several outside interests, which divided my attention and weakened my resources. I

are admittedly overbuilt, but the contrary is true here. With all the building of the past and previous years it is impossible to house all the people who are seeking to locate in this aty. Even citizens are sometimes left out in

year will witness a change in this matter and steps be taken to bring the supply within re-spectable distance of the demand. It has been mentioned that two companies have been organized to build 500 houses between them and may do better. The initial sieps to form another company to build 200 mere taken yesterday. Individual building sigmises to be on a larger scale than ever

imitets have become convinced that Caritalists have become convinced that houses are the best investment, particularly where they can be sold or rented before completion, and will be large builders this year. Altozether there are about 2,000 houses provided for, which will be commenced as soon as the weather will permit. This is a rood beginning, but the number should be quadrupled to even approximately most the emergency.

He Had Enough.

That distance lends enchantment to the view is shown by the following incident. A prominent business man on Fifth avenue had been withing for an o 3-fashioned snow, such been withing for an o i-fashioned snow, read as was common when he was a boy, it came could not be ascertained, and the assertained are could not be ascertained as a second not be ascertained as a second not be assertained as a second not be ascertained as a second not be assertained as a second not be ascertained as a second not be assertained as a second not and found the snow about two feet deep I felt like a boy of 15. It was exhibitrating, and visio s of sleigh rides with pretty girls filtred through my mind. Welt, I ate my breakinst and started for the street my station. It was glorious, the short walk through the snow. When I reached the station I was told the cars were not running. They had been snowed up. This necessitated a tramp of a raile. I made the journey, but the snow was not half so beautiful as before. In finct, it was positively disagreeable. I want no more loybood snow. was positively uses, orthood snow... ink it is the same with everything else, ink it is the same with everything else. "I think it is the same with everything else. Out and indule-aged neople are not to think things were better when they were boys, but when tested it is mearly always found that the new ways are the best."

Business News and Gossip.

Turn your leaves to day, and silek to what-ever you resolve to do, if it's right.

The sale of the Richmond property was noted in this column six weeks ago. The papers passed on Tuesday, Yearly settlements are now in order. Local distursements on this account will approxi-

Wood is still the popular material for houses but brick is making good progress. Stone about holds its own, the record showing 23 see of this material the past year, against 21

Ufficers of the Exchange will be elected toocrow. There will be practically no opposinon to the slate, The record of the stock market for the year shows that while reliable dividend-payers more than held their own, all others submitted to essions. Water will evaporate, wholesate drygoods dealer said yesterday that his business the past year was 30 per cent better than in 1889. This is rather below the average of improvement taking the city through.

through.

Two building permits were issued yesterday—one to C. W. McLlinn, for a frame two-story store and dwelline, 22x50 feet, on Finance street, Twenty-first ward, to cost 5000, and the other to A. H. Colins for a brick two-story stable, 15x17 feet, on Butler street, Fifteenth ward, to cost 5500.

The largest of 35 morrgages on file for record resterday was for \$5,000.

Movements in Realty.

Black & Baird sold to S. B. Harper for John | 5,580; St. Paul, 8,025; Union Paci H. Miller a new frame dwelling of ten rooms, on Summerlea street, near Walnut street, hasivatde, with 10: 40x161, for \$6,250. This is the third dwelling on this street recently sold

S. A. Dickie & Co. sold for J. W. Moore to Mrs. E. J. Stoner, four lots on Long avenue, wenty-first ward, 28x100 each, for \$2,400. uel W. Black & Co. sold for Reed B. Coole & Co. the property situate at Marion station, Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, being ot No. 5 Marion place plan size 40x115 with a two-story frame dwelling of six rooms, for a tribe approximating \$5,092. This is the second property sold by them in that locality last man & Co. had no effect other than a senti-Brown & Saint sold to H. F. Texter three

ots in the Bank of Commerce addition plan, Brushion, fronting 120 feet on the south side of Selly street and extending back 137 feet to a Charles Samers & Co. sold for W. M. Verner Charles Somers & Co. sold for W. M. Verner to J. R. Holland three lots on Garrett street, East End, each 25 x120 feet, for \$1,800. Rend ft. Corle & Co. sold to Mrs. Susannah Caddleck two lots in the Twenty-third ward, fronting 40 feet on Monongahela street by 100

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W. A. Herron & Sons sold a frame house of six rooms and attic, lo: 40x140 feet, on Blain street, Brushton, in the Bank of Commerce piau, for \$2,800.

UPS AND DOWNS OF OIL.

Net Loss in Price During the Year Nearly

Forty Cents. The oil market wound up for the year yester day dull, but with considerable backbone, due to bullish conditions generally. It opened at 70%, which was also the highest. The lowest Railroad bonds again showed a moderate amount of animation with a strong tone, and many of the active bonds scored material improvement. The salient features of the year were presented vesterday, and little remains to be added. The highest price, 108, was in January, and the lowest, 645, in December. The net loss for the year was a 2, cents. The raily of the last two weeks was due principally to the producers' movement. Indications favor more netivity and better prices before the year is very old.

Reined was marked up at Antwern.

Renned was marked up at Antwern, Average runs, 77,825; average shipments, 86,489; average charters, 16,779. Clearings were 8,000 barrels. McGrew, Wilson & Co., Eisner Building, quote puts, 70%c; calls, 75%674c.

Other Oil Markets

Oil CITY, Dec. 31.—National Transit Certifi-cates opened at 70%; inghest, 71c; lowest, 65%; closed at 71c. Sales, 111,600 barrels; clearances, 460,600 barrels; charters, 19,017 bar-rels; shipments, 28,157 barrels; runs, 169,813 bay-rels. Carrying, 406,50c. Buckeye, 1854c; sales, 1,000 barrels; runs, 43,715 barrels; shipments, 50,651 barrels.

BRADFORD, Dec. 31.—National Transit Cer-dicates opened at 70%; closed at 71c; highest, 1c; lowest, 78c; clearances, 32,000 barrels. New York, Dec. 31.—Petroleum opened werk, became duil, sagged slowly until near the close-twien a reaction followed, closing sceady. Pennsylvania oil—Spot opening, 70%c; nighest, 70%c; lowest, 69%c; closing, 70%c; hensylvania oil—January option: Opening, 70%c; howest, 70; closing, 70%c; howest, 70; closing, 70%c; highest, 70%c; lowest, 70; closing, 70%c; highest, 70%c; howest, reclusing like. Total sales, 219,000 parrels.

MONEY MARKET.

The Record of the Year Made Up-Astonishing Gains.

money and a fair supply to take care of legiti-mate business. Rates were steady on the basis of 6@7 per cent, with more emphasis than for WILL TURN A LEAF.

mate business. Rates were steady on the basis of 6@7 per cent, with more emphasis than for some time on the inside figure. Clearings were \$1,904,922 26 and balances \$240,092 59.

The business of the Clearing House for the year was given in detail in tolly paper yesterday, to which the following is added to make the record complete. Total transactions for 1890 were \$902,280,025 07; total for 1899, \$760,638.

Good Prospect of a Radical Improvement in the Building industry.

Points of the Speculative Markets

Leaves without number will be turned by business men as well as others to-day. One of the former said yesterday; "I will turn a leaf to-morrow. I intend to stick closer to my business this year than I did last. I was on deck all the time, but engaged in several outside interests, which divided my attend and weekeened my resources. I

Closing Bond Quotations.

NEW YORK-Bank clearings, \$103,004,037; New York—Bank clearings, \$102,004,037; balances, \$4.739.874.

BOSTON—Bank clearings to-day, \$14,338,977; balances, \$1,955,348. Money 3 per cent.

BALLIMONE—Bank clearings, \$2,302,214; balances, \$509,157. Rate, 6 per cent.

CHICAGO—Bank clearings for the day, \$12,-419.40; For the month of December they were \$159,252,541, against \$12,176,663 for December, 1888. For the year 1890 for they were \$168,145,904, against \$3,379,925,189 for the year 1880, showing an increase in 1880 of \$713,220,715.

THE LAST SESSION.

should be bit, and as a result few figures were put on the board. As stated yesterday, the year's record shows losses from fractions to points in nearly everything on the list except strictly fress nearby eggs.

FARTHERS—EVERALTY IVE gress. 50000c: No. 1

High jimbs was the feature of the afternoon session, little attention being given to business. During the progress a game of football was played with Captain Barbour's stove-pine hat. It was afterwayd burned, and around the flames the crowd performed a scalp dance. Several other head coverings were badly battered. Captain Barbour severed his official connection with the Exchange in a few happy words, which "brought down the house." Henry M. Long then moved a vote of thanks to the retining Secretary. It was unanimously adopted. This closed the last session of the Pittsburg Exchange for 1890.

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NEW YORK STOCKS

Shares Open as Dull as on Tuesday, but Soon Change Sharply for the Better, Led by Lackawanna and

NEW YORK, Dec. 31 .- Considering that this was the last day of the year the stock market displayed a good deal of strength on a fairly active business, and money was comparatively

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

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ehigh Navigation	47%	
Philadelphia and Erie	2017	
Northern Pacific common	21%	

DOMESTIC MARKETS.

OFFICE OF PITTSBURG DISPATCH, WEDNESDAY, Dec. 31, 1890.

Country Produce-Jobbing Prices. Commission men report trade very active. Supply of turkeys is large, but demand proved larger and price advanced to 20c per pound in a jobbing way. The New Year's turkey is more expensive than that for Christmas. The highest price of the year was on the last day. Other poultry is less active, and chickens are a shade lower. Our markets are much better supplied with potatoes of late, and prices are 15c per bushel below the highest point. Fresh eggs are good stock and outside quotations rule. Creamery butter has weakened, and quotations of last week are slightly shaded by jobbers.

APPLES-\$5 60@6 00 a barrel. BUTTEE-Creamery, Eigin, 32@33c; Ohio do, 28@29c; common country butter, 10@15c; choice country rolls, 18@20c; fancy country rolls, 23@ 25c.
BEANS—New crop beans, navy. \$2 30@2 35;
marrows, \$2 35@2 40; Lima beans, 6@64c.
BESSWAX—25@30c ₩ B for choice; low grade,

How the Stock Exchange Wound Up Business for the Year.

As there was no hungering and thirsting for local stocks yesterday, very little business was transacted. Sales were 8 shares of Electric at 13½, and 20 Central Traction at 19½.

The full list was called, but, as the "boys" had no orders, they were afraid to bid, lest they should be bit, and as a result few figures were should be board. As stated yesterday, the

year's record shows losses from fractions to points in nearly everything on the list except bank shares.

An attempt was made after the second call to adjourn, and the question was put to vote, but there was so much merriment that the result could not be ascertained, and the afternoon call became a necessity.

High jinks was the feature of the afternoon

dies, 14@15ca pound; whose venison, logice pound.

HONEY—New crop white clover, 20@22c P lb.
California honey, 12@15c P lb.
MAPLE SYRUP—75@95c a can; maple sugar,
9@10c F h.
NUTS—Chestnuts, \$5 00@5 50 a bushel; walnuts, 70@75c a bushel; shell bark hickof nuts,
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roasted; green, 4½@6c P h; pecans, 16: P h;
new French Waluuts, 10½@16c P h
POULTRY—Alive—Chickens, young, 35@50c;
eld, 55@85c; turkeys, 14@15c a pound; ducks, 60
@75c a pair; geese, choice, \$1 25@1 30 a pair.

POULTRY—Alive—Chickens, young, 35@50c; old, 55@65c; turkeys, 14@15c a pound; ducks, 60 @75c a pair; geese, choice, \$1 25@1 30 a pair. Dressed—Turkeys, 20@21c a pound; ducks, 14@15c a pound; chickens, 11@12c; geese, 8@9c.

Tallow—Country, 4c; city rendered, 5c.

SKEDS—Recleaned Western clover, \$5 00@ 5 25; country medium clover, \$4 00@4 25; timothy, \$1 50@15c; bine grass, \$2 85@3 00; orchard grass, \$1 50; milet, 70@75c.

TROPICAL FRUITS—Lemons, \$4 50; fancy, \$5 00@6 50; Jamaica oranges, \$3 75@4 00 a box; hananas, \$2 50 firsts, \$1 50 groot seconds, \$5 bunch; Malaga grapess \$7 00@12 59 a nalf barrel, according to quality; figs, 15@16c \$7 h; dates, 45@55/c \$7 h.

VEGETABLES—Potatoes, \$1 20@1 25 \$7 bushel; Southern sweets, \$2 25@2 75 \$7 barrel; Jersey, \$3 50@4 00; kiln dried, \$4 00 a barrel; celery, 40@65c a dozen bunches; parsnips, 35c a dozen; carrots, 35c a dozen; parsley, 10c a dozen; spinach, 70c a bushel; horseradish, 50@75c a dozen.

Groceries.

The last day of the year was quiet in this department, and merchants were not sorry as they are now up to the eyes in stock-taking. There

are no changes to report. GREEN COFFEE-Fancy, 2434@2534c: choice

MINERS OIL—No.1 winter strained, 40@43c; \$\pi\$ gallon; summer, 35@37c; lard oil, 55@58c. Syrup—Corn syrup, 25@30c; choise sugar syrup, 35@38c; prime sugar syrup, 32@35c; strictly prime, 34@35c.

N. O. Mollassis—Faney, new crop, 42c; choice, 40c; medium, 35@38c; mixed, 34@36c.

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N. O. Mollassis—Strain in the discount of the color, 12c; choice, 40c; medium, 35@38c; mixed, 34@36c.

N. O. Mollassis—Strain in the discount of the color, 12c; choice, 12c; choice, 12c; paraine, 12c; choice, 12c; prime, 12c; paraine, 12c; corn starch, 64@7c; gloss starch, 66c.

gloss starch, 6@7c. FGREIGN FRUITS-Layer raisins, \$2 65: Lon-

was the last day of the pear the stock market displayed a good deal of strength on a fairly active business, and money was comparatively active business, and money was comparatively as a substance of the last o

OATMEAL-\$7 00@7 25 \$7 bbl.

Grain, Flour and Feed. Sales on call at the Grain Exchange to-day, I car No. I timothy hay, \$9 50, 5 days; I car No. l car No. 1 timothy hay, \$9 50, 5 days; 1 car No. 2 y. e. core, 62/4c, 10 days; 1 car 2 y. s. corn, new, 55c, 10 days; 5 cars 2 w. oass, 50c, free in elevator. Receipts as bulletined, 17 cars. By Pittsburg, Ft. Wayne and Chicago Railway, 4 cars of oats, 20 i flour, 1 of bran, 1 of bariey, By Pittsburg, Cincinnati and St. Louis, 3 cars of corn, 1 of bran and middlings, 1 of hay, 1 of bran, 1 of middlings, By Pittsburg and Western, 1 car of oats, 1 of wheat. There is a firmer tone to oats and millfeed. Choice hay is also firm, but common grades are very dull. Wheat and flour are quies. SICK HEADACHE_Carter's Little Liver Pills.

sick headache Carter's Little Liver Pills. The year closed with a light demand for Norfolk & Western pf. 51% 52% 52% Conn-No. 1 old, shelled, 60@61c; No. 2 57@

58c; high mixed, 56@57c; mixed, 55@56c; new No. 2 yellow shelled corn, 545@55c; new high mixed, 55@56c; No. 2 yellow ear corn, old, 67@66c; new No. 2 y. e. corn, 625@53c; new high mixed ear corn, 58@56c.

OATS-No. 1, 49@4954c; No. 2 white, 4856@50c; extra, No. 3, 465@67c; mixed oata, 455@46c.

Rye-No. 1 Pennsylvania and Ohio, 76@77c; No. 1, Western, 74@76c.

FLOUR-Jobbidg prices-Fancy spring and winter patent flour, \$5 50@5 75; fancy straight winter, \$4 85@5 16; fancy straight spring, \$4 85@5 16; fancy straight winter, \$4 85@5 16; fancy straight prings, \$4 85@5 16; floer winter, \$4 75@5 00; straight XXXX bakers. \$4 50@4 75.

Buckwheat flour, 25 50@5 75; fancy straight XXXX bakers. \$4 50@4 75.

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Buckwheat flour, 25 50@5 00; straight XXXX bakers. \$4 50@4 75.

Buckwheat flour, 25 50@5 00; winter wheat flour, 25 50@10 50@21 00; winter wheat brun, \$21 00@21 50.

HAX-Baled timothy, choice, \$10 50@10 75; No. 1, 80 50@10 00; No. 2 do. \$8 00@8 50; loose from wagon, \$12 00@14 00, according to quality; No. 2 prairie hay, \$7 25@7 50; packing do. \$7 00.

STRAW-Oat, \$6 50@7 00; wheat and rye, \$6 000\$ 50.

OFFICE OF THE PITTSBURG DISPATCH. \$1. WEDNESDAY, Dec. 31.

STRAW - Oat, \$6 50@7 00; wheat and rye,

Provisions.

Sugar-cured hams, large, 334c; sugar-cured hams, medium, 934c; sugar-cured hams, small, 19c; sugar-cured breakfast bacon, 834c; sugar-10c: sugar-cured breakfast bacon, 8/c: sugar-cured shoulders, 6/c; sugar-cured boneless shoulders, 7/c; skinned shoulders, 7/c; skinned hams, 10/c: sugar-cured California hams, 6/c: sugar-cured dried beef flats, 9c; sugar-cured dried beef sets, 10c; sugar-cured dried beef rounds, 12c: bacon shoulders, 7/c: bacon, clear sides, 7c; bacon, clear sides, 7c; dry salt shoulders, 5/c; dry salt clear sides, 6c. Mess pork, heavy, \$11.50; mess pork, family, \$11.50. Lard—Refined, in tierces, 5/c: half-harrels, 5/c; 60-B tubs, 5/c; 20-B palls, 6/c; 50-B tin cans, 5/c; 3-B tin palls, 6/c; 5-B tin palls, 6/c; 5-B tin palls, 6/c; 5-B conseless hams, 10/c. Pigs feet, half-barrels, \$1.00; quarter-barrels, \$2.10.

Lumber.

This trade is now at its quietest time for the year. Volume of trade, according to moderate estimates, has been fully one-third larger this year than last or any previous year, and the outlook for another good year is considered by lumbermen as good as it has ever been. Hard woods have advanced slightly in price the year past, but other woods are unchanged.

PINE UNPLANED-YARD QUOTATIONS.
Clear boards, per M
HARD WOODS-YARD QUOTATIONS.
Ash, 1 to 4 in Hack wainut, green, log run
Clear boards, per M \$ 60 00

Boat studding	****	14 0
PLANED.		
Clear boards, per M. Surface hoards. Clear, \$\tilde{S}_{-}\$ inch beaded celling. Partition boards, per M. Flooring, No. 1. Flooring, No. 2. Yellow pine flooring. Weather-boarding, moulded, No. 1 Weather-boarding, moulded, No. 2 Weather-boarding, moulded, No. 2 Weather-boarding, moulded, No. 2	30 30	25 0 30 0 25 0
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New York Coffee Market. NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—Coffee options opened barely steady, 10@20 points down, closed steady, 5@10 points up. Sales, 25,000 bags, including June, 14,80c; January, 16,65@15.80c; March, 15,30@15.35c; February, 15,65@15.80c; March, 15,30@15.35c; May, 14,96@15.00c; July, 14,60c. Spot Rio firm and quiet; fair cargoes, 19%c; No. 7, 17%c.

Price of Bar Silver. SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCE.: NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—Bar silver—Londo 48d; New York, \$1 (3)/64 00.

GREEN COFFEE—Fancy, 2414@2514c; choice
Rio, 2214@2314c; prime Rio, 28c; low grade Rio,
2014@2114c; old Government Java, 2014@30c;
Maracaibo, 2514@2714c; Mocha, 36@32c; Santos,
2020c; Caracas, 2527c; La Guayra, 25@27c.
ROASTED (in papers)—Standard brands, 2414c;
high grades, 274@30c; old Government Java,
bulk, 312336c; aiaracaibo, 2524c; Santos, 286
30c; peaberry, 30c; choice Rio, 254c; prime Rio,
2414c; good Rio, 2514c; ordinary, 21@22c.
SPICES (whole)—Cloves, 15@18c; allspice, 10c;
cassia, 8c; pepper, 13c; nutmeg, 56@80c.
PETROLEUM (jobbers' prices)—10c test, 7c;
Ohio, 120°, 834c; headlight, 100°, 834c; water
white, 10@1014c; globe, 14@1134c; pool Rio,
250. MINERS' OIL—No.1 winter strained, 40@48c;
pration; summer, 35@37c; laru oil, 55@88c.
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pration; summer, 35@37c; laru oil, 55@88c.
SPRUP—Corn syrup, 25@30c; choice sugar
syrup, 35@30c; choice sugar
syrup, 25@30c; choice According to the oldest veterans, such a widespread condition of paralysis was unprecedented since the invention of the telegraph.

The first symptoms of the gradually widening stoppage of all electric communi-cations were first noticed south of Louisville, and yesterday the trouble had grown to such proportions that the usual makeur of long circuits had been completely aban-doned, and a curious patchwork of round-about routes substituted for the more important telegraphic traffic.

THE FAILURES OF THE YEAR.

The Number but Little Larger, but the Liabilities Much Heavier Than in 1889.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31 .- The business failures occurring throughout the United States for the entire year 1890, as reported by R. G. Dun & Co., are 10,907 in number, being but 25 greater than in the year 1889, when the number was 10,882. The liabilities, however, show a very large increase over those of 1889, being \$189,000,000 as against \$148,000,000, an increase of \$41,000,000. These are the largest liabilities since 1884, when they amounted to \$226,000,000.

In Canada the failures for the year are 1,847 in number, as against 1,777 during the previous year. The liabilities are \$18,000,000 in 1890, as against \$14,000,000 in 1889.

A NOVA SCOTIA TOWN BURNED.

The Greater Part of the Village of Puge-

wash Is in Ashes. PUGEWASH, N. S., Dec. 31 .- The greater part of the business portion of this town is in rains. Thirteen buildings are reported to have been destroyed.

The loss, it is estimated, will amount to \$75,000, with little or no insurance.

Schedule of the Venable Assignment. NEW YORK, Dec. 31 .- The firm of Venable & Heyman, dealers in liquors, who assigned to Robert J. Dean, filed a schedule to-day showing liabilities \$553,078; nominal assets, \$577,015, and actual assets, \$294,680.

A Set-Back for Palmer. ROCK ISLAND, Dec. 31 .- The special election held in the Twenty-first Senatorial district vesterday, resulted in the election of William Payne, the Republican nom-inee, by about 1,500 majority over W. C. Wilson, the Farmers' Alliance candidate.

Six Drowned in a Shipwreck.

SICK HEADACH Carter's Little Liver Pills

OFFICE OF THE PITTSBURG DISPATCH.)
WEDNESDAY, Dec. 31. 5
The last week of 1890 proved to be one of the best of the year for shippers of live stock to our local markets. Prices realized were the highest for many months past, both at the Allegheny and East Liberty yards, and general quality of cattle was much above late average. All the past year there has been a scarcity of smooth, light, butcher cattle, weighing from 1,100 to 1,200 pounds, the kind our markets call for. Prime beeves have, for a year or two past, been an unknown quantity in our markets. It seems that shippers have mended their ways seems that shippers have mended their ways and consirned an unusually large number of desirable cattle to our local markets this week, and buyers, who were present in full force, responded by paying cheerfully the advance, which was maintained all along the line. The run of cattle at the East Liberty yards varied very little this week from last. Last week, however, demand was light, as turkey was on top, and prices failed to advance, though supply was little more than half the late average. Total receipts last week were about 75 loads.

Good to Prime Beeves. On Monday morning market opened with 70 loads on sale, and about 10 loads have been received since. There was an unusually large proportion of good to prime beeves in this week's offerings. At least 20 carloads were good, and came in the main from Southern good, and came in the main from Southern Ohio. A few loads, averaging from 1,500 to 1,600 pounds in weight, were sold at 50 to 3½c, the latter being the highest price paid. The same quality of beeves were 25c to 30; per cwt lower a week ago. The market may be quoted from 15c to 30c higher than it has been of late. Common cattle, which advanced the least, were of slow sale. There was a good inquiry for stockers, but supply was very light. The run of cows and calves was light and markets firm, and prices were better than have ruled of late. Good vealers were strong at 6c to 6½c per pound. The advance in cattle this week about corresponds with advance of prices at Chicago.

Sheep and Lambs.

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The run has been very light, not above half the late average. Not over 10 loads were offered, against 20 loads last week. The light supply is accounted for by the heavy snows through sections from

the heavy snows through sections from which our supplies come. Owing to light supply markers have been firm all the week at 25c per cwt. higher than last week.

There were 80 loads of hogs on sale Monday morning against 45 loads the previous Monday. Market opened steady with 83 90 as the top price for Philadelphias. Tuesday's market was not so active, as quality of offerings were not up to those of Monday. This morning there were but 3 loads on sale, and the top of the market ranged from \$5.70 to \$5.80.

Cattle-Receipts, 588 head; snipments, 420 head. Market firm: prime, \$4.7056 (0; fair to good, \$4.2024 40; common, \$3.5024 00; buils, cows and stars, \$2.0023 00. Seven cars cattle shipped to New York to-day.

Hogs-Receipts, 2,850 head; shipments, 1,800 head. Market firm; Philadelphias, \$3.8023 90; mixed, \$5.7023 75; heavy Yorkers, \$3.5023 65; light Yorkers, \$3.3023 40; pirs, \$2.5023 10.

Three cars hogs shipped to New York to-day.

Sheep-Receipts, 1,110 head; shipments, 600 head. Market fair; prime, \$5.0025 30; fair to good, \$4.2524 75; common, \$1.5023 00; lambs, \$4.0026 25; veal caives, \$5.0026 25.

McCall & Co.'s Weekly Review.

The supply of cattle being light and a good attendance of buyers, the market opened up active at an advance of 20 to 40c per cwt. on all grades, but closing dull, some going through in first hands. We give the following as ruling prices: Prime, 1,300 to 1,600 fbs, \$4.70 to \$5.00; good, 1,200 to 1,400 fbs, \$4.25 to \$4.65; TELEGRAPH WIRES PARALYZED.

The Misty Weather of Yesterday Almost

Knocked Them Out.

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—Nearly the entire telegraph system of the United States wasin

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Second 1,200 to 1,300 hs, \$1 25 to \$1 50; good, 1,200 to 1,300 hs, \$1 25 to \$1 50; good feeders, 1,000 to 1,200 hs, \$2 25 to \$3 25; mixed lots, cows, buils and heifers, \$2 00 to \$2 75; fresh cows and springers, slow at \$20 to \$40. Cattle prospects not encouraging for these prices for next week.

By Telegraph.

CHICAGO—The Evening Journal reports:
Cattle — Receipts, 12,000 head; shipments, 4,000 head; market scarce and steady; extra steers, \$5 00%5 30; other steers, \$4 00%4 86; butchers' stock, \$1 15%2 75; stockers, \$2 00%2 85. Hogs—Receipts, 30,000 head; shipments, 5,000 head; market higher; mlxed, \$3 50%3 65; prime, heavy and butchers weights, \$3 70%3 90; light, \$3 50%3 70. sheep—Receipts, \$000 head; shipments, \$0,000 head; market easier; natives, \$3 70%4 80; Westerns, \$4 40%5 05; Texaps, \$2 90%4 30; lambs, \$4 80%6 20.

ST LOUIS—Cattle—Receipts 1 300 head; shippents, \$4 10%5 05; Texaps, \$2 90%4 30; lambs, \$4 80%6 20.

sambs, \$4 80@6 20.

\$T. LOUIS—Cattle—Receipts, 1,300 head; shipments, 200 head; market steady; good to fancy, \$4 40@5 00; fair to good, \$3 90@4 50; stockers and feeders, \$2 00@3 30; Texas and Indians, \$2 30@3 50. Hogs—Receipts, 500 head; shipments, 500 head; market easier: fair to choice heavy, \$3 50@3 65; mixed, \$3 20@3 50; light, fair to best, \$3 20@3 35. Sheep—Receipts, 300 head; shipments none; market firm; good to choice, \$4 20@5 40.

\$4 20.25 40.

BUFFALO—Cattle steady; receipts, 66 loads through, 2 sale. Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 5 loads through, 2 sale; fair demand and a shade lower; sheep, choice to extra, \$5 225 59; good to choice, \$5 6025 20; lambs, choice to extra, \$6 0026 49; good to choice, \$5 7525 95. Hogs excited and higher; receipts, 15 loads through, 30 sale; mediums, heavy and mixed, \$3 7026 3 85.

CINCINNATI—Hogs barely steady and un-changed; receipts, 7,600 head; shipments, 900 head. Cattle easy and unchanged; receipts, 1,000 head; shipments, none. Lambs scarce and steady but unchanged.

THE FLOOD NOT COMING.

Rivermen Are Not Alarmed, but Expect a Fair-Sized Rise.

Dullness reigned along the rivers vesterday The expected big flood seems to have disap-pointed the wharf sharps. A high ever is, however, expected and due preparation is be ing made for its reception. No serious trouble is anticipated, however, from the promised thaw. Rivermen say that floods are not at all common at this time of the year.

The towboats Nellie Walton and L. N. Bunton were the only boats to arrive at this port vesterday. ton were the only boats to arrive at this port yesterday.

The packets are all in port. New Year's Day will be celebrated in right merry on board.

The steamers Scotia and Congo are reported tied up at Chechanati. The crews will spend New Year's Day there.

Captain Henderson, of the Pittsburg and Cincinnati Packet Line, ushered in the new year with a party to his friends. A really good time was enjoyed by all present.

Big Offer for St. Vincent,

NEW CASTLE, PA., Dec. 31.-Clark & Book, proprietors of the Locust Grove stock farm, have been offered \$20,000 by the owner of Bell Boy for St. Vincent (2:30), by Wilkes Boy, out of Alleen, recently purchased by Powell Brothfrom Kingston, Jamaica to Caymas Islands, has been weeked, and the captain and five of the crew drowned.

Firs, spasms, St. Vitus dance, nervousness and hysteria are soon cured by Dr. Miles' Nervine. Free samples at Jos. Feming & Sen's, Market st.

of Alleen, recently purchased by Powillers for Slands. Through the veins of St. Vincent flow the finest strains of trotting blood in the world. His grandsire is George Wilkes, sive or Harry and Guy Wilkes and 65 others with records of 2:30 or better. He was foaled in 1884, stands 15.3, and weighs 1,150 pounds. Lafe Shaffer, who gave Allie Wilkes a record last year, will liandle St. Vincent flow on the world. His grandsire is George Wilkes, with records of 2:30 or better. He was foaled in 1884, stands 15.3, and weighs 1,150 pounds. Lafe Shaffer, who gave Allie Wilkes a record last year, will liandle St. Vincent flow in a record below 2:30.

Miller's Unpaid Salary. George Miller, the lo al catcher, was not in the best of humor yesterday. George still wants \$485 of his last season's salary, and he MARKETS BY WIRE.

Bad Weather and News of a Failure Depres Wheat-Corn More Active-Provisions Active and Strong-Markets From All Points.

CHICAGO-The wheat market opened weak and lower under the influence of the rain and the failure reported from New York of the Wall street firm of Batenan Brothers. The opening price for the May delivery was 97%c, with a few sales at 97%c, and one or two transactions at 97%c. There was a good demand at the decline and an immediate advance, which at the end of the first ten minutes, caused som of the sellers at the start to buy back at 98c the

of the sellers at the start to buy back at 98c the wheat they had sold at the opening for 97%c. The advance at this point bumped against the call price, and a moderate reaction occurred. The cables were even stronger in tone than they were yesterday.

The corn market was strong under the influence of the damp weather, which will, of course, lessen the proportion of No. 2 in the daily receipts. The provision market was active and strong. The receipts of hogs were far from answering the extravagant expectations indulged in by some of the opesacros yesterday.

The leading futures ranged as rollows, as corrected by John M. Oakley & Co., 45 Sixth stree, t members Chicago Board of Trade:

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WHEAT, NO. 2 Docember	80 89 9734	90 90 98%	89 80 97)4	80% 80% 98
January	49	4914	48%	4935
	49	4914	48%	4015
	82%	5234	60%	5036
December January May MRSS PORK.	41	41%	41	41%
	41	41%	41	41%
	45	45%	45	45%
January	\$8 10	\$8 25	\$8 10	85 25
	10 40	15 69	10 32%	10 50
	11 323 ₂	11 50	11 25	11 45
January February May SHORT RIBS,	5 87)6 6 10 6 47%	5 92% 6 12% 6 55		5 90 6 10 6 523
January February May	5 70	5 75	5 10	5 12%
	5 87%	5 37 %	5 112%	5 32%
	5 73	5 82 %	5 75	5 80

Cash quotations were as follows:
Flour quiet and unchanged. No. 2 spring wheat. 89/4859/c; No. 3 spring wheat. 89/4859/c; No. 3 spring wheat. 89/4859/c; No. 3 spring wheat. 82/885c; No. 2 rest. 91/460/3c; No. 2 corn. 49/4c; No. 2 corn. 41/461/3c; No. 2 ryc. 65e; No. 2 barley nominal; No. 1 flaxseed, \$1 14/461 14/4; prime timothy seed, \$1 24/61 25. Mess pork, per bbl. \$2 25. Lard. per 100 lbs. \$5 87/4. Short rlb sides (loose), \$1 80/64 90; dry salted shoulders (boxed), \$4 25/64 35; short clear sides (boxed), \$5 30/65 35. Sugars unchanged. No. 3 barley, f. o. b. \$32/67c; No. 4 do do, \$36/67c; No. 2 white oats, \$42/42/c; No. 3 white oats, \$42/42/c. On the Produce Exchange to-day the butter market was unchanged. Eggs, 21/623c.

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NEW YORK—Flour active and stronger. Wheat—Spot market ½c up, and quiet; No. 2 red, \$1 05%, elevator; \$1 07%, afloat; \$1 009% 1 08%, f. o. b.; No. 3 red, \$1 01; ungraded red, \$1 07%; No. 1 Northern, \$1 08%; No. 1 hard, \$1 14. Options advanced ½@1c, closing firm on moderate receipts West and coverings by shorts; No. 2 red, December, \$1 04%, 21 05%, closing at \$1 05%; March, \$1 05%; Office of the covering at \$1 05%; closing at \$1 05%; doesing at \$1 00%; doesing a

erate demand: light skims, 434@9/c; skims, 29
23/c; Ohio flats, 6@9/c.

ST. LOUIS—Flour firm but quiet; XXX
\$2 90@3 00; family. \$3 10@3 25; choice, \$3 35@3
3 @: fancy, \$4 0@4 10; extra,\$4 35@4 45; patents,
\$4 70%4 \$0. Wheat opened at %c decline from
yesterday's closing prices on light receipts and
a reported increase of \$50,000 in business east
of the Rockies. The market strengthened,
however, and advanced notwithstauding the
fact that no advances were received from outside markets. Business was moderate, but
prices firm to the close: No. 2 red, cash, 93@
23/cc; January, 22%/936c; February closed
at \$44/cc; May, \$65/497%c, closing at
\$65/4897%c; July closed at \$83/c. Corn
opened %c lower, but advanced and ruledfirm to the close: No. 2 cash, 45/de/45/c; January closed at 47%/c; May, 49%/650%c, closing at
49/de/50c. Oats fligher and firm; No. 2 cash,
42/c bid; May, 45/c 452/c, closing at 45%/650c. Oats fligher and firm; No. 2 cash,
42/c bid; May, 45/c 452/c, closing at 45%/c bid.
Rye dull; No. 2 6% bid. Barley—Nothing done,
Hay flat; prairic, 85 50@9; timothy, \$10 75@12 50.
Bran quiet; sacken, 90c bid. Butter unchanged.
Ergs lower at 18/c. Cornmeal steady and vuchanged. Provisions firm; strong opward tendency. Pork higher: new mess, \$10 50. Lard,
\$5 65. Dry sait meats—Boxed shoulders, \$4;
longs, \$5; ribs, \$5 12/c; short clear, \$5 12/c; for longs
and ribs, \$5 50; short clear, \$5 62/c

PHILADELPHIA—Flour quiet and prices
larrely nominut. Wheat firmer and hisbar-

and ribs, \$5 50; short clear, \$5 62%.

PHILADELPHIA—Flour quiet and prices largely nominal. Wheat firmer and higher: No. 2 red December, 39%c; January, 39%99%c; February, \$1 01%1 01%c; March, \$1 9301-03%c; Corn firm and higher: No. 2 mixed clevator, 77%c; No. 2 yellow, in grain depot, 58c; No. 2 mixed, December, 57%658c; January, 57%658c; February, 58%658c; March, 59%659%c. Oats firm and options advanced %2%c in spmpathy with the West: No. 2 white, 49c; No. 2 white, December, 48%69c; January, 48%648c; February, 51%5134c; March, 51%5134c. Provisions dull and steady. Eggs scarce and firm. Pennsylvania firsts, 30c.

RAI JIMOSE—Wheat—Western firm, No. 2

sylvania firsts, 50c.

BALTIMORE—Wheat—Western firm; No. 2
winter red spot and December, 97/2c; January,
97/4697/2c; May, \$1 05/4/21 03/2. Corn—Western
firm; mixed, spot, year, January and May, 57c;
steamer, 55c. Oats dull, Rye nominal, Hay
steady. Provisions quiet, Butter steady. Eggs
active.

active.

KANSAS CITY—Wheat steady: No. 2 hard, cash, 83c, 85c asked; January, 83c bid; No. 2 red, cash, 83cc bid, 90c asked. Corn firm: No. 2 cash, 45%c; January, 46%c bid, 47c asked. Oats quiet; No. 2 cash, 46 bid, 49%c asked; January, 48%c bid, 44%c asked. quiet; No. 2 cash, 41c t 431/2c bid, 441/2c asked. CINCINNATI—Grain strong and higher. Wheat—No. 2 red, 97%c. Corn—No. 2 mixed, 55%55c. Oats—No. 2 mixed, 43c. Provisions stronger. Butter quiet. Eggs easy at 20c. Chuese quiet.

Metal Market. NEW YORK-Pig iron nominal. Copper nominal; lake, January, \$15.75. Lead unchanged; domestic, \$415. Tin gull and firmer; straits, \$19.05.

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