THE SPECULATIVE MARKETS.

Wheat Declines Early and Late, With a Spurt in the Middle.

GOOD BUSINESS DONE IN CORN.

Continuation of the Quiet Feeling in Provisions—Cattle Again Rule Slow—Hogs Open Active —General Quotations.

CHICAGO PRODUCE MARKETS.

CHICAGO, Dec. 20.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—A superstition prevails among scalpers in the wheat pit that Friday cannot pass without a break and they act on that theory with such unanimity that a break usually occurs. The decline today was double barrelled. It happened early and late with a hard spurt in the middle. The tone most of the day was firm and the early loss was regained, the market holding its own at the recovery until just at the close, when it sold off sharply. The strong bull card today was the heavy shipment of future from the seaboard. New York and Baltimore cleared 165,000 packages of flour and the clearances of wheat and flour combined amounted to 473,077 bushels. Foreign advices are of a firm tenor. Cables without exception quote English and continental markets as being firm and in most cases higher. French, English and German advices are in accord on the wheat situation and the recent clearances give substantial color to the news received from the other side. On this side it may be that the movement in the northwest continues to taper off and the winter wheat movement does not increase. The bears endeavored to create the impression that a large part of the flour that has gone out of the country was "consigned," in which event it would press on the market on arrival and produce depression. They were strong and plausible in the opinion on this subject, but were not fortified with an array of facts sufficiently forcible to establish the correctness of their claim. The correspondence from spring wheat districts is practically unanimous that rarely in the history of the northwestern milling business has there been less consigning of the product abroad or better direct trade. News from the winter wheat section on the same point is conflicting. On one hand it is contended that winter wheat mills are loaded to the guards with flour, and that they have been obliged to consign large quantities. Equally well informed parties claim with assurance that the winter wheat flour trade is on an exceptionally healthy basis and that there is good demand for all that merchant mills can manufacture. The volume of business in futures was above an average. The ground traveled over was narrow, but fluctuations were active at times. The market made three distinct swings, declining ½c and reacting ½c, opening at the top and closing at the bottom. May started in at 83¼, ranged down to 82¾c, advanced to 83¼c, and during the last twenty of thirty minutes receding to the bottom and closing there at 82¾c. There was a very small trade in December and January, the former opening at 77¾c, sold down to 77½c and closed at the inside. January opened at 78½, ranged at 78⅜c and rested at 78⅜c. The net decline for the day was ⅛@¼c. The most conspicuous and suspicious feature of the day's trading was the open bullishness of the bear leaders.

There was a good business done in corn, with the balance of speculative sentiment leaning to the bear side, except for December delivery. The latter was easier in price, but the bears were afraid to attack it under the present uncertainty and fear of possible manipulation. Stocks of contract corn are light and are not being added to much from current arrivals. There were 331 cars received today, but only twenty-seven of them were inspected into No. 2 grade. There was quite an active trade in January and May, more especially in the latter, which had to resist the attack of a vigorous bear onslaught, under which it declined to 32⅝c notwithstanding the efforts of many friends it has around the present quotations. The closings were: December, 32⅞c; January, 31½c; May, 32⅝c bid.

The oats market was neglected, with little doing in futures. The tone was easy, with values affected by the weakness elsewhere, and in the absence of outside trading orders only a scattering business was done. May sold at 22¾@22½c and January and February were at about 2 per cent discount. This month was again inactive and saleable in a small way at 29⅝c, with No. 2 cash oats nominally the same. Withdrawals from store were meager and receipts were slightly below the estimate. Out of 162 cars inspected in seventy-seven were No. 2 and No. 2 white.

The provision trade continues too quiet to give any satisfaction. Packers find it slow work to dispose of cash property they would like to sell, and in the line of speculation there is no life, spirit or freedom. The entire market is just now in a slow condition and today there was no improvement or even development promising a change for the better. Pork was depressed a little by rumored liquidation, but the changes made in the ruling prices for that article, as in other lines, were limited. Compared with yesterday, lard and May short ribs closed unchanged, January pork 2½c higher and May pork and January short ribs 2½c lower. For cash delivery old mess pork sold at $8.60@8.65, lard at $5.90 and 10 lb green hams for this month's delivery at 7½c. Several car loads of green hams, sweet pickled hams and beef hams were disposed of for future delivery on private terms. Now trading in futures was confined to May, which sold at $9.62½@9.67½c for pork, $6.05@6.10 for lard and $4.95@4.97½ for short ribs. Pork for May closed at $9.65@9.67½, lard at $6.07½, and short ribs at $4.95@4.97½. Pork for January rested at $9.25, after selling at $9.20@9.25. January lard closed at $5.90@5.92½ and January short ribs at $4.72½. The December product was almost inactive.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK.

CHICAGO, Dec. 20.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—CATTLE—Business was again slow and prices weak on everything in the steer line, except a few prime and good steers that exporters and shippers wanted. Common and medium stock, such as was last week selling from $3.50 and thereabouts, were not wanted. The scarcity of Texans brought about a more active inquiry for butchers' stock, with a slight upturn on cows and heifers. The stocker and feeder trade presented no new features. Choice to extra beeves, $5.00@5.25; medium to good steers, 1350 to 1500 lbs, $3.80@4.50; 1200 to 1350 lbs, $3.00@4.25; 950 to 1200 lbs, $2.90@3.80; stockers and feeders, $1.90@3.00; cows, bulls and mixed, $1.15@3.00; bulk, $2.00@2.30. Texas steers, $2.30@2.90; cows, $1.50@2.30.

HOGS—Business opened active and prices ruled strong at the opening, as the early estimates placed the receipts at only 22,000, but later the run looked for 35,000 to 37,000, and prices dropped 5c or so, closing rather weak. Packers paid $3.65@3.70 and shippers $3.70@3.75. The great bulk of assorted light sold at $3.70, a few at $3.67½ and a few of the stage sort at $3.75@3.80.

FINANCIAL.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—STOCKS—There was great surprise in store for the trade in the action of the stock market before noon today. Little of strength was shown at the opening. There was no special activity except in Missouri Pacific, Sugar Refineries, Kansas & Texas and Coal stocks, and although the opening prices were generally slight fractions higher than last night's closing figures, there was a drooping tendency in early dealings. Fluctuations were entirely without significance except in Sugar, which developed decided weakness, dropping 1¾ per cent, although it opened 1¼ per cent higher at 59¾. Later in the hour Canadian Southern and Consolidated Gas became active and strong, the former rising 1¾ per cent to 77¾, and the tone of the dealings changed for the better, the drooping tendency disappearing, though changes in quotations were still confined to the same insignificant fractions. The real strength of the whole market developed during the hour to 12 o'clock. Chicago Gas climbed to 43⅞ and Sugar recovered to 59¾. In the Vanderbilt group Lake Shore went up 1¼ to 108⅝ and Michigan Central 1¼ per cent to 99¼. Pacific Mail touched 36. Northern Pacific preferred sold at 75½ ex-dividend. Coal stocks showed gains of ¼@1 per cent. But the most marked strength was in Western stocks, under the lead of Missouri Pacific, which moved up to 73¾, or nearly 3 per cent over last night. Burlington came to the front as a leader also and moved up to 107¾, or 1¾ per cent over yesterday's close. Northwestern, Rock Island and St. Paul made gains of ¼@¾ per cent each. The best prices of the day in stocks were reached after 12 o'clock, when Burlington went to 108⅜, over 2 per cent advance, and Missouri Pacific to 74, 2¼ per cent advance, with other western stocks following. The extra 1 per cent dividend allowed on Vanderbilts did not hold those stocks at the best prices, and the closing figures were but slightly better than last night. All stocks dropped back some on heavy realizing before the close, but on the whole it was a big bull day, and the shorts were forced to cover freely. The total sales were 289,388 shares.

The following were the closing quotations:

U. S. 4s regular	126½	Northern Pacific	31½
U. S. 4s coupons	127½	do preferred	75½
U. S. 4½s regular	108½	St. L. & S. W.	11½
U. S. 4½s coupons	109½	do preferred	34
Pacific 6s of '95	116	N.Y. Central	108¼
Central Pacific	32½	P. D. & E.	18
Chicago & Alton	134	Rock Island	98¾
Chicago, Burlington & Quincy	107¼	C., M. & St. P.	76½
D., L. & W.	197	do preferred	114¼
Illinois Central	114½	St. Paul & Omaha	39¼
L., E. & W.	20½	do preferred	99
Kansas & Texas	11¾	Union Pacific	82¾
Lake Shore	107½	W. St. L. & P.	18¼
Michigan Central	99¼	do preferred	34½
Missouri Pacific	73¾	Western Union	83¼

MONEY—On call, easy, closed ranging from 5 to 6 per cent.

PRIME MERCANTILE PAPER—6@7½ per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Quiet but steady at $4.80@4.80½ for sixty-day bills, and $4.84½ for demand.

Mining Stocks.

NEW YORK, Dec 20.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The following are the mining stock quotations:

Con. Cal. & Va	120	Mexican	200
Deadwood T.	140	North Belle Isle	105
El Cristo	150	Ontario	3400
Gould & Curry	155	Opnir	100
Hale & Norcross	230	Savage	140
Homestake	900	Sierra Nevada	175
Horn Silver	190	Ward Con	200

Bond Offerings.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Bonds offered: $93,400 at $1.27; $44,000 at $1.04½.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

CHICAGO, Dec. 20.—1:15 p. m. close—Wheat—Lower; December, nominally 77½c; January, nominally 78c; May, 82¾c bid.

Corn—Lower; December, 32¼c; January, 31½c; May, 32½c.

Oats—Lower; December, nominally 20¾c; January, 20¼@21c; May, 22¾c.

Rye—46½@46¾c.

Barley—Nominal.

Prime Timothy—Nominal.

Flax Seed—$1.06¼.

Whisky—$1.02.

Pork—Irregular; January, $9.25; March, $9.45; May, $9.55@9.67½.

Lard—Firmer; January, $5.90@5.92½ bid; March, $6.07 asked; May, $6.07½.

Short Ribs—Firmer; January, $4.72½; March, $4.85; May, $4.90@4.97½ asked.

Flour—Dull and unchanged; winter wheat, $2.00@4.35; spring wheat, $2.65@4.00; rye, $2.50@2.85; buckwheat, $1.50@2.00 per cwt.

Provisions—Shoulders, $4.12½@4.25; short clear, $5.00@5.10.

Butter—Dull and unchanged; fancy creamery, 27½@28c; fine, 18@21c.

Eggs—20@21c.

Cheese—Quiet and firm; full cream cheddars and flats, 9½@9¾c; Young Americas, 10½c.

Tallow—Quiet and weak; No. 1 solid packed, 4c.

Hides—Steady; heavy green salted 4¾c; light green salted, 4½c; salted bull, 4c.

	Receipts.	Shipm'ts.
Flour	22,000	16,000
Wheat	47,000	27,000
Corn	348,000	226,000
Oats	148,000	131,000

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—Wheat—Receipts, 30,450; exports, 70,900; spot dull and weaker; No. 2 red, 85@85¾c in elevator, 86½@86¾c afloat, 85⅞@87c f. o. b; ungraded red, 70@85½c. Options lower; No. 2 red, December, closing at 85c.

Corn—Receipts, 21,900; exports, 41,900; spot weaker; No. 2, 42½@42¾c in elevator, 43¼@43½c afloat; ungraded mixed, 38@41c; options lower; December closing at 42½c.

Oats—Receipts, 138,000; exports, 47,200; spot, steady; options, dull; December closing at 28⅞c; spot No. 2 white, 31½@31¾c; mixed western, 27@30c; white western, 30@35c.

Coffee—Options closed firm and unchanged to 10 points up. Sales: 41,000 bags; December, $15.60; May, $15.95@16.05; spot Rio, quiet; fair cargoes, $19.67½.

Sugar—Raw, quiet and lower; refined, quiet and lower.

Petroleum—Steady; United closed at $1.03⅝ for January.

Eggs—Firmer; western, 23c.

Pork—Steady; mess, inspected, $10.50@10.75.

Lard—Steady; western steam, $6.22½@6.25.

Butter—Dull; Elgin, 29c; western dairy, 9@19c; creamery, 14@27c.

Cheese—Quiet; western, 8@10c.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 20.—Wheat—Stronger; No. 2 hard, cash, 61½c bid; No. 2 red, cash and December, 61½c asked.

Corn—Quiet; No. 2, cash, nothing doing; December, 23c asked.

Oats—No. 2, cash and December, 18c bid.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 20.—Wheat—Lower; cash, 77½c; May, 81½c.

Corn—Lower; cash, 26¾c; May, 29½c.

Oats—Lower; cash, 19½c; May, 22½c.

Pork—Quiet; cash, $8.87½.

Butter—Easy; creamery, 21@23c; dairy, 20@21c.

MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 20.—Wheat—Receipts, 198 cars; shipments, 28 cars; demand good; market active; Closing: No. 1 hard, December, 72c; May, 83½c; on track, 80c; No. 1 northern, December, 70½c; May, 81½c; on track, 78c; No. 2 northern, December and January, 74c; May, 78c; on track, 74@76c.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 20.—Wheat—Firmer; No. 2 red, 78c.

Corn—Easier; No. 2 mixed, 32@33c.

Oats—Quiet; No. 2 mixed, 23c.

Whisky—$1.02.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 20.—Wheat—Firm; demand improving; holders offer sparingly.

Corn—Easy; demand poor; new mixed western, 4s 3d per cental.

LIVE STOCK

CHICAGO, Dec. 20.—The Drovers' Journal reports as follows:

Cattle—Receipts, 6,000; market steady; beeves, $2.90@5.25; stockers and feeders, $1.90@3.00; cows, bulls and mixed, $1.15@3.00.

Hogs—Receipts, 25,000; market steady and strong; mixed, $3.50@3.75; heavy, $3.50@3.75; light, $3.30@3.80.

Sheep—Receipts, 5,000; market slow; natives, $3.00@5.00; western corn fed, $3.90@5.20.

SIOUX CITY, Dec. 20.—Cattle—Receipts, 800 head; shipments, 640 head; steady; canners, 75c@$1.30; cows, $1.20@2.15; stockers and feeders, $1.50@3.30; veal calves, $2.00@3.15.

Hogs—Receipts, 4,400; steady; light, $3.45@3.55; heavy, $3.50@3.60; mixed, $3.25@3.47½.

NATIONAL STOCK YARDS, East St. Louis, Dec. 20.—Cattle—Receipts, 700; shipments, 2,300; market steady; fair to fancy native steers, $3.40@5.75; stockers and feeders, $2.10@3.30.

Hogs—Receipts, 5,300; shipments, 1,500; market a shade higher; heavy, $3.60@3.75; packing, $3.50@3.75; light, $3.45@3.65.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 20.—Cattle—Receipts, 2,800; shipments, 1,300; choice higher; others steady; natives, $3.00@4.50; cows, $1.00@2.40; stockers and feeders, $2.30@4.10.

Hogs—Receipts, 10,000; shipments, none; market strong; everything, $3.55@3.60.

OMAHA LIVE STOCK.

Cattle.

Friday, Dec. 20.

If there was any change in the market it was not quotable, values being essentially the same as yesterday. If the cattle happen to be tolerably decent stuff, and the buyers can not get anything better, they will sometimes pay a price that will surprise the seller and make the market look better. On the other hand, if they do not happen to take a fancy to the cattle, it is surprising how low they will have to sell. The buyers do not appear to want many cattle or at least not many of the kind of cattle on sale. If any one had good cattle they could undoubtedly get good prices. Feelers sold about the same as yesterday, the demand not being very heavy or the sales large. Cows were quite plenty today, and, although salesmen generally did not report any change in the market, some buyers thought their cow stuff was not costing quite so much as yesterday.

Hogs.

The trade in hogs was steady, although the buyers seemed a little inclined to bear prices in the morning. The demand, however, was too good for the buyers to hold out for any decided reduction and they soon bought the hogs up at about yesterday's prices. Still they got a few more loads at $3.45 and $3.47½, but at the same time they paid $3.52@3.57½ for more loads, which evened it up. The market was fairly active and the bulk of the hogs sold early. The receipts today were the heaviest of the week, but none too heavy for the demand.

Sheep.

The receipts were heavy and quite a number changed hands, including some fancy lambs, black faces, which sold at $5.75.

Receipts.

Cattle	1,400
Hogs	6,900
Sheep	2,070

Prevailing Prices.

The following is a table of prices paid in this market for the grades of stock mentioned:

Christmas beeves	$4.00 @$5.10
Prime steers, 1300 to 1600 lbs	3.90 @4.60
Good steers, 1250 to 1450 lbs	3.60 @3.90
Good steers, 1050 to 1200 lbs	3.00 @3.80
Common 1000 to 1150 lb steers	2.75 @3.00
Western steers	2.40 @2.90
Common canners	1.00 @1.50
Ordinary to fair cows	1.50 @1.80
Fair to good cows	1.80 @2.00
Good to choice cows	2.00 @2.50
Choice to fancy cows	2.50 @3.00
Fair to good bulls	1.50 @2.85
Light stockers and feeders	2.00 @2.60
Feeders, 950 to 1100 lbs	2.20 @3.00
Fair to choice light hogs	3.50 @3.57½
Fair to choice heavy hogs	3.47½ @3.57½
Fair to choice mixed hogs	3.45 @3.55

Representative Sales.

STEERS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
10	996	$2 80	42	1087	$3 25
6	1007	2 85	20	1271	3 25
20	996	2 85	15	1265	3 25
88	985	3 00	15	1245	3 35
1	1280	3 00	20	1330	3 40
21	1158	3 00	18	1318	3 50
7	1204	3 10	14	1396	3 60
19	1209	3 20	14	1305	3 70

COWS.

6	1023	1 50	24	899	1 90
2	1125	1 55	5	1068	2 00
19	1018	1 70	22	982	2 00
20	953	1 75	19	1023	2 00
14	1085	1 75	6	837	2 12½
3	1033	1 75	20	992	2 15
17	1021	1 75	7	983	2 15
22	1045	1 80	6	1185	2 20
1	980	1 80	11	1000	2 25
18	1134	1 85	21	968	2 30
14	913	1 85	49	1199	2 30

FEEDERS.

19	812	2 35	20	974	2 75
3	730	2 40	46	1065	2 75
25	937	2 45	1	1160	2 75
67	793	2 45	31	1145	2 80
19	842	2 50	17	1153	2 80
7	899	2 60	22	957	2 85
20	1046	2 60	56	1210	3 00

BULLS.

1	1510	1 50	1	1480	1 60
40	1229	1 55	1	1800	2 35

STOCKERS.

3	530	2 30	15	583	2 40
41	630	2 30	1	430	2 40

HEIFERS.

20	1052	2 50	20	1030	3 25
7	1130	3 00			

CANNERS.

1	950	1 25	1	840	1 90
20	822	1 90			

CALVES.

1	280	3 00	1	360	3 00

HOGS.

No.	Av.	Sk.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Sk.	Pr.
56	234	400	$3 40	64	257	320	3 50
20	262	160	3 45	58	299	160	3 50
69	232	120	3 45	57	235	160	3 50
64	297	240	3 45	55	279	80	3 50
52	262	200	3 45	67	227	120	3 50
61	270	200	3 47½	53	290	200	3 50
63	268	200	3 47½	57	305	200	3 50
55	263	120	3 47½	47	350	40	3 50
58	259	120	3 47½	54	304	120	3 50
49	276	280	3 47½	52	266	160	3 50
69	252	200	3 47½	50	291	200	3 50
73	293	200	3 47½	69	246	120	3 50
72	261	120	3 47½	62	316	—	3 50
63	276	240	3 47½	59	285	120	3 50
65	231	120	3 47½	116	313	280	3 50
73	246	160	3 47½	65	308	200	3 50
56	323	160	3 47½	66	276	160	3 50
53	304	200	3 47½	56	304	240	3 50
62	305	120	3 47½	74	173	—	3 50
64	267	240	3 47½	53	292	160	3 50
54	229	80	3 47½	48	323	160	3 50
53	331	240	3 47½	60	295	200	3 50
55	229	160	3 47½	63	295	80	3 50
63	274	120	3 47½	60	309	120	3 50
54	339	80	3 47½	53	293	40	3 50
70	271	80	3 47½	60	307	80	3 50
52	258	160	3 47½	58	311	120	3 50
71	269	320	3 50	55	280	80	3 50
59	250	160	3 50	51	283	120	3 50
58	266	120	3 50	68	207	80	3 50
61	272	—	3 50	65	308	240	3 50
62	281	80	3 50	55	301	120	3 50½
65	299	160	3 50	50	312	200	3 52½
59	337	80	3 50	60	313	—	3 52½
59	270	200	3 50	73	255	40	3 52½
65	324	240	3 50	51	328	160	3 52½
52	335	160	3 50	60	290	240	3 52½
69	280	80	3 50	55	221	—	3 55
60	291	320	3 50	72	193	40	3 55
60	302	—	3 50	75	223	120	3 55
65	295	160	3 50	69	183	40	3 55
58	302	200	3 50	60	272	160	3 55
61	315	80	3 50	78	208	40	3 55
65	293	40	3 50	64	280	520	3 55
62	278	200	3 50	69	235	—	3 57½
60	298	40	3 50	71	243	40	3 57½
58	324	80	3 50				

SHEEP.

No.	Av.	Pr.
168 natives	103	4 25
181 westerns, corn-fed	122	4 70
25 native lambs	78	5 75
25 native lambs	84	5 75

Disposition of Stock.

CATTLE.

Swift & Company	331
George H. Hammond & Company	247
Armour & Cudahy	123
Rothschild & Underwood	57
Hamilton, Stevens & Co.	13
Shippers	350

SHEEP.

George Meisner & Company	1 363
Swift & Company	20
Hammond & Company	193

Purchases of Hogs.

Showing the number of hogs bought by the packers and leading buyers on today's market:

Armour-Cudahy Packing company	3,611
Omaha Packing company	2,313
Swift & Company	259
George H. Hammond & Company	510

Live Stock Notes.

The heaviest hog receipts of the week.

Common cattle not wanted.

No right good cattle.

Hogs steady.

Some choice lambs reached $5.75.

Hogs all sold.

With Cattle.

On the market with cattle: Rickley & Wagner, Columbus; William Cooper, Whitney; A. N. Patton, Woodbine, Ia.; J. R. B., Woodbine, Ia.; L. W. Adams, Logan, Ia.; J. H. Rivers, Pocatello, Idaho; J. Rivers, Pocatello, Idaho; D. J. Carlisle, Templeton; Grube & Company, Manning; J. Hastie, Elmwood; Fay Richards, Wabash; H. L. Ulmer, Stella; J. Hastie, Auburn; H. Gentry, Adams; I. N. Steeks, York; D. N. Callender, Dunning; Hendrick & E. Sterling; J. P. Higgins, Cheneyas; A. Otterman, Malcolm; McWhinney & Company, Tamora; W. W. Pool, Ravenna; T. T. Williams, Ansley; S. S. Heady, Hepburn; N. W. M. company, Stanton; J. N. Watkins, Beemer; N. W. M. company; Barrett & Harris, Wisner; Henry Leisey, Wisner; Burt & Babcock, Ohiowa; W. F. Bledgett, Leigh; H. B. Wheeler, Clarkson; H. C. Rogers, Elwood; Stuart Brothers, Wray, Col.; D. G. Robb, Endicott; G. H. Hobbins, Kearney; J. A. Chilson, Loup City; J. B. Andrew, Clarkson; C. B. Pittman, Pickrell; D. Moss, Elmo, Mo.

With Hogs.

On the market with hogs: J. W. Stocker, Logan; Wilson & Loss, Logan; A. T. McElders, Missouri Valley; George Varnes, Missouri Valley; J. H. Butler, Crescent; J. Hastie, Panama; H. C. Leffer, Springfield; H. Hammer, Minola; D. J. Carlisle, Templeton, Ia.; Grube & Company, Manning, Ia.; The Huntington company, Earling, Ia.; Simms & Houghton, Portsmouth, Ia.; I. H. Buid, Portsmouth, Ia.; D. W. Austin, Neola, Ia.; C. Sprecher, Dennison; Menach & Company, Dennison; M. D. Stevens, Dennison; Jacob Patzer, Dunlap; W. C. Swarts, Silver City; F. Krupp, Schuler; F. M. Stocker, Albion; T. Harris, Central City; E. B. Ryan, Neola; Fay Richards, Wabash; Kent Cattle company, Geneva; M. A. Lafferty, Silver Creek; A. Sutton, Chapman; Watts company, Grand Island; M. H. Jeffrey, Duncan; Dowling & P., North Bend; T. Van Alst, Elkhorn; F. M. Legar, Valentine; John Pfleifer, Johnstown; William Cooper, Whitney; W. Dunwoack, Verdigre; Bush Bros., Creighton; F. Johnson, Smith & M., Blair; W. Harington, Tekamah; A. Beckman, Oakland; J. H. H., Woodbine, Ia.; N. Jacquat, Morna; W. H. VanAlstine, Arcadia; J. P. Taylor, Ashton; J. R. M. Company, Ithica; A. Trgesdale, Bradshaw; W. W. Pool, Ravenna; H. J. Tierney, Ansley; Taylor & Blair, Broken Bow; J. H. Sanders, Villisca, Ia.; J. C. Welch, Clarinda; S. S. Heady, Hepburn; Joe Brodham, Dodge; N. W. M. Company, Stanton; F. W. & A. J. West, Wisner; Henry Leisy, Wisner; V. Crue, Tilden; Sheppard & H., Tilden; Wagner & Doyle, Connor & Bros., Ohiowa; D. Detrick, Upland; Mills & Roberts, Angus; Rendt Bros., Bird City, Kan.; Jones & Dodson, Hendley; Howorth & R., Elmwood; Ford & Norwood, Maywood; State Bank of Curtis, Maywood; H. C. Cutter, Cowles; W. A. Findlay, Greenwood; H. Blumer, Chalco; William Cook, Hepburn; H. McLarned, Trenton; North Loup Cattle Company; Elba; C. T. May, Ord; D. A. Stewart, North Loup; Goffey & Taylor, Shelton; J. B. Hume, Madison; T. J. Scales, Hastings, Ia.; Howard & Morrell, Northboro; Davis & C., Hillsdale; G. H. Dickson, Emerson; Samuel Neil, Woodward; D. Oates, Albion; Superior Cattle Company, Superior; Morse & R., Morse Bluffs; Meyer & Hopkins, Benedict; G. F. Burch, McCool Junction; Buckner & Ross, Benedict; Clark, H. & Company, Weston; J. Bowen, Blanchard; D. Moss, Elmo, Mo.

With Sheep.

On the market with sheep: Robert Johnson, North Loup; George Meisner, Shelton; Morse R. & Company, Morse Bluffs.

OMAHA WHOLESALE MARKETS

Groceries, Produce, Fruits, Etc.

EGGS—Strictly fresh, 21@23c; cold storage, 18c.

HIDES, PELTS, TALLOW, ETC.—Green salted hides, 4½c; No. 2, G. S. hides, 3½c; dry flint hides, 5@7c; calf hides, 4½@4¾c; damaged hides, 2c less; sheep pelts, green, each, 25@$1.00; sheep pelts, dry, per lb., 7@13½c; tallow, No. 1, 4c; No. 2, 3@3½c; grease, white, 4@4½c; yellow, 2¾@3c.

BUTTER—Creamery, fancy, 23@25c; choice, 20@21c. Dairy, fancy, 15@17c; choice, 14@15c. Country, fancy, 14@15c; good to choice, 12@13c; fair, 10@11c; inferior, 6@9c.

PICKLES—Medium, per bbl, $5.00; small, $6.00; gherkins, $7.00; C & H chow chow, qts, $3.85; pts, $1.35.

POTATOES—25@30c for choice.

ONIONS—40@60c.

SAUER KRAUT—Bbls, $4.75; h'f bbls, $2.85.

SUGARS—Cut loaf, 9c; cut loaf, cubes, 8½c; standard, powdered, 8½c; XXXX, powdered, 9c; granulated, standard, 7⅞c; confectioners' A, 7¼c; white extra C, 6½c; extra C Neb., 6⅞c; amber, 6⅜c; California golden C, 6¼c.

BEEF TONGUES—Salt, bbls, $20.00.

HAY—$5.00@6.00.

CHOP FEED—$12.00.

BRAN—$10.00.

CORN—19c.

OATS—17c.

VEAL—Choice, medium size, 5@6c; choice heavy, 3@4c.

LYE—$1.75@4.50 per case.

LIVE TURKEYS—Per doz., $1.50.

GAME—Prairie chickens, $4.00; mallard ducks, $3.00@3.50; mixed ducks, $1.50@2.00; teal, $1.25@1.50; jack snipe, $1.00@1.25; quail, $1.25@1.75; jack rabbits, $4.00@4.50; small rabbits, $1.00@1.20; squirrels, $1.00@1.10, plover, 75c@$1.00; venison saddles, 11@13c; carcasses, 6@10c.

LEMONS—Fancy, $5.50@7.50, choice, $3.50@4.00.

CELERY—Per doz, 30c.

CALIFORNIA GRAPES—$2.00.

SALSODA—1¾@4½c per lb.

STARCH—4¾@5c per lb.

STOVE POLISH—$2.00@5.87 per gross.

BROOMS—4 tie, $2.60; 3 tie, $2.20; stable, $3.80; common, $1.50@1.75.

LARD—Tierces—Refined, 5⅝c; pure leaf, 6½c; kettle rendered, 7c. Add ⅛c to ⅜c for smaller quantities.

FARINACEOUS GOODS—Barley, 3@3½c; farina, 4½c; peas, 3c; oat meal, 2½@3c; macaroni, 11c; vermicelli, 11c; rice, 6½@8c; sago and tapioca, 6@7c; Lima beans, 2½c.

COFFEE—Roasted—Arbuckle's Ariosa, 24¾c; McLaughlin's XXXX, 24¾c; German 24¾c; Dilworth, 24¾c; Alaroma, 24¾c.

COFFEE—Green—Fancy old golden Rio, 24c; fancy old peaberry, 23½c; Rio, choice to fancy, 22c; Rio, prime, 21c; Rio, good, 19c; Mocha, 29c; Java, fancy Mandenling, 27c; Java, good interior, 24c; Arabian, 23½c.

CANNED FISH—Brook trout, 3 lb, $1.40; salmon trout, 2 lb, $2.35; clams, 1 lb, $1.25; clams, 2 lb, $2.00; clam chowder, 3 lb, $1.25; deviled crabs, 1 lb, $2.25; deviled crabs, 2 lb, $3.50; codfish balls, 2 lb, $1.75; caviar, ¼ lb, $2.25; cels, 1 lb, $3.40; lobsters, 1 lb, $1.90; lobsters, 2 lb, $2.95; lobsters, deviled, ¼ lb, $2.25; mackerel, 1 lb, $1.75; mackerel mustard sauce, 3 lb, $2.60; mackerel tomato sauce, 3 lb, $2.60; oysters, 1 lb, $1.00; oysters, 2 lb, $1.80; salmon, C. R., 1 lb, $1.00; salmon, C. R., 2 lb, $2.80; salmon, Alaska, 1 lb, $1.65; salmon, Alaska, 2 lb, $2.65; shrimps, 1 lb, $2.60.

DRIED FRUIT—Currants, new, 6c; prunes, casks 1300 lbs, 4¼c; prunes, bols or bags, 4¼c; citron peel, drums, 20 lbs, 24c; lemon peel, drums, 20 lbs, 20c; fard dates, boxes 12 lbs, 9c; apricots, choice evaporated, 14c; apricots, jelly, cured, 25 lb boxes, 15c; apricots, fancy, Mount Hamilton, 25 lb boxes, 16c; apricots, choice, bags, 80 lbs, 14½c; apples, evaporated, Alden, 50 lb boxes, 9½c; apples, star, 8¾c; apples, fancy, Alden, 5 lb, 10c; apples, fancy, Aiden, 2 lb, 10½c; Salt Lake, 9½c; blackberries, evaporated, 50 lb boxes, 5½@6½c; cherries, pitted, dry cured, 14c; pears, California fancy, ½s boxes, 25@12c; peaches, Cal. No. 1, fancy, ½s unp bags, 80 lbs, 15c; nectarines, red, 14c; nectarines, silver boxes, 15c; pitted plums, Cal. 25 lbs, boxes, 8½c; raspberries, evap. N. Y. new, 25½c; prunes, Cal. R C, 90-100 boxes, 25 lbs, 6¾c; prunes, Cal. R C, 60-70, 9c; orange peel, 15c; raisins, California Londons, crop 1889, $2.25; raisins, Cal. loose muscatels, crop 1889, $2.10; Valencias, 1888, 8½c; Valencias, old, 7c; Cal. seedless sun, 7½c.

CANNED MEATS—Corned beef, 1 lb square cans, $1.20; corned beef, 2 lb square cans, $2.05; corned beef, 6 lb square cans, $6.50; corned beef 14 lb square cans, $14.00. Lunch tongues, 1 lb round cans, $2.60; lunch tongues, 2 lb round cans, $4.75. Brawn, 1 lb square cans, $1.20; brawn, 2 lb square cans, $2.00; brawn, 6 lb square cans, $6.50; brawn, 14 lb square cans, $14.00. Ox tongues, 1½ lb round cans, $5.00; ox tongues, 2 lb round cans