LIBERTY LIVE STOCK.

Cattle Higher at Chicago and Lower Here, and Drovers Are

MOURNING OVER A LOST WEEK.

Sheep Alone Manage to Improve on the Prices of Last Week.

HOGS DRIFTING TO A LOWER LEVEL

OFFICE OF PITTSBURG DISPATCH, WEDNESDAY, January 15, 1890.

Markets give no signs of improvement this week over last. In fact, the general tone is weaker, and so far as cattle and hogs are concerned, prices are a shade lower than they were a week ago. Sheep only managed to hold their own and this was due to light receipts.

Receipts of cattle for the week footed up about 115 carloads, an increase of 35 loads over last week. The big run had a demoralizing influence on trade and prices were fully 15c lower all along the line than they were a week ago. Light, smooth butcher cattle suffered least from the decline. Markets were weak on Monday, and have been growing weaker ever since.

While stock was mostly cleaned up to-day, there is little doubt that this was accomplished by shading prices. There were some five loads of prime Ohio cattle in the offerings, which were sold in a retail way at a range of $4 75@5 35. In carload lots the outside price obtained was $4 45. The same quality of cattle would have brought $4 60 a week ago.

In Favor of Buyers.

The situation was in favor of buyers all along the line, by reason of the large receipts, and they made the most of their opportunity in bearing markets. The demand for veal calves has fallen off since last week, and, while supplies were not large, there were sufficient for all the needs of local trade. Fresh cows are slow and a shade lower than last week. Drovers are not very jubilant over the situation, as they claim that prices were higher in Chicago and lower here this week than last. Both at East Liberty and Herr's Island this week there was a large run of inferior stock, for which there is little demand in our markets. Too much of Chicago's refuse is dumped into Pittsburg stock yards. All low grade cattle finds hard roads to travel when they arrive here, and shippers may as well recognize this fact at once.

Sheep, Lambs and Hogs.

The supply varied very little from last week, but markets were active at higher prices. All dealers report an advance on last week's rates, some putting the advance as great as 50c per cwt. The facts would justify the statement of a 25c advance.

Lambs failed to hold up in price with wethers owing to unfavorable advices from New York, and the fact that supplies of the farmer have been very liberal for a week or two past. At Herr's Island this week lambs have been very scarce and at a premium. But this was exceptional, and will, no doubt, be remedied by next Monday.

The supply of hogs was large and markets show weakening tendencies. At Chicago to-day $3 75 was the outside price for selected packing hogs, according to advices received by one of our leading packers.

Prices at East Liberty are very little better. The weather is not at all favorable to markets in this line. Lard shows drooping tendencies and heavy hogs are weak.

McCall & Co.'s Review.

The supply of cattle liberal, weather being bad, market ruled slow at a decline of fully 15@25c per cwt on all grades except prime heavy, which were steady at last week's prices. We give the following as ruling prices, and market closing slow: Prime, 1,300 to 1,600 lbs, $4 40@4 65; good, 1,200 to 1,400 lbs, $3 90@4 25; good butcher grades, 1,000 to 1,300 lbs, $3 40@4; rough fat, 1,100 to 1,300 lbs, $3 40@3 75; mixed lots, cows and heifers, $2 25@2 75; bulls and fat cows, $2@3; fresh cows and springers very dull at $5@7 per head lower than last week.

The supply of hogs was fair; weather bad, market slow, except on good light, which are selling readily at $3 75@3 80, while common and heavy are almost unsaleable at $3 60@3 70. We do not look for any improvement as long as the weather keeps the way it is.

The supply of sheep Monday and Tuesday was light: market active at an advance of 20@30c per cwt from our last week's circular. To-day's receipts were light, with the market steady at the following quotations: Prime Ohio and Indiana wethers, weighing here 110 to 120 lbs, $5 25@5 65; good, 90 to 100 lbs, $4 60@5 00; fair to good mixed, 75 to 80 lbs, $3 70@4 25; good yearlings, 75 to 80 lbs, $4 75@5 25; fair to good, 50 to 60 lbs, $4 25@4 60; lambs, $5 50@6 75; veal calves, 110 to 120 lbs, $5 50@6 50; heavy calves, not wanted; selling at $2 50@3 00.

By Telegraph.

CHICAGO—Cattle—Receipts, 15,000 head; shipments, 3,500 head; market firm for fancy, others slow and lower; beeves, $4 70@5 25; steers, $3 00@4 84; stockers and feeders, $2 25@3 10; Texas cattle, $1 50@3 10. Hogs—Receipts, 37,000 head; shipments, 6,000 head; market fairly active and 5@10c lower: mixed, $3 50@3 77½; heavy, $3 50@3 80; light, $3 50@3 80; skips, $3 00@3 50. Sheep—Receipts, 7,000 head; shipments, 1,500 head: market strong; natives, $3 00@5 50; Western corn-fed, $5 25; Texans, $3 50@4 50.

ST. LOUIS — Cattle—Receipts, 1,800 head; shipments, 500 head; market steady; good to fancy native steers, $4 30@4 90; fair to good do, $3 30@4 35; stockers and feeders, $1 90@2 90; range steers, $2 00@3 20. Hogs—Receipts, 10,600 head; shipments, 300 head; market lower; fair to choice heavy, $3 55@3 65; packing grades, $3 45@3 60; light, fair to best, $3 45@3 60. Sheep—Receipts, 600 head; shipments, 400 head; market strong; fair to choice, $4 00@5 40; lambs, $5 25@6 50.

KANSAS CITY—Cattle—Receipts, 5,300 head; shipments, 2,900 head; market 10@15c lower; natives, $3 00@4 50; cows, $1 75@2 60; stockers and feeders, $2 40@3 00. Hogs—Receipts 8,600 head; shipments, none; market 5@7½c lower; all grades, $3 52½@3 65; bulk, $3 60@3 62½; Sheep — Receipts, 16,400 head; shipments, 1,100 head: market steady; good to choice muttons, $3 50@5 40; stockers and feeders, $3 00@3 40.

BUFFALO—Cattle dull and irregular; receipts, 58 loads through, 15 sale. Sheep and lambs—Sheep strong and higher, lambs unchanged; sheep, choice to extra, $5 85@6 00; good to choice, $5 50@5 75; common to good, $5 00@5 40. Hogs strong and higher for light; receipts, 11 loads through, 39 sale; medium and heavy, $3 80; mixed, $3 60; Yorkers, $3 85@3 90; roughs, $3 00@3 25.

Drygoods.

NEW YORK, January 15.—Dress goods and cotton specialties receive the principal attention at present, but there is steady movement of staples. There was no new feature or incident affecting the market, which continues steady and of a still promising outlook.

Metal Market.

NEW YORK—Pig iron steady. Copper—Lake, January, $14 50. Lead dull; domestic, $3 87½. Tin quiet and easy, straits, $20 40.

BUSINESS NOTES.

TWENTY-SEVEN mortgages were completed yesterday, the largest of which was for $6,000. Only two were given for purchase money.

THE Wilkinsburg Oil and Gas Company is in a quandary whether to resume drilling operations on the Weinman farm or not, but it is likely nothing more will be done.

THE Bridgewater Gas Company has struck a 300-pound pressure gas well on the Wilson farm near Leetsdale, and will only have to lay 100 yards of pipe to connect it with their mains.

NEWLY elected directors of the Union Passenger Railway Company are: J. W. Dalzell, W. B. Rhodes, F.C. Hutchinson, F. M. Magee, Geo. C. Wilson, A. C. McCallan and W. I. Mustin.

DIRECTORS of the First National Bank, Beaver Falls: H. C. Patterson, John Reeves, James M. May, George W. Coates, H. W. Reeves, Joseph Wilson, Henry Rice, Simon Harrold and H. M. Jolly.

"YOU may set it down as a fact that the Equitable Insurance Company is not looking for a site near the Court House, nor anywhere else in Pittsburg, just now." So said Henry A. Weaver yesterday.

JOHN M. Oakley & Co., Sproul & Lawrence and Rea Brothers & Co., have issued handbooks of railroad securities. They are neatly gotten up, are in convenient form and are invaluable to investors for reference.

ASSIGNEE JACKSON, of the Fidelity Title and Trust Company, said yesterday that good progress was being made on the books of the suspended Lawrence Bank, but he was unable to tell when a statement would be made.

THE sale of the Fourth Avenue lots at the Court House by W. A. Herron & Sons, to close up the estate of the late C. L. Caldwell, did not take place yesterday on account of the small attendance of buyers. The property will now be offered at private sale.

MARKETS BY WIRE.

The Wheat Market Crippled by a Canard—A Big Order From Portugal—Pork Featureless and Slightly Lower.

CHICAGO—Only a light business was transacted in wheat to-day, and the market ruled quiet. Prices were slightly lower than yesterday's closing. Some few outside orders were received. The market opened easy and declined about ⅜@½c, due mainly to the reported closing down of some mills in the Northwest, which was denied later.

A Chicago exporting house received a cable to-day asking for tenders on 20,000 barrels of flour for the Portuguese Government. The market recovered about ¼c from the early decline on the denial of the mills shutting down, but again became easy and closed ⅜c lower than yesterday.

There was very little of interest to note in corn, trading being of a light local character. The feeling developed on the whole was easier, though no material decline was established. Operators were trading almost entirely in May and July, the other futures being dull and neglected.

There continues a steady market for any delivery of oats, notwithstanding the fact that the price of this future is at a point that leaves no margin for carrying to longer futures. Though steady, the market was dull and inanimate.

Trading in pork was only moderate, about the same as reported the previous days of the week. Prices were about 2½c lower, closing steady.

Only a moderate business was reported in lard, and the feeling was steady. Prices were without material change.

A light trade was reported in ribs, and the feeling was easier. Prices averaged about 2½c lower.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

WHEAT—No. 2, January, 76⅝@76¾@76⅜@76⅜c; February, 77⅛@77⅝c; May, 81⅝@81⅝@81⅜@81⅜c.

CORN—No. 2, January, 28⅜@28⅜@28¼@28¼c; February, 29⅛@29⅛@29@29c; May, 31⅝@31⅝@31½@31½c.

OATS—No. 2, January, 20⅛@20⅛c: February, 20¼@20¼c; May, 22⅜@22⅜@22¼@22¼c.

MESS PORK, per bbl.—January, $9 50@9 50@9 45@9 45; February, $9 55@9 55@9 50@9 50; May, $9 87½@9 87½@9 87½@9 87½.

LARD, per 100 lbs.—January, $5 80@5 82½@5 80@5 80; February, $5 82½@5 85; May, $6 05@6 07½@6 05@6 07½.

SHORT RIBS, per 100 lbs.—January, $4 70@4 70@4 65@4 65; February, $4 70@4 67½; May, $4 90@4 90@4 87½@4 87½.

Cash quotations were as follows: Flour steady and unchanged. No. 2 spring wheat, 76¾c; No. 3 spring wheat, 65@68c, No. 2 red, 76¾c. No. 2 corn, 28½c. No. 2 oats, 19¾@20¼c. No. 2 rye, 44½c. No. 2 barley, 55@57c. No. 1 flaxseed, $1 35. Prime timothy seed, $1 20@1 22. Mess pork, per bbl, $9 50. Lard, per 100 lbs, $5 80@5 82½. Short ribs sides (loose), $4 65@4 75. Dry salted shoulders (boxed), unchanged; short clear sides (boxed), $4 95@5 00. Sugars unchanged. Receipts—Flour, 22,000 barrels; wheat, 31,000 bushels; corn, 282,000 bushels; oats, 187,000 bushels; rye, 16,000 bushels; barley, 64,000 bushels. Shipments—Flour, 22,000 barrels; wheat, 13,000 bushels; corn, 352,000 bushels; oats, 159,000 bushels; rye, 12,000 bushels; barley, 37,000 bushels.

On the Produce Exchange to-day the butter market was dull; fancy creamery, 26½@27c; dairy, 18@20c. Eggs, 13½@14c.

NEW YORK—Flour quiet. Wheat—Spot firmer and dull; options advanced ⅛@¼c on delivery and to May, but declined ⅛@¼c on later months, closing steady; speculation moderate. Rye steady; Western, 56@58c. Barley steady. Barley malt quiet. Corn—Spot steady and moderately active; options less active and steady. Oats—Spot easier and less active; options fairly active and weaker. Hay quiet and steady. Hops quiet and steady. Coffee—Options opened steady, 5@15 points down, closed barely steady, 5@15 points down; sales, 15,000 bags, including: March, 15.90@16.00c; April, 16.00c; May, 15.90@16.00c; September, 15.90@15.95c; October, 15.85@15.95c; December, 15.90c; spot Rio, dull and easier; fair cargoes, 19⅜c; No. 7, 17¼c. Sugar—Raw firm and quiet; sales, 300 hhds English islands; 8° test at 5 1-16c, and a cargo of centrifugals 96° test at 3½c; c. and f. refined, steady; fair refined steady and in fair demand. Molasses—New Orleans, easy. Rice quiet. Cottonseed oil firm. Rosin dull. Turpentine quiet at 44½@45c. Eggs dull and easy. Cut meats quiet; pickled bellies, 5¼@5⅜c; middles quiet; short clear, $5 25. Lard firm; good export demand; sales, 1,550 tierces: western steam, $6 20; options, sales, 5,000 tierces; February, $6 21 bid; March, $6 30; April, $6 35 bid; May, $6 40@6 42, closing at $6 41; July, $6 50. Butter—Quiet and weak, except for fancy creamery; Elgin, 28@28½c; western dairy, 8@16c; do creamery, 12@26½c; do held, 9@17c; do factory, 5@16c. Cheese quiet; western, 8@10c.

PHILADELPHIA — Flour quiet. Wheat — Options firm and higher; desirable milling grades scarce and firm with fair demand; fair to good milling wheat, 78@85c; prime to choice do, 88@92c; choice ungraded in grain depot, 90c; No. 2 red, January, 81@81½c; February, 82¼@82¾c; March, 83¼@83¾c; April, 84¼@85c. Corn—Options firm; carlots dull, No. 4 mixed, in grain depot, 28c; do on track, 28c, old; No. 2 high mixed, in Twentieth street elevator, 37½c; No. 2 mixed, January, 36¼@36½c; February, 36¼@36½c; March, 37@37¼c; April, 37¼@38c. Oats—Carlots dull and a shade weaker; No. 3 white, 27½c; No. 2 white, 28¼c, and two cars do at 28½c; do on track, 29c; futures dull and weak; No. 2 white, January, 28¼@28½c; February, 28¼@29¼c; March, 28¾@29¼c; April, 29@29½c. Butter dull and unsettled; Pennsylvania creamery, extra, 25@26c; do prints, extra, 32@35c. Eggs dull and weak; Pennsylvania firsts, 15c.

MINNEAPOLIS—Local receipts of wheat for the day were 184 cars, with 59 cars shipped out. Outside parties were rather free buyers of No. 1 Northern early in the session. Grades under No. 1 Northern did not seem to be moving very well. Prices obtained for the different varieties were about in the same range as those of yesterday. Closing quotations: No. 1 hard, January and February, 79c; May, 83c; on track, 79½c; No. 1 Northern, January and February, 77c; May, 80½@80⅝c: on track, 77½@78c; No. 2 Northern, January and February, 74c; May, 78c; on track, 74@75½c.

ST. LOUIS—Flour dull and easy. Wheat lower, trading slow and the close below yesterday; No. 2 red, cash, 77¾c; March closed at 79c bid; May, 80⅝@80⅝c bid; June, 79½c bid; July, 77@77½c bid. Corn irregular; No. 2 mixed, cash, 25¾c; February closed at 26c bid; March, 26¼@27c asked; May, 28@28½c asked. Oats higher and firm; No. 2, cash, 20¾c; May, 21½c bid at the close. Rye firm. Barley unchanged. Provisions steady. Pork at $9 87½@10 00.

MILWAUKEE—Flour dull and steady. Wheat quiet; No. 2 spring, on track, 73@75c; May, 75½c; No. 1 Northern, 83c. Corn quiet; No. 2, on track, 27c. Oats dull; No. 2 white, on track, 22½c. Rye quiet; No. 1, in store, 45½c. Barley inactive; No. 2, in store, 44c. Provisions easier. Pork, $9 45. Lard, $5 80. Cheese steady; cheddars, 9@9½c.

TOLEDO—Cloverseed dull and steady; cash, $3 50; January, $3 45; March, $3 52½.

Whisky Market.

There is a good demand for finished goods, and quotations are steady at $1 02. Stocks on hand are not accumulating. Very old is scarce.

KILLED BY COLORED BOYS.

A Laborer's Death Results From a Blow Struck With a Stone.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.]

NEW YORK, January 15.—A young Irishman and two colored boys, named Jenkins, got into a fight at the corner of Troy avenue and Pacific street, in Brooklyn, to-day. Patrick Hoffard, a laborer at work near by, separated them, boxed their ears and told them to go home. Then he went back to work. A few minutes later the colored boys crept up unnoticed behind him and struck him on the back of the head with a cobble stone. Which one struck the blow has not yet been determined.

Hoffard was taken in an ambulance to St. Mary's Hospital where it was found that his skull was fractured. At 9 o'clock this morning he breathed his last. His death was caused by concussion of the brain, brought about by the blow upon his head. The colored boys were arraigned for murder this morning and were held without bail for examination.

MARINE HOSPITAL CHANGES.

Surgeon Goodwin, of Cincinnati, to Succeed Surgeon Paul M. Carrington.

Orders were received from Washington on Tuesday directing a number of changes in the Marine Hospital service. Assistant Surgeon Paul M. Carrington, who has been in charge of the Pittsburg office for about two years, will go to Cleveland. Past Assistant Surgeon Armstrong will move from Cleveland to New Orleans to take the position there made vacant by death. The Pittsburg office will be occupied by Assistant Surgeon H. T. Goodwin, who comes here from Cincinnati. Dr. Carrington is a young man, but bears a high reputation as a surgeon. During his service here he has made many friends who will be sorry to bid him farewell. The changes will take place in three or four days.

Dangerous Trifling.

It is not only foolish, but dangerous, to trifle with constipation, indigestion, piles or liver derangement. Take the proper remedy as soon as possible, and avoid all danger incident to delay. Hamburg Figs are a specific for these affections. 25 cents. Dose, one fig. Mack Drug Co., N. Y. TTSU

A SAFE INVESTMENT.

Little Danger of Losing Money by Placing it on Mortgages.

SCARCITY OF BUSINESS HOUSES.

Hustling McKeesport Bound to Make Her Mark in the Business World.

THE BIG CHURCH DEAL OFF FOR GOOD.

The deal for the big church at the corner of Smithfield street and Sixth avenue, about which there has been no end of talk the past few weeks, is off for good. Henry Arnold, Chairman of the Church Committee having the business in charge, said so yesterday evening. He added: "The proposition of the syndicate to lease the property for 99 years could not be entertained. It would be equivalent to a sale, and that would vitiate our title. Besides, if we had been disposed to accept, the offer was considerably under what we think the property is worth. It is not on the market, and never has been, but if we could get what we hold it at we might let it go on a reasonable lease. The congregation is under no pressure to part with the property, and may take a notion sometime to put up a business block there themselves. We have had no other offer that we thought enough of to take under consideration, and I think it will be a long time before the property passes out of our hands."

It will be remembered by many that the late Peter Dressler was an active agent in the erection of this fine building. It cost about $108,000, but material and labor were considerably dearer then than now.

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There are two ways of looking at mortgages. When placed to raise money for purposes of speculation in which there is a large element of risk they are dangerous. When given to improve or buy property that has a fixed value they are safe. In the latter case they indicate enterprise and prosperity. Money raised on mortgage to invest in Pittsburg real estate is as secure as bank stock. The market is so well conditioned and so active that investments in it nearly always turns out well. In some cases, where extravagant prices are paid, the profit is small. In no case where average discretion is exercised is there a possibility of serious loss.

One of the oldest mortgage brokers in the city remarked yesterday: "I don't know of anything safer than mortgages on real estate. Values in this city and its environs have hardened so slowly, and there is such a good demand for lands and houses, that I think they are up to stay. I can see no signs of a reaction. It's the healthiest market that I have ever seen. It rests on a sound bottom. I see no reason to be afraid of mortgages if judiciously made."

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In regard to the scarcity of business property, and the danger of going to the other extreme, a member of the firm of W. A. Herron & Sons said yesterday: "There is danger of owners of downtown business property overdoing the market owing to the prevailing scarcity. Many complaints have been made of owners renting over the heads of present occupants, although they were willing to pay in most cases what would be deemed a fair price, because someone else offered to pay a higher price in order to get a place to tide over the present emergency, and until more houses could be put up. Persons who are now contracting to pay excessive rents will do so only for a short time, as no legitimate business can afford to pay now the rent of property valued five or ten years ahead. As soon, therefore, as more business houses go up—and the present demand cannot but stimulate building—people who are now agreeing to pay exorbitant rates will seek new quarters and leave the owners of their present quarters without tenants.

"No doubt the enhancement of values and the prospective increase of taxes warrant a fair increase of rents, but owners will act wisely, and in their own interests, if they see that only a fair and just rent is placed on their houses, and pay no attention to persons making fancy bids. A good, permanent tenant is worth keeping, but he must be treated fairly or he won't stay."

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McKeesport is keeping step with other Allegheny county towns in the march of improvement. A citizen of that borough was in the city yesterday, and said that all kinds of business there was unusually active. A large number of fine buildings are going up, of which the Riverview Park plan is getting its full share. This is becoming the aristocratic part of town. The main avenue leading to it has been graded and paved. Lots on the principal streets are selling at $70 to $80 a foot front. The street railway is being extended up the Yough side of town.

Industrial expansion is also a marked feature of McKeesport. Work on the Monongahela glass furnace plant is progressing rapidly. The Novelty Steel Wheel Company, at Bissell, is in shape to market its product. Several new enterprises are talked of. All the difficulties in the way of building the bridge across the Monongahela to Duquesne have been removed, and the work on it will begin in a short time.

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The Pittsburg *Bulletin* hits the nail squarely on the head when it says: The man who cannot get along in the Iron City during the year of grace, 1890, cannot succeed elsewhere. And the man who is divided in mind on the question of going or of staying had better place the solid weight of good sense in the trembling balance and stay right here. Brains, energy and capital, invested between the Monongahela and the Allegheny, will yield dividends surer than those accruing from the same goodly trio invested west of the Father of Waters. There is no city or State or Territory in the Far West whose immediate prospects are brighter than those of Pittsburg.

ON THE LOSING SIDE.

Fair Trading in Stocks, But Prices Soft Like the Weather.

Business in the local stocks was good yesterday for a bad day. The sales were 480 shares. Active stocks were Philadelphia Gas, Commercial National Bank, Pittsburg Traction, and Switch and Signal.

The tendency of prices was downward, and most of the specialties were lower, though the changes were in no case for more than fractions. Philadelphia Gas gave way, and the entire active list yielded in sympathy.

	MORNING. Bid.	Asked.	AFTERNOON. Bid.	Asked.
Pitts. P. S. & M. Ex.	....	300	....	....
Anchor Savings Bank	....	....	49	....
Allegheny Nat. Bank.*	62½	....	....	....
Commercial Na. Bank	....	....	94	....
Exchange Na. Bank	....	85	82	85
Keystone B'k of Pitts.	....	....	69	73
M. & M. Nat. Bank	64	66	....	....
Masonic Bank	....	....	61	....
Metropolitan N. Bank	103	....	....	....
Safe Deposit Co.	....	....	....	65
Third Nat. Bank	165	....	....	....
Allegheny Gas Co., Ill	39	....	....	....
Pitts. Gas Co., Ill	....	....	67	80
Bridgewater Gas	....	....	29	....
Chartiers Valley G. Co.	....	43	40½	41½
People's N. G. & P. Co*	14	15	14	15
Pennsylvania Gas Co.	12⅜	....		
Philadelphia Co.	32	32¼	31⅞	32⅛
Pine Run Gas	....	....	....	83
Wheeling Gas Co.	18	20	18¼	19⅞
Tuna Oil Co.	....	70	....	....
Washington Oil Co.	75	....	75	90
Central Traction	32¾	33⅛	32⅞	33
Citizens' Traction	66½	68	....	68
Pitts. Traction	46¾	47	46⅞	....
Pleasant Valley	22⅞	23¼	23	23⅛
N.Y. & C. Gas Coal Co.	....	37	....	....
La Noria Mining Co.	⅜	½	⅜	⅜
Luster Mining Co.	16	30	16¼	30
Silverton Mining Co.	....	....	1	1½
Yankee Girl Mining Co	....	2¾	....	2¾
Westinghouse Electric	46½	47	....	47½
Mon'gahela Water Co.	....	35	....	....
U. S. & Sig. Co.	....	14	13	14
U. S. & Sig. Co. pfd.	....	47½	....	....
WestinghouseAirb'ke.	....	110	....	....

*Ex-dividend.

At the first call 300 shares of Philadelphia Gas brought 32¼. At the last call 20 shares of Commercial National Bank went at 95, 10 Pittsburg Traction at 47, 100 Philadelphia Gas at 32, and 50 Switch and Signal, 14.

Henry M. Long sold 20 shares Union Switch at 14, bought 500 shares Pleasant Valley at 23, sold 50 shares Electric at 47, and 500 shares Philadelphia Gas at 32¼@32⅛.

The total sales of stocks at New York yesterday were 304,783 shares, including Atchison, 7,750; Delaware, Lackawanna and Western, 38,560; Louisville and Nashville, 7,005; Missouri Pacific, 10,800; Reading, 27,020; St. Paul, 14,100; Union Pacific, 13,150; Western Union, 4,270.

Philadelphia Stocks.

Closing quotations of Philadelphia stocks, furnished by Whitney & Stephenson, brokers, No. 57 Fourth avenue. Members New York Stock Exchange.

	Bid.	Asked.
Pennsylvania Railroad	53¾	53⅞
Reading	18 1-16	18⅛
Buffalo, Pittsburg & Western	8¾	8⅞
Lehigh Valley	52¾	52⅞
Lehigh Navigation	51⅞	52¼
Northern Pacific	30⅝	30⅞
Northern Pacific preferred	72⅞	73⅛

ABOUT AS USUAL.

Money Plenty and in Fair Demand—Bad Weather Cuts Down Business.

There was no special change reported in the local money market yesterday. Owing to bad weather, perhaps, the demand for accommodations was moderate. Rates were steady at 6@7. Some railroad and other bonds have been sold recently on the basis of 5 per cent premiums, but it is thought that very little of this business is going on. Clerical work was fair. Exchanges were $2,551,937 15 and balances $309,056 30.

Money on call at New York yesterday was easy, ranging from 4@5½ per cent, last loan 4, closed offered at 4. Prime mercantile paper, 5½@7. Sterling exchange quiet but steady at $4 81¾ for 60-day bills and $4 85¾ for demand.

Closing Bond Quotations.

U. S. 4s, reg.	128	M. K. & T. Gen. 5s	62
U. S. 4s, coup.	128	Mutual Union 6s	100
U. S. 4½s, reg.	104⅜	N. J. C. Int. Cert.	111
U. S. 4½s, coup.	104⅜	Northern Pac. 1sts	114½
Pacific 6s of '95	116	Northern Pac. 2ds	113
Louisiana stamped 4s	94	Northw't'n consols	142½
Missouri 6s	100	Northw'n deben's	110
Tenn. new set. 6s	106	Oregon & Trans. 6s	104
Tenn. new set. 5s	101⅜	St. L. & I. M. Gen. 5s	85
Tenn. new set. 3s	72½	St. L. & S. F. Gen. M.	111½
Canada So. 2ds	98¼	St. Paul consols	125
Cen. Pacific 1sts	109	St. Pl. Chi & Pc. 1sts	116
Den. & R. G., 1sts	118	Tx., Pc. L. G. Tr. Rs.	90⅜
Den. & R. G. 4s	77	Tx., Pc. R. G. Tr. Rcts	38½
D. & R. G. West, 1sts	98	Union Pac. 1sts	110⅜
Erie, 2ds	100⅞	West Shore	104½
M. K. & T. Gen. 6s	72		

Government bonds have been dull and steady. State bonds have been entirely neglected.

NEW YORK—Clearings, $117,853,758; balances, $5,660,975.

BOSTON—Clearings, $15,450,815; balances, $1,572,856. Money, 1½@2 per cent.

PHILADELPHIA — Clearings, $12,449,735; balances, $1,588,216.

BALTIMORE—Clearings, $2,487,777; balances, $279,078.

LONDON—The amount of bullion withdrawn from the Bank of England on balance to-day is £44,000. Bar silver, 44⅝d per ounce.

PARIS—Three per cent rentes, 87f 62½c for the account.

CHICAGO—Clearings, $10,920,000. New York exchange, 25@50c discount. Call loans, 6 per cent; time, 7@8 per cent.

ST. LOUIS — Clearings, $3,522,340; balances, $724,270.

LOCAL SAMSONS

Do Their Level Best to Hold Up the Oil Market.

The oil market yesterday just about kept its head out of water. It was quiet and slow as a man who has a note to pay and don't know where to borrow the money. The opening was 104⅝; highest, 105; lowest, 104⅝; closing, 104⅞.

It opened a little off from the close of the previous day, but a buying spurt by Henry Fisher and others sent it up a little, after which it sagged, recovered some of the lost ground, and closed steady at near the highest point of the day. Local trading amounted to perhaps 60,000 barrels. Other points were quiet.

There was nothing, visible or invisible, on the surface or under it, to indicate a marked change for either better or worse. The market has seldom been so expressionless, or the brokers so much in doubt as to which way the cat will jump.

Features of the Market.

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

Opened	104⅝	Lowest	104⅝
Highest	105	Closed	104⅞

	Barrels.
Average charters	29,608
Average shipments	65,861
Average runs	52,579

Refined, New York, 7.50c.
Refined, London, 6⅛d.
Refined, Antwerp, 17¼f.
Refined, Liverpool, 6 1-16d.
Refined, Bremen, 7m.

A. B. McGrew quotes: Puts, $1 04⅛@1 04⅜; calls, $1 05⅝.

Other Oil Markets.

BRADFORD, January 15.—Opened, $1 04⅝; closed at $1 05; highest, $1 05⅛; lowest, $1 04⅝.

OIL CITY, January 15.—Petroleum opened at $1 04⅝; highest, $1 05⅛; lowest, $1 04⅝; closed, $1 04⅞.

NEW YORK, January 15.—Petroleum opened steady at $1 04⅝, and after yielding slightly in first sales became strong and advanced to $1 04⅞. The close was firm at $1 04⅞. Stock Exchange: Opening, $1 04⅝; highest, $1 04⅞; lowest, $1 04⅛; closing, $1 04⅞. Consolidated Exchange: Opening, $1 04⅝; highest, $1 05⅛; lowest, $1 04⅛; closing, $1 05. Sales, 213,000 barrels.

KEEPING IT UP.

Real Estate Continues to Move at a Brisk Rate.

Jamison & Dickie sold for Robert Curry a four-room house and lot, 25x100 feet, on Julius street, East End, to Lizzie Wymerd for $1,200 cash; also for A. Allen a seven-room house on Carver street, lot 26x100, to Thomas Steptoe and James Berry for $2,700.

W. E. Hamnett, Wilkinsburg and 404 Smithfield street, Pittsburg, sold to E. H. Weitzell lots 50 and 51 in the Wilkins estate plan No. 1, Wilkinsburg, for $1,400.

Samuel W. Black & Co., 99 Fourth avenue, sold No. 30 Townsend street, city, being lot 24x100 to an alley, having erected thereon a three-story brick dwelling of 11 rooms, for $5,400 cash.

Thomas McCaffrey, 3509 Butler street, sold for the People's Savings Bank to H. Dorfshafer property on Penn avenue, Nineteenth ward, lot 19x100 feet, for $1,900; and for Robert Fey to H. Wunderlich lot 22x100 feet at Dallas station, Nineteenth ward, for $700.

Black & Baird, 95 Fourth avenue, sold to William M. Garland for the Willock heirs a vacant lot, located 100 feet east of Hazelwood avenue and between Gloster and Lytle streets, Twenty-third ward, city, being 25x79 feet, for $350.

DULL AND NARROW.

Coalers and Sugar the Only Prominent Features of the Share Market—Bears Make a Drive — Gains at the Close.

NEW YORK, January 15.—The stock market to-day was dull, narrow and contracted, as usual of late, but there was a better distribution of the business done, though the Coal stocks were still most prominent in the regular list, and Sugar among the Trusts. The tone of the market, however, showed a marked improvement over that of the past few days, being firm to strong after the first half hour, and the day's business resulted in marking higher prices for almost everything on the list of active stocks. The bears were early on hand this morning with a demonstration against the general list, which had the appearance of hammering to cover upon, but the result of the drive was only fractional losses, and the support given was such that the attack was soon discontinued.

There were signs that the pressure was to be changed from the coalers to the grangers, and some selling of St. Paul was done upon a story that the managers had charged a larger amount to capital account than they should have done, and the insinuation was made that if it had not been for this kind of bookkeeping there would have been little or nothing for the preferred stock. The decline in St. Paul, however, was measured by the smallest fractions, and the other grangers were equally well held. Chairman Walker's opinion upon the Union Pacific-Northwestern alliance was again made to do duty against those stocks, but Northwestern scarcely moved at all, and the success in Union Pacific was on the same scale as that in St. Paul. Sugar was firm from the outset, the traders being prominent as buyers.

After the first drive the market settled down to dullness and firmness, but late in the day when covering in the Coal stocks became noticeable, the upward movement all around became more pronounced and material advances were scored all over the list. The specialties were all more prominent for strength than usual of late, and Oregon Short Line was still weak, being the only stock to show a material loss at the close of business. The market finally closed dull, but strong, and generally at the best prices of the day, though in all but two cases these were but fractionally better than last evening's figures. Short Line is down 1 per cent, but Sugar rose 2⅝ and Manhattan 1⅝.

Railroad bonds were dull again, the sales of all issues being only $989,000, while the movements in the market were on a smaller scale, even than during the past few days. The only feature of the trading was the pronounced strength in Wisconsin Central incomes, which rose from 64 to 67, the other changes being generally for insignificant fractions.

The *Post* says: The disappointment has for the time being turned the majority of the board room speculators to the bear side, and in the last few days the outstanding short interest, especially in the Coal stocks, has been so greatly increased that a sharp upward reaction is likely to come at any time, and this is more likely to happen in Reading than in any other stock, even if it goes much lower. The narrowness of the market is still the subject of unceasing comment on the part of those whose business it is to make profits out of wide fluctuations, caused by the manufacture of disturbing rumors and sudden unexpected and unfavorable developments.

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:

	Opening.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing Bid.
Am. Cotton Oil Trust	30⅛	30⅜	30⅛	30¼
Am. Cotton Oil	....	....	....	35
Atch., Top. & S. F.	30⅞	31⅛	30⅞	31
Canadian Pacific	77½	77¾	77½	77½
Canada Southern	53¼	53¼	53	53⅛
Central of New Jersey*	122	122½	121¾	122¼
Central Pacific	....	....	....	34
Chesapeake & Ohio	26¼	26⅜	26¼	26¼
C., Bur. & Quincy	106⅛	106⅜	105⅞	106
C., Mil. & St. Paul	68¼	68⅜	68	68⅛
C., Mil. & St. P., pf.	....	....	....	113
C., Rock I. & P.	96½	96⅝	96¼	96½
C., St. P., M. & O.	32¾	32¾	32½	32½
C. & Northwestern	110	110	110	110½
C. & Northwestern, pf.	....	....	....	139
C., C., C. & I.	70¼	70½	70¼	70⅛
C., C., C. & I., pf.	....	....	....	97⅛
Col. Coal & Iron	44	45	44	44¾
Col. & Hocking Val.	....	....	....	18⅛
Del., L. & W.	135	135⅜	134¾	135⅛
Del. & Hudson	150	150	149⅞	149⅞
Denver & Rio G.	....	....	....	16
Denver & Rio G., pf.	50½	50⅝	50½	50⅜
E. T., Va. & Ga.	9½	9½	9½	9⅜
E. T., Va. & Ga. 1st pf.	....	....	....	67
E. T., Va. & Ga. 2d pf.	21½	21½	20⅞	20⅞
Illinois Central	119¼	119¼	119	119
Lake Erie & Western	17¾	17¾	17⅜	17⅜
Lake Erie & West. pf.	....	....	....	64⅛
Lake Shore & M. S.	104⅜	104⅜	104⅛	104¼
Louisville & Nashville	86¾	87⅛	86⅜	87¼
Michigan Central	....	....	....	93
Mobile & Ohio	....	....	....	13
Mo., Kan. & Texas	9⅜	9⅜	9⅜	9¼
Missouri Pacific	72½	72¾	71½	72½
New York Central	106⅜	106⅜	106⅜	106¼
N. Y., L. E. & W.	26	26¼	26	26¼
N. Y., L. E. & W. pref.	....	....	....	61
N. Y., C. & St. L.	....	....	....	16¾
N. Y., C. & St. L. pf.	....	....	....	67⅝
N. Y., C. & St. L. 2d pf	....	....	....	69½
N. Y. & N. E.	44¾	44¾	44⅜	44⅜
N. Y., O. & W.	19⅜	19⅜	19⅛	19⅛
Norfolk & Western	....	....	....	21½
Norfolk & Western, pf.	61⅛	61⅛	61⅛	61⅛
Northern Pacific pref.	73½	73⅜	73¼	73⅜
Ohio & Mississippi	21¼	21¼	21⅛	21⅛
Oregon Improvement	....	....	....	44
Oregon Transcon	33⅞	34¼	33¾	34¼
Pacific Mail	37¼	37⅜	37¼	37⅜
Peo. Dec. & Evans	18	18	17	17
Philadel. & Reading	35⅞	36¼	35⅞	36⅛
Pullman Palace Car	191⅜	191⅜	191	191
Richmond & W. P. T.	21⅛	21⅛	20⅞	20⅞
Richmond & W. P. T. pf	....	....	....	78⅜
St. P., Minn. & Man.	113	113	112½	112½
St. L. & San Fran	....	....	....	16
St. L. & San Fran pf.	38	38	38	38
St. L. & San F. 1st pf.	....	....	....	94
Texas Pacific	20⅞	21	20⅞	20⅞
Union Pacific	66⅞	67	66⅜	66⅜
Western Union	83⅜	83⅞	83	83⅜
Wheeling & L. E.	....	....	....	68⅜
Sugar Trust	53½	54⅞	53	54⅞
National Lead Trust	19¾	20¼	19⅝	20¼
Chicago Gas Trust	45¼	46	44½	46

*Ex-dividend.

LATE NEWS IN BRIEF.

—By the upsetting of their boats in Donegal Bay, Ireland, nine fishermen were drowned.

—Several earthquake shocks have been felt in various parts of Austria. No one reported hurt.

—James M. Fortner, charged with embezzling $40,000 as Treasurer of Ridey county, Kas., has been arrested at Memphis, Tenn.

—The business portion of Flora, Miss., with the exception of one small store, was all destroyed by fire early yesterday morning.

—Artola Bros., foreign bankers, with houses in London, Paris and Madrid, have been declared bankrupts. Their liabilities are £400,000.

—An overheated electric light wire is believed to be responsible for a fire which damaged property to the amount of $50,000 at St. Louis yesterday.

—The Iowa Legislature is still at a deadlock, as neither Republicans nor Democrats will concede a point. No business of any description is being transacted.

—The King of the Belgians has received several communications, purporting to be from revolutionary societies, warning him not to rebuild the palace at Laeken.

—The National Convention of Afro-American Leagues is in session at Chicago. Thomas Fortune, of New York, has been selected to preside over the deliberations.

—The Chicago Signal Service Bureau gives notice of the approach of a cold wave from the northwest, which, it is said, will reach Chicago at the latest Friday morning.

—Reports received state that the eastern portion of the village of Carmi, Ill., is ten feet under water, driving out 25 families, who are being cared for by the citizens.

—An extensive robbery of Turkish priority bonds and Mexican National Bank shares has occurred. The securities were stolen while in transit from Paris to London.

—Solomon Richardson, a colored porter, was arrested on the charge of stealing the box containing $11,000 from the office of Wells-Fargo Express Company at Dallas, Tex.

—The Mississippi State Senate has passed the bill requiring a voter either to own $500 worth of taxable property or to be able to read and write before he can vote for Mayor.

—Ex-President Cleveland has declined to take part in the tariff discussion originated by Gladstone and Blaine. He would be glad to see Mills, of Texas, take a hand, however.

—"Bud" Guan, a Chicago gambler, has sued C. C. Quinton, a prominent cattle dealer of Kansas City, for the recovery of $20,000 lost by the former to the latter in a game of poker.

—A train conveying miners was in collision with a goods train near Chesterfield, England. Seventy of the miners were injured, some of them quite seriously. The trains were badly wrecked.

—At Fordsville, Ky., black measles is raging here in epidemic form. Mrs. Mitchell and two children have died, and Mr. Mitchell is in a critical condition. Over 100 cases are reported in the neighborhood.

—Yesterday's bond offerings were as follows: Coupon 4s, $150; registered 4s, $1,725,800 at 126, $200,000 at 126 ex-int., $5,000 at 126¼; registered 4½s, $805,000 at 104¾. All the offerings at 126 and 104⅝ were accepted.

—Henry Guinup was yesterday arrested at Fine, N. Y., by Sheriff Metcalf, of Black River Falls, charged with attempting to wreck a vestibuled train on the Chicago and Northwestern railroad nearly a year ago.

—At Dubuque, Ia., executions against half a dozen saloons were placed in the hands of the Sheriff, and a vigorous war against the liquor traffic is being inaugurated.

—The Prussian Diet was opened yesterday. The Emperor, in his speech opening the session, said it afforded the Emperor-King much joy to announce that the foreign relations of Germany were good in every quarter.

—In notifying the Vatican of the recent edict issued by the Brazilian Government regulating the relations between Church and State, occasion is taken to assure the Pope of Brazil's desire to maintain the most friendly relations.

—Thousands of boomers are now located in the mile square at Fort Pierre, Dak., preparing to move on the Sioux Reservation as soon as the proclamation is issued. The rush will equal that at Oklahoma. The excitement is intense.

—At Chilliewhack, B. C., George Rutherford shot and killed Edward Hall and John Segers and then killed himself. He was in a despondent state of mind, owing to disappointment in love affairs, and accused Hall and Segers of tampering with his food.

—The general condition of telegraphic service through the country is reported even worse. Fog and rain prevail in many sections, making the wires very heavy and interfering with the full working capacity. All messages are received at offices at New York subject to delay.

—Postmaster General Wanamaker has presented President Harrison with a seal-lined overcoat which is said to be worth $500, but the winter weather still refuses to come and it looks as if the President will not have an opportunity to wear the Wanamaker garment this year.

—A telegram from the United States Consul at Parrington, N. S., reports the schooner Ben Hur wrecked at Blanche Point, N. S. Nine of her crew are missing, including Captain Thornburn. The Ben Hur was a new vessel of 100 tons, engaged in the halibut fishery. It is believed the crew escaped.

—There is much suffering at Wickliffe and Clinton, Ky., in consequence of Sunday evening's cyclone. At the former place 27 houses were destroyed or made uninhabitable, and at the latter place upward of 50 houses. Fifty-seven people at Wickliffe and nearly 100 at Clinton are in destitute circumstances.

—It is said in certain London circles that the Czar of Russia is insane, owing to the chronic state of fear in which he lives. His bodily condition is said to be weak. He exhibits the deepest feeling of despondency, and insists that his death is drawing near. It is known that he is trying to alleviate his misery by the use of morphine.

—Thomas B. Barry, Grand Secretary of the Brotherhood of United Labor, lectured at St. Louis Tuesday night. In the course of his remarks he charged Powderly with having stolen $22,000 from the order. The remarks caused a row, in which Mortimer D. Shaw drew a revolver and chased Frank Witt, Secretary of District Assembly No. 17, from the hall.

—The Pope has issued an encyclical which sets forth the principles which shall guide Catholics in their relations toward the State, which, the encyclical says, they must obey when such a course does not entail disobedience to divine laws. In countries where the State opposes Catholicism, Catholics must combat the enemy, but must not tie the church to any political party.

—The flow from the great artesian well at Woonsocket, Dak., has been brought under subjection. A lake covering over 40 acres has been formed in the lower part of the town on some vacant lots, and a dense fog is constantly rising from the warm water. Numbers of barns and sidewalks are flooded. Half the pressure is now turned on, and the water runs through a 6-inch pipe and throws a solid stream 150 feet. Artesian experts say the well is one of the most powerful in the world.

DOMESTIC MARKETS.

Weather Adverse to Active Trade in All Produce Lines.

SUGARS STEADY--COFFEES FIRMER

Long Transit Corn is Coming to Our Markets in Bad Shape.

LUMBER TRADE GOOD FOR WINTER

OFFICE OF PITTSBURG DISPATCH, WEDNESDAY, January 15, 1890.

Country Produce—Jobbing Prices.

Weather is adverse to trade and everything in produce lines goes slow. Even poultry, which has been scarce and firm for the past few weeks, has been coming in freely of late from the West, and has quieted down. The egg market is exceedingly dull. Prices are no more than nominal. Cold storage or pickled eggs could hardly be given away at this time. The failure of old-fashioned winter weather to put in an appearance has had a depressing influence on everything in produce lines.

BUTTER—Creamery, Elgin, 28@29c; Ohio do, 26@27c; fresh dairy packed, 22@23c; country rolls, 20@21c.

BEANS—Navy hand-picked beans, $2 00@2 25; medium, $1 75@2 00.

BEESWAX—28@30c ₱ lb for choice; low grade, 18@20c.

CIDER—Sand refined, $6 00@6 50; common, $3 50@4 00; crab cider, $8 00@8 50 ₱ barrel; cider vinegar, 10@12c ₱ gallon.

CHESTNUTS—$5 00@5 50 ₱ bushel; walnuts, 60@70c ₱ bushel.

CHEESE—Ohio, 11@11½c; New York, 11½c; Limburger, 9½@11c; domestic Sweitzer, 11@13½c; imported Sweitzer, 23½c.

EGGS—16@17c ₱ dozen for strictly fresh.

FRUITS—Apples, fancy, $2 50@3 00 ₱ barrel; cranberries, $8 50@9 50 ₱ barrel; Malaga grapes, large barrel, $8 50@10 00.

FEATHERS—Extra live geese, 50@60c; No. 1, do, 40@45c; mixed lots, 30@35c ₱ lb.

POULTRY—Live chickens, 50@65c a pair; dressed, 12@14c a pound; ducks 75@85c ₱ pair; geese, $1 25@1 30 ₱ pair; live turkeys, 12@13c ₱ lb; dressed turkeys, 16@17 ₱ lb.

SEEDS—Clover, choice, 62 lbs to bushel, $4 20@4 40 ₱ bushel; clover, large English, 62 lbs, $4 35@4 60; clover, Alsike, $8 00; clover, white, $9; timothy, choice, 45 lbs, $1 50; blue grass, extra clean, 14 lbs, $1 25@1 30; blue grass, fancy, 14 lbs, $1 30; orchard grass, 14 lbs, $1 40; red top, 14 lbs, $1 25; millet, 50 lbs, $1 00; millet, 60@70c ₱ bushel; Hungarian grass, 50 lbs, 65c, lawn grass, mixture of fine grasses, $3 00 ₱ bushel of 14 lbs.

TALLOW—Country, 4¼c; city rendered, 4¾@5c.

TROPICAL FRUITS—Lemons, common, $3 00@3 50; fancy, $4 00@5 00; Florida oranges, $4 00@4 50; bananas, $1 50 firsts, $1 00 good seconds, ₱ bunch; cocoanuts, $4 00@4 50 ₱ hundred; figs, 8½@9c ₱ lb; dates, 5½@6½c ₱ lb; new layer figs, 12½@15½c; new dates, 7½c ₱ lb; pine apples, $2 50 ₱ dozen.

VEGETABLES—Potatoes, from store, 60@65c; on track, 50@55c; cabbages, $5 00@7 00 a hundred; Dutch cabbage, $13 00 ₱ hundred; celery, 40c ₱ dozen; Jersey sweet potatoes, $4 00 a barrel; turnips, $1 00@1 25 a barrel; onions, $3 00@3 50 a barrel.

BUCKWHEAT FLOUR—2@2¼c ₱ pound.

Groceries.

Sugar refineries are oversold and jobbers here find it very difficult to get orders filled in a reasonable time. Green coffee has advanced ¼c in New York within the past two days. Packages are firm but unchanged. General groceries hold on in the same old even tenor of their way.

GREEN COFFEE—Fancy Rio, 23@24c; choice Rio, 21@22c; prime Rio, 20½c; low grade Rio, 18½@19½c; old Government Java, 27@28c; Maracaibo, 23½@24½c; Mocha, 28½@29½c; Santos, 20½@24c; Caracas, 22@24c; peaberry, Rio, 23½@24c; La Guayra, 23½@24c.

ROASTED (in papers)—Standard brands, 24c; high grades, 25@29½c; old Government Java, bulk, 31½@33c; Maracaibo, 27@28c; Santos, 24½@28½c; peaberry, 28½c; choice Rio, 25c; prime Rio, 23½c; good Rio, 22½c; ordinary, 21c.

SPICES (whole)—Cloves, 19@20c; allspice, 10c; cassia, 8c; pepper, 17c; nutmeg, 70@80c.

PETROLEUM (jobbers' prices)—110° test, 7½c; Ohio, 120°, 8½c; headlight, 150°, 8½c; water white, 10½c; globe, 14@14½c; elaine, 14½c; carnadine, 11½c; royaline, 14c; globe red oil, 11@11½c; purity 14c.

MINERS' OIL—No. 1 winter strained, 46@47c ₱ gallon; summer, 40@43c. Lard oil, 70c.

SYRUPS—Corn syrup, 28@30c; choice sugar syrup, 33@38c; prime sugar syrup, 30@33c; strictly prime, 33@35c; new maple syrup, 90c.

N. O. MOLASSES—Fancy, new crop, 48@50c; choice, 47c; medium, 38@43c; mixed, 40@42c.

SODA—Bi-carb in kegs, 3@3½c; bi-carb in ½s, 5½c; bi-carb, assorted packages, 5¾@6c; salsoda in kegs, 1¾c; do granulated, 2c.

CANDLES—Star, full weight, 9c; stearine, ₱ set, 8½c; paraffine, 11@12c.

RICE—Head, Carolina, 6¾@7c; choice, 6¼@6¾c; prime, 5½@6c; Louisiana, 5@6½c.

STARCH—Pearl, 2¾c; cornstarch, 5@6c; gloss starch, 4½@7c.

FOREIGN FRUITS—Layer raisins, $2 65; London layers, $2 90; California London layers, $2 75; Muscatels, $2 40; California Muscatels, $2 25; Valencia, 7½c; Ondara Valencia, 8½@8¾c; sultana, 9½c; currants, 5½@5¾c; Turkey prunes, 4¾@5c; French prunes, 6@9½c; Salonica prunes, in 2-lb packages, 8½c; cocoanuts, ₱ 100, $6 00; almonds, Lan., ₱ lb, 20c; do, Ivica, 19c; do, shelled, 40c; walnuts, nap., 14@15c; Sicily filberts, 12c; Smyrna figs, 12@13c; new dates, 6@6½c; Brazil nuts, 10c; pecans, 11@15c; citron, ₱ lb, 19@20c; lemon peel, 18c ₱ lb; orange peel, 17c.

DRIED FRUITS—Apples, sliced, per lb, 6c; apples, evaporated, 9c; apricots, California, evaporated, 14½@16c; peaches, evaporated, pared, 26@28c; peaches, California, evaporated, unpared, 19@21c; cherries, pitted, 13½@14½c; cherries, unpitted, 5@6c; raspberries, evaporated, 25½@26½c; blackberries, 7½@8c; huckleberries, 10@12c.

SUGARS—Cubes, 7⅜c; powdered, 7⅜c; granulated, 6⅞c; confectioners' A, 6⅝c; standard A, 6⅝c; soft white, 6⅛@6⅜c; yellow, choice, 5⅞@6c; yellow, good, 5⅝@5⅞c; yellow, fair, 5½@5⅝c; yellow, dark, 5⅜c.

PICKLES—Medium, bbls (1,200), $5 50; medium, half bbls (600), $3 25.

SALT—No. 1, ₱ bbl, 95c; No. 1 ex, ₱ bbl, $1 05; dairy, ₱ bbl, $1 20; coarse crystal, ₱ bbl, $1 20; Higgins' Eureka, 4-bu sacks, $2 80; Higgins' Eureka, 16-14 lb pockets, $3 00.

CANNED GOODS—Standard peaches, $2 00@2 25: 2ds, $1 65@1 80; extra peaches, $2 40@2 60; pie peaches, 95c; finest corn, $1 00@1 50; Hid Co. corn, 75@90c; red cherries, 90c@$1; Lima beans, $1 20; soaked do, 80c; string do, 60@65c; marrowfat peas, $1 10@1 15; soaked peas, 70@80c; pineapples, $1 30@1 40; Bahama do, $2 75; damson plums, 95c; Greengages, $1 25; egg plums, $2 00; California pears, $2 50; do greengages, $1 85; do egg plums, $1 85; extra white cherries, $2 40; raspberries, 95c@$1 10; strawberries, $1 10; gooseberries, $1 30@1 40; tomatoes, 85@90c; salmon, 1-lb, $1 65@1 90; blackberries, 65c; succotash, 2-lb cans, soaked, 90c; do green, 2-lb, $1 25@1 50; corn beef, 2-lb cans, $2 05; 14-lb cans, $14 00; baked beans, $1 45@1 50; lobster, 1-lb, $1 75@1 80; mackerel, 1-lb cans, broiled, $1 50; sardines, domestic, ¼s, $4 25@4 50; sardines, domestic, ½s, $6 75@7 00; sardines, imported, ¼s, $11 50@12 50; sardines, imported, ½s, $18 00; sardines, mustard, $3 30; sardines, spiced, $3 50.

FISH—Extra No. 1 bloater mackerel, $36 ₱ bbl.; extra No. 1 do, mess, $40; extra No. 1 mackerel, shore, $32; extra No. 1 do, mess, $36; No. 2 shore mackerel, $24. Codfish—Whole pollock, 4½c ₱ lb; do medium, George's cod, 6c; do large, 7c; boneless hake, in strips, 6c; do George's cod in blocks, 6¾@7½c. Herring—Round shore, $4 50 ₱ bbl.; split, $6 50; lake, $2 75 ₱ 100-lb half bbl. White fish, $6 00 ₱ 100-lb half bbl. Lake trout, $5 50 ₱ half bbl. Finnan haddock, 10c ₱ lb. Iceland halibut, 13c ₱ lb. Pickerel, ½ bbl., $2 00; ¼ bbl., $1 10: Potomac herring, $5 00 ₱ bbl., $2 50 per ½ bbl.

OATMEAL—$6 00@6 25 ₱ bbl.

Grain, Flour and Feed.

There has not been a sale on call this week. Curbstone sales are fairly active, but it is presumable that they are affected by shading quotations. Total receipts as bulletined, 21 cars. By Pittsburg, Ft. Wayne and Chicago, 6 cars of oats, 1 of corn, 2 of rye, 2 of hay, 2 of flour, 1 of malt. By Baltimore and Ohio, 1 car of corn, 2 of hay. By Pittsburg, Cincinnati and St. Louis, 1 car of millfeed, 1 of oats, 1 of wheat. By Pittsburg and Western, 1 car of hay. Oats are in short supply and markets are firm. Much of the corn coming in of late is in bad shape, owing to warm, moisty weather. Receipts from the far West are coming to markets in a demoralized condition, and as a result prices show drooping tendencies. At the Grain Exchange to-day the great questions were as to reporting sales of ungraded grain and the proper place to hold the World's Fair. Concerning the latter the drift of opinion was in favor of Chicago, but a strong under-current which did not find expression favored the American metropolis, namely, New York. The sentiment of the Exchange, which took shape in the form of a resolution concerning sales of ungraded stuff, was that they should not be reported, as the effect was hurtful to markets.

Prices below are for carload lots on track.

WHEAT—New No. 2 red, 85@86c; No. 3, 82@83c.

CORN—No. 2 yellow, ear, new, 36@37c; high mixed, new, 34@35c; No. 2 yellow, shelled, old, 36@37c; new, 34@35c; high mixed, shelled, 35@36c; new high mixed, shelled, 30@31c.

OATS—No. 2 white, 27½@28c; extra, No. 3, 26½@27c; mixed, 24½@25c.

RYE—No. 1 Pennsylvania, and Ohio, 53@54c; No. 1 Western, 51@52c.

BARLEY—Western, 45@65c; Canada barley, 70@75c.

FLOUR—Jobbing prices—Fancy winter and spring patents, $5 00@5 50; winter straight, $4 25@4 50; clear winter, $4 00@4 25; straight XXXX bakers', $3 50@3 75. Rye flour, $3 50@4 75.

MILLFEED—Middlings, fine white, $15 00@16 00 ₱ ton; brown middlings, $12 00@14 00; winter wheat bran, $11 50@12 00; chop feed, $15 50@16 00.

HAY—Baled timothy, No. 1, $11 50@12 00; No. 2 do, $8 00@10 00; loose from wagon, $11 00@12 00, according to quality; No. 2 prairie hay, $7 00@8 00; packing do, $6 50@7 00.

STRAW—Oats, $6 75@7 00; wheat and rye straw, $6 00@6 25.

Provisions.

Sugar-cured hams, large, 9c; sugar-cured hams, medium, 9½c; sugar-cured hams, small, 10½c; sugar-cured breakfast bacon, 8c; sugar-cured shoulders, 5½c; sugar-cured, boneless shoulders, 7½c; sugar-cured California hams, 6c; sugar-cured dried beef flats, 9c; sugar-cured dried beef sets, 10c; sugar-cured dried beef rounds, 12c; bacon shoulders, 5½c; bacon clear sides, 7½c; bacon clear bellies, 7½c; dry salt shoulders, 5¼c; dry salt clear sides, 7c. Mess pork, heavy, $11 50; mess pork, family, $12 00. Lard—Refined, in tierces, 5½c; half-barrels, 6c; 60-lb tubs, 6c; 20-lb pails, 6¼c; 50-lb tin cans, 5¾c; 3-lb tin pails, 6⅝c; 5-lb tin pails, 6⅝c; 10-lb tin pails, 6½c; 5-lb tin pails, 6½c. Smoked sausage, long, 5c; large, 5c. Fresh pork links, 9c. Boneless hams, 10½c. Pigs' feet, half-barrels, $4 00; quarter barrel, $2 15.

Lumber.

It is very rare that builders are able to get in as much work in winter as this season. As a result demand for lumber is unexpectedly good. The failure of the snow crop in Western Virginia and Michigan proves a hindrance to logging, and higher prices the coming season are not improbable as a result. At present the prices of the past few months still hold good and are as follows:

PINE UNPLANED—YARD QUOTATIONS.

Clear boards, per M	$52 00@55 00
Select common boards, per M	30 00
Common boards per M	20 00
Sheathing	18 00
Pine frame lumber per M	22 00@27 00
Shingles, No. 1, 18 in. per M	5 00
Shingles, No. 2, 18 in. per M	3 75
Lath	3 00

PLANED.

Clear boards, per M	$60 00
Surface boards	30 00@35 00
Clear, ⅜-inch beaded ceiling	25 00
Partition boards, per M	35 00
Flooring, No. 1	30 00
Flooring, No. 2	25 00
Yellow pine flooring	30 00@40 00
Weather-boarding, moulded, No. 1	30 00
Weather-boarding, moulded, No. 2	25 00
Weather-boarding, ½-inch	20 00

HARD WOODS—YARD QUOTATIONS.

Ash, 1 to 4 in	$40 00@55 00
Black walnut, green, log run	45 00@50 00
Black walnut, dry, log run	60 00@75 00
Cherry	40 00@80 00
Green white oak plank, 2 to 4 in	20 00@25 00
Dry white oak plank, 2 to 4 in	22 00@25 00
Dry white oak boards, 1 in	20 00@25 00
West Va. yellow pine, 1 inch	20 00@25 00
West Va. yellow pine, 1½ inch	25 00@30 00
West Va. yellow poplar, ⅝ to 1 in	18 00@25 00
Hickory, 1½ to 3 in	18 00@25 00
Hemlock building lumber, per M	14 00
Bank rails	14 00
Boat studding	14 00
Coal car plank	18 00

HARD WOODS—JOBBING PRICES.

Ash	$30 00@45 00
Walnut log run, green	25 00@45 00
Walnut log run, dry	35 00@50 00
White oak plank, green	17 00@19 00
White oak plank, dry	18 00@23 00
White oak boards, dry	18 00@23 00
West Va. yellow pine, 1 in	21 00@24 00
West Va. yellow pine, 1½ in	20 00@25 00
Yellow poplar	18 00@28 00
Hickory, 1½ to 3 in	20 00@25 00
Hemlock	9 00@10 00
Bunk rails	14 00
Boat studding	14 00
Coal car plank	18 00

—The Wisconsin State Grange, Patrons of Husbandry, is holding its annual session. Grand Master Carr, in his annual address, alluded to the depressed condition of agricultural interests at the present time. Farmers are compelled, he said, to pay too much interest and borrow too much money, and he explained that farmers are forced to market their products at low figures owing to the machinations of trusts and cliques. He insists that there should be more farmers in Congress.

—The stockholders of the Brownlow Mining Company, of St. Louis, who, upon the representation of the President that the mine was worthless, sold their stock to Denver parties, have discovered that a vein of fine smelting ore, yielding $800 per carload, was concealed by the former superintendent until their stock was disposed of. An investigation will be had, and suit brought to set aside the transfers of stock.

—The House Committee on Coinage, Weights and Measures called upon Secretary Windom at the Treasury Department and discussed, informally, the question of silver coinage. The Secretary informed the committee that he was preparing a bill on the subject embodying the features of the plan outlined in his annual report, which he expected to have ready for submission to Congress by next Monday.

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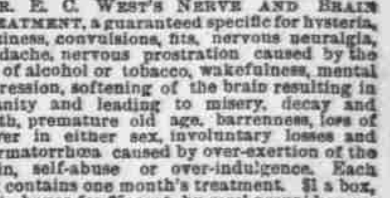

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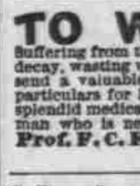

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