marketed a load of hogs.

W. C. Cunningham, Milford, Neb., topped the hog market to-day.

Pete Monts, Corning, Ia., was here and marketed two loads of hogs.

H. Gilmore, David City, was in to-day looking over the market.

M. W. E. Purchase, Waterloo, was among the visitors at the yards to-day.

Mr. Embre, Shenandoah, Ia., was here and marketed three loads of hogs.

Roe Bros., Corning, Ia., had a load of cattle and a load of hogs on the market.

H. C. Bollong, Schuyler, came in with a car of hay for the Stock Yard company.

Dixon & Talmage, Emerson, Ia., were both here and sold three loads of corn-fed cattle.

Morse Rogers & Co., had in a load of cattle from North Bend. J. L. Ritter came in with them.

Joshua Bramble, Newmarket, Ia., was here and sold a car of hogs and three cars of cattle.

D. Sievers, Cedar Creek, came in to-day with a load of cattle which he sold in the market.

John Moss, the popular cattle buyer for G H. Hammond & Co., has returned from his eastern trip.

S. Scott, Clarks, was in to-day and sold a car of hogs. He also had in a double deck car of sheep.

A. H. Nelson, of Virgin & Nelson, Utica, will have two loads of cattle and two loads of hogs in to-morrow.

H. D. Morrison, Odessa, had two loads of sheep in to-day. Will Riley, of the same place, had in two loads also.

The Anglo-American Provision company bought 516 hogs on to-day's market, averaging 240 lbs and costing $4.23.

Peter Hammang, Arlington, Neb., was here and sold a load of corn-fed cattle. He went away well pleased with the market.

J. Early, Earlham, Ia., was here and marketed a load of cattle. When he started from home at 4 p. m. yesterday he telegraphed his commission man, and the cattle arrived here and were sold before the telegram arrived.

Complaints are made by shippers from the Elkhorn Valley road in regard to the delay at Fremont, stock being held over there at a loss to the shippers and with extra expense for feed, etc. Is it the fault of the Union Pacific or the Elkhorn Valley road?

The Union Rendering Co. have given the following notice. "On and after January 1, 1887, we will pay Chicago prices for all dead stock, ½c for all weighing over 100 lbs.; less no value." This is the same price formerly paid by the company, but recently they have been paying ¾c.

On the market with hogs: Winters & M., Shelby; Butler & Houch, Crescent; J. W. Uhl, Stromsburg; F. Dunning & Co., Shelby; Dorsey Bros. & Co., Weston; E. Watkins, North Bend; Keine & Maloney, Albion; H. Shinstock, West Point; A. D. Dean, Clarks; J. G. Hall, Gibbon; W. J. Davis & Co. Gothenberg; S. R. Black, Elm Creek; P. A. Barrett, Weeping Water; W. L. Embree, Council Bluffs; A. F. Okey, Corning, Ia.; Gilmore & Scott, Brooks, Ia.; H. Ford, Bloomfield; C. D. Moore, Howard; E. W. Black, Plattsmouth; Thomas Powers, Sutton; Updike & Titus, Harvard; Morrissey Bros., Saronville.

OMAHA WHOLESALE MARKETS.

General Produce.

Tuesday, Dec. 28.

The following prices are for round lots of produce, as sold on the market to-day. The quotations on fruits represent the prices at which outside orders are filled.

CHEESE—Full cream cheddars, single, 13½c; full cream flats, twins, 13¾c; young American, 14c; fancy Swiss, 14@15; Swiss, imported, 25c; Limburger, 13c; brick, 14@15c.

GAME—Prairie chickens, choice per doz, $4.00; grouse, $3.25; quail, per doz, $1.75@2.00; ducks, mallard, per doz, $1.75@2.00; ducks, teal, per doz, $1.25@1.50; ducks, mixed, per doz, $1.25; geese, per doz, $3.50; deer, saddles, per lb, 10@12c; deer, carcasses, per lb, 7@8c; elk saddles, per lb, 9@10c; elk carcasses, per lb, 6@7c; antelope, saddles, per lb, 10@12c; antelope, carcasses, per lb, 7@8c; Jack rabbits, per doz, $3.50@4.00; small rabbits, per doz, 90c.

CELERY—The market is steady. Choice stock per doz., 35c; extra large, per doz., 40c.

OYSTERS—Mediums, 20c; standards, 26c; selects, 28; extra selects, 33c; N. Y. counts, 40c.

CRANBERRIES—Cape Cod, fancy, per bbl, $13.00; bell and bugle, per bbl, $10.00.

BANANAS—Bananas, yellow, per bunch, $2.00@2.25; bananas, yellow, large, per bunch, $2.50@3.50.

LEMONS—Messina, per box $5.00@6.50.

ORANGES—Florida, choice, 150@240 to box $5.00; do, 5 box lots, $4.75.

GRAPES—Malagna, per bbl, 60 lb gross, $6.00.

MAPLE SUGAR—Strictly pure, 50 lb boxes, per lb, 15c; choice 5c bricks, 25 lb boxes, per lb, 12c; choice penny cakes, 25 lb boxes, per lb, 12½c.

SAUER KRAUT—Per 32 gal bbl, $6.00; 16 gal, half bbl $3.50.

PROVISIONS—Ham, sugar-cured, 11½c; breakfast bacon, sugar cured, boneless, 10½; shoulders, 6c; clear side bacon, 8c; dry salt sides, 7c; dried beef, hams, 14c; dried beef, regular, 11c; mess pork, per bbl, $12.50; lard, 50 lb cans, Fairbanks, 6¾c; lard, 10, 5 and 3 lb pails, Fairbanks, 7½@7¾c.

FLOUR AND MILLSTUFFS—Winter wheat flour, best quality patent, $2.75; second quality, $2.40; best quality spring wheat flour, patent, $2.60; bran, 50c per cwt; chopped feed, 70c per cwt; white corn meal, 90c; yellow corn meal, 80c per cwt; screening, 60c per cwt; hominy, $2.00 per cwt; shorts, 55c per cwt; graham $1.60; hay, in bales, $5.50@6.00 per ton.

Grocers' List.

PICKLES—Medium, in bbls, $6.50; do, in half bbls, $3.75; small, in bbls, $7.50; do, in half bbls, $4.25; gherkins, in bbls, $8.50; do, in half bbls, $4.75.

SYRUP—No. 70, 4-gallon kegs, $1.20; New Orleans, per gallon 38@40c; maple; syrup, half bbls, "old time," per gallon, 72c 1 gallon cans, per doz, $10.00; half gallon cans, per doz, $5.50; quart cans, $3.00.

STARCH—Mirror glass, 1 lb, 5¾c; mirror gloss, 3 lb, 5½c; mirror gloss, 6 lb, 6¼c; Graves' corn, 1 lb, 6c; Kingsford's corn, 1 lb, 7c; Kingsford's gloss, 1 lb, 7c; Kingsford's gloss, 6 lb, 7¼c; Kingsford's pure, 3 lb, 7¾c; Kingsfords bulk, 4c.

TOBACCO—Plug, climax, 42c; horseshoe, 37c; star, 38c; spearhead, 38c; piperheidsick, 60c; gold shield, 34c; merry war, 26c; J. T. J., 32c.

MATCHES—Per caddie, 28c; square cases, $1.70; mule square, $1.20.

CANDY—Mixed, 9@11½c; stick, 8½@9½c.

CRACKERS—Garneau's soda, butter and picnic, 5½c; creams, 8½c; ginger snaps, 8½c; city soda, 7½.

SOAPS—Kirk's savon imperial, $2.70; Kirk's satinet, $3.00; Kirk's standard, $3.05; Kirk's white Russian, $4.00; Kirk's white-cap, $6.50; dome, $3.85; washboard, $3.10; white cloud, $3.75.

ROPE—⅜ inch 10½c; ⅜ inch, 11c; ¼ inch, 11½c.

CANNED GOODS—Oysters, standard, per case, $3.15@3.25; strawberries, 2 lb, per case, $2.20; raspberries, 2 lb, per case, $2.20; California pears, per case, $4.50; apricots, per case, $4.60; peaches, per case, $5.25; white cherries, per case, $6.00; plums, per case, $3.65, blueberries per case, $1.85; egg plums, 2 lb per case, $2.50; pineapples, 2 lb, per case $3.20@3.75; 1 lb mackerel, per doz, $1.40; 1 lb salmon, per doz, $1.55@1.60; 2 lb goose, berries, per case, $1.75; 2 lb string beans, per case, $1.70; 2 lb lima beans, per case, $1.60; 2 lb marrowfat peas, per case, $2.40; 2 lb early June peas, per case, $2.75; 3 lb tomatoes, $2.10@2.25; 2 lb corn $2.10@2.25.

DRIED FRUIT—No. 1 quarter apples, 5½@6c; in evaporated boxes, 12½@13c; blackberries, boxes, 11@11½c; peaches, Salt Lake, 1886, 10@10½c; peaches, evaporated, 15½@17c; raspberries, new, 22c; currents, 7@7½; prunes, new, 5¾@7c.

SUGARS—Powdered, 7c; cut loaf, 6½@7c; granulated, 6¼@6½c; confectioners' A, 6¼c; standard extra C, 5⅝@5¾c; extra C, 5¼@5¼c; medium yellow, 4¾@5c.

COFFEES—Ordinary grades, 14½@17c fair 15@15½c; prime, 15½@16c; choice, 16@16½c; fancy green and yellow, 16@17c; old government Java, 20@23c; interior Java, 16½@20c; Mocha, 22@24c; Arbuckle's roasted 19½c; McLaughlin's XXXX roasted, 19½c; Dilworth's, 19c; Red Cross, 19½c.

LEATHER—Prime slaughter sole leather, 32c; prime oak sole leather, 30@33c. Upper leather per foot, 20@25c; hem, kip, 75@85c; oak kip, 85@95c; French kip, $1.00@1.20; hem, calf, $1.00@1.10; oak calf, $1.00@1.25; French calf, $1.25@1.80; Morocco, boot leg, 30@33c; Morocco oil pebble, 28@32c; toppings and linings, 60@90c.

HEAVY HARDWARE—Iron, rate $2.60; plow steel special cast, 4½c; crucible steel, 6½c; cast tools, do, 12@18c; wagon spokes, per set, $2.00@3.50; hubs, per set, $1.25; felloes, sawed dry, $1.50; tongues, each, 8c; axels, each, 75c; square nuts, per lb, 1¼@1½c; coil chain, per lb, 6@12c; malleable, 7@9c; iron wedges, 6c; crowbars, 6c; harrow teeth, 4½c, spring steel, 7@8c; Burden's horse shoes, $4.50; Burden's mule shoes, $5.50. Barbed wire, in car lots, $4.00 per 100 lbs. Nails, rates, 10 to 50, $2.50; steel nails, $2.65. Shot, $1.65; buckshot, $1.85; oriental powder, kegs, $2.50; do, half kegs, $2.50; do, quarter kegs, $1.50; blasting kegs, $2.35; fuse, per 10 feet, 65c. Lead bar, $10

VARNISHES—Barrels, per gallon: furniture, extra, $1.10; furniture, No. 1, $1.00; coach extra, $1.40; coach, No. 1, $1.20; Damar, extra, $1.75; Japan, 70c; asphaltum, extra 85c; shellac, $3.50; hard oil finish, $1.50

SPIRITS—Cologne spirits, 188 proof, $1.17; do 101 proof, $1.18; spirits, second quality, 101 proof, $1.17; do 188 proof, $1.16. Alcohol, 188 proof, $2.20 per wine gallon. Redistilled whiskies, $1.00@1.50. Gin, blended, $1.50@2.00; Kentucky bourbons, $2.00@6.00; Kentucky and Pennsylvania ryes, $2.00@6.50; Golden Sheaf bourbon and rye whiskies, $1.50@3.00. Brandies, imported, $3.00@8.50; domestic, $1.50@3.00. Gins, imported, $4.50@6.00; domestic, $1.25@3.00. Champagnes, imported, per case, $28.00@53.00; American, per case, $10.00@16.00.

PAINTS IN OIL—White lead, Omaha, P. P., 7½c; white lead, St. Louis, pure, $7.75; Marseilles green, 1 to 5 lb cans, 2c; French zinc, green seal, 12c; French zinc, red seal, 11c; French zinc, in varnish seal, 20c; French zinc, 35c; vermillion, English, in oil, 75c; red, 10c; rose pink, 14c; Venetian red, Cookson's, 2¾c; Venetian red, American, 1½c; red lead, 7½c; chrome yellow, genuine, 20c; chrome yellow, K, 12c; ochre, rochelle, 3c; ochre, French, 2½c; ochre, American, 1½c; Winter's mineral, 2½c; Lehigh brown, 2½c; Spanish brown, 2½c; Prince's mineral, 3c.

DRY PAINTS—White lead, 8c; French zinc, 12c; Paris whiting, 2½c; whiting, gilders, 2¾c; whiting, com'l, 1¼c; lampblack, Germantown, 12c; lampblack, ordinary, 8c; Prussian blue, 55c; ultramarine, 18c; vandyke brown, 8c; umber, burnt, 4c; umber, raw, 4c sienna, burnt, 4c; sienna, raw, 4c; Paris green, genuine, 25c. Paris green, common, 22c; chrome green, N. Y., 20c; vermillion American, 18c; Indian raw and burnt umber, 1 lb cans, 12c; raw and burnt sienna, 12c; vandyke brown, 12c; refined lampblack 12c; coach black and ivory black, 16c; drop black, 16c; Prussian blue, 40c; ultramarine black, 18c; chrome green, L., M. & D., 16c; blind and shutter green, L., M. & D., 16c; Paris green, 18c; Indian red, 15c; Venetian red, 9c; Tuscan, 22c; American vermillion, L. & D., 20c; yellow ochre, 2c; L. M. & D. D., 18c; good ochre, 16c; paten dryer, 8c; graining color, light oak, dark oak, walnut, chestnut and ash, 12c.

DRUGS AND CHEMICALS—Acid, carbolic, 32c; acid, tartaric, 52c; balsam copaiba, per lb, 45c; bark sassafras, per lb, 10c; calomel, per lb, 78c, chinchonidia, per oz, 40c; chloroform, per lb, 50c; Dover's powders, per lb, $1.25; epsom salts, per lb, 3½c; glycerine, pure, per lb, 20c; lead, acetate, per lb, 22c; oil, castor, No. 1, per gal., $1.50c; oil castor, No. 2, per gal., $1.40; oil olive, per gal., $1.40; oil origannum, 50c; opium, $3.20; quinine, P. & W. and R. & S., per oz. 70c; potassium iodide, per lb, $2.75; salicin, per oz, 40c; sulphate morphine, per oz. $2.60; sulphur, per lb, 4c; strychnine, per oz, $1.25.

General Markets.

HIDES—Green butchers, 5½@6c; green cured, 7c; dry flint, 11@12c; dry salt, 9@10c; green calf skins, 9@9½c; damaged hides, two-thirds price. Tallow—3½c. Grease—Prime white, 3¼c; yellow, 2½c; brown, 1¾ Sheep Pelts, 25@75c.

Dry Lumber.

BOARDS.

No. 1 Com. s. 1, s.	12, 14 and 16 ft.	$17.50
No. 2 " "	12, 14 and 16 ft.	14.75
No. 3 " "	12, 14 and 16 ft.	13.50
No. 4 " "	12, 14 and 16 ft.	12.00

DIMENSIONS AND TIMBERS.

	12 ft	14 ft	16 ft	18 ft	20 ft	22 ft	24 ft
2x4	16.50	16.50	16.50	17.00	18.00	21.00	21.00
2x6	16.50	16.50	16.50	17.00	18.00	22.00	22.00
2x8	16.50	16.50	16.50	17.00	18.00	21.00	21.00
2x10	16.50	16.50	16.50	17.00	18.00	22.00	22.00
2x12	16.5	16.50	16.50	17.00	18.00	22.00	27.00
4x4-8x8	16.50	16.50	16.50	17.00	18.00	20.00	20.00

FENCING.

No. 1, 4 & 6 inch, 12 and 14 ft., rough... $17.00
No. 2, 4 & 6 inch, 12 and 14 ft., rough... 14.00

CEILING AND PARTITION.

1st com., ¾ in White Pine Partition.... $32.00
2d " " " " " 27.50
2d Com. ⅜ in. Norway Pine Ceiling.... 14.00

STOCK BOARDS.

A 12 inch. s. 1 s. 40 D $35.00
B 12 inch " " 40 D 23.50
No. 1, com. 12 in., s. 1 s.. 10, 18 & 20 ft.... 21.00
No. 2, " " " " 18.50
No. 3, " " " 12 & 14 ft..... 17.00
" " " " 16 ft..... 16.00

SHIP LAP.

No. 1, plain, 8 and 10 inch..... $17.50
No. 2, plain, 8 and 10 inch..... 15.50

SHINGLES, LATH.

XX clear, $2.90; A standard, $2.50; No. 1, $1.35; Lath, $2.25.

POSTS—White Cedar, 6 in., ⅛s, 12c; 8 in. qrs., 9½c.

WANTED, AN AMENDMENT.

The Commissioners Want the County Farm Lots Sold on Time.

Since the announcement was made that the people had granted to the county commissioners permission to sell fifty acres of the county farm, with which to secure money to erect the proposed hospital and insane asylum, it has been discovered that the present law will have to be amended before the sale can take place advantageously. According to the terms of the proposition submitted to the people, the lots into which the fifty acres to be sold shall be divided, shall be disposed of by auction to the highest bidder. It has been found, that according to the law, as it now stands, these bidders must pay cash for their purchases. If this law be enforced, it is thought that many of the lots will not bring the price they would otherwise be able to command. For that reason, it has been decided to frame an amendment to the present statute enabling the sale of the lots in question upon the payment of a certain amount of money down and the remainder in one, two and three years with the usual rate of interest, the county to hold the mortgages or dispose of them to secure whatever amount may be required to proceed with the erection of the hospital. County Attorney Cowin has the bill now in course of preparation and will submit it to the commissioners one of these days.

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Brevities.

Mr. P. P. Shelby, assistant general traffic manager of the Union Pacific with headquarters at Salt Lake City, arrived in Omaha yesterday from the east, whither he had been on business.

THE RAILWAY TIME TABLES

OMAHA.

	Arrive Omaha	Leave Omaha
UNION PACIFIC. Depot 10th and Pierce sts.		
Pacific Express	7:50 am	8:20 pm
Denver Express	5:20 pm	10:35 am
*Local Express	11:00 am	5:05 pm
*Except Sunday.		
B. & M. R. R. R. Depot 10th and Pacific sts.		
Mail and Express	6:40 pm	8:10 am
Night Express	10:4 m	6:30 pm
C. B. & Q. R. R. Depot 10th and Pacific sts.		
Mail and Express	9:20 am	6:00 pm
Chicago Express	7:10 pm	9:20 am
K. C. St. J. & C. B. Depot 10th and Pacific sts.		
Via Plattsmouth	7:10 pm	9:20 am
Lincoln Express	*7:00 am	†8:45 pm
*Except Monday.		
†Except Saturday.		
C. St. P. M. & O. Depot 15th and Webster st.		
Sioux City Express	5:45 pm	8:15 am
*Bancroft Accommodation	10:30 am	5:45 pm
*Except Sunday		
MISSOURI PACIFIC. Depot 15th and Webster st.		
Day Express	6.25 am	11:10 am
Night Express	6:00 pm	9:10 pm
Lincoln Express	11:50 am	6:10 pm
UNION STOCK YARDS TRAINS.	Leave US Y'ds.	Leave Omaha
*Except Sunday.	6:00 am	*6:15 am
Trains leaving U. P. depot in Omaha at 10:35 a. m., 5:05 p. m. and 8:20 p. m., and those leaving Union stock yards at 6:00 a. m. and 10:51 a. m. are through passenger trains; all others are regular stock yards dummy trains between stock yards and Omaha.	*7:05 am	*7:35 am
	*8:10 am	*8:35 am
	9:30 am	10:00 am
	*10:51 am	10:55 am
	11:35 am	2:00 pm
	2:30 pm	3:05 pm
	3:35 pm	4:05 pm
	4:35 pm	*5:05 pm
	6:15 pm	5:25 pm
	*8:25 pm	*8:00 pm
		8:20 pm
U. P. BRIDGE TRAINS.	Leave Transfer.	Leave Omaha.
*Except Sunday.	7:12 am	†6:35 am
†Connects with S. C. & P. at Council Bluffs.	*8:15 am	*7:25 am
	9:25 am	8:00 am
*Connects with C. B. & Q., C. & N. W., C. M. & St. P., C. R. I. & P. at Council Bluffs.	9:42 am	*8:50 am
	*10:37 am	*10:00 am
	11:47 am	11.10 am
	*1:30 pm	*1:00 pm
	2:37 pm	2:00 pm
	3:37 pm	12:20 pm
	*4:37 pm	3:00 pm
	5:50 pm	*4:00 pm
	6:42 pm	5:00 pm
	7:10 pm	5:30 pm
	7:42 pm	‖6:10 pm
	8:50 pm	7:00 pm
	10:47 pm	8:15 pm
	11:55 pm	10:00 pm
		11:10 pm

COUNCIL BLUFFS.

CONNECTING LINES	Leave Transfer depot	Arrive Transfer depot
C. R. I. & P.:	*7:15 a m	†9:15 a m
*Except Sunday.	9:15 a m	*5:25 p m
†Except Monday.	6:40 p m	*7:00 p m
C. & N. W. All trains run daily	9:15 a m	9:15 a m
	6:40 p m	7:00 p m
C. B. & Q. All trains run daily	9:35 a m	9:15 a m
	6:35 p m	7:00 p m
C. M. & St. P. All trains run daily	9:15 a m	9:15 a m
	6:40 p m	7:00 p m
K. C. St. J. & C. B. *Except Saturday. †Except Monday.	10:00 a m	†6:35 a m
	*8:55 p m	5:30 p m
W. St. L. & P. All trains run daily	2:00 p m	3:30 p m
S. C. & P. All trains run daily	7:05 a m	9:35 a m
	6:25 p m	8:50 p m

Proposals for Curbing and Guttering Bonds.

CITY THEASURER'S OFFICE, OMAHA, NEB., Dec. 21st, 1886.

SEALED Proposals will be received at this office until December 31st, 1886, at 12 noon, for the purchase of $600 of curbing and guttering bonds of the city of Omaha. Said bonds are dated January 1st, 1887, and will be due 1 in one year, 1 in two years, 1 in four years, 1 in six years, 1 in seven years, and 1 in nine years from their date; are in sums of one hundred dollars each, and bear interest from their date at the rate of six per centum per annum, payable annually. The principal and interest are both payable at the office of Kountze Bros. in New York.

Said bonds are issued under the charter power of said city, and will be delivered to purchasers, on payment therefor at the city treasury in Omaha, on January 5th, 1887.

Bids will be addressed to the undersigned and marked "Proposals for Curbing and Guttering Bonds," and must state the full name and address of the bidder, the amount of said bonds desired, and the price proposed to be paid.

The right is reserved to reject any and all bids.

d21d9t TRUMAN BUCK, City Treasurer.

Proposals for District Paving Bonds.

CITY TREASURER'S OFFICE, OMAHA, NEB., Dec. 21st, 1886.

SEALED Proposals will be received at this office until December 31st, 1886, at 12 noon, for the purchase of $6,000 of District Paving Bonds of the city of Omaha. Said bonds are dated January 1st, 1887, and will be due 2 in one year, 2 in two years, 1 in three years, 2 in four years and 1 each in five, six, seven, eight and nine years from their date; are in sums of five hundred dollars each, and bear interest from their date at the rate of six per centum per annum, payable annually. The principal and interest are both payable at the office of Kountze Bros. in New York.

Said bonds are issued under the charter power of said city, and will be delivered to purchasers, on payment therefor at the City Treasury in Omaha, on January 5th, 1887.

Bids will be addressed to the undersigned and marked "Proposals for District Paving Bonds," and must state the full name and address of the bidder, the amount of said bonds desired, and the price proposed to be paid.

The right is reserved to reject any and all bids.

d21d9t TRUMAN BUCK, City Treasurer

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