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FINANCE AND TRADE, OFFICE OF THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE, THURSDAY, December 17, 1868. The money merket is tightening, in conequence of which, gold declined to-day from 135%, 134%@134%, with a weak market. Cash gold is quite plenty, and 5 to 6 per cent. is paid for carrying it; the feeling at the decline, however, is very firm, and as soon as this stringency passes over a sharp advance is looked for, from the fact that the market has been heavily oversold within the last three days. Exchange is steady but less firm; the demand is light,

and the offerings will most likely exceed the demand. Government bonds are very weak and cent., with no disposition to operate for a cars up the Valley Road during yesterday rise at present. Everybody feels the necessity of keeping close to shore over the next January interest, and does not care for being burdened down now, when then there may be as much in bonds in a single day as there is for two months to come. Western roads, ore firm and higher on New York Central, Erie and North West-

ern, whilst the balance of the list is steady. Express shares are firm, but Mining shares are very dull. Money tightening more and more, and

business very dull. Closing quotations as received by Ph. R. Mertz: Gold, 1341/4; Eighty-one's, 1141/4; Five Twenties, 1862, 110; do, 1864, 1065; do, 1865, 10736; do, 1865, new, 10956; do, 1867, 109%; do, 1868, 110%; Ten Forties, 105%; Railroads -Cleveland & Pittsburg'i, 82; Pittsburgh, Fort Wayne & Chicago, 1101; Chicago & Rock Island, 107%; Chicago & North Western, 75%; do Preferred, 77%; Michigan Southern, 86%; Reading, 96%; Erie, 40%; New York Central, 127%; Ohio & Mississippi Certificates, 2914: Western Union Telegraph Co.,36%; Merchants Union Express Co., 1151; Pacific Mail, 1111; Adams, 4814; Mining shares—Gregory, 3,90; Quartz Hill, 74; Smith & Parmele, 3,30. Quartz Hill, 74; Smith & Parmele, 3,30.

—Closing quotations received by James T. Brady & Co.: Gold, 134½; United States Sixes, 1881's, 114½; 5-20's, 1862, 110; 5-20's, 1864, 1065½; 5-20's, 1865, 107½; 10-40's, 105½; 5-20's, January and July, '65, 109½; 5-20's, January and July, '65, 100½; 5-20's, January and July, '65, 100½; 5-20's, January and July, '65, 100½; 5-20's, January and July, '67 110½; '68, 110½; June 7-30's, par less ½; July 7-30's, do ½; August 119; Sept., 119; Oct. 118½; Union Pacific Railroad, 102; Central, 103.

PITTSBURGH LIVE STOCK MARKET. PENN'A CENTRAL STOCE YARDS, WEDNESDAY, December 16, 1868.

CATTLE. There was an improved demand for prime Cattle this week, and prices may be quoted 25 to 50c higher, but the comnoner grades continue dull and in good supply. The sales since Friday last foot up about 400 head at prices ranging from 6 to 8c for fair to choice fat steers, and 9 to 10c for premium stock-most generally termed Christmas Cattle. Isaac Vannatta has two car loads of extra Licking county steers, averaging 1,500 pounds, which he held at 9c, and one bullock, weighing 2,200, pounds, for which he asked \$300. J. Rinocker, had one extra bullock from Bourbon county, Kentucky, weighing four thousand pounds, and a drove of 32 head, from same place, averaging twenty-two hundred pounds. This stock was not offered here, being enroute to Philadelphia. Kentucky is famous for turning out fine Cattle and blooded horses, and it must be confessed, that the drove above referred to, is

on and after December 19th, there will be an advance of twenty cents per hundred on all live stock shipped at Chicago for Pittsburgh, and no return passes allowed to either shipper or owner. This may be just, but it will cause considerable growless. hard to beat. ing among those engaged in the live stock business, and will have a tendency to keep them from changing their quarters so

often.

Hedges & Taylor to J. Rambo 20 head, weighing 21,100, at 6,55; same to R. Maynes 2, weighing 2,350, at 6,50; Rothichilds to J. Moses 6, weighing 6,350, at 6; Holmes, Lafferty & Co. to J. Shirtar 2, weighing 2,285, weighing 6,50; same to J. Aull & Co. 59, weighing 6,50; same to J. R. Reamer 18, weighing 17,950, at 5,65; same to Swinstine 19, weighing 19,785, at 5,12%; Smith & Blue to same 3, weighing 2,475, at 5; Orr & Williams to G. Styer 2,

weighing 2,775, at 4; same to Swigart 18, weighing 17,035, at 4,25; same to P. Klemweighing 2,775, at 4; same to Swigat 16, weighing 17,035, at 4,25; same to P. Klemens 9 extra oxen, weighing 19,000, at 10; same to same 5, weighing 7,800, at 8,75; same to same 7, weighing 12,700, at 10; J. Hunter to orr & Williams 18, weighing 19,275, at 6.50; H. H. Crouse to Gawthorp 18, weighing 19,025, at 6; Rinecker to P. Klemens 2, weighing 2,475, at 8; M. Coroin to same 3, weighing 37,500, at 10; McFadden to S. Moses 16, weighing 21,200; J. Heskett to Aull & Co. 18, weighing 20,325, at 6,6214; same to same 18, weighing 20,000, at 5; Aull & Co. to J. McKenna 14, weighing 15,150, at 6,25; McCurdy to Aull & Co. 8, weighing 57,175, at 5; L. Rothchilds to R. Maynes 22, 7,175, at 5; L. Rothchilds to R. Maynes 22, weighing 25,150, at 7,12; Haddon to W. Durfey 30, weighing 34,725, at 6,20; L. Shamburg to Redner 23, weighing 22,700, at 3,65.

at 3,65. There is a continued fair demand, for prime fat Hogs, suitable for packing or ship-ment to Baltimore or Philadelphia, but the prime ist Hogs, such as are usually ment to Baltimore or Philadelphia, but the commonor grades, such as are usually bought for New York, are in good supply, dull, and 20 to 25 cts per cwt lower. The sales since the date of our last report have again been large, and prime to extra sold at from 8½ to 9 cts—but very few sold at the outside quotation, however. Common York Hogs, sold at from 7,75 to 8,25. E. H. Myers & Co. (packers,) bought 47 from Hedges & Taylor, weighing 11,100 at 8,25; 111 from J. Beals, weighing 26,600, at 8,35; 269 from Holmes, Lafferty & Co; at 8,25; 483, weighing 123,950, from John Moss at 8,75; 99 from J. Maddock weighing 26,975, at 8,45; and 100 from Holmes, Lafferty & Co; at 8,40.

SHEEP This grade of stock, in consequence of diminished arrivals, is considerably firmer, and prime fat Sheep may, be quoted at 25 to 37½ cts per hundred higher. The sales are comparatively light, which is owing to the fact that the number on sale was small—if the number had been larger, the sales would also have heen larger. Prices would also have been larger, the saies would also have been larger. Prices ranged all the way from, 3½ to 5½ cts per pound, for common to extra—there was but one drove sold at the outside quotation.

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Huntsman & Co. to Aull & Myers 94 head, weighing 6,875, at \$3,25; Hasson to G. Hesser 175, weighing 14,106, at 3,50; Holmes, L. & Co; to J. N. Pidcock 381, weighing 30,500, at 3,00; P. P. Miller, to same, 86, weighing 8,350, at 4,00; J. A. Blackburn, to same, 202, weighing 14,175, at 3,25; Crawford & Co. to same 305, weighing 24,400, at 3,90; F. Creston to same 94, weighing 6,450, at 3,50; J. R. Gibson to same 203, weighing 25,000, at 3,50; Hedges & Taylor to same 162, weighing 14,175, at 4,25; W. A. Taylor to same 298, weighing 33,150, at 5,50; W. Adams to same 166, weighing 12,775, at 4,00; C. R. Kennedy to same 101, weighing 9,300, at 3,50; W. A. Taylor to same 195, 7,000; Holmes, L. & Co. to Aull & Myers 175, weighing 15,240, at 3,50; Holmes, L. & Co. to Aull & Myers 176, weighing 16,125, at 3,50; J. S. Yoder to J. H. Aurentz 190, weighing 16,200, at 3,50; Holmes, L. & Co. to J. H. Arentz 175, weighing 16,125, at 3,50; J. S. Yoder to J. H. Aurentz 190, weighing 16,200, at 3,50; Holler & Lucas to C. Peirce 175, weighing 14,100, at 3,80; Hollmes, L. Co. to same 199, weighing 16,425, at 4,00; Holler & Lucas to W. Hill 199, weighing 16,200; Smith & Blue to G. Messer 210, weighing 15,000, at 4, 25; same to Killinger 191, weighing 15,000, at 4.

PITTSBURGH PETROLEUM MARKET

OFFICE OF THE PITTBURGH GAZETTE, THURSDAY, December 17, 1868. The most important feature in connection with the oil business to-day is increased shipments, and it is likely that they will be larger to morrow and next day. We understand that the Pennsylvania Railroad Company sent some two hundred and to-day, with a view of accommodating refiners who are anxious to have their oil in West Philadelphia off, or before Monday next, in response to the "calls" made on them some days since. Oil that is shipped to day or to-morrow, or possibly, Stocks, although lower on some of the on Saturday, can be delivered there on Railroad Company will not be to blame The officers of the Company have done all that has been asked or could be expected, and we know that our refiners feel kindly towards the Central for the prompt and efficient service rendered in getting their

oil forward on time. CRUDE. The market is quiet and unchanged, with but comparatively little doing. There were offers to sell the first six months of were offers to sell the first six months of 1869, seller's option, (40 to 46) at 12½; and offers to buy same delivery and option, but a different gravity (40 to 45) at 12½. Sale of a "put" of 1,000 bbls first nine months, sellers option, at 12 and two hundred dollars; also, another, of 2,000 bbls, same delivery and option, at 12 and four hundred dollars. Spot oil, for which there seems to be but little inquiry, is held at 12½; and buyers option, all next year, at 16.

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OIL SHIPPED EAST BY A. V. R. R. H. Koehler & Co., 111 bbls refined to-H. Koehler & Co., 111 bbls refined to-Waring, King & Co., Philadelphia. Nat. Ref. Co., 392 do do to F. A. Dilworth & Co., Philadelphia. Forsyth, Bro. & Co., 471 do do to Warden, Frew & Co., Philadelphia. Montzheimer, Koehler & Co., 381 do do to Waring, King & Co., Philadelphia. McCreery & Co.. 232 do do to W. McCreery & Co., 232 do do to W. P. Logan & Bro., Philadelphia

OIL SHIPPED EAST FROM DUQUESNE DEPOT.

G. W. Holdship & Co., 209 do do to Waring, King & Co., Philadelphia. Fleming & Co., 626 do do Tack Bros., Philadelphia. Union Ref. & St. Co., 313 do refined to W. P. Logan & Bro., Philadelphia.
Brooks, Ballentine & Co., 157 do do to Warden, Frew & Co., Philadelphia.

Kirkpatrick & Lyon, 116 do do to W. P.

Logan & Bro., Philadelphia.

Total shipments Refined... PHILADELPHIA, December 17.—Flour is dull and steady with a limited demand. Wheat—red \$1,90a2,05; amber \$2,10a2,15. Rye in fair demand; western \$1,60. Corn less active; quotations barely maintained; sales of 8,000 bus new yellow at 95ca\$1; old \$1,20; mixed western \$1,13a1,18½; new white \$1,12. Oats firm at 77a78c. Petroleum feverish; crude 22c. refined 31½c. leum feverish; crude 22c, refined 31½c. Provisions looking up. Mess Pork \$26,50. Lard 17a17½c. Whisky \$1,01a1,02.

BALTIMORE, December 17.—Flour fairly active but unchanged. Wheat very duli and almost unsaleable. Corn; price firm wheat the backer valley 954986. for prime. Wheat 90a95c; yellow 95a98c. Oats dull at 70a73c. Rye firm at \$1,40a1,50. Mess Pork firm at \$25,27. Bacon firm; rib sides 17c; clear sides 17 / 217 /; shoulders 14c. Hams 18c, Lard firm at 17c.

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