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STOCKS ARE MARKING TIME

Prices on Wall Street Closed Lower for the Week, But Are Now Holding Steady.

BAD BANK STATEMENT IGNORED

Up-to-Date Comment on Local Securities—Quotations and Gossip.

World Office,
Saturday Evening, Dec. 6.

Followers of the New York stocks can certainly compliment themselves if they have been able to refrain from commitments on the long side, and ventures on the short side, altho, if properly placed would have shown a profit, have not offered any great inducements during the week. The insiders, as noted thru these columns for some weeks past, have been busy endeavoring to lay traps for the unwary speculator. Their one idea is to become relieved of a portion of the load they have assumed, and altho they held stocks at comparative bargain prices, they are none the less anxious to distribute them for the time being. The rally early in the week was no doubt productive in dissipating some lines that at to-day's levels now appear high. Just how far prices will recede is a very nice proposition, and one entirely dependent on recurring surrounding conditions. The very minor fluctuations around present prices is a favorable sign of steadiness, and, providing further adverse news can be held off, the market would soon be in a position to rally. The public trader as a quantity is now cutting a very small swath in the market's action, and the quotations are seemingly limited to professionals and insiders. Except on sharp depressions ordinary long holders cannot be scared out of their stocks, and sagging declines of the past few days are therefore treated with equanimity. Opinions are very diverse regarding the future of the market, but there is unanimity as to the immediate outlook. No one seems absurd enough to expect a general and sustained recovery over present prices for some little time to come, and few are prepared to predict that lower prices are not in sight. As hinted before, some weeks ago, it is not altogether improbable that for a lengthy period values in general have seen their best. The stock market never anticipates history, and while for the present commercial enterprises are making glowing returns, a year hence may not record such an acceptable statement. The fact that the big steel trust shares are being held at a lower level than almost any time since its floatation is not a very favorable trait. A rumor circulated during the week that dividends on the common stock may later be passed, carries a good deal of information if there is any foundation for the assertion. Such an occurrence would make havoc thru the general list, but in any event this at least seems to be for some time in the distant future, and the overdrawn tends to throw a side light on the market. To revert to immediate topics, the scarcity of funds is engrossing more attention than anything else. The payment of the Morgan Syndicate on the big ship combination was safely engineered early in the week, but by what circuitous methods would require an insight into the inner circles. The circumstance in any event has not lessened the strain in New York financial circles, and time money is spoken of as more stringent than ever. Day to day loans are also quoted at higher figures, and the incoming week, it is thought, will see some further advance in this direction. The sub-treasury continues to sap the funds of the banks, and unless there is some quick change this end of the proposition will assume a serious phase. With such a gloomy outlook it cannot be wondered that prices continue to contract. The bill now before Congress, aiming at the trusts, is not a bull card by any means. Its ultimate working out should be for the benefit of the public, and stocks coming within the scope of the bill can be neglected in the interim. Since operating expenses among the railroads have been increased, sufficient returns have not been available to allow of a comparison of net earnings. It is a question of doubt, however, among financial critics whether future receipts will not be more heavily drawn upon than formerly, and less surplus available at the end of the fiscal year. Such conclusions will, however, take time in working out, and are only of interest to permanent investors. Any change in the financial condition of the banks will have to be brought about by returning money from the interior and exports. Of the former there is no present indication. Exports of grain are just now in excess of the estimate, but imports are also heavy. The bank statement presented a very bad showing to-day, but was no worse than predicted by the daily transactions. It was so viewed by the market, and quotations held steady after the publication. The market is still open to nervous fluctuations. Traders can afford to watch proceedings without incurring any risk, and this may prove (he most profitable course. Supporting pools are willing to keep prices steady if the opportunities are favorable, but do not seem desirous of taking any more stock even at present levels. The inference is against any important rally, and may mean lower prices during the incoming week. London is about as indifferent regarding American securities as for a long time past, and the fact that recent low levels offer no inducements at that centre is none too favorable a sign. Purchases for a turn can be made on sharp reactions, but a turn is all that can be expected, and prompt action is necessary to secure even this.

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Of the local market it is impossible to say anything more than has been repeated for weeks. Stocks are in a semi-stagnant condition and there are no indications for betterment. Money is fully as hard to procure as ever, and some of the insurance companies are reported to be endeavoring to curtail their loans. The market is in a position to sag, more on account of tired holders than from anything else, and the longer this continues the lower values are likely to go. A four per cent. return on the par value of a traction or railroad stock has been usually considered a fair investment locally, but some are charging their views in this regard, and failing a prospective increase in dividend it is very doubtful whether such a basis is warranted. Mortgage and other first class investments are now entering into active competition with listed securities, and may not be altogether to the advantage of the latter. This view is thrown out as a guide to taking local stocks at investment levels, and if this is to be used for judging prices some lowering of levels is not altogether improbable. Toronto Railway has sold ex-rights during the week, and with its increased capital and expenses any further enlargement in dividend cannot be anticipated for some time to come. The same may also be said of Twin City and C.P.R., altho some incline to the belief that Twin dividend may be made six per cent. some time next year. The reference last week to the manipulation in Northern Navigation in carrying it up to 145½, was fully evident by its sudden drop to 135. Both prices may be equally enormous, but a stock with such a lack of stability is fitted only for speculators. Bank stocks and loan company shares have had a steady firmness. A mere than usual demand in this channel is due to increases or expected increases in bank capitalization. The earnings of these institutions are certainly large, but the fact that deposits are ruling at a very low rate should not be lost sight of. With the increasing demand for money in commercial enterprises the competition may not unnecessarily lead to an advance in the deposit rate of interest. If this should be brought about bank net earnings would suffer considerable reduction, and the becoming of these stocks might therefore proceed at too great length. Caution appears to be still necessary in buying on the local market, and there is no immediate danger of prices taking a jump.

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At Boston to-day Dominion Coal closed offered at 128½ and bid 127, and Dominion Steel offered at 55 and bid 54½.

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Dominion Iron and Steel Company earnings for October net are reported at $45,000, including government bounty.

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Joseph: Temporarily trade for point profits, but anything Traction is cluded, on dips, sell with equal confidence on rallies

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Summary: Northern Securities hearing continued till Thursday at St. Paul. Further publication of details likely to strengthen favorable impression of Manhattan guarantees. Claimed that Soo Line is at present earning 9½ per cent. on common. Bergin holders reported sellers of Canadian Pacific. Dun's review says business activity continues in excess of previous years. Bradstreets say seasonable winter weather expanding retail trade.

London & Paris Exchange, Limited (Parker & Co., Toronto), cable to-day quotes.

	£.	s.	d.
Heidelbergs	..	8	9
Le Rois	1	1	3
East Rands	8	2	6
Marconis	3	4	0
Kaffir Consols	2	9	3
Pomas	..	6	9
Oceanas	2	0	0
Hudson Bay	35	10	0
Salisbury Building	1	1	3
Kadurs	..	4	3

Railway Earnings.

Texas, fourth week November, $345,000; decrease $11,000.

Norfolk, fourth week November, $472,000; increase $33,000.

D. & R.G., October surplus, $379,487, increase $97,600.

L. & N. fourth week November, $803,325, decrease $11,300; for month $2,882,225, increase $174,623.

St. L. & S.W., fourth week November, $202,288, decrease $38,151; for month $709,165, decrease $28,800.

M.K.T., 4th week November, increase $12,000.

Detroit United, same time, increase $6636.

The earnings of the Twin City Rapid Transit Company for the last nine days of November amounted to $93,656.85, an increase of $10,791.75, or 13.02 per cent. over the corresponding period for last year. The total earnings for the month were $807,755.75, an increase of $40,955.70, or 5.35 per cent. over the corresponding month last year.

Money Markets.

The Bank of England discount rate is 4 per cent. Money, 3 to 3¼ per cent. The rate of discount in the open market for short bills, 3⅞ to 3 15-16 per cent., and for three months' bills, 3 13-16 to 3⅞ per cent. Local money, 6 per cent. Call money at New York 6 per cent.

Foreign Exchange.

Messrs. Glazebrook & Becher, exchange brokers, Traders' Bank Building (Tel. 1601), to-day report closing exchange rates as follows:

	Between Banks Buyers	Sellers	Counter
N.Y. Funds..	3-64 dis	1-64 dis	1-8 to 1-4
Mont'l Funds	10c dis	par	1-8 to 1-4
60 days sight	8 23-32	8 25-32	9 1-16 to 9 3-16
Demand Stg	9 17-32	9 19-32	9 7-8 to 10
Cable Trans..	9 21-32	9 23-32	10 to 10 1-8

—Rates in New York—

	Posted.	Actual.
Sterling, demand ...	4.88	4.87¼ to ....
Sterling, 60 days ...	4.84½	4.83½ to 4.83⅝

Price of Silver.

Bar silver in London, 22 1-16d per ounce. Bar silver in New York, 47¾c per ounce. Mexican dollars, 37¼c.

Weekly Bank Statement.

New York, Dec. 6.—Loans, $881,437,000; increased $1,011,000. Deposits, $879,762,000; decreased $4,074,200. Circulation, $45,506,600; increased $73,800. Legal tender, $67,293,600; decreased $611,700. Specie, $162,620,800; decreased $6,219,400. Reserve, $229,914,400; decreased $6,831,100. Reserve required, $219,940,650; decreased $1,018,550. Surplus, $9,973,750; decreased $5,812,500. Ex-U.S. dep., $20,010,300; decreased $5,818,475.

Toronto Stocks.

	Dec. 5. Last Quo. Ask.	Bid.	Dec. 6. Last Quo. Ask.	Bid.
Montreal, xd.	...	...	...	...
Ontario, xd.	131	...	...	131
Toronto, xd.	255	...	255	252
Merchants', xd.	...	158	...	158
Commerce, xd.	159½	158¾	159½	158¾
Imperial, xd.	238	237¼	238	237
Dominion, xd.	248	247	247¾	246
Hamilton, xd.	233	...	233	230
Standard	...	248½	...	245
Nova Scotia	...	260	...	260
Ottawa, xd.	225	...	...	...
Traders', xd.	...	122	...	125
British America	99	98½	...	98½
West. Assurance	...	98½	100	98½
Imperial Life	...	150	...	149
National Trust	...	139	...	139
Tor. Gen. Trust	168	...	...	...
Con. Gas, xd	...	211	...	211
Ont. & Qu'Appelle	...	80	...	80
Can. N.W.L. pr.	...	99	...	99
do. com.	...	150	...	...
Canada Life	...	...	...	...
C. P. R. Stock	127⅞	127⅝	127½	127¼
Tor. Elec. Light	...	155	...	155
Can. Gen. Elec.	203	201	204½	200
do. pref.	...	...	...	...
do. new	...	...	...	...
London Electric	105	...	...	...
Com. Cable	178	174½	178	174¾
Dom. Telegraph	...	118	...	...
Bell Telephone	...	...	...	...
Niagara Nav.	...	127	...	127
Richelieu Nav.	100	94½	...	94½
Northern Nav.	140½	140	141½	140½
St. Law. Nav.	...	...	...	...
Toronto Railway	115	114¼	115	114
Toledo Railway	...	...	...	...
London St. Ry.	...	...	...	...
Twin City, xd.	116½	116	116⅞	115⅞
Winnipeg St. Ry.	...	165	...	...
Sao Paulo	93	91	93	91
Luxfer-Prism, pr.	...	...	...	...
Carter-Crume, pr.	105	103¾	105	103¾
Dunlop Tire pr.	107	106	107	106
W. A. Rogers pr.	105	103	105	103
B. C. Packers (A)	100	98½	100	98½
do. (B)	100	98	100	98
Dom. Steel com.	55	53¾	55	54¼
do. pref.	...	...	...	...
do. bonds	90½	89½	...	...
Dom. Coal com.	128	127¾	128¼	127⅝
N. S. Steel com.	100	...	...	100½
do. bonds	111	110	...	...
Lake Superior com.	22½	21½	22½	21¼
Can. Salt	...	123	...	123
War Eagle	...	...	...	...
Republic	7	5	...	...
Payne Mining	...	9	...	...
Cariboo (McK.)	...	...	...	...
Virtue	...	...	...	...
North Star	17	...	17	...
Crow's N.C., ex-al.	...	350	450	350
Dom. Coal pr.	...	...	...	...
N. S. Steel pref.	...	...	...	136
British Canadian	...	70	...	70
Canada Landed	110	108	...	108
Canada Per.	123	122	...	122
Can. S. & L.	...	121	...	121
Cent. Can. Loan	...	136	...	136½
Dom. S. & I.	...	...	...	70
Ham. Provident	...	121	...	121
Huron & Erie	...	182	...	182
do. new	...	...	...	...
Imperial L. & I.	...	...	...	...
Landed B. & L.	...	121½	...	121½
London & Can.	100	...	100	...
Manitoba Loan	...	70	...	70
Toronto Mort.	...	85	...	85
London Loan	...	113	...	114
Ont. L. & Deb.	...	123	...	123
People's Loan	...	...	...	...
Real Estate	...	...	...	...
Toronto S. & L.	...	127	...	127

Sales: Bank of Commerce, 2 at 159; Standard, 6 at 250; Northwest Lands pref., 4 at 99¼; Northern Navigation, 10 at 141, 30 at 141; C.P.R., 25 at 127⅞, 225 at 127⅝, 25 at 127⅜, 100 at 127½, 100 at 127⅜; Coal, 25 at 127½, 25 at 127¾; N. S. Steel pref., 13 at 136; Twin City, 240 at 116.

Montreal Stocks.

Montreal, Dec. 6.—Closing quotations to-day:

	Asked.	Bid.
C. P. R.	127½	127¼
Toledo Railway	32	30
Toronto Railway	114	113
Montreal Railway	282	274
Detroit Railway	...	...
Halifax Railway	106¼	104
Winnipeg Railway	...	...
Twin City	116	115¾
Dominion Steel	55	54½
do., pref	97	94
Richelieu	95	94½
Cable	176	174½
Bell Telephone	170	160
Montreal Light, H. & P.	90	88¾
Nova Scotia Steel	102	100½
Montreal Telegraph	170	164
Ogilvie, pref	140	130
Dominion Coal	129	128
Laurentide Pulp	100	95
B. C. Packers (A)	...	97
Montreal Cotton	128	122½
Dominion Cotton	...	53
Colored Cotton	...	52½
Merchants' Cotton	...	65
Bank of Toronto	260	...
North Star	...	...
Union Bank	130	126
Merchants' Bank	...	160
Commerce	...	159
Hochelaga	135	...
Dominion Steel bonds	90	89½
Ogilvie bonds	118¾	112
Montreal Railway bonds	107	105
Molsons Bank	...	...
Montreal Bank	275	250
Northwest Land	200	185
do., pref	...	...
Bank of Nova Scotia	...	260
Quebec	...	...
War Eagle	...	...
Imperial	...	...
Ontario	...	...
Lake of the Woods	200	169

Sales: C.P.R., 200 at 127¾, 500 at 127⅞, 25 at 127⅝; Dominion Coal, 25 at 128¼; Payne, 3250 at 11; Dominion Steel, 75 at 55, 25 at 55, 50 at 54¾; Cable, 87 at 185; Toronto Railway rights, 310 at 130; Twin City, 25 at 116, 5 at 116¾, 25 at 115¾; Coal, pref., 25 at 118½, 15 at 119; Dominion Steel bonds, $3000 at 89¾, $2000 at 89⅞; Bank of Montreal, 1 at 270; Commerce, 20 at 159.

New York Stocks.

A. J. Wright & Co., Canada Life Building, report the following fluctuations in New York stocks, to-day:

	Opening.	High.	Low.	Close.
Trunk Lines and Grangers—				
Baltimore & Ohio	98¼	98⅝	98	98½
Chi. and Alton	39¼	...	...	...
Chi. Gt. Western	24⅞	...	...	...
Erie	33¼	33¾	33¼	33¼
Ill. Central	142¾	143	142¼	243
Northwestern	221⅝	221⅝	220	220
N. Y. Central	153⅝	154½	153⅝	153⅝
Rock Island	41⅞	41⅞	41¼	41½
Sault Ste. Marie	74½	...	...	...
do., pref	124	124	123	123
St. Paul	173½	173¼	171¾	172
Wabash, pref	42⅞	...	...	...
do., B bonds	75⅛	75¼	75	75¼
Wis. Central	25⅛	25⅝	25⅛	25⅝
Pacifics and Southerns—				
Atchison	81⅝	82	81⅝	82
do., pref	98½	...	...	...
Can. Pacific	127¼	127½	127	127½
Col. and Southern	28¼	...	...	...
Denver, pref	89¾	...	...	...
Kansas and Texas	24⅞	25	24¾	24¾
do., pref	56¼	...	...	...
Louis. and Nash	129⅝	127⅛	126¼	126½
Mex. Central	22⅝	22⅝	22¼	22¼
Miss. Pacific	105⅝	106¼	105⅝	105⅝
Southern Pacific	62⅝	62⅝	62⅛	62½
Southern Ry	31⅞	31⅞	31⅝	31⅝
do., pref	92¼	92⅛	91¾	91¾
St. L. and S.W., pf	61½	61½	61¼	61½
Texas Pacific	41⅛	...	...	...
Union Pacific	99¾	99¼	98¾	99⅛
do., pref	91¾	...	...	...
do., 4's	105¼	105¼	105	105⅛
Coalers—				
Ches. and Ohio	46	46	45¼	45½
Col. F. and I.	85¼	85¼	85	85
Del. and Hudson	158½	158¾	158½	158¾
Del. and Lack	243	...	...	...
Hocking Valley	98	99	98	99
do., pref	94¼	...	...	...
Norfolk & West	70⅝	71	70⅝	71
Ont. and West	29¼	29⅛	29	29⅛
Penn. Central	150¼	150¼	155¾	156¼
Reading	58¾	58⅞	58¼	58⅞
Tenn. C. and I.	55⅝	56	55⅝	55⅝
Industrials, Tractions, etc.—				
Amal. Copper	59¼	57	56¼	56¾
Am. Sugar Ref.	119	119¼	118¾	119¼
Brooklyn R. T.	64¼	64⅝	64	64¼
Car Foundry	34⅛	...	...	...
Con. Gas	211	...	...	...
Lead	26¼	26½	26¼	26¼
Leather	12¾	...	...	...
Locomotive	27½	27¾	27½	27½
Manhattan	147⅝	148	147⅝	147¾
Met. Traction	139⅝	139⅝	139	139¼
People's Gas	101	101¼	100¾	101
Republic Steel	19⅛	19⅝	19⅛	19½
do., pref	77	...	...	...
U. S. Steel	36¼	...	...	...
do., pref	83½	83½	83⅛	83¼
West. Union	87¾	...	...	...
Money	...	...	...	...

Total sales, 168,200 shares.

London Stocks.

	Dec. 5. Last Quo.	Dec. 6. Last Quo.
Consols, money	92 7-16	92⅝
Consols, account	92 11-16	92⅝
Atchison	84	84⅜
do., pref	101	101
Baltimore & Ohio	100½	100½
Anaconda	4⅝	4⅝
Chesapeake & Ohio	46½	47
St. Paul	178½	178
D. R. G.	40	40⅛
do., pref	91⅝	92
Chicago Gt. Western	29¼	29⅝
C. P. R.	131¼	131¼
Erie	34	34¼
do., 1st pref	65¾	65¾
do., 2nd pref	47	47
Illinois Central	147	147
Louisville and Nashville	139	139¼
Kansas & Texas	25⅝	25¾
New York Central	157½	157½
Norfolk & Western	72¾	72½
do., pref	93½	93½
Pennsylvania	80	80¼
Ontario & Western	29⅝	29¾
Southern Pacific	63½	64
Southern Railway	32½	32¾
do., pref	94½	94½
Union Pacific	101½	102
do., pref	93½	94
United States Steel	36¾	36⅞
do., pref	85½	85¾
Wabash	20	20
do., pref	41	41½
Reading	30¼	30⅝
do., 1st pref	44	43½
do., 2nd pref	38	38¼

Standard Stock & Mining Exchange

	Dec. 5. Last Quo. Ask.	Bid.	Dec. 6. Last Quo. Ask.	Bid.
Black Tail	10	8	10	8
Brandon & G. C.	5	...	5	...
Can. G. F. S.	4	3	4	3
Cariboo (McK.) xd.	18	17	18½	17
Cariboo Hyd.	75	...	75	...
Centre Star	38	36	38	36
California	...	...	...	...
Deer Trail ...	2	...	2	...
Dom. Con	3	...	3	...
Fairview Corp	4½	3½	4½	3½
Golden Star	...	...	...	...
Giant	5	3	5	3
Granby Smelter	350	325	360	325
Iron Mask	9	...	9	...
Lone Pine	5½	3	5	3
Morning Glory	3	...	3	...
Morrison (as.)	3	...	3	...
Mountain Lion	18	12	15	10
North Star	13	9½	13	10
Payne	12½	10	12½	10
Olive	...	...	...	...
Rambler Cariboo	35	25	35	25
Republic	8	6	8	6
Sullivan	6	3	6	3
St. Eugene	30	20	30	20
Virtue	8½	6½	8	5
War Eagle Con	20	17	20	17
White Bear	2⅛	...	2¼	...
Winnipeg	4	...	4	...
Wonderful	4	...	4	...
C. P. R.	127⅝	127¼	127½	127¼
Duluth, com	...	...	...	...
do., pref	...	...	...	...
Soo Ry., com	75½	74	75	74½
do., pref	125½	123	125½	124
Lake Sup., com	22½	21	22	21
Toronto Ry., xd	115	113	115	114¼
Twin City	116¼	115½	116¼	115¾
Crow's Nest Coal	500	...	500	...
Dom. Coal, com	128	127	128	127½
Dom. I. & S., com.	54	53	54½	54
do., pref	96½	95½	97	95
N.S. Steel, com	103	102	103	102
do., pref	...	...	...	...
Richelieu & Ont	97	95	95	94
Tor. Elec. Light	...	...	157	155
Can. Gen. Elec	205	200½	203	201½

Sales: Centre Star, 1000, 500 at 37; C.P.R., 25 at 127¼, 50 at 127⅜, 10 at 127½; Soo, com., 25 at 74½; Lake Superior, 20 at 21½; Twin City, 25 at 116.

New York Cotton.

New York, Dec. 6.—Cotton—Futures opened easy; Dec. 8.20, Jan. 8.20, Feb. 8.11 offered, March 8.14, April 8.15 offered, May 8.15, July 8.15.

Cotton—Futures closed barely steady: Dec. 8.18, Jan. 8.18, Feb. 8.07, March 8.10, April 8.10, May 8.12, June 8.12, July 8.14, Aug. 7.97.

Spot closed quiet; middling uplands, 8.50; middling gulf, 8.75. Sales, 250 bales.

Price of Oil.

Pittsburg, Dec. 6.—Oil closed at $1.48.

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GRAIN PRICES ARE STEADY

Speculation Still Offers Narrow Fluctuations, Awaiting Some Developments.

THE DANUBE REPORTED FROZEN UP

Liverpool Grain Prices Steady—General Markets, Notes and Comment.

World Office,
Saturday Evening, Dec. 6.

Liverpool wheat futures closed ½d higher to-day than on Friday, and corn futures unchanged.

At Chicago to-day, May wheat closed ⅛c below Friday; May corn unchanged, and May oats ⅛c higher.

Broomhall cables: Final official figures in crop for Great Britain give wheat 56,675,000 bushels, against 54,437,000 bushels last year; oats, 130,000,000 bushels, against 110,000,000 bushels last year. The potato crop was an average, and that of hay was heavy.

Closing of the Danube has caused shippers to withdraw all offers for shipment. Some 35 steamers and 150 lighters are reported frozen in.

Monday's Danubian wheat shipments, 760,000 bushels. Maize, 432,000 bushels. Australian wheat shipments, none.

Saturday's English farmers' wheat deliveries, 58,800 quarters; average price, 25s 1d.

London—Close—Wheat on passage, buyers indifferent operators. Parcels No. 1 North. Man., hard, Dec., 29s 4½d; No. 1 North. Man., Dec., 28s 10½d; No. 2 hard winter, Dec. and Jan., 26s 9d. Maize on passage very inactive.

Paris—Close—Wheat, tone steady; Dec. 21f, May and Aug. 21f 45c. Flour, tone steady; Dec. 28f 20c, May and Aug. 28f 25c.

Antwerp—Wheat, spot steady; No. 2 R. W., 15¾f.

Leading Wheat Markets.

Following are the closing quotations at important wheat centres to-day:

	Dec.	May.	July.
New York	80⅝	79⅝	77⅞
Chicago	72⅝	75¼	72⅝
Toledo	76½	79½	....
Duluth, No. 1 Nor.	71	74⅝	....

GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

Flour—Ogilvie's Hungarian, $4.20; Ogilvie's Glenora Patent, $3.90; Ogilvie's Royal Bakers', $3.80; car lots, bags included, delivered on track, Toronto and equal points: Manitoba bran, sacked, $18 per ton; shorts, sacked, $20 per ton.

Wheat—Millers are offering 67½c to 68c for red and white, outside; goose, 64c; Manitoba, No. 1 hard, 83c for old, grinding in transit; No. 1 Northern, 81½c.

Barley—No. 3 extra sold at 45c to 46c, north and west, and No. 3 at 42c to 43c.

Oats—New oats are quoted at 30c west and 30½c east, and 33c at Toronto.

Peas—Sold for milling purposes at 73c west.

Rye—Quoted at about 50c, middle.

Corn—Canadian, 68c for old and 55c for new, on track at Toronto.

Bran—City mills sell bran at $14.50, and shorts at $16.50, car lots, f.o.b., Toronto, in bags.

Oatmeal—At $4 in bags, and $4.10 in barrels, car lots, on track, Toronto; local lots, 25c higher.

Toronto Sugar Market.

St. Lawrence sugars are quoted as follows: Granulated, $3.88, and No. 1 yellow, $3.23. These prices are for delivery here; car lots, 5c less.

ST. LAWRENCE MARKET.

Receipts of farm produce were 2750 bushels of grain, 20 loads of hay, one load of straw, a few dressed hogs, a plentiful supply of apples, two or three lots of potatoes, and the usual supply of butter, eggs and poultry.

Wheat—One thousand bushels sold as follows: White, 300 bushels at 69c to 70c; red, 300 bushels at 69c to 70c; goose, 300 bushels at 64½c to 65c; spring, one load at 67c to 68c per bushel.

Barley—One thousand bushels sold at 43c to 48c.

Oats—Seven hundred bushels sold at 34c to 34½c.

Rye—One load sold at 51c per bushel.

Hay—Twenty loads sold at $13 to $15 per ton for timothy, and $6 to $9 per ton for clover.

Straw—One load sold at $11 per ton.

Potatoes—Prices steady at 40c to 41 per bag, car lots on track at Toronto at 80c to 85c per bag.

Apples—Prices easy at 75c to $1.25 per barrel for fall apples, and $1.50 to $2 for winter apples.

Butter—Prices firm at 18c to 22c per lb.

Eggs—Strictly new-laid, say, within 10 days, sold at 40c per dozen, but there were few of these offered, and the bulk of so-called new-laid sold at 35c to 35c per dozen.

Poultry—Deliveries large, with prices a little easier. Turkeys sold at 10½c to 12c per lb.; geese, 7c to 9c per lb.; ducks, 75c to $1.25 per pair; chickens, 50c to $1 per pair.

Grain—	
Wheat, red, bush	$0 69 to $0 70
Wheat, white, bush	0 69 0 70
Wheat, spring, bush	0 67 0 68
Wheat, goose, bush	0 64½ 0 65
Barley, bush	1 30 1 50
Peas, bush	0 76 ....
Rye, bush	0 51 ....
Barley, bush	0 43 0 48
Oats, bush	0 34 0 34½
Buckwheat, bush	0 57 ....
Seeds—	
Alsike, choice, No. 1	$6 75 to $7 20
Alsike, good, No. 2	6 25 6 50
Timothy seed	1 20 1 80
Red clover	6 25 6 75
Hay and Straw—	
Hay, per ton	$13 00 to $15 50
Clover, per ton	6 00 9 00
Straw, loose, per ton	5 00 ....
Straw, sheaf	11 00 ....
Fruits and Vegetables—	
Apples, per bbl	$0 75 to $1 25
Apples, winter, bbl	1 50 2 00
Potatoes, per bag	0 90 1 00
Cabbage, per doz	0 25 0 30
Onions, per bush	0 75 ....
Cauliflower, per doz	0 50 1 00
Turnips, per bag	0 25 0 35
Dairy Produce—	
Butter, lb. rolls	$0 18 to $0 22
Eggs, new-laid, doz	0 35 0 40
Poultry—	
Chickens, per pair	$0 50 to $1 00
Spring ducks, per pair	0 60 1 00
Ducks, per pair	0 75 1 25
Turkeys, per lb	0 10½ 0 12
Geese, per lb	0 07½ 0 08½
Fresh Meats—	
Beef, forequarters, cwt	$5 00 to $6 00
Beef, hindquarters, cwt	6 50 7 50
Mutton, carcase, per lb	0 05 0 06
Veals, carcase, per cwt	7 50 8 50
Spring lambs, dressed, lb	0 06 0 07
Dressed hogs, cwt	7 25 7 75

FARM PRODUCE WHOLESALE.

Hay, baled, car lots, ton	$9 00 to $....
Straw, baled, car lots, ton	5 00 5 75
Potatoes, car lots	0 80 ....
Butter, dairy, lb. rolls	0 18 0 19
Butter, tubs, per lb	0 17 0 18
Butter, creamery, lb. rolls	0 22 0 23
Butter, creamery, boxes	0 20 0 21
Butter, bakers', tub	0 14 0 15
Eggs, new-laid, doz	0 19 0 20
Turkeys, per lb	0 09 0 11
Geese, per lb	0 07 0 08
Ducks, per pair	0 50 0 75
Chickens, per pair	0 40 0 55
Honey, per lb	0 08 0 09
Honey (sections), each	0 12½ 0 15

Hides and Wool.

Prices revised daily by E. T. Carter, 85 East Front-street, wholesale dealer in Hides, Skins, Furs, Deerskins, Wool, Tallow, etc.:

Hides, No. 1 steers, inspected	$0 09
Hides, No. 2 steers, inspected	0 08
Hides, No. 1, inspected	0 08
Hides, No. 2, inspected	0 07
Hides, No. 1 cured, selling	0 08¾
Calfskins, No. 1, selected	0 10
Calfskins, No. 2, selected	0 08
Deacons (dairies), each	0 60
Sheepskins	0 75
Wool, fleece	$0 13 to $0 14
Wool, unwashed	0 07 0 07½
Tallow, rendered	0 06 0 06¾
Tallow, rough	0 01½ 0 03½

New York Grain and Produce.

New York, Dec. 6.—Flour—Receipts, 21,600 barrels; sales, 7150 packages. Flour was unchanged, showing steadiness on a quiet trade. Buckwheat flour quiet, $2.30 to $2.35, spot and to arrive. Rye flour dull; fair to good, $3.05 to $3.40; choice to fancy, $3.50 to $3.65.

Wheat—Receipts, 51,675 bushels; sales, 700,000 bush