AS TO TABLE VIANDS.

A Quiet Week's Trade in the Line of Fruit and Vegetables.

FLORIDA ORANGES TO THE FRONT.

Eggs, Poultry and Game Improving in Demand and Firmer.

OCEAN PRODUCTS TENDING HIGHER

OFFICE OF PITTSBURG DISPATCH, FRIDAY, November 1, 1889.

Market basket materials have undergone few changes in the past week. In vegetable lines corn and Lima beans are practically out for this season. Tomatoes still linger, but their end is not far away, and those now on the stalls are lower in quality and higher in price than last Saturday. Retail dealers of fruits and vegetables report a very quiet week's trade. In fruit lines grapes are still to the front, but prices have advanced. California fruits are in better demand and their day has fairly dawned. Florida oranges by the carload put in their first appearance for the season this week.

Fowls and Game.

Poultry and game are steadily growing into popular favor. Choice eggs are drifting higher, and holiday prices have been asked and obtained within a few days by country people. The crop of hen fruit and poultry in this vicinity is unusually short, and supplies in these lines come chiefly from the West, where there is plenty. Staple meats change not. Trade, according to reports of Diamond Market butchers, is very slow. Prices are unchanged. The consumer must pay the same old rates for his fine roasts and tenderloin steaks, notwithstanding the decline of live stock. They who eat the fine cuts find no falling off in meat bills. If there was profit to the butcher when he paid 6c and upward for steers, he should have a good thing now when he pays from 4c to 5c per pound.

Fish and Oysters O. K. Again.

As to lake and ocean products there is now a fair supply of herring and all Eastern fish. White fish and large salmon are still short. The first red snappers of the season, from Florida, were on our stalls this week.

Oysters are held very firm at sources of supply, and while our dealers are able now to secure all that are needed, Baltimore packers are growing very firm in their views. From present outlook an advance in prices cannot be far away.

Following are retail prices of market basket materials as furnished by leading dealers:

Meats.

The best cuts of tenderloin steak range from 20 to 25c, with last figure for very fancy; sirloin, best cuts, from 15 to 18c; standing rib roast, from 15 to 20c; chuck roast, 10 to 12c; best round steaks, 15c; boiling beef, 5 to 8c; sweet breads, 20 to 50c per pair; beef kidneys, 10c apiece; beef liver, 5c a pound; calf livers, 25c apiece; corned beef from 5 to 10c per pound. Veal for stewing commands 10c; roast, 12½ to 15c; cutlets, 20c per pound; spring lambs, fore quarter, 10 to 12c; hind quarters, 15c. A leg of mutton, hind quarter, of prime quality, brings 12½c; fore quarter, 8c; loin of mutton, 15c; giblets, 5c per pound.

Vegetables and Fruit.

Potatoes, 15c per half peck; Jersey sweet potatoes, 25c per half peck; tomatoes, 25c per half peck; cabbage, 5 to 10c; bananas, 20 to 25c a dozen; carrots, 5c a bunch; lemons, 25 to 35c per dozen; oranges, 50c; lettuce, 5c per bunch, 6 for 25c; radishes, 5c per bunch; beets, 3 for 10c; cauliflowers, 15 to 50c a head; string beans, 35c a half peck; onions, 20 to 35c a half peck; new Spanish onions, 5 to 10c each; pie pumpkins, 10 to 35c, according to size; Catawbas, 10c; Concord grapes, 5 to 7c per pound; California, Tokay and Muscat grapes, 20c per pound; turnips, 20c per half peck; cranberries, 15c a quart.

Butter, Eggs and Poultry.

Choice creamery butter, 35c. Good country butter, 35c. Fancy pound rolls, 40c.

The ruling retail price for eggs is 25c.

The range for dressed chickens is 75c to $1 25 per pair. Turkeys, 20c per pound. Prairie chickens, $1 00 a pair; ducks, $1 00 to $1 25 per pair; reed birds, $1 00 per dozen; jacksnipes, $2 25 per dozen; partridges, $6 a dozen; squirrels, 50c a pair; plovers, $2 25 a dozen; rabbits, 50c a pair; pheasants, $1 25 a pair.

Fish in Season.

Following are the articles in this line on the stalls, with prices: Lake salmon, 12½c; California salmon, 40c per pound; white fish, 12½c; herring, 4 pounds for 25c; red snappers, 15 to 20c per pound; Spanish mackerel, 30c to 35c a pound, sea salmon, 40c a pound; blue fish, 25 to 30c; perch, 10c; halibut, 25c; rock bass, 30c; black bass, 20c; lake trout, 12½c; lobsters, 25c; green sea turtle, 28c; mackerel, 20c small, 40c large. Oysters: N. Y. counts, $1 75 per gallon; clams, $1 25 per gallon; scollops, 50c a quart; frogs, $2 00 per dozen; soft shell crabs, 75c per dozen; devil crabs, 85c per dozen.

Flowers.

La France roses, $1 25@1 50 per dozen; Bride roses, $1 25 per dozen; Perles, $1 00 per dozen; Niphetos, $1 00 per dozen; Bennetts, $1 50 per dozen; American Beauty, 35c apiece; Mermets, $1 25 per dozen; carnations, 50c a dozen; Maiden Hair fern, 50c per doz. fronds; gladiolus, 50c per dozen; lily of the valley, $2 per dozen; chrysanthemums, 50c to $4 a dozen.

LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

The Condition of Business at the East Liberty Stock Yards.

OFFICE OF PITTSBURG DISPATCH, FRIDAY, November 1, 1889.

CATTLE — Receipts, 500 head; shipments, 460 head; market slow; prospects unfavorable; no cattle shipped to New York to-day.

HOGS—Receipts, 2,700 head; shipments, 3,100 head; market slow; all grades $4 15@4 25. Ten cars of hogs shipped to New York today.

SHEEP—Receipts, 1,600 head; shipments, 1,600 head; market slow, ¼c off from Monday's prices.

By Telegraph.

NEW YORK—Beeves—Receipts, 45 carloads for the market, 46 carloads for city slaughterers direct, and 59 carloads for exportation alive and dead; the market was decidedly weak, equal to strong, 15c per 100 pounds on all grades, and the pens were not cleared. Poor to prime native steers sold at $3 25@4 60 per 100 pounds; stockers at $2 50@3 10, and a bunch of Colorado cattle at $3 20. Exports to-day, 1,275 beeves, and 2,500 quarters of beef. Calves—Receipts, 350 head; steady at $5 00@7 50 per 100 pounds for veals, and at $2 00@3 00 for grassers and light Western calves. Sheep—Receipts, 4,800 head, and 2,500 were carried over yesterday; sheep were firm at full prices; lambs were weak and barely steady; sheep sold $3 50@5 50 per 100 pounds; lambs at $4 75@6 50. Hogs—Receipts, 4,200 head; dull at $4 20@4 50 per 100 pounds alive.

CHICAGO—The *Drovers' Journal* reports—Cattle—Receipts, 9,000 head; shipments, 3,200 head; market generally dull and lower; choice to extra beeves, $4 60@5 05; steers, $2 80@4 50; stockers and feeders, $1 90@2 90; cows, bulls and mixed, $1 00@2 70; Texas cattle, $1 50@2 60; Western rangers, $2 40@3 60. Hogs—Receipts, 22,000 head; shipments, 8,500 head; market strong and 5c higher; mixed, $3 75@4 00; light, $3 80@4 15; heavy, $3 70@4 00; skips, $3 00@3 80. Sheep—Receipts, 6,000 head; shipments, 1,000 head; market steady but closed weak; natives, $2 75@5 00; Westerns, $3 50@4 10; Texans, $3 00@4 00; lambs, $4 25@5 50.

ST. LOUIS—Cattle—Receipts, 1,400 head; shipments, 200 head; market strong; choice heavy native steers, $4 30@4 80; fair to good, do, $3 80@4 25; stockers and feeders, $1 80@2 60; range steers, $2 00@3 50. Hogs—Receipts, 5,700 head; shipments, 700 head; market stronger; fair to choice heavy, $3 80@4 00; packing grades, $3 70@4 00; light, fair to best, $3 85@4 50. Sheep—Receipts, 500 head; shipments, 100 head; market firm; fair to choice, $3 40@4 70.

KANSAS CITY—Cattle—Receipts, 5,880 head; shipments, 6,448 head; market active and steady; live beeves, $3 25@4 02½; cows, $1 30@1 35; stockers and feeders, $2 15@3 00; Texans, $1 30@1 55. Hogs—Receipts, 4,962 head; shipments, 1,344 head; market strong to 5c higher; good to choice light, $3 80@3 90; heavy and mixed, $3 65@3 80. Sheep—Receipts, 4,877 head; shipments, 397; market steady; good to choice muttons, $3 00@4 00; stockers and feeders, $2 50@3 25.

BUFFALO — Cattle dull and irregular; receipts, 92 loads through, 4 sale. Hogs slow and 10@15c lower; receipts, 44 loads through, 50 sale; mixed, $4 15@4 20; Yorkers, $4 15@4 25; pigs, $4 00@4 10; rough, $3 25@3 50.

Of an Unusual Denomination.

Philadelphia Record.]

At the cashier's desk of a first-class restaurant: "Pay my bill, Hobbs! I've got nothing but a $9 bill." Hobbs—What kind of a bill is that? Nobbs—Why, a bill for the hat I have got on.

☞MRS. E. LYNN LINTON, in to-morrow's DISPATCH, will discuss the criminalities of children.

MARKETS BY WIRE.

Large Stocks of Wheat in the Northwest Knock Down Prices—Corn and Oats Move on a Lower Plane.

CHICAGO—Wheat—There was a fair volume of business to-day, and the market, although see-sawing back and forth within ½@⅝c range, showed some firmness. The opening was about the same as yesterday's closing, advanced ⅝c, receded ½@⅝c and closed ⅛c lower for December and ⅜c lower for May than closing figures of yesterday. The market at times rather indicated that operators were disposed to realize for May delivery, of which the offerings were rather larger and the premium over December was reduced from 4@4½c to 3⅞@3⅞c. For December there was moderate buying and offerings not large. The receipts continue on a liberal scale.

A railroad official just back from a trip in the Northwest says only about one-quarter of the wheat has been marketed. It is claimed that stocks at Minneapolis will not show as large an increase as last week. Cable advices quoted steady and firm markets. New York reported 10 boat loads of No. 1 Duluth sold for export to the United Kingdom. Rain was reported in Michigan, Wisconsin, Illinois, Iowa, Minnesota and Missouri, and snow in Kansas and Nebraska. Stocks of wheat in country elevators in Minnesota and Dakota were reported as showing an increase of 6,000,000 bushels during the past month.

Corn—A fair speculative and good shipping business was transacted in this market. The feeling early was quite firm, especially for November, but later became weaker. The market opened strong at ⅛@⅜c over the closing prices of yesterday, was firm, November advancing ⅜c, influenced by the weather, small receipts and good shipping demand. The reaction later was due to the free selling of December by a prominent local operator, supposed to be long largely of year delivery around 31½c. The market then rallied, became very weak and closed ⅛@⅜c lower for November, December about ⅛c lower, and May ⅜c lower than yesterday. Cables were firm and domestic markets easier.

Oats were traded in quite freely for May, but other descriptions were quiet. A weaker feeling developed and prices receded ⅜@⅝c, and the market closed easy at about inside prices, and ⅝@½c lower than yesterday.

Mess pork—Trading was only moderate. Early the feeling was stronger and prices were 7½@10c higher with some buying by the short interest. Later the market was easier, with more pressure to sell and prices receded 15@17½c on November and 5@7½c on January, and closed rather quiet.

Lard—Very little attention was given the market and trading was lighter than for several days past. Prices averaged a trifle higher, but outside figures were not fully supported to the close.

Short Rib Sides—Hardly sufficient business was transacted to establish a market. Prices exhibited very little change—rather favored sellers.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

WHEAT—No. 2, December,	80⅝@80⅞	80⅝	80⅝	80⅝
⅝c; year, 79c; January,	80⅝@80⅞	80⅝	80⅝	80⅝
May,	84¼@84½	83⅞	83⅞	83⅞
CORN — No. 2, December,	32½@32⅝	31½	31½	31½
⅜c; year,	32@32⅛	31½	31½	31½
January,	31⅝@31⅞	31½	31½	31½
May,	33⅝@33⅞	33½	33½	33½
OATS — No. 2, December,	19⅝@19⅞	18½	18½	18½
⅝c; January,	19⅝@19⅞	19	19	19
May,	22⅝@22⅞	21⅞	21⅞	21⅞
MESS PORK, per bbl.—Year,	$9 00	$9 05	$8 87½	$8 92½
January,	$9 25	$9 30	$9 22½	$9 25
May,	$9 60	$9 65	$9 52½	$9 62½
LARD, per 100 lbs.—Year,	$5 87½	$5 87½	$5 85	$5 85
January,	$5 87½	$5 90	$5 85	$5 85
May	$6 10	$6 10	$6 07½	$6 07½
SHORT RIBS, per 100 lbs.—Year,	$4 70	$4 70	$4 70	$4 70
January,	$4 72½	$4 75	$4 70	$4 70
May,	$4 97½	$5 00	$4 95	$4 95

Cash quotations were as follows: Flour unchanged. No. 2 spring wheat, 78½@79c; No. 3 spring wheat, 62@65c; No. 2 red, 78½@79c; No. 2 corn, 32⅜c. No. 2 oats, 18⅞c. No. 2 rye, 42c. No. 2 barley, 58c asked. No. 1 flaxseed, $1 28⅜. Prime timothy seed, $1 15. Mess pork, per bbl, $9 02½@9 75. Lard, per 100 pounds, $6 10@6 12½. Short ribs sides (loose), $5 20@5 40. Dry salted shoulders (boxed), $4 50@4 62½. Short clear sides (boxed), $5 50@5 62½. Sugars, cut loaf unchanged. Receipts—Flour, 11,000 barrels; wheat, 77,000 bushels; corn, 120,000 bushels; oats, 145,000 bushels; rye, 8,000 bushels; barley, 76,000 bushels. Shipments—Flour, 9,000 barrels; wheat, 46,000 bushels; corn, 202,000 bushels; oats, 309,000 bushels; rye, 26,000 bushels; barley, 67,000 bushels.

On the produce exchange to-day the butter market was unchanged. Eggs, 18½@19c.

NEW YORK—Flour quiet and irregular, closing easy. Cornmeal quiet. Wheat—Spot unsettled and weaker; moderate export demand; options fairly active, irregular and ¼@⅜c lower, closing weak. Rye dull; Western, 49@52½c. Barley quiet. Barley malt quiet. Corn—Spot irregular, closing easier and fairly active; options more active and weaker. Oats—Spot firm and moderately active; options moderately active and weaker. Hay fairly active and firm. Hops steady and quiet. Coffee—Options opened steady, 5 points down to 5 points up, closing steady, unchanged to 5 points up; sales, 39,000 bags, including November, 14.35@14.40c; December, 14.50@14.60c; January, 14.55@14.65c; February, 14.60c; March, 14.55@14.65c; July, 14.50@14.55c; August, 14.40@14.45c; September, 14.30c; spot Rio steady and quiet; fair cargoes, 19c. Sugar — Raw dull and depressed; fair refining, 4⅜c; centrifugal, 96° test, 5⅛c asked; refined, quiet and unchanged. Molasses—New Orleans quiet. Rice quiet and easy. Cottonseed oil easier; crude, 30@31c. Tallow stronger; city ($2 for packages), 4 7-16@4½c. Rosin steady and in fair demand. Turpentine steady and quiet at 48½@49½c. Eggs firm; western, 23@24c; receipts, 4,092 packages. Pork quiet: mess inspected $12 00@12 25, do uninspected, $11 75. Cut meats slow; middles, strong. Lard easier and quiet; western steam, $6 70@6 75; sales: October, $6 47 closing, $6 45 asked; December, $6 28@6 29 closing, $6 28 asked; January, $6 26@6 27 closing, $6 25 asked; February, $6 31@6 32 closing, $6 31 asked; March, $6 30@6 38 closing, $6 35 asked. Butter quiet and easy, except for choice; Elgin, 24@25c; western dairy, 9@15c; do creamery, 12½@24c; do held, 12@18c; do factory, 7½@12½c. Cheese quiet; western, 7½@10c.

PHILADELPHIA—Flour quiet and steady. Wheat—Market shade lower but subsequently recovered and closed firm; sales of rejected red, on track, 75c; ungraded red, in grain depot, 85c; No. 2 red, November, 81@81⅛c; December, 81⅛@82⅛c; January, 83⅛@83½c; February, 84@84⅜c. Corn—Options weak and lower; car lots steady, though dull; sales of No. 2 mixed, track and grain depot, 41½c; No. 2 high mixed, in Twentieth street elevator, 41⅞c; No. 2 high mixed, on track, 42c; No. 2 yellow, in grain depot, 42½c; No. 2 mixed, November, 40⅛@40⅜c; December, 39⅞@40⅛; January, 39½@40c; February, 40@40⅛c. Oats—Car lots firmer; sales No. 3 white, 28c; No. 2 white, on track and in grain depot, 29½c; held at 29½c in Twentieth street elevator, with 29c bid. Futures were firm but quiet: No. 2 white, November, 28½@28⅝c; December, 28½@28c; January, 29@29⅛c; February, 29⅛@30c. Butter firm and in fair demand: Pennsylvania print, extra, 29@32c. Eggs steady; Pennsylvania firsts, 24@25c.

ST. LOUIS—Flour quiet and unchanged, but firm. Wheat—Trading very light early in the day, owing to the confusion arising from the attempt to trade in new and old style. A difference of ¼c, the amount of the reduction in storage rates, was maintained for a while, but was reduced about ⅛c later. The close was about the same as yesterday. No. 2 red, cash, 77c old; old do December, 78⅛@83⅛@83½c asked; new December, 78⅛@78½c, closing at 78⅛@78⅝c asked; March, 81c; May, 83⅛@83⅜c, closing at 83¼c. Corn lower; No. 2 mixed, cash, 29½c old; old year, 28½c, closing at 28½c asked; January, 28⅛@28⅜c, closing at 28c bid; new November, 29c, closing at 29c asked; December, 28⅜@28½c, closing at 28½c asked. Oats dull and dragging; No. 2 cash, 17c bid old; May, new style, 22@22½c; old style, 22c. Rye quiet; No 2, 38½c. Barley—Nothing doing. Provisions quiet and weak, with little done; prices nominally unchanged.

CINCINNATI—Flour dull. Wheat steady and firm; No. 2 red, 78c; receipts, 4,500 bushels; shipments, 3,500 bushels. Corn strong; No. 2 mixed, 35c. Oats strong; No. 2 mixed, 21½@22c. Rye stronger; No. 2, 45½c. Pork dull at $10 75. Lard weak at $6 00. Bulkmeats quiet; short ribs, $5 80. Bacon quiet; short clear, $6 50. Butter dull. Sugar steady. Eggs steady at 18c. Cheese steady.

MILWAUKEE — Flour dull. Wheat, easy; cash and December, 73½c; No. 1 Northern, 80½c. Corn firm: No. 3, 33½c. Oats firmer; No. 2 white, 21½@22c. Rye firm; No. 1, 46½c. Barley steady; No. 2 in store, December, 62½c. Provisions easy. Pork, $9 50. Lard, $6 02. Cheese unchanged.

BALTIMORE—Provisions steady and strong. Butter firm: creamery, 23@24c. Eggs firm and active, 22@24c. Coffee steady; Rio, fair, 19c.

TOLEDO—Cloverseed steady; cash and November, $3 55; December, $3 60; January, $3 65.

Metal Markets.

NEW YORK—Pig iron active and strong. Copper firm; lake, November, $11. Lead dull and steady; domestic, $3 82½. Tin feverish, but not active; straits, $21 85.

LONDON—Pig tin—Speculation has been much heavier, and the market shows increased strength, with £2 10s advance in prices during the week. Straits, £95 15s@96 for spot; futures (3 months), £96 10s@96 15s. Copper—The movement of prices has been light and transactions merely of routine character. Chili bars quoted £43@43 5s for spot; £42 10s@42 15 for future delivery; best selected English, £48. Lead—A moderate trade and prices barely steady. Spanish quoted at £12 7s 6d. Spelter—Demand fair and little change in prices; ordinary Silesian quoted at £21 15s. Tin plate—In sympathy with crude materials the market has been excited and irregular, with sales at full 6d advance. Prices quoted at present are nominal.

☞BUFFALO BILL in to-morrow's DISPATCH gives his impressions of Paris and the French people.

WANT SMALL HOUSES.

Statement of a Gentleman Who Sells as Fast as He Can Build.

A GOOD PROSPECT FOR NEXT YEAR.

Conservative Views in Regard to the Values of Local Real Estate.

WESTERN FARMERS FIXING UP A TRUST

As evidence of the great demand for small houses, a gentleman who does considerable building, said yesterday: "I have put up quite a number of small houses this season and have sold everyone of them—sometimes before they were finished. In some cases I had not more than got the cellar started before someone would come along and want to buy the house. This fact should stir up other builders, and I hope it will. It would be next to impossible to glut the market.

"Outsiders—mechanics and laborers of all grades—would flock here in large numbers if they could buy or rent houses of a class suited to their means. But they cannot, and therefore stay away. This is a great drawback to the growth of the city. A good deal has been done this year to remedy this evil, and from what I hear a great deal more will be done next year. Here is a splendid opportunity for capitalists to reap a golden harvest, such as comes but once in a lifetime."

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A few days ago the wheat growers of the Mississippi Valley met at St. Louis for the purpose of forming an organization to control the prices of their farm products. A company has been chartered under the name of the Federated Farmers of the Mississippi Valley, with an authorized capital of $20,000,000, and through their agency the Western agriculturists hope to be able to influence trade movements and the course of prices. The President, in the course of his address, said the convention had met not for the purpose of denouncing trusts and "combines," but to meet the issue of new systems and conditions in trade. If farmers would organize like manufacturers, to control production and regulate the supply in the public market, they could, in common with all other producers, set the price on their own products irrespective of overproduction.

The most striking feature of this address is its indication of the growth of a new sentiment among agriculturists respecting trade organizations and combinations. It would appear from this that the popular feeling against trusts and combinations, which but a short time since seemed to be sweeping along like a resistless current, is losing in strength.

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From information obtained from leading firms engaged in handling real estate it can be said that there is very little disposition on the part of owners who desire to realize to boom prices. While they very naturally want all they can get, they are far-seeing enough to realize that exorbitant demands would drive buyers out of the field. Owners are, therefore, with few exceptions, disposed to be reasonable, in proof of which it may be stated that several properties withdrawn from sale a few weeks ago for higher prices are again on the market at the original figure. It is the general conviction that property in and around Pittsburg is high enough for the present, and any attempt at enhancement would, except, perhaps, in special cases outside of the common demand, be detrimental to all concerned. In real estate, as in other things, fair prices stimulate business.

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The Pennsylvania Railroad Company is making experiments with a fire-proof railway car. The distinctive feature of the car is that it is all iron or steel. The roof, sides and ends of the car are made of boiler-plate riveted together. The car is somewhat in the shape of a horseshoe, the round part being the top. In the bottom are several steel girders placed in cement, much the same as in Pullman cars Along the sides is an array of windows, precisely similar to those of ordinary passenger coaches.

The top of the car is destitute of heavy roof and ventilating arrangements that are seen on ordinary cars. It is said that ventilation is secured by pumping air into the car through pipes. These pipes in winter are arranged so as to furnish warm air. It is claimed that it will not burn, will last forever, and will not telescope or break up in a collision.

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It is stated that Jay Gould will soon make public his plan for the reconstruction of the Manhattan system of elevated railroads in New York City. According to the latest information on the subject, the directors of the company have already resolved to place $20,000,000 in a shape available for the contemplated work, which involves an enlargement of stations, terminals and the entire equipment on the Third, Sixth and Ninth avenue routes.

The city authorities are expected to make large concessions of space for these improved facilities. Seven cars will constitute a train, and locomotives already ordered will have a correspondingly increased power. The fixed charges will amount to over $800,000, which the increased earning capacity of the road, it is assumed, will fully warrant.

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An impression prevails that gold production will develop more rapidly henceforward than that of silver, but there is no abatement perceptible in the production of the latter in America, while in New South Wales and South Australia it increases rapidly. Thus, during the first six months of the present year the Broken Hill Proprietary Company's mine in New South Wales turned out 2,677,686 ounces of silver, against 2,290,455 during the preceding six months, and 1,633,757 from January 1 to July 1, 1888. The mine produced during the last three years no less than 9,756,977 ounces of silver.

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Mary had a little lamb, its fleece was white as snow; it strayed away one summer day where lambs should never go. Then Mary sat her down and tears streamed from her eyes; she never found the lamb because she did not advertise. And Mary had a brother John, who kept a village store; he sat down and smoked his pipe and watched the open door. And as the people passed along and did not stop to buy, John still sat down and smoked his pipe and blinked his sleepy eye. And so the Sheriff closed him out, but still he lingered near; and Mary came to drop a sympathizing tear. "How is it, sister, that these other merchants here sell all their goods, and thrive from year to year?" Remembering now her own bad luck, the little maid replies: "These other fellows get there, John, because they advertise."

RAIDERS AT WORK.

They Make Another Attack on Philadelphia Gas Company Stock.

The stock call yesterday morning ended without a transaction of any kind, but it was interesting from the fact that the Philadelphia Gas raiders renewed their attack on the stock by offering ten share lots at 33¼ against sales at 34 the previous day, but as no one seemed to care for the little jags, the raiders failed in their purpose of using the ghost of the old scare to produce another panic, so they could load up on the slump. The absence of blocks of any size from the offerings revealed very clearly the nature of the game that was being attempted.

There was a firmer feeling in the stock in the afternoon, when sales were made at 33⅝, but it could not have been bought in quantities under 33⅞ or 34. The morning raid, it is understood, was engineered by a few speculators who hold puts at about 30, and will lose money unless they succeed in getting the price below that figure.

Electric was the only other other active stock. It sold at a slight concession. The inactive list showed no material changes from the quotations of the previous day. The close was at about the best figures. Bids, offers and sales were:

	MORNING. Bid.	Asked.	AFTERNOON. Bid.	Asked.
Lawrence Bank*	....	55½	....	55½
Metropolitan N. Bank	98	110	98	101
Tradesmen's N. Bank.	....	250	....	....
Citizens' Insurance	....	....	365	....
Allegheny Gas Co.	38	....	....	....
Consolidated G. Co., Ill	40	....	....	....
Allegheny Heating Co.	....	110	....	108
Bridgewater Gas	22	....	....	....
Ohio Valley Gas	....	20	....	....
Pennsylvania Gas Co.	15	15½	....	....
Philadelphia Co.	32	33¼	33⅛	33¾
Wheeling Gas Co.	28	....	28	30
Columbia Oil Co.	....	....	18	....
Washington Oil Co.	....	....	75	....
Central Traction	30½	30½	30½	30¾
Citizens' Traction	....	....	68½	70½
Pittsburg Traction	47½	....	47½	48
Pleasant Valley	20½	21	....	21
P., McK. & Y. R. R. Co.	....	....	60	....
P. C. & St. L.	....	....	17½	....
Pitts. & Western R. R.	....	....	12	....
Pitts. & W'M R. R. pfd.	....	....	20	....
N. Y. & C. Gas Coal Co.	34	36	33½	36½
Point Bridge	....	....	3½	....
Hidalgo Mining Co.	....	2½	....	3½
La Noria Mining Co.	⅝	1	⅝	⅞
Yankee Girl Mining	2¾	3¼	2¾	3¼
Allegheny Co. Electric	....	98	....	....
Westinghouse Electric	47½	49½	....	....
Mon'gahela Nav. Co.	....	....	....	78
U. S. & Sig. Co.	....	....	19½	20
Pittsburg Cyclorama	....	10	5	10

*Ex. Div.

The sales were 100 Philadelphia Gas at 33¾, 50 Electric at 47½ and 50 at 47¾. Before call 100 Philadelphia Gas brought 33⅝.

R. J. Stoney, Jr., sold 200 shares Philadelphia Gas at 33⅝@33¾. M. L. Jenkins & Co. sold 100 shares Philadelphia Gas at 34. Sproul & Lawrence sold 50 shares Electric at 48½.

The total sales of stocks at New York yesterday were 372,466 shares, including Atchison, 4,390; Canada Southern, 4,015; Delaware, Lackawanna and Western, 7,992; Denver, Texas and Fort Worth, 4,850; Lake Shore, 8,295; Louisville and Nashville, 3,000; Missouri Pacific, 23,160; Northern Pacific preferred, 4,021; Reading, 8,400; St. Paul, 17,880; Union Pacific, 23,295.

A SUBSTANTIAL BLESSING.

Easy Money Assured for a Long Time, Unless the Unexpected Happens.

Pittsburg continues blessed with plenty of money, for which there is a fair demand, almost entirely from the commercial and manufacturing interests, which are unusually active. The prevailing rates are 6@7 per cent, on call and time.

As there is no prospect of a drain to make good outside deficiencies, as funds are already returning from the South and West, it is quite certain that this center will be in an easy financial condition throughout the winter.

Yesterday's exchanges were $2,246,113 99, and the balances $373,964 63.

Money on call at New York yesterday was tight, ranging from 6 to 12 per cent; last loan, 6; closed offered at 6 per cent. Prime mercantile paper, 5½@7½. Sterling exchange quiet and heavy at $4 81 for 60-day bills, and $4 85 for demand.

Closing Bond Quotations.

U. S. 4s, reg.	127	M. K. & T. Gen. 5s	89
U. S. 4s, coup.	127	Mutual Union 6s*	100
U. S. 4½s, reg.	104⅝	N. J. C. Int. Cert.	114
U. S. 4½s, coup.	105½	Northern Pac. 1sts	113⅝
Pacific 6s of '95	117½	Northern Pac. 2ds	109⅝
Louisiana stamped 4s	89	North'n'l'n consols*	143¾
Missouri 6s	101	North'n deben's*	113
Tenn. new set. 6s	106½	Oregon & Trans. 6s*	103
Tenn. new set. 5s	101½	St. L. & I. M. Gen. 5s	85¼
Tenn. new set. 3s	74	St. L. & S. F. Gen. M.	120
Canada So. 2ds	95⅝	St. Paul consols	127¼
Cen. Pacific 1sts	116	St. P., Chi. & Pe. 1sts	118
Den. & R. G., 1sts*	119½	Tex. Pac. L. G. Tr Rs	90⅝
Den. & R. G. 4s	77	Tex., Pc. R. G. Tr. Rcts	87
D. & R. G. West, 1sts	97	Union Pac. 1sts	113⅝
Erie, 2ds	104⅞	West Shore	106⅝
M. K. & T. Gen. 6s	65		

*Ex-interest.

Yesterday's bond offerings aggregated $336,800, as follows: Registered 4s, $82,300 at 127; registered 4½s, $252,500 at 105⅝; coupon 4½s, $2,000 at 105¾.

NEW YORK—Clearings, $136,277,731; balances, $5,331,682.

BOSTON — Clearings, $15,469,454; balances, $2,218,332. Money, 4 per cent.

BALTIMORE—Clearings, $2,197,519; balances, $346,575.

PHILADELPHIA—Clearings, $18,595,468; balances, $1,940,696.

CHICAGO—Bank clearings were $10,981,000. New York exchange was 25c discount. Money was a trifle easier, but the bank rate continues at 6 per cent as the minimum on call and 7 per cent as the inside on time loans.

ST. LOUIS—Bank clearings, $2,795,135; balances, $340,168.

CLOSE TO THE RUT.

Oil Strong at Both Ends, but Weak in the Middle.

About all the strength of the oil market yesterday was imparted to it by dealers changing over from November to December. The weakness came from Oil City, which was the principal seller. New York and Pittsburg did very little either way.

The opening was $1 06¾, highest $1 07⅛, lowest $1 06⅝, closing $1 06⅝. While the market was weak in the middle, the opening and closing were firm. Thursday's clearances were 1,168,000 barrels.

Features of the Market.

Corrected daily by John M. Oakley & Co., 45 Sixth street, members of the Pittsburg Petroleum Exchange.

Opened	106⅝	Lowest	106⅝
Highest	107⅛	Closed	106⅝

	Barrels.
Average runs	63,551
Average shipments	80,822
Average charters	41,267

Refined, New York, 7.35c.
Refined, London, 3 9-16d.
Refined, Antwerp, 17½f.
Refined, Liverpool, 6 1-16d.

A. B. McGrew & Co. quote: Puts, $1 04⅞; calls, $1 07¼.

Other Oil Markets.

OIL CITY, November 1.—National Transit certificates opened at $1 06⅞; highest, $1 06⅞; lowest, $1 06⅝; closed, $1 06⅝.

BRADFORD, November 1.—National Transit certificates opened at $1 07⅛; closed at $1 06⅞; highest, $1 07⅛; lowest, $1 06⅝.

TITUSVILLE, November 1.—National Transit certificates opened at $1 06⅞; highest, $1 06⅞; lowest, $1 06⅝; closed at $1 06.

NEW YORK, November 1.—Stock Exchange—Opening: $1 06⅝; highest, $1 06⅞; lowest, $1 05; closing, $1 06¼. Consolidated Exchange — Opening: $1 07; highest, $1 07; lowest, $1 05⅝; closing, $1 06. Total sales, 656,000 barrels.

A TEN STRIKE IN REALTY.

Thousands Involved in a Deal on Sixth and Duquesne Way.

Black & Baird sold the southwest corner of Sixth street and Duquesne way, lot 53x110 feet, with a four-story brick business block thereon, to John Walker, Esq., for $85,000. They also sold to James McCartney lot No. 53 in the J. Walter Hay plan of Valley View Place, having a frontage of 20 feet on Wicklow street by 100 feet in depth, for $300. They also placed a mortgage of $3,100 for four years at 6 per cent on a property in the East End.

James W. Drape & Co. sold the property of the estate of Hannah F. Davis, at Hulton Station, embracing seven houses and grounds, subject to widow's dower, etc., for $7,000 cash; also sold a small house and lot adjoining Larimer avenue, East End, for $1,800; also a lot on Charles street, city, near Center avenue, for $800; also placed a mortgage of $1,500 at 6 per cent on a house and lot in the East End; also a mortgage of $4,000, and one of $3,000 at 6 per cent on houses and lots in the Twelfth ward, city; also a mortgage of $3,000 at 6 per cent on a farm in Washington county; also five mortgages from $600 to $2,600 at 6 per cent on properties in McKeesport; also a mortgage of $11,000 on a row of houses on Mt. Washington at 6 per cent.

Jamison & Dickie sold for F. L. Reese a three-roomed house, with lot 26x100 feet, on Carver street, to R. Casker for $1,100 cash, and for Mary E. Kreider a lot corner of Auburn and Asaly streets, Twenty-first ward, size 25x100 feet, to J. P. Kennedy for $1,040; also five lots on their Lang avenue plan, Twenty-second ward, three lots 50x120, to Lena Hager for $1,800, and two to R. L. Roller, 50x120 feet, for $1,850.

Magaw & Goff, 145 Fourth avenue, sold for the City Improvement Company, Limited, to Mrs. Eva Wood, three lots, Nos. 22, 23 and 24, on the corner of Park avenue and Leonard street, each lot 25x100 to a 16-foot alley, in Etna Park Place, at Etna station, on the Pittsburg and Western Railway. Consideration nearly $900. Building is very lively there. Six houses are going up and more to follow.

Thomas McCaffrey, 3509 Butler street, sold for Susie Menold to William Boehmert a lot 24x100 feet, corner of Dearborn and Fetch streets, for $1,025, and for Charles Gundlach to Adam Rohde a lot 20x100 on Penn avenue, near Main street, for $1,225.

Samuel W. Black & Co., 99 Fourth avenue, sold for the Blair estate two lots situate on Cust street, Twenty-third ward, Glenwood, each 24x120 feet to a 20-foot alley, and being Nos. 169 and 170, for $800.

THE TRUSTS LIVELY.

They Constitute the Only Live Feature of the Stock Market—Cotton Oil Continues Its Downward Movement—Other Losses.

NEW YORK, November 1.—In the stock market to-day the Trusts were the all-absorbing feature, and Cotton Oil in particular attracted an interest which threw all other stocks, and especially the railroad shares, into the shade. Out of a total of 372,466 shares of stock traded in on the New York Stock Exchange to-day the unlisted department furnished 205,206 and the regular list only 167,260, while Cotton Oil alone contributed 129,850 shares of business. This difference was especially noticeable in the first hour, when the sales of the unlisted stocks were in the proportion of 3 to 1 of the railroad stocks, and of Cotton Oil 80,000 shares changed hands in the first half hour's business. The fact that to-day was a holiday in London accounted for a portion of this discrepancy, but the rumors in regard to Cotton Oil far more.

The annual meeting of the shareholders of Cotton Oil was held to-day and was well attended, and it developed the truth of the story that the earnings have fallen about $1,000,000 short of the estimates given out, and have reached only $