A HEFTY INDUSTRY.

Active Demand for Chilled and Sand Rolls, and Prices

ADVANCED FIVE DOLLARS A TON.

Roll Manufacturers Dreading a Still Further Boom to Trade

TO BE FOLLOWED BY DEPRESSION

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Interviews with representatives of the A. Garrison Foundry Company and the Phœnix Roll Works develop the fact that the chill and sand roll industries were never in a healthier condition than at the present time. Both these manufacturing establishments are working well up to their capacity, with orders ahead sufficient to keep the works moving until after the turn of the year.

Prices have advanced $5 per ton since the middle of November. It is claimed that this advance goes mostly to the benefit of labor and iron and coke manufacturers. The quality of iron which is used in the manufacture of rolls, which is the very best charcoal iron, has advanced fully $8 per ton in the past 60 days.

How Coke Was Rolled.

Coke has jumped in the same time from $1 10 to $1 50, and even in cases, to $1 75 per ton, and the advance on rolls has evidently been absorbed before proprietors derive any benefit. The chief benefit of the advance to proprietors has been to such as anticipated the advance and laid in large stocks of iron at the low rates. A member of one firm reports that his establishment is stocked up for months ahead at the low prices. Said he:

"If we had not laid in a full stock of iron and coke at the low prices, we would have had no benefit from the late advance. Labor, coke, and the grade of iron we use in making rolls have all advanced in the past month sufficient to wipe out the $5 additional price of rolls."

They Have Been Higher.

Within the past decade rolls have sold at nearly double present prices. Chill rolls were sold within that period at 6½c per pound, and sand rolls at 4½c per pound.

The former were sold within the past year at 3½c per pound at the latter at 2½c. When the high prices were reached a reaction followed, and a few years of dull trade with little profit was the result.

A member of one of the firms referred to above, said recently: "I do not want to see such a boom and such high prices as we had in 1883-2. There was such a boom in those years that business in our line was stimulated beyond a healthy condition. We made money too fast for a year or two, and for several years while the country was sobering up from its spree we felt blue enough.

What is Dreaded.

"The thing to be dreaded most now is another boom like that of 1882. There is a reasonable profit in our trade now, and we are turning out a large amount of stuff, and if trade will only keep on in its present state we are altogether satisfied. Better a reasonable profit than these great booms, which are inevitably followed by periods of depression.

"In the past two or three years our works have increased their capacity 100 per cent, and we prefer to turn out more goods at smaller margins. Our trade is all right now, and we would deplore any further advance."

Following are the prices of chilled and sand rolls as furnished by the Phœnix and A. Garrison works:

From 6 to 12 inch diameter to 40 inch long, 4½c per pound in rough.

From 12 to 24 inch diameter to 120 inch long, 3½c per pound in rough.

From 24 to 34 inch diameter to 120 inch long, 3½c per pound in rough.

Additional charge on rolls for brass and other fine work.

Sand rolls made of best charcoal iron, 2½c and 3½c per pound in rough, according to size.

Liberty Live Stock.

Owing to the absence of Weighmaster Dunkeld from the city the live stock receipts and sales for the week are not getatable. Sales of hogs for the week were as follows: Thursday, 1,553 head; Friday, 2,478; Saturday, 1,423; Monday, 5,741; Tuesday, 1,341; Wednesday, 3,689. Total, 16,220 head; last week, 25,818; previous week, 19,411.

Sales of sheep and lambs: Thursday, 448 head; Friday, 113; Saturday, 764; Monday, 2,926; Tuesday, 1,863; Wednesday, 74. Total, 6,208 head; last week, 5,976; previous week, 8,741.

By Telegraph.

NEW YORK—Beeves—Receipts, 35 carloads for city slaughterers direct, 13 carloads for exportation, and 2 carloads for the market; no trading in beeves; dressed beef steady at 5½@7½c per pound for sides, with a little extra beef sold at 7½c. Exports—500 beeves and 940 quarters of beef. To-day's Liverpool cable quotes American steers easier at 11@12c per pound for the dressed weight, sinking the offal, and American refrigerated beef dull at scant 9c per pound. Sheep—Receipts, 1,700 head; market firm for both sheep and lambs, with an early clearance; common to choice sheep sold at $4 10@5 00 per 100 pounds; common to choice lambs at $5 25@7 50; outside price for 3 loads. Calves—Receipts, 300 head; firm for all sorts, with sales at $5 25@8 00 per 100 pounds for veals, and at $2 60@3 60 for grassers and Western calves. Hogs—Receipts, 3,800 head; no sales on the live weight; market quiet at the nominal range of $4 60@4 20 per 100 pounds.

ST. LOUIS—Cattle—Receipts, 1,400 head; shipments, 3,800 head; market strong; good to choice native steers, $4 10@4 90; fair to good do, $3 20@4 40; stockers and feeders, $1 85@3 10; range steers, $2 00@3 00. Hogs — Receipts, 6,200; shipments, 1,100 head; market shade higher; fair to choice heavy, $3 04@3 70; packing grades, $3 50@3 65; light, fair to best, $3 45@3 60. Sheep—Receipts, 600 head; shipments, 900 head; market firm; fair to choice, $3 10@4 70; lambs, $4 50@5 50.

CHICAGO—Cattle — Receipts, 17,000 head; shipments, 4,000 head; market weak generally and a shade lower; beeves, $4 90@5 55; steers, $2 90@4 75; stockers and feeders, $1 85@3 80; Texas cattle, $1 40@2 90. Hogs—Receipts, 30,000 head; shipments 5,000 head; market slow, weak; mixed, $3 50@3 80; heavy, $3 50@3 80; light, $3 55@3 80. Sheep—Receipts, 7,000 head; shipments, 1,000 head; market strong; natives, $3@5 40; Westerns, $3 50@4 20; Texans, $3 40@4 15.

BUFFALO—Cattle stronger but not quotably higher; receipts, 68 loads through, 4 loads sale. Sheep and lambs stronger and higher; receipts, 14 loads through, 15 loads sale. Sheep—Choice to extra, $5 20@6 65; good to choice, $4 80@5 10. Lambs—Choice to extra, $6 10@6 65; good to choice, $6 00@6 05. Hogs active, 5@10c lower; receipts, 20 loads through, 61 loads sale; medium and heavy, $3 80@3 85; heavy ends, $3 75@3 80; mixed, $3 80.

A PATENT ON THEM.

Ideas and Inventions of Pittsburg Mechanics and Others.

List of patents issued to Western Pennsylvania, Eastern Ohio and West Virginia inventors, on Tuesday, December 3, 1889, furnished by O. D. Levis, patent attorney, 131 Fifth avenue, Pittsburg:

Amos E. Abrahams, Clortes Mills, Pa., sucker rod elevator; George Allen, Franklin, Pa., apparatus for pumping oil wells; Daniel Argerbright, Troy, O., carriage curtain attachment; Adam Cheach, Columbus, stocking service attachment; F. Hitsford, Erie, expansion trip; C. N. Brady, Washington, Pa., machine for finishing the necks of bottles; Thomas M. Campbell, Allegheny, dumbbell; John S. Davis, Toledo, grain binder; E. C. Dauson, Greely, O., device for lamps; Elizabeth R. Graham, Pittsburg, brush; Oscar F. Grant, Pittsburg, fountain pen; Joseph Guest, Pittsburg, rolling forge bar; Ezra Hazelton, Warren, Pa., picture frame; C. M. Hover, Croton, O., thill coupling; Jacob O. Joyce, Dayton, O., lifting jack; John Kerby, Jr., Dayton, O., car lamp; Albert Lampert, Wadsworth, O., automatic steam injector; Gustavus A. Miller, Butler, combination step ladder; Justus L. Miller, Pantding, O., plow; John Pedder, Pittsburg, utilizing worsted railway fibres; William T. Powell, Corry, Pa., sleigh; G. J. Roberts and H. Farnum, Dayton, O., platen rod packing; Clark Linty, Springfield, O., gas engine; A. Traxell, Liberty, O., unloading platform; Robert R. Turner, Columbus, apparatus for manufacturing gas; M. A. Wright, Columbus, cigar mold; D. G. Wyeth, Newark, O., fifth wheel for buggies.

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MARKETS BY WIRE.

Wheat Active by Fits and Starts—Prices on a Lower Level—Pork Improves Early but Loses the Advance.

CHICAGO—Wheat—In the aggregate a fair business was transacted to-day. At times the market ruled very quiet, at others trading was good. The market was ruled by fits and starts, and an easier feeling existed. Some lines of long wheat were closed out, one house being credited with selling 500,000 bushels. Good buying on the first decline held prices in check for a while, but with renewed selling again prices found a lower level later. The fluctuations were rather small for the volume of trading, price changes covering a range of only ½c. The market opened a shade easier than yesterday's closing, held rather steady for awhile, and then declined ⅝c, ruled steady, and then closed about ⅝c lower for December and ½c lower for May than closing figures on 'Change yesterday.

Trading centered chiefly in May. Early cable advices were generally quite firm, and in some instances slightly higher, but later and closing cables were weaker. The receipts in the Northwest, although not as heavy as last week, keep up above what had been expected.

Corn—There was only a moderate business transacted, the pit at times being quite dull. The feeling prevailing was easier, and lower prices were established, especially on December, the premium on this month over January having entirely disappeared. The market opened ¼@¾c lower than yesterday, that is, December was sold freely at 31½c for a time, rallied and advanced ¼c. Some outside orders coming on the market again ruled weaker, selling off ¾c, ruled steady, and final quotations were ¼@⅝c lower for December, ½@¾c for January, while May showed little change compared with yesterday.

Oats were traded in liberally, and a stronger feeling existed. Prices advanced ½@¾c. Selling by a heavy local operator caused a recession, and the market closed quiet, at almost inside figures.

Mess Pork—Trading was rather more active, and the feeling was stronger early, and prices advanced 5@7½c. Toward the close the feeling was easier, and the greater portion of the advance was lost.

Lard—A light business was transacted, but the feeling was firm and prices slightly higher.

Short Ribs Sides—The market exhibited a little more strength, and prices were advanced 2½@5c. Later an easier feeling was developed, and prices settled back to medium figures, and the market closed quiet.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

WHEAT—No. 2, December, 79¾@79¾@78⅝@78¾c; January, 80@80¾@79⅝@79⅝c; May, 84@84⅛@83⅛@83⅝c.

CORN — No. 2, December, 31¾@31¾@30⅛@31c; January, 31@31⅛@30⅝@30¾c; May, 33¾@33⅝@33⅜@33½c.

OATS — No. 2, December, 20¾@20¾@20⅛@20½c; January, 20⅞@21@20⅜@20⅝c; May, 22⅝@22⅝@22⅜c.

MESS PORK, per bbl.—January, $9 35@9 42½@9 35@9 40; February, $9 42½@9 47½@9 42½@9 45; May, $9 80@9 80@9 72½@9 77½.

LARD, per 100 lbs.—January, $5 90@5 92½@5 90@5 92½; February, $5 95@5 95@5 92½@5 92½; May, $6 10@6 10.

SHORT RIBS, per 100 lbs.—January, $4 77½@4 80@4 75@4 77½; February, $4 82½@4 82½@4 80@4 80; May, $5 02½@5 02½@5 00@5 02½.

Cash quotations were as follows: Flour easier but not quotably lower; No. 2 spring wheat, 78¾c; No. 3 spring wheat, 64c; No. 2 red, 78¾c; No. 3 corn, 31c. No. 2 oats, 20¾@20⅝c. No. 2 rye, 44½c. No. 3 barley, 55c. No. 1 flaxseed, $1 36½. Prime timothy seed, $1 20. Mess pork, per bbl, $9 30@9 40. Lard, per 100 lbs, $5 92½@5 95. Short ribs sides (loose), $4 90@5 20. Dry salted shoulders (boxed), $4 37½@4 50. Short clear sides (boxed), $5 05@5 10. Sugars—Cut loaf, unchanged. Receipts—Flour, 14,000 barrels; wheat, 88,000 bushels; corn, 199,000 bushels; oats, 137,000 bushels; rye, 19,000 bushels; barley, 68,000 bushels. Shipments—Flour, 10,000 barrels; wheat, 14,000 bushels; corn, 125,000 bushels; oats, 104,000 bushels; rye, 9,000 bushels; barley, 41,000 bushels.

On the Produce Exchange to-day the butter market was firmer; fancy creamery, 27½@28c; fine, 21@23c; finest dairy, 21@24c; fine, 15@19c. Eggs, 22@23c.

NEW YORK—Flour fairly active and steady. Cornmeal dull. Wheat—Spot unsettled and weaker; fair export and milling demand; options fairly active, ½@¾c off and weak. Rye—Western nominal at 60c. Barley easy. Barley malt dull. Corn—Spot less active and stronger; options dull and easier. Oats—Spot active and stronger; options active and ⅛c up. Hay quiet and steady. Hops fairly active and firm. Coffee—Options opened steady, 5@15 points up; closed firm and unchanged to 15 points up on better cables; fair trade; sales, 637,750 bags, including December, 15.45@15.60c; January, 15.30@15.60c; February, 15.65@15.70c; March, 15.70@15.75c; April, 15.65c; May, 15.60@15.80c; June, 15.65@15.80c; July, 15.65c; August, 15.50@15.65c; September, 15.45@15.60c; October, 15.40@15.45c; spot Rio dull and lower; fair cargoes, 19½c; No. 7, 18½c. Sugar—Raw, very strong and quiet; centrifugals 96° test, 6¼@6⅝c; refined quiet and firm. Molasses—New Orleans quiet. Rice steady and in fair demand. Cottonseed oil dull. Tallow easy; city ($2 for packages) 4 7-16 bic. Rosin quiet. Turpentine steady. Eggs moderate; receipts firm; Western, 28@28½c; receipts, 3,400 packages. Pork firm. Cut meats slow, middles in better demand. Lard higher and quiet; sales; Western steam at $6 32½@6 35; December, $6 27, closing at $6 29 asked; January, $6 30@6 32, closing at $6 31 bid; February, $6 34@6 36, closing at $6 35 bid; March, $6 40 bid; May, $6 48 bid. Butter—Fresh in light supply and firm; Elgin, 29c; Western dairy, 8@18c; do creamery, 14@27½c; do held, 10@29c; do factory, 7@20c. Cheese quiet and unchanged; Western, 7¾@10c.

PHILADELPHIA—Flour quiet and in buyers favor. Wheat—Options steady but quiet; choice wheat scarce but firm; fair to good milling wheat, 80@85c; choice and fancy longberry, 86@90c; No. 2 red, December, 79½@79¾c; January, 81¼@82c; February, 83¾@84c. Rye firm, 58½@59½c. Corn firm, but speculation quiet; car lots firm; new No. 3 high mixed on track, 41c; old No. 2 mixed in Twentieth street elevator and grain depot, 44½c; new No. 2 for local trade quoted at 42¾@43c; No. 2 mixed, December, 39¾@39⅞c; January, 39@39½c; February, 39@39½c; March, 39¼@40c. Oats firm; No. 2 mixed, 27c; No. 3 white, 28¼c; No. 2 white, 29¼c; ungraded white, 29@30c; futures a shade firmer; No. 2 white, December, 29¾@29¾c; January, 29¼@30c; February, 29¼@30¼c; March, 30¼@30¾c.

ST. LOUIS—Flour quiet and unchanged. Wheat lower; there was considerable firmness at the opening, however, with declines at other points, selling inferior close was ¾c below yesterday: No. 2 red, cash, 79c seller; December closed at 78¾c bid; March, 81c nominal; May, 82¾c asked; July, 78¾c nominal. Corn lower; No. 2, mixed, cash, 28@28¼c; December and year closed at 27¾c asked; January, 27¾c asked; February, 27¾c asked; May, 29¾c bid. Oats weak; No. 2, cash, 21c asked, 20c bid; January, 20c bid; May, 22¼c. Rye—No. 2, 40¼c. Barley neglected. Flaxseed firm at $1 27½. Provisions quiet and steady.

MINNEAPOLIS—The early demand for sample wheat was good for the upper grades, but rejected and no grades were difficult to sell at anything like satisfactory prices. The higher grades went chiefly to local millers. Arrivals 381 cars and 89 cars were shipped. Duluth reported 355 cars in. Closing quotations: No. 1 hard, December, 77¾c; January, 78¾c; May, 83¾c; on track, 79c; No. 1 Northern, 75¼c; December, 76c; January, 81¾c; May, on track, 77c; No. 2 Northern, December, 71c; January, May, 73¼c; on track, 70@74c.

MILWAUKEE—Flour fairly active. Wheat easy; No. 2 spring, in store, cash, 72@73c; May, 77¾c; No. 1 Northern, 81c. Corn steady; No. 3, 29c. Oats steady; No. 2 white, 22½@23½c. Rye quiet; No. 1, 44½c. Barley easy; No. 2, 47¾c. Provisions steady. Pork, $9 30. Lard, $5 90. Cheese unchanged; cheddar, 9@9½c.

BALTIMORE—Provisions unchanged. Butter —firm; western, 16@20c; creamery, 25@26c. Eggs firm.

TOLEDO—Cloverseed active and firm; cash, December and January, $3 66; February, $3 70.

Drygoods.

NEW YORK, December 5.—A very dull cotton market at home and abroad is a fair resume of the day's proceedings in the cotton trade. The receipts at the ports are full, especially at the gulf ports, while the Atlantic's slope shows some slight decrease in the movement, values scarcely fluctuated during the day. Tenders have been made on the December contracts and will continue to be made while a premium is maintained in that position.

Metal Market.

NEW YORK—Pig iron quiet and strong; American, $16 50@19 00. Copper irregular and easier; lake, December, $14 00. Lead dull and unchanged; domestic, $3 85. Tin unsettled and weaker; straits, $21 35.

Whisky Market.

Finished goods are firm and in good demand at $1 02.

Wool Market.

ST. LOUIS—Receipts of wool 34,308 pounds. The market is firm and unchanged.

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When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria,
When she had Children, she gave them Castoria

SOME GOOD THINGS

In Real Estate Showing a Strong Undercurrent of Activity.

TWO MORE BIG DEALS CLOSED UP.

Iron Trade More Than Holds its Own, With a Rosy Outlook for Next Year.

CONTRACTS FOR ORE ALREADY PLACED

Two important transactions in real estate were uncovered yesterday, showing that there is something going on in this important department of business. The slight shrinkage in the demand for small properties in the last few days is more than made up by increased activity in large ones.

Scarcely a day passes without a transaction involving many thousands of dollars, and while, in the majority of cases, efforts are made at the instance of sellers or buyers to keep the facts from the public, they generally come to the surface in some shape. The shallows murmur, but the deeps are dumb.

One of the deals referred to was the sale by W. A. Herron & Sons of a block of land on Forbes street, Twenty-second ward, near the Schenley Park, comprising 7¾ acres, unimproved, at a price approximating $60,000 cash. The purchaser is John McGinley, auditor of the Philadelphia Company. He will lay the ground out in lots, and put them on the market.

The other transaction, of which nothing except the bare fact could be obtained, involves a fine building site in the East End, the consideration being $140,000.

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The iron market gives out no indication of a halt in the upward movement. It is as strong and active as at any former period since the boom set in. All of the mills are full of business, and some of them will be compelled to increase their capacity. Among these is the Allegheny Bessemer, at Duquesne.

There has been an advance in pig metal of 50 to 75 cents a ton in the last 10 days, but with this exception prices are as previously noted. The advance in pig, however, has hardened values along the entire line, and further enhancement is among the probabilities. Contracts for ore are already being placed. This is about two months earlier than usual. About 1,000,000 tons have been contracted for, all for next year. This indicates two things—confidence of continued activity and apprehensions of higher prices for same, as well as manufactured iron.

The outlook for next year is very encouraging. The extraordinary activity in railroad betterments is far from exhausted, and the prospect for a heavy business in steel rails could scarcely be better.

The trade in England continues active and excited, and prices are advancing. A Wolverhampton letter says: Never before in the history of the trade has there been a wilder market than that of Middlesborough. The excitement was intense. Prices of pig iron again advanced by leaps and bounds, there being a gain of 4s 1¾d per ton during the market, bringing up the price of Middlesborough pig to a figure 8s 6d per ton above that of a week ago, and yet scarcely any iron could be got at these advanced rates. The present price of pig iron is above anything that has been realized since 1873, the previous best since then being in 1880, when 63s was reached.

There is a perfect squeeze, a veritable corner, for Cleveland warrants, and they have gone up at a rate much faster than Scotch warrants, the stock of which prevents any cornering. But there is no doubt that Cleveland iron is uncommonly scarce; in fact, as regards No. 3 there is quite a famine. The price of Cleveland warrants is actually 8s 9d above the price of Scotch warrants—a circumstance never before known; for generally Cleveland is 5s below Scotch, and sometimes 8s and 10s below.

Great firmness at Barrow is again the record for West Coast hematites. Prospects continue good all round; the probability being that the demand will show further development and that quotations will further advance. Mixed numbers of Bessemer iron were at Monday's market quoted 73s 6d, and No. 3 forge 72s 9d. Stock are again smaller, deliveries being large both by rail and sea; and all the output going into consumption.

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For some time past Denver capitalists and Eastern millionaires have been engaged in organizing an improvement company to be located in the Trinity Valley, Texas. The object of the corporation is the reclamation of 100,000 acres of land in the Trinity Valley, near Dallas. This is to be done by straightening the channel of the river, which is very winding. By this means the river during a flood can carry off a heavy volume of water with much greater rapidity than it now does. After straightening the channel vast levees will be thrown up on either side for five miles. Competent engineers declare this work will bring about the desired result and that it is practicable. The estimates of the entire work range from $750,000 to $1,500,000.

Trinity Valley is one of the richest tracts of land in the State of Texas, and if the 100,000 acres were reclaimed and turned into a truck farm enough produce could be raised to supply the entire region west of the Mississippi river. The value of the land will be raised from practically nothing to at least $100 an acre, or $10,000,000 for the entire tract. It is understood that the various owners of the property are willing to go into the scheme and put their land in for stock in the company. If the project is carried out it will constitute the largest work of internal improvement ever undertaken in Texas.

WORSE AND BETTER.

Some of the Local Stocks Weaker and Some a Little Stronger.

Philadelphia Gas was the only stock that showed any activity yesterday. It opened with a sale at 29¼, dropped to 29⅛, rallied to 29⅝, and closed at that figure, with 29¾ asked. There were office sales at 29. One hundred and eighty shares of it changed hands.

Some think it is scraping bottom, while others contend that the general liquidation that is going on in consequence of approaching yearly settlements and the prospect of tight money during the rest of the month, will give it a severer twist than has yet been experienced. However this may be, it is a fact that public confidence in natural gas stocks generally is rather shaky, and must be counteracted by opening up new territory or otherwise giving assurance of permanent earnings before a material rally can reasonably be expected.

The tractions are temporarily out of the market, although holding fairly well around the old figures. Continued involvement in legal and other difficulties renders this stock particularly undesirable at this time. Nobody wants to purchase an interest in a lawsuit or court the privilege of paying damages for killing a boy or maiming a man.

The only stocks that developed any particular strength were Citizens' Insurance and Luster Mining Company, both of which advanced—the latter on inside news from the works said to be of a favorable character. There were those, however, who said the advance was the result of a bull movement to interest outsiders, and make a market for the stock. Business in detail follows:

	MORNING. Bid.	Asked.	AFTERNOON. Bid.	Asked.
Pitts. P. S. & M. Ex....	445	470	....	....
Odd Fellows' Sav. Bk.	73½	75	....	....
People's National Bk.	150	....	....	....
City Insurance.....	31	35	....	....
Citizens' Insurance....	37¼	....	....	....
Humboldt Insurance....	44	50	....	....
Western Insurance Co.	....	51	....	....
Allegheny Heating Co.	....	....	....	100
People's N. G. & P. Co	....	15¾	....	....
Pennsylvania Salt Co...	13½	18½	13¼	13½
Philadelphia Co.....	29½	29¾	29⅜	29⅝
Wheeling Gas Co.....	....	25¾	....	15¾
Tuna Oil Company.....	....	68	....	68
Central Traction.....	....	39¾	....	33½
Pitts. Traction.....	48½	50	....	....
Pleasant Valley.....	23½	24	....	23½
Pitts., A. & Man....	205	....	....	....
Pitts. & Western R. R.	....	....	....	13½
La Noria Mining Co...	¾	1	¾	1
Luster Mining Co.....	16¾	18	16¾	18
Yankee Girl Mining....	....	3½	....	....
Westinghouse Electric	47	48	....	....
Westinghouse A. B. Co.	....	....	112½	114
Westinghouse B. Co.	....	....	61	63½
Pitts. Cyclorama Co....	5	8	5¾	....

At the morning call 10 shares of Pennsylvania Gas brought 13¾, 70 Philadelphia Gas 29¼, and 50 29¾. At the afternoon call 50 shares of Philadelphia Gas went at 29¾.

Andrew Carter bought 25 shares of Philadelphia Gas at 29.

The total sales of stocks at New York yesterday were 249,327 shares, including: Atchison, 7,755; Chicago and Eastern Illinois preferred, 4,150; Delaware, Lackawanna and Western, 15,235; Denver, Texas and Ft. Worth, 3,850; Louisville and Nashville, 4,050; Missouri Pacific, 14,200; Northern Pacific preferred, 7,100; Reading, 41,000; Richmond and West Point, 3,350; St. Paul, 16,450; Union Pacific, 17,850.

STILL PROSPERING.

Local Bankers Continue to Report a Satisfactory Money Market.

The leading banks complained of a famine of small bills yesterday, and Eastern exchange commanded a premium equivalent to express charges. The demand for accommodations was brisk, and depositing and checking up to the average of recent times. Rates on call and time loans were steady at 6@7 per cent, respectively. There has been no instance reported of the refusal of good paper on the plea of a scarcity of funds.

The Clearing House report afforded substantial evidence of continued prosperity, the exchanges footing up $2,930,726 06 and the balances $242,191 87.

Money on call at New York yesterday was easy, ranging from 3 to 7 per cent; last loan, 3; closed offered at 3. Prime mercantile paper, 5½@6¾c. Sterling exchange quiet and steady at $4 80 for 60-day bills and $4 84¼ for demand.

Closing Bond Quotations.

U. S. 4s, reg.....	126	M. K. & T. Gen. 5s	62
U. S. 4s, coup.....	127	Mutual Union 6s....	102
U. S. 4½s, reg.....	104½	N. J. C. Int. Cert....	115¼
U. S. 4½s, coup.....	105	Northern Pac. 1st...	113⅜
Pacific 6s of '95....	115	Northern Pac. 2ds..	111⅛
Louisiana stamped 4s	92⅜	North'w'n consols.	144
Missouri 6s.....	102½	North'w'n deben's..	109
Tenn. new set. 3s....	105⅜	Oregon & Trans. 6s.	103
Tenn. new set. 5s....	103	Reading 1st pf.	48
Tenn. new set. 6s....	73½	St. L. & I. M. Gen. 5s	84½
Canada So. 2ds.....	97	St. L. & S. F. Gen. 6s	112¾
Cen. Pacific 1sts....	112	St. Paul consols....	127
Den. & R. G. 1sts....	118	Tex. Pac. L. G. 1sts.	115
Den. & R. G. 4s.....	77¾	Tex. Pac. R. G. Tr. Rcts	35⅞
Ill. & R. G. West. 1sts.	97	Union Pac. 1sts.....	113¼
Erie, 2ds.....	101¾	West Shore.....	106
M. R. & T. Gen. 6s..	72		

Government bonds firm and dull. State bonds firm and neglected.

NEW YORK—Clearings, $141,272,632; balances, $4,762,966.

BOSTON — Clearings, $16,454,541; balances, $1,800,390. Money, 6@7 per cent.

PHILADELPHIA—Clearings, $13,061,868; balances, $1,648,818.

BALTIMORE—Clearings, $2,866,852; balances, $224,403.

LONDON—The amount of bullion withdrawn from the Bank of England to-day is £250,000. The bullion in the Bank of England decreased £240,000 during the past week. The proportion of the Bank of England's reserve to liability is now 58.00 per cent. Bar silver, 43¼d. per ounce.

PARIS—Three per cent rentes, 87f 72½c for the account. The weekly statement of the Bank of France shows a decrease of 13,275,000 francs gold and 1,125,000 francs silver.

CHICAGO—Clearings, $14,294,000. New York exchange was par to 25c premium. Rates for money are steady at 6 per cent for call, and 6@8 per cent for time loans.

ST. LOUIS — Clearings, $3,902,617; balances, $305,999.

NEARING THE DOLLAR MARK.

Oil Still Slipping Down and Bad Show for a Rally.

Petroleum approached dangerously near to the dollar line yesterday. The market opened at 104, highest 104⅝, lowest 101⅞, closing 102¾, and was active and dull by spells. R. N. Robinson was the principal local bear. He sold 100,000 barrels. There was some buying, but not enough to sustain values. New York was on both sides of the fence. Bradford was a light buyer.

Trading was fair, but none of it can be credited to outsiders, who grasp their pocketbooks all the tighter whenever oil is mentioned to them. Opinion is divided as to the outcome of the slump. There are those who think it will not be arrested before touching a dollar. The heavy realizing in the general run of speculative commodities favors this view.

Features of the Market.

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

Opened.....	104	Lowest.....	101⅞
Highest.....	104⅝	Closed.....	102½

	Barrels.
Average runs.....	48,683
Average shipments.....	87,993
Average charters.....	56,137
Refined, New York. 7.30c.	
Refined, London, 6 7-16d.	
Refined, Antwerp, 17½f.	
Refined, Liverpool, 6 1-16d.	
Refined, Bremen, 7.30m.	
A. B. McGrew & Co. quote: Puts, $1 00¾; calls, $1 03¾.	

Other Oil Markets.

TITUSVILLE, December 5.—Opened at $1 04; highest, $1 04¾; lowest, $1 02; closed at $1 02¾.

OIL CITY, December 5.—Opened at $1 04; highest, $1 04¾; lowest, $1 02; closed, $1 02¾. Sales, 401,000 barrels; clearances, 656,000 barrels; charters, 31,746 barrels; shipments, 59,056 barrels.

NEW YORK, December 5.—Petroleum opened steady at $1 03¾, but after moving up to $1 03¾, the market became weak and declined to $1 01¾; a rally resulted and the close was $1 02¾. Stock Exchange: Opening, $1 03¾; highest, $1 03¾; lowest, $1 01¾; closing $1 02¾. Consolidated Exchange: Opening, $1 04; highest, $1 04; lowest, $1 02½; closing, $1 02¾. Total sales, 1,045,000 barrels.

THOUSANDS INVOLVED.

Large Transactions in City and Suburban Improved and Unimproved Realty.

C. H. Love, 93 Fourth avenue, sold a property on Shady avenue, Twenty-second ward, containing about six acres, for Jacob Moeck. The purchasers are J. G. Glover and R. S. Houston. The price paid was $15,300.

W. A. Herron & Sons closed the sale of a block of land on Forbes street, Twenty-second ward, near the Schenley Park, seven and a half acres, unimproved. The price was about $60,000, cash.

Reed B. Coyle & Co., 131 Fourth avenue, sold for John F. Steel, to Charles S. Holmes, lot No. 2 in the Fulton place plan, Craig street, size 50 x142, for $3,700.

Ewing & Byers, No. 93 Federal street, sold through Samuel W. Black & Co., for John Otterson to Mrs. Jessie Alexander, a vacant lot 30x67 feet on Perrysville avenue, Second ward, Allegheny, opposite the new University building, for $1,500.

Samuel W. Black & Co. sold another of those Oakland square, two-story and mansard brick dwellings, being No. 19, on the south side of the square, making the third one this week and the seventh since November 19. The price paid was $7,500.

Jamison & Dickie sold for Julius Voetter a three-cornered lot with one-story frame store building on Broad street, corner Frankstown avenue, to M. E. Richards for $3,400, and for F. W. Haas, three lots 25x140 feet, on Monticello street, Twenty-first ward, to J. A. Murphy for $1,650.

I. M. Pennock & Son sold and settled a mortgage for $950, three years, on property in McKeesport; one for $500, three years, on property on Mount Washington, and one for $550, three years, on property in the Thirteenth ward, city.

PROFESSIONAL BUSINESS.

Room Traders Run the Share Market—Weakness in Chicago and East Illinois the Only Feature of the Day.

NEW YORK, December 5.—The stock market to-day was professional in its character. The fluctuations were confined to the smallest limits, and the stocks in which important movements were made were less than a half dozen. London was less of a factor than for the past few days. The money market was noticeably easier. The market was only spasmodically active. The early demand for stocks was marked by considerable strength in Wheeling and Lake Erie preferred, Missouri Pacific, Denver, Texas and Fort Worth, and Northwestern, but the bears afterward attacked New England and Missouri Pacific, Rock Island, Atchison and Burlington and Quincy, and the upward movement came to a halt.

The great feature of the day was the weakness and decline in the Chicago and East Illinois stocks, the common yielding 3 per cent and the preferred 2½, the raid being caused by the application to the list of 10,000 additional shares of the common stocks, the proceeds of the sale, which have been used in betterment upon the road.

The rest of the list was stronger in the afternoon, but the improvement was slight and the market closed steady to firm at insignificant changes from the opening prices as a rule. The advances are in the majority, however.

The dealings in railroad bonds were marked by the usual irregularity as those in stocks. The general list was quiet without special feature. Shenandoah Valley firsts rose 2 to 110, San Francisco A lost 3 to 111, B 4 to 111, and the general sixes 6's at 112⅝.

The following table shows the prices of active stocks on the New York Stock Exchange yesterday. Corrected daily for THE DISPATCH by WHITNEY & STEPHENSON, oldest Pittsburg members of New York Stock Exchange, 57 Fourth avenue:

	Open-ing.	High-est.	Low-est.	Clos-ing.
Am. Cotton Oil.....	29	30	29	29⅝
Atch., Top. & S. F.....	23½	23⅝	23¼	23¼
Canadian Pacific.....	....	....	....	71¾
Canada Southern.....	54	54⅝	53⅝	54
Central of New Jersey.	118¾	119	118¾	118⅞
Central Pacific.....	....	....	....	33⅜
Chesapeake & Ohio.....	24¾	25¼	24¾	24¾
C., Bur. & Quincy.....	104⅜	104⅝	103⅝	104⅜
C., Mil. & St. Paul.....	68¾	68¾	68¼	68¼
C., Mil. & St. P. pf....	....	....	....	119
C., Rock I. & P.....	97⅜	97⅜	96¾	96¾
C., St. L. & Pitts.....	....	....	....	14½
C., St. L. & Pitts. pf..	....	....	....	35
C., St. P., M. & O.....	....	....	....	53⅜
C., St. P., M. & O., of.	98¾	98¾	98¼	98¼
C. & Northwestern.....	109½	110¼	109½	109⅝
C. & Northwestern, pf.	....	....	....	140
C., C., C. & I.....	72¾	73	72	72¾
C., C., C. & I., pf.....	98	98	97⅜	97⅜
Col. Coal & Iron.....	24¾	27⅛	24¼	26⅝
Col. & Hocking Val....	19½	19½	19	19⅛
Del., L. & W.....	137⅜	139	137⅜	137⅜
Del. & Hudson.....	....	....	....	146
Denver & Rio G.....	....	....	....	15
Denver & Rio G., pf....	....	....	....	46
E. T., Va. & Ga.....	....	....	....	9¾
E. T., Va. & Ga. 1st pf.	....	....	....	69
Illinois Central.....	....	....	....	117
Lake Erie & Western....	....	....	....	17¾
Lake Erie & West. pf....	....	....	....	62¾
Lake Shore & M. S.....	106¼	106¼	106