OMAHA LIVE STOCK MARKET

Heavy Falling Off in the Receipts of Both Hogs and Cattle.

PRICES MAINTAINED FOR GOOD CATTLE

Scarcity of Hogs Caused a 5-Cent Advance in the Face of a Decline at Other Markets—Buyers All Anxious.

WEDNESDAY, Feb. 12.

Receipts for the days indicated are:

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.	Horses.
February 12	985	2,476	61	....
February 11	2,134	4,194	227	7
February 10	1,210	1,564	285	....
February 8	918	2,869	475	....
February 7	1,167	2,838	....	23
February 6	964	1,833	225	....
February 5	1,892	3,298	751	15

CATTLE—Yesterday's run made it seem quite like old times, but today's receipts were meager enough. Only 985 head were reported in the yards, as against 2,134 yesterday and 1,892 on Wednesday of last week. The sharp break of the two days past no doubt contributed largely toward the reduction in the receipts.

Today's receipts were made up largely of killing cattle, a considerable portion consisting of cornfed steers. In spite of the fact that the market yesterday touched the lowest point of the season, it did not seem possible to stay the downward tendency of values on fat steers. Chicago and Kansas City both reported liberal receipts and slow or lower markets, which made the feeling weak at this point. There were, however, so few cattle here that it was hardly possible to pound prices down very much, and the really desirable beeves, handy fat steers, which are wanted by the buyers, sold at about yesterday's prices. Heavy and rough cattle were slow and weak and in extreme cases 50@10c lower. While the market was not particularly active, about everything was sold before the close.

Only about five loads of cows and heifers were offered on the market, and as there was about the usual demand they did not last very long. The prices paid were steady to strong, as compared with yesterday.

Only a few stockers and feeders were offered on the market, and they changed hands at about steady prices. Representative sales:

BEEF STEERS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
2	725	$3 00	20	1215	$3 50	11	1297	$3 60
1	960	3 25	12	1205	3 50	18	1391	3 60
1	1130	3 25	24	1145	3 55	13	1415	3 62½
1	1080	3 25	18	1260	3 55	34	1469	3 65
4	1250	3 30	21	1290	3 55	58	1106	3 65
41	1070	3 40	9	912	3 55	15	1257	3 65
18	1028	3 50	5	1420	3 60	53	1423	3 85
18	1300	3 50	14	1492	3 60	17	1262	3 85
9	1255	3 50	20	1460	3 60			

COWS.

1	850	1 50	1	850	2 35	2	1045	2 60
1	850	1 50	1	1150	2 35	7	1039	2 60
1	620	1 90	1	1070	2 40	3	1083	2 60
3	980	2 00	1	890	2 40	2	975	2 65
1	1190	2 00	4	1097	2 40	3	1193	2 65
4	942	2 00	1	1200	2 40	12	1150	2 70
1	980	2 10	1	970	2 45	1	1050	2 70
1	1050	2 10	2	1065	2 50	1	1280	2 70
2	1200	2 10	1	1090	2 50	1	1210	2 70
1	1070	2 10	2	1250	2 50	1	1370	2 75
7	901	2 15	1	1310	2 50	1	1030	2 75
4	872	2 25	3	1093	2 50	6	951	2 75
3	900	2 25	2	1100	2 50	5	1096	2 75
1	1016	2 30	1	1080	2 55	1	1420	2 90
4	1110	2 30	10	1039	2 55	1	1050	2 95
4	1097	2 30	1	1310	2 55	2	1270	2 95
1	920	2 35	22	1003	2 55	13	1322	3 00
4	1075	2 35	6	1165	2 55	1	1080	3 00
2	1185	2 35	6	1125	2 60	1	1290	3 25
1	980	2 35	14	1045	2 60			

HEIFERS.

2	410	2 00	5	598	2 70	1	790	2 00
3	622	2 45	1	450	2 75	5	824	3 15
5	566	2 50	1	700	2 75	1	840	3 25
2	439	2 60	2	600	2 75	5	796	3 25
1	730	2 60	8	937	2 80	1	820	3 25
3	593	2 65	1	720	2 85	1	860	3 25
1	630	2 65	2	985	3 00			

BULLS.

1	1003	2 00	1	1600	2 40	1	1410	2 75
1	1250	2 15	1	1940	2 45	2	1020	2 75
1	1500	2 25	1	1620	2 60	1	1530	2 75
1	1280	2 25	1	950	2 65	1	1250	2 85
1	1630	2 40	1	1530	2 65	1	1700	3 00

OXEN.

2	1850	2 85						

CALVES.

1	320	2 50	1	90	4 00	2	135	5 00
1	370	2 65	1	110	4 25	2	175	5 25
1	380	3 00	1	190	4 25	1	170	5 25
1	310	3 00	1	140	4 50	2	155	5 25
1	110	4 00	1	160	4 75	1	290	5 25

STOCKERS AND FEEDERS.

2	450	2 75	2	910	3 40	22	780	3 45
1	500	2 75	26	696	3 40	25	631	3 50
1	730	3 00	4	1057	3 40	13	786	3 50
1	750	3 00	24	593	3 45	31	766	3 60
14	789	3 15	1	580	3 45	35	1141	3 60
2	850	3 15	5	1166	3 45	1	560	3 50
8	516	3 25	14	653	3 45	3	766	3 50
7	614	3 40	4	460	3 45	12	775	3 60
1	920	3 40	4	795	3 45	3	560	3 70

WESTERNS.

COLORADO.

3 feeders	666	$2 75	35 feeders 850 $3 50
8 feeders	878	3 50	

HOGS—The receipts of hogs today numbered 2,476 head, as against 4,194 yesterday and 3,268 on Wednesday of last week. The rapid decline in the market is apparently having its effect upon the receipts. The country is too bullish to sell many hogs at less than $4.00, and it is evident that growers prefer to hold their hogs awhile longer before selling them at $3.80 in Omaha. On Friday of last week the hogs brought in this market $3.95@4.10 and the receipts increased with the result that prices declined rapidly, both here and at other markets. Today the effect of the decline was plainly visible in the diminished run here. At other points the receipts were large and the markets lower.

With only a few hogs here and with the buyers all wanting some, the market advanced in the face of the decline at other points. The market was fully 5c higher than yesterday's close, or strong to 5c higher than yesterday's general market. The popular price today was $3.90 as against $3.85 yesterday. The trade was active at the advance and everything was sold in good season. Representative sales:

No.	Av.	Sh.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Sh.	Pr.
12	423	...	$3 80	74	222	...	$3 90
14	240	...	3 85	59	212	...	3 90
60	375	...	3 85	73	234	...	3 90
59	283	80	3 85	59	234	...	3 90
65	295	80	3 85	77	223	40	3 90
50	417	...	3 85	58	278	...	3 90
65	285	80	3 85	73	193	...	3 90
50	302	160	3 85	64	288	...	3 90
61	248	80	3 87½	68	295	40	3 90
60	279	80	3 87½	100	177	...	3 90
47	252	...	3 87½	49	324	160	3 90
46	323	120	3 87½	77	235	40	3 90
26	241	...	3 87½	67	257	...	3 90
70	220	...	3 87½	65	290	40	3 90
61	284	40	3 87½	68	243	40	3 90
82	208	40	3 87½	76	231	...	3 95
60	256	40	3 87½	72	238	...	3 95
34	196	...	3 90	85	150	...	3 95
59	264	40	3 90	60	247	40	3 95
61	213	...	3 90				

PIGS—ODDS AND ENDS.

1	480	...	3 65	4	215	...	3 85
4	497	...	3 75	5	286	...	3 90
5	240	...	3 80	1	250	...	3 90
5	376	...	3 80				

SHEEP—The market was weak and lower.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK.

Cattle Receipts Were Almost Too Large for the Demand.

CHICAGO, Feb. 12.—Today's cattle receipts were almost too large for the demand, and the market was dull. Prices were about steady for good lots; other were weak. Common to extra native dressed beef and shipping cattle sold at from $3.20 to $4.40, trading being chiefly at from $3.60 to $4.30, and extra choice beeves at from $4.50 to $4.65. Exporters' purchases were made at from $3.90 to $4.30. Heifers and cows, in good demand, sold largely at from $1.90 to $3.25. Choice calves were active at from $5.75 to $6.

In hogs the market continues to show weak and prices were about 5c lower. The bulk sold at from $4.10 to $4.15; prime light selling at $4.25 and the best heavy and medium weights at $4.20. Buyers took hold very well at the reduced prices and the supply was sold early.

In sheep trade was fairly active. Native sheep were in demand at from $2.50 to $3.60, westerns at from $3 to $3.50, yearlings at from $3.65 to $4.40 and lambs at from $3.25 to $4.50. New sheep sold below $3, and lambs went mostly above $3.80.

Receipts: Cattle, 15,000 head; hogs, 24,000 head; sheep, 12,000 head.

Kansas City Live Stock.

KANSAS CITY, Feb. 12.—CATTLE—Receipts, 4,600 head; shipments, 3,000 head; best grades strong and a shade higher; other grades about steady; Texas steers, $2.60@3.40; Texas cows, $1.75@2.60; beef steers, $3.00@4.20; native cows, $1.90@3.25; stockers and feeders, $2.50@3.75; bulls, $1.75@3.60.

HOGS—Receipts, 6,600 head; shipments, 2,900 head; market weak and 5c lower; bulk of sales, $3.80@3.90; heavy, $3.40@3.85; packers, $3.85@3.95; mixed, $3.75@3.87½; lights, $3.75@3.90; Yorkers, $3.80@3.90; pigs, $3.15@3.80.

SHEEP—Receipts, 3,200 head; shipments, 200 head; market steady; lambs, $3.60@4.35; muttons, $2.25@3.40.

Stock in Sight.

Record of receipts at the four principal markets for Wednesday, February 12:

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
South Omaha	985	2,476	61
Chicago	15,000	24,000	12,000
Kansas City	4,600	6,600	3,200
St. Louis	.....	.....	.....
Totals	20,585	33,076	15,261

St. Louis Live Stock.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 12.—CATTLE—Receipts, not reported. Market about steady. Native beeves range, $2.25@4.60; stockers and feeders, $2.00@3.60; cows and heifers, $2.00@3.35; Texas steers and bulls range, $2.35@3.65.

HOGS—Receipts, not reported. Market quiet and weak. Heavy, $4.00@4.15; mixed, $3.85@4.10; light, $3.90@4.10.

SHEEP—Receipts, not reported. Market steady; native, $2.75@3.60; southern, $2.50@3.50; lambs, $2.50@4.50.

OMAHA GENERAL MARKET.

Condition of Trade and Quotations on Staple and Fancy Produce.

BUTTER—Fair to good stock, 8@9c; choice to fancy country, 13@14c.

VEAL—Choice fat, 70 to 100 lbs., are quoted at 6@7c; large and coarse, 4@5c.

CHEESE—Domestic brick, 11½c; Edam, per doz., $9.60; Club house, 1-lb. jars, per doz., $3.50; Limberger, fancy, per lb., 11½c; Roquefort, ½-lb., jars, per doz., $3.60; Young Americas, 11½c; Twins, fancy, 11c.

POULTRY—Dressed—Chickens, 6½@7½c; coarse and large, 5@6c; ducks, choice, 9@10c; turkeys, choice, 11@12½c; geese, 8c.

POULTRY—Live—C. Jacobsen of the Montana Poultry Packing and Supply company, quotes live poultry firm and wanted at: Hens and young roosters, 5½c; old cocks, 2½c; turkey hens, 8c; young turkey gobblers, 7½c; old Toms, 6c; ducks, full feathered, 7c; geese, 6c.

HAY—Upland, $5.00; midland, $4.50; lowland, $4.00; rye straw, $3.50; color makes the price on hay; light bales sell the best. Only top grades bring top prices.

BROOM CORN—Extremely slow sale; new crop, delivered on track in country; choice green self-working carpet, per lb., 2½c; choice green, running to hurl, 2¼c; common, 1½c.

GAME—Jack snipe, 75c@$1.00; golden plover, $1.25; jack rabbits, per doz., $1.00@1.40; small rabbits, 90c@$1.00; mallard ducks, $3.50@3.75; redheads, $3.75@4.00; canvasback ducks, $5.00@8.00; teal, blue wing, $2.00@2.25; teal, green wing, $1.75@2.00; mixed ducks, $1.75@2.25; Canada geese, $6.00@7.50; small geese, $4.50@5.00; brants, $3.50; squirrels, per doz., 60@75c.

PIGEONS—Live, $1.00@1.10; dead pigeons not wanted.

VEGETABLES.

TOMATOES—Florida, per six-basket crate, $4.50 @5.00.

CAULIFLOWER—Per doz., $1.50.

CABBAGE—California $1.25, per lb., 2c.

POTATOES—Fancy native stock, 30c; from store in small lots, 30@35c; Colorado stock, 45 @48c.

ONIONS—Per bu., 35@40c.

BEANS—Hand picked navy, per bu., $1.50.

SWEET POTATOES—Choice stock, $2.60@2.75 per bbl.

CELERY—California, per doz., No. 1, 90c; No. 2, 75c; Western Nebraska, 40@45c.

LIMA BEANS—Per lb., 5c.

WATER CRESS—Per 16-qt. case, $1.75.

PIE PLANT—Hot house stock, per doz. bunches, 90c.

FRUITS.

MEXICAN STRAWBERRIES—None.

APPLES—Choice Ben Davis, $2.75@3.00; choice wine saps and willow twigs, $3.25@3.50.

CRANBERRIES—Jersey, $8.75.

MALAGA GRAPES—Per 60-lb. bbl., $5.00@5.50; per 65 to 70-lb. gross, $6.00@7.00.

TROPICAL FRUITS.

ORANGES—California budded seedlings, fancy, $2.50; choice, $1.75@2.00; fancy navels, $3.50; choice, $3.00@3.25.

LEMONS—Messinas, $3.50@4.25; Californias, $3.25@3.50.

BANANAS—Choice large stock, per bunch, $2.00 @2.25; medium sized bunches, $1.75@2.00.

MISCELLANEOUS.

OYSTERS—Mediums, 15c; standards, 20c; extra selects, 25c; Branch & Co.'s selects, 27c; New York points, 30c; standard bulk, per gal., $1.10.

HONEY—Fancy white, per lb., 15c.

MAPLE SYRUP—Five gal. cans, each, $2.75; gal. cans, per doz., $12; ½ gal. cans, $6.25; quart cans, $3.75.

CIDER—Pure juice, per half bbl., $3; per bbl., $5.75.

SAUER KRAUT—Per bbl., $3.75; half bbl., $2.25.

FIGS—New crop, California, 10-lb. boxes, per lb., 10c; imported fancy, 30-lb. boxes, 15c; choice, 10-lb. boxes, 11½@12c.

DATES—New Persian, 60-lb boxes, per lb., 5½c; fards, 10-lb. boxes, per lb., 9c.

MAPLE SUGAR—Choice, per lb., 9@10c.

PRESERVES—Assorted, 20-lb. pails, each, $1.40.

COCOANUTS—Per 100, $4.50; each, 5c.

NUTS—Almonds, California, per lb., medium size, 10c; Tarragona almonds, per lb., large, 12½c; Brazils, per lb., 8c; English walnuts per lb., fancy soft shell, 12c, standards, 11@11½c; filberts, per lb., 10c; pecans, polished, medium, 10c; large, 12c; peanuts, raw, 5½c; roasted, 7@ 7½c; hickory nuts, small, per bu., $1.75; hickory nuts, large, per bu., $1.50; black walnuts, per bbl., $2.

DRESSED MEATS.

BEEF—Good steers, 400 to 600 lbs., 5½@6c; good cows and heifers, 4½@5c; medium cows and heifers, 4½c; good forequarters cows and heifers, 3½c; good hindquarters cows and heifers, 6½c; cow rounds, 5c; cow chucks, 3c; beef tenderloins, fresh, 20c; frozen, 10c; beef rolls, boneless, 9@9½c; sirloin butts, boneless, 9@9½c; loin backs, 9@9½c; cow ribs, No. 3, 7@7½c; cow loins, No. 3, 8@8½c.

MUTTON—Dressed mutton, 6½c; racks, 10c; legs, 8c; saddles, 8c; stews, 3c.

PORK—Dressed hogs, 5½c; pork loins, 6½c; spare ribs, 5c; pork shoulders, 5½c; pork shoulders, skinned, 5½c; pork trimmings, 5c; tenderloins, 14c; pigs' feet, cleaned, per doz, 35c.

HIDES AND TALLOW.

Some persons, according to the Shoe and Leather Review, hold the opinion that hides are accumulating at country points since the competition among city dealers to buy them has decreased. Natural conditions seem to favor the new plan of buying on selection. The tanners are not anxious for hides and there is no incentive for dealers to scour the country in quest of them. Quotations:

HIDES—No. 1 green hides, 4c; No. 2 green hides, 3c; No. 1 green salted hides, 5c; No. 2 green salted hides, 4c; No. 1 green salted hides, 25 to 40 lbs., 5c; No. 2 green salted hides, 25 to 40 lbs., 4c; No. 1 veal calf, 8 to 15 lbs., 6c; No. 2 veal calf, 8 to 15 lbs., 4c; No. 1 dry flint hides, 7@8c; No. 2 dry flint hides, 5@6c; No. 1 dry salted hides, 6c; part cured hides, ½c per lb. less than fully cured.

SHEEP PELTS—Green salted, each 25@60c; green salted shearlings (short wooled early skins), each 15c; dry shearlings (short wooled early skins), No. 1, each, 10c; dry shearlings (short wooled early skins), No. 1 each, 5c; dry flint Kansas and Nebraska butcher wool pelts, per lb., actual weight, 5@6c; dry flint Kansas and Nebraska Murrain wool pelts, per lb., actual weight, 4@5c; dry flint Colorado butcher wool pelts, per lb., actual weight, 4@6½c, dry flint Colorado Murrain wool pelts, per lb., actual weight, 4@5c; dry pieces and bucks, actual weight, 4@6c; feet cut off, as it is useless to pay freight on them.

TALLOW AND GREASE—Tallow, No. 1, 3½c; tallow No. 2, 3c; grease, white A, 3½c; grease, white B, 3c; grease, yellow, 2½c; grease, lark, 2c; old butter, 2@2½c; beeswax, prime, 15@22c; rough tallow, 1½c.

BONES—In car lots weighed and delivered in Chicago: Dry buffalo, per ton, $12.00@14.00; dry country, bleached, per ton, $10.00@12.00; dry country, damp and meaty, per ton, $6.00@8.00.

WOOL—Unwashed, fine heavy, 6@7c; fine light, 8@9c; quarter blood, 19@12c; seedy, burry and chaffy, 8@9c; cotted and broken, coarse, 7@9c; cotted and broken, fine, 6@8c. Fleece washed—Medium, 15@18c; fine, 14@16c; tub washed, 16@ 18c; black, 8c; bucks, 6c; tag locks, 2@3c; dead pulled, 5@6c.

FURS.

	No. 1 Lge.	No. 1 Md'm	No. 1 Sm'll	2	3
BEAR—					
Black Yearlings	$24@25	$ 15 00	$ 8@10	$10@12	$ 5 00
Black Cubs	6@ 8	5@ 6	4 00	5 00	2 00
Black Montana & Mountain	18@22	14 00	10 00	10 00	4 00
Black Montana Yearlings	12 00	8 00	5 00	5 00	2 50
Black Montana Cubs	6 50	4 50	3 00	4 00	2 00
Silver Tip	20 00	12 00	8 00	9 00	4 00
Silver Tip Yrlgs.	11 00	8 00	5 00	5 00	2 50
Silver Tip Cubs	6 00	4 50	3 00	3 00	1 50
Brown	20@25	16 00	12 00	12 00	5 00
Yearlings	10@12	8 00	6 00	8 00	4 00
Cubs	7 00	5 00	3 00	4 00	2 00
Badger	1@1 50	60	50	50	50
Fisher	8 00	6 00	4 00	4 00	2 00
FOX—					
Silver (according to beauty)	100 00	60 00	40 00	30 00	10 00
Silver Pale (according to beauty)	50 00	30 00	20 00	15 00	6 00
Cross	7 00	3 00	2 00	1 50	1 00
Red	1 50	1 25	1 00	75	25
Gray	75	50	40	35	15
Kit	50	40	30	20	10
Lynx	3 00	2 00	1 50	1 25	50
Marten	2 00	1 50	1 00	1 00	50
Mink	80@85	60	45	25	10
Mink Dark	85	65	45	20	10
Mountain Lion (perfect head and feet)	1@ 2				
Otter	8 00	6@ 7	5 00	4 00	2 00
Otter Pale	7 00	5 00	4 00	3 00	1 50
Raccoon	60@70	50	25	20	10
Raccoon, Black (as to beauty)	50@ 2				
SKUNK—					
Black, cased	1 25	75	50	50	25
Short striped	1 00	70	45	40	20
Narrow striped	50	40	25	20	10
Broad striped	20@25				
Wolverine	4 00	3 00	2 00	2 00	1 00
Wolf Mountain	3 00	2 00	1 50	75	40
Wolf Prairie	65@90	60	40	20	10
Beaver, per skin	5@ 6	4 50	2 00	4 00	2 00
Beaver Kits	2 00	1 50	75	50	25
MUSKRATS—					
Spring	8@10	9	7		
Winter	8	7	6		
Fall			3		
Kits	2		1		

St. Louis General Market.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 12.—This being a holiday, the only trading done at the Merchants' exchange was on the curb.

FLOUR—Dull and easy; patents, $3.70@3.80; extra fancy, $3.45@3.55; fancy, $3.00@3.10; choice, $2.60@2.75.

A stronger feeling was developed in wheat to start, as it was raining and growing colder, which it was feared might develop into a freeze and that into a crop scare, though snows were reported at Chicago and Omaha, and probable for the winter wheat section. May was bid up and sold at 65⅝c, and July at 63½c. A weaker tone soon set in locally, especially as there was plenty for sale at the advance here, and a decline to 65⅜c soon followed. Later May sold at 65¼c, and that bid. Corn was also stronger, the rainfall over the west pointing to a further delay in farmers' deliveries. May had buyers at from 27c to 27½c, and no sellers at that. Oats were firm, with 26½c bid for May. Only four cars were received here, and the rains are expected to curtail the country movement.

Receipts: Flour, 5,000 bbls.; wheat, 24,000 bu.; corn, 45,000 bu.; oats, 4,000 bu.

Liverpool Markets.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 12.—WHEAT—Spot quiet; demand poor; No. 2 red winter, 5s 3½d; No. 2 red spring, stocks exhausted; No. 1 hard Manitoba, 5s 7½d; No. 1 California, 5s 9½d; Futures closed firm with May ¼d higher and other months unchanged from yesterday's closing; business about equally distributed. February, 5s 7¼d; March, April, May and July, 5s 8d; June, 5s 7¾d.

CORN—Spot, steady; American mixed new, 2s 1¼d; futures closed unchanged with near positions ¼@½d lower and distant positions unchanged to ¼d lower; business about equally distributed; February, 2s 2¼d; March, 2s 1d; April, 2s 1¼d; May, 2s 1¾d; June, 2s 2d; July, 2s 2½d.

FLOUR—Dull; demand poor; St. Louis fancy winter, 7s 6d.

PROVISIONS—Bacon, dull; demand poor; Cumberland cut, 28 to 30 lbs., 28s; short ribs, 28 lbs., 26s; long clear, light, 35 to 40 lbs., 27s; long clear, heavy, 35 lbs., 26s 6d; short clear backs, light, 18 lbs., 26s 6d; short clear middles, heavy, 55 lbs., 26s; clear bellies, 14 to 16 lbs., 28s. Shoulders, square, 12 to 13 lbs., 25s 6d. Hams, short cut, 14 to 16 lbs., 29s. Tallow, fine North American, 29s 9d. Beef, extra India mess, 73s 9d; prime mess, 58s 9d. Pork, prime mess, fine western, 53s 9d; prime mess, medium, 47s 6d. Lard, dull; prime western, 27s 6d; refined in pails, 28s 6d.

CHEESE—Quiet; demand poor; finest American white, 43s; finest American colored, 43s.

BUTTER—Finest United States, 95s; good, 60s.

OILS—Turpentine spirits, 28s 9d; rosin, common, 4s 7½d; cottonseed oil, Liverpool refined, 17s 3d; linseed oil, 26s 3d.

REFRIGERATOR BEEF—Forequarter, 3½d; hindquarter, 57d.

BLEACHING POWDER—Hardwood, f. o. b., Liverpool, 17.

HOPS—At London (Pacific coast), 12 5s.

PACKING HOUSE WEEKLY OUTPUT.

Big Improvement in the Movement of Hogs Noted.

CINCINNATI, Feb. 12.—(Special Telegram.)—Tomorrow's Price Current will say: A further reduction in western packing is shown the past week, for which the total is 245,000, compared with 270,000 the preceding week, and 325,000 last year, making a total of 6,050,000 since November 1, against 6,228,000 a year ago. Prominent places compare as follows:

Places.	1896.	1895.
Chicago	2,130,000	2,155,000
Kansas City	773,000	765,000
Omaha	372,000	462,000
St. Louis	325,000	328,000
Indianapolis	319,000	277,000
Cincinnati	234,000	232,000
Milwaukee	326,000	311,000
Cedar Rapids	122,000	153,000
Ottumwa	122,000	126,000
Sioux City	98,000	129,000
St. Joseph	70,000	121,000
Nebraska City	63,000	60,000
St. Paul	123,000	162,000

Wool Market.

BOSTON, Feb. 12.—The sales in the three principal markets for the week have amounted to 4,756,550 lbs., 2,235,100 lbs. of which were domestic wools. The total sales since January 1, 1896, have been 27,047,850 lbs. Although, as the record of sales shows, a large amount of business has been done in the period under review than transacted a week earlier, nevertheless the market continues to be quiet, money as tight as a drum, and holders of wool are for the most part relentlessly firm in their ideas of the value of their commodity, so that free purchasing is quite the exception. Strange as it may seem, in consideration of the obvious dullness of trade, rates for good stock show no depreciation. In Boston the sales for the week have been 2,656,750 lbs., of which 1,400,000 lbs. were domestic wool. The market continues quiet, though prices are steady. Australian is in the lead among all sorts of wool now selling, although there has recently been some diversion toward staple territorial wools. Sales since January 1, 1896, have amounted to 19,192,000 lbs.

San Francisco Mining Quotations.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 12.—The official closing quotations for mining stocks today were as follows:

Alta	5	Gould & Curry	42
Alpha Con	16	Hale & Norcross	120
Andes	10	Kentucky Con	5
Belcher	26	Mexican	59
Best & Belcher	79	Mount Diablo	15
Bodie Con	34	Occidental Con	105
Bullion	14	Ophir	125
Bulwer Con	15	Overman	15
Caledonia	7	Potosi	53
Challenge Con	40	Savage	48
Chollar	60	Scorpion	2
Confidence	105	Sierra Nevada	42
Con. Cal. & Va	205	Union Con	33
Con. Imperial	2	Utah Con	5
Crown Point	19	Yellow Jacket	40
Exchequer	6		

Silver bars, 67¾c; Mexican dollars, 53¾@54¼c. Sight drafts, par; telegraphic, par.

London Financial Review.

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—The Evening Post's London financial cabiegram says: The stock markets were very quiet today, and firm, except for Americans, which were lower in the absence of New York support. A disposition of bonds to improve may, however, be noted. There are indications of some selling of colonial stocks to invest in the best class of American bonds, the yield of interests being greater. South Australia announces the issue of $500,000 in 3 per cent bonds, at a minimum price of 94. They are quoted in the market at 2½ per cent premium. The Bank of England sold a small amount of eagles today. The India council drafts were applied for today ten times over. The Paris bourse was firm. The Berlin market was dull. The Imperial Bank of Germany has reduced the discount rate from 4 to 3 per cent.

London Stock Quotations.

LONDON, Feb. 12.—4 p. m. closing:

Consols, m'y	108 7-16	Mexican ordinary	19¾
Consols, acc't	108⅝	St. Paul com	77¾
Can. Pacific	59⅝	N. Y. Central	100¾
Erie	16¼	Pennsylvania	54⅝
Erie 2ds	75½	Reading	19⅝
Ill. Central	100½	Mex. Cen. new 4s	71

BAR SILVER—30⅞d per ounce.

MONEY—¼ per cent.

The rate of discount in the open market for short and three months' bills is 1⅛@1¼ per cent.

Kansas City Markets.

KANSAS CITY, Feb. 12.—WHEAT—Very dull; No. 2 hard, 65c; No. 3, 59½@64c; rejected, nominally, 30@36c; No. 2 red, offered at 75c; no bids.

CORN—More active; No. 2 mixed, 22¾@23c; No. 2 white, 24@24½c.

OATS—Easier, though not quotably lower; No. 2 mixed, 19½c; No. 2 white, 19¾c.

RYE—No. 2 nominally, 35c.

HAY—Steady; timothy, $10.00@11.50; prairie, $5.50@7.00.

BUTTER—Weak for creamery, 16@17c; dairy, 15@17c.

EGGS—Unsettled, 10¾c.

Cotton Market.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 12.—COTTON—Easy; middling, 7¾c; low middling, 7½c; good ordinary, 7 3-16c; net receipts, 4,726 bales; gross receipts, 6,786 bales; exports to Great Britain, 2,914 bales; sales, 9,400 bales; stock, 337,989 bales.

'Frisco Wheat Quotations.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 12.—WHEAT—Steady; December, $1.14¾; May, $1.16⅝.

Dry Goods Market.

FALL RIVER, Mass., Feb. 12.—Print cloths firm and quiet at 2¾c.

London Consols.

LONDON, Feb. 12.—Consols for money, 108⅞; for the account, 108¾.

Foreign Financial Affairs.

PARIS, Feb. 12.—4 p. m.—Three per cent rentes, 103f 22½c for the account; exchange on London, 25f 22½c for checks.

BERLIN, Feb. 12.—The rate of discount of the Imperial Bank of Germany has been reduced from 4 to 3 per cent. Exchange on London, eight days' sight, 20 marks 45½ pfg.

LONDON, Feb. 12.—The amount of bullion withdrawn from the Bank of England on balance today was £67,000. Gold is quoted at Buenos Ayres today at 216.10; Madrid, 17.62; Lisbon, 25; St. Petersburg, 50; Athens, 77; Rome, 108.90; Vienna, 103. The amount of bullion gone into the Bank of England on balance today was £6,000.

Financial Notes.

BOSTON, Feb. 12.—Clearings, $15,108,827; balances, $1,604,786.

BALTIMORE, Feb. 12.—Clearings, $2,283,835; balances, $224,144.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 12.—Clearings, $12,519,223; balances, $1,637,005.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—Today's statement of the condition of the treasury: Available cash balance, $189,521,862; gold reserve, $65,782,870.

Otoe County Fair Arranged.

SYRACUSE, Neb., Feb. 12.—(Special.)—At the adjourned meeting of the Otoe County Fair association here yesterday the following officers were elected: President, Asa Godding; vice presidents, Edwin Andrews, Alonzo Cook, George W. Brown, A. F. Beers, J. W. Eaton; secretary, F. E. Brown; treasurer, A. F. Coddington; board of managers, Judge J. W. Eaton, Edwin Andrews, J. H. Arende, George W. McKee. A few radical changes were made in the by-laws, among which was the increasing of the capital stock to $10,000 and the reduction of the size of the certificates from $50 to $10. The date of the fair was set for the last week in September.

Snow in Nebraska.

WATERLOO, Neb., Feb. 12.—(Special.)—Snow fell here last night to a depth of one inch and a half.

WAHOO, Neb., Feb. 12.—(Special.)—