WHEAT MARKET VERY QUIET

Chicago Trading Was Light, With an Easier Tone.

No Markets in England—Corn Ruled Firm Throughout the Session in Chicago—Oats Firm, But Easier—Provisions Strong — Latest Commercial News.

Tuesday Evening, Dec. 26.

The wheat market in Chicago ruled dull and quiet to-day, with an easier tone. The increase in visible was larger than the trade generally expected. Closing quotations were: Dec. 65⅝, May 69¼c, and July 69⅝c to 69¾c.

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The stocks of wheat to-day at leading points were as follows: New York, 3,574,037 bushels; Milwaukee, 194,023; Minneapolis, 13,629,940; St. Louis, 2,121,615; Detroit, 721,024; Montreal, 37,560; Toledo, 1,366,885.

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There were no markets to-day at London or Liverpool.

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The visible supply of wheat in the United States and Canada, together with amount afloat to Europe, is 78,418,000 bushels, a decrease of 675,000 bushels for the week. A year ago the total was 55,283 bushels, or 23,155,000 bushels less than at the present time.

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Receipts of wheat for three days at Minneapolis and Duluth were 1500 cars, as against 273 cars last Tuesday and 2109 cars the corresponding three days of last year.

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The world's shipments for the week were 4,326,712 bushels, with India and Australia to hear from. During the corresponding week of last year the shipments were 7,035,000 bushels.

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Danubian shipments of wheat the past week were 440,000 bushels, as against 152,000 bushels the corresponding week of last year. Navigation on the Danube is now closed.

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Russian wheat shipments last week were 584,000 bushels, as against 928 bushels the corresponding week of last year.

Toronto Stocks in Store.

	Dec. 26.	Dec. 18.
Hard wheat, bush.	10,000	5,000
Fall wheat, bush.	42,600	40,800
Spring wheat, bush.	2,110	2,427
Goose wheat, bush.	3,600	2,250
Rye, bush.	1,850	3,150
Barley, bush.	55,900	67,550
Oats, bush.	4,000	4,000
Corn, bush.	18,000	18,000
Peas, bush.	800	800
Totals	138,860	144,067

Leading Wheat Markets.

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

	Cash.	Dec.	May.	July.
Chicago	$	$0 65⅝	$0 69¼	$0 69⅜
New York	....	0 72⅛	0 74⅞	0 74¾
Milwaukee	0 66½	....	....	....
St. Louis	0 69	0 68⅝	0 70¾	0 68⅝
Toledo	0 69¼	....	0 73⅛	....
Detroit, red	0 70½	0 70½	0 73½	....
Detroit, white	....	0 70½	....	....
Duluth, No. 1 Northern	0 64	0 64	0 64¼	0 68
Duluth, No. 1 hard	0 65	....	....	....
Minneapolis	0 65¼	....	0 69¼	....

GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

Flour—Ontario patents, in bags, $3.65 to $3.75; straight rollers, $3.35 to $3.45; Hungarian patents, $3.90; Manitoba bakers', $3.60, all on track at Toronto.

Wheat—Ontario red and white, 65c north and west; goose, 69c north and west; No. 1 Manitoba hard, 76½c, Toronto, and No. 1 Northern at 74½c.

Oats—White oats quoted at 25½c west.

Barley—Quoted at 38c for No. 2 west; feed barley, 35c to 36c.

Rye—Quoted at 49c north and west, and 50c east.

Bran—City mills sell bran at $14, and shorts at $16 in car lots, f.o.b., Toronto.

Buckwheat—Firm; 48c north and 50c east.

Corn—Canadian, 32c to 33c west; American, 40c on track here.

Oatmeal—Quoted at $3.40 by the bag and $3.50 by the barrel, on track at Toronto, in car lots.

Peas—At 57½c north and west, for immediate shipment.

ST. LAWRENCE MARKET.

Receipts of farm produce were very light—two loads of grain and six of hay, being the total of deliveries.

Wheat—One load of goose sold at 70½c per bushel.

Barley—One load sold at 44½c per bushel.

Hay steady; six loads sold at $11 to $12.25 per ton.

Grain—		
Wheat, white, bush	$0 68	$0 69½
" red, bush	0 68½	....
" fife, bush	0 68	0 69
" goose, bush.	0 70½	....
Barley, bush.	0 44½	....
Peas, bush	0 60	....
Oats, bush.	0 28	0 28½
Rye, bush.	0 52½	....
Buckwheat, bush	0 50	....
Beans, bush	1 15	1 20
Seeds—		
Red clover, per bush.	$4 25	$5 20
Alsike, choice to fancy.	6 50	7 00
Alsike, good No. 2.	5 00	6 00
White clover, per bush.	7 00	8 00
Hay and Straw—		
Hay, per ton	$11 00	$12 25
Hay, mixed, per ton.	8 50	9 50
Straw, sheaf, per ton.	8 00	9 00
Straw, loose, per ton.	4 00	5 00
Dairy Produce—		
Butter, lb. rolls	$0 20	$0 25
Eggs, new-laid	0 30	0 40
Poultry—		
Chickens, per pair	$0 40	$0 70
Turkeys, per lb.	0 08	0 10
Ducks, per pair	0 50	0 80
Geese, per lb.	0 06	0 07
Fruit and Vegetables—		
Apples, per bbl.	$1 00	$2 00
Potatoes, per bag	0 40	0 50
Cabbage, per dozen	0 30	0 40
Onions, per bag	0 90	1 00
Beets, per bush.	0 30	0 40
Celery, per dozen	0 30	0 50
Turnips, per bag	0 25	0 30
Carrots, per bag	0 40	0 50
Fresh Meat—		
Beef, forequarters, cwt.	$4 00	$6 00
Beef, hindquarters, cwt.	7 00	9 00
Lamb, per lb.	0 06	0 07
Mutton, carcase, per lb.	0 04½	0 06
Veal, carcase, per lb.	0 07	0 08½
Hogs, dressed, light	5 20	5 35

FARM PRODUCE WHOLESALE.

Hay, baled, car lots, per ton	$9 25	$9 75
Straw, baled, car lots, per ton	4 00	4 50
Potatoes, car lots, per bag.	0 37½	0 40
Butter, choice tubs	0 17	0 18
Butter, medium tubs	0 14	0 15
Butter, dairy, lb. rolls	0 19	0 20
Butter, creamery, lb. rolls.	0 22	0 23
Butter, creamery, boxes	0 22	....
Butter, large rolls, per lb.	0 18	0 19
Eggs, held	0 17	0 18
Eggs, new-laid	0 19	0 20
Honey, per lb.	0 09	0 10
Turkeys, per lb.	0 08½	0 09½
Geese, per lb.	0 06	0 06½
Ducks, per pair	0 40	0 60
Chickens, per pair	0 25	0 50

Hides and Wool.

Price list revised daily by James Hallam & Sons, No. 11 East Front-street, Toronto:

Hides, No. 1 green	$0 09½	$0 09½
Hides, No. 1 green steers.	0 09¾	0 10
Hides, No. 2 green steers..	0 08¾	0 09
Hides, No. 2 green	0 08¼	0 08½
Hides, No. 3 green	0 07¼	0 07½
Hides, cured	0 09	0 09½
Calfskins, No. 1	0 10	....
Calfskins, No. 2	0 08	....
Lambskins, fresh	0 90	1 00
Pelts, fresh	0 90	1 00
Tallow, rendered	0 04	0 05
Wool, fleece	0 16	0 17
Wool, unwashed, fleece	0 09	0 10
Wool, pulled, super	0 16	0.17
Wool, pulled, extra	0 19	0 20
Tallow, rough	0 01½	0 03¼

LOCAL LIVE STOCK.

There were no deliveries of live stock on the market to-day, which is the first time in many years that this has been the case on a market day. There were a large number of the local dealers present on the market, and, as there was no business to be done, they talked municipal politics.

Harry Mullins, the well-known cattle dealer of Winnipeg, who was recently elected M.L.A. for the County of Russell, Manitoba, was on the market to-day. His friends (and they are legion) were congratulating him on his great victory.

Shipments per C.P.R.: M. Vincent, one car of butchers' cattle.

Shipments per G.T.R.: William Levack, four cars cattle and one of sheep, and Wm. Harris, three cars cattle, all of which were for export.

Chicago Markets.

McIntyre & Wardwell report the following fluctuations on the Chicago Board of Trade to-day:

	Open	High	Low	Close
Wheat—May	69¾	69¾	69¼	69¼
" —July	70⅛	70⅛	69⅝	69⅝
Corn—May	33	33¼	32⅞	33
Oats—May	23⅞	24	23⅝	23⅝
Pork—Jan.	10 05	10 05	10 02	10 02
" —May	10 42	10 42	10 35	10 35
Lard—Jan.	5 47	5 50	5 47	5 47
" —May	5 72	5 75	5 67	5 67
Ribs—May	5 50	5 50	5 42	5 42

New York Produce.

New York, Dec. 26.—Flour—Receipts, 37,512 barrels; sales, 2500 packages. Neglected and about steady. Minn. patents, $3.80 to $4.05; Minn. bakers, $2.80 to $3.10; winter patents, $3.50 to $3.75; winter straights, $3.35 to $3.45; winter extras, $2.55 to $2.95; winter low grades, $2.25 to $2.40. Rye flour—Steady; fair to good, $3.10 to $3.25; choice to fancy, $3.30 to $3.50. Wheat—Receipts, 115,625; sales, 64,000. Options opened steady at ⅛c advance on a heavy decrease on passage, but eased off under the weight of an increase in visible. March, 74⅜c to 76c; May, 74 13-16c to 75 1-16c; July, 75c to 75 3-16c. Rye—Dull; State, 56c; No. 2 western, 60½c, f.o.b., afloat. Corn—Receipts, 79,950; sales 10,000. Options opened steady and advanced on covering and a liberal decrease on Pacific passage; May, 39⅛c. Oats—Receipts, 233,800; track white State and western, 31c to 34½c. Butter—Receipts, 9932; packing stock strong; State dairy, 18c to 25c; State creamery, 23c to 27c; western creamery, 23c to 27c; June creamery, 22c to 25½c. Cheese—Receipts, 5810 packages; fall made fancy small, 12¾c to 13c; fall made fancy large, 12¾c to 13c; late made small, 13c to 13½c; late large, 11¾ to 12. Eggs—Receipts, 5550 packages, steady; State and Pennsylvania, 23c to 24c; western, 23c, loss off. Sugar—raw steady; fair refining, 3 13-16c; refined quiet; crushed, 5 9-16c; granulated, 5 3-16. Coffee—Dull; No. 7, 6¾c. Hops—quiet; State common to choice, '98 crop, 7c to 9c; '99 crop, 12 to 15c. Pacific coast, '98 crop, 7c to 9c; '99 crop, 12c to 15c. Lead—Steady; bullion price, $4.45; exchange price, $4.70 to $4.75.

Chicago Gossip.

McIntyre & Wardwell say:

Wheat—No cables to-day left the wheat market without its usual morning guide and market has ruled dull and quiet with an easier tone. This has been due to the light trade, helped somewhat by the increase in the visible, which was larger than the trade generally expected. No feature to the trade. Estimated receipts to-morrow, 120 cars.

Corn—Ruled firm throughout the session, some covering by pit shorts and buying by local professionals took the floating offerings off the market. Later there was a shade easier feeling as wheat gave way fractionally. Estimated receipts for tomorrow 615 cars.

Oats—Firm early with an easier feeling at the close in sympathy with other grains. Estimated receipts for to-morrow 340 cars.

Provisions—Opened strong, active and higher on small receipts hogs and higher prices for same. On the advance packers sold May product, causing small decline; near the close prices were again lower with grain markets. Estimated hogs to-morrow, 23,000.

Bartlett, Frazier & Co. (J. A. MacKellar), 21 Melinda-street, received by private wire the following despatch:

Wheat—Wheat trade was very light today, market ruling quiet within a narrow range. After advancing ⅛c per bushel early, owing to small world's shipments, namely, 4,768,000 bushels, later declined ⅝c on large increase in visible supply, amounting to 1,725,000 bushels. English markets were closed, but continental markets were reported firm. Amount on passage to Europe decreased 1,112,000 bushels, and total is now down to a little over 19,000,000 bushels, which is extremely small. Receipts at Chicago and the northwest were 1790 cars over the holiday, and 2498 for the same period a year ago. Receipts at primary points were 1,576,000 bushels, against 2,735,000 last year. Clearances from Atlantic seaboard were 365,000 bushels wheat and flour. There was a moderate demand here for cash wheat and seaboard reported better inquiry from the continent, and some business done. With continued small world's shipments and amount on passage to Europe decreasing so rapidly, it is only a question of time when the other side will be forced to buy, and we still believe the long side is the safest to work on. Estimated receipts for to-morrow, covering three days, 120 cars.

Richardson & Co., Chicago, send the following despatch to Thompson & Heron, 16 West King-street:

Wheat—The market has been extremely dull, with rather a heavy tendency. The increase in visible of 1,750,000, of course, had an additional tendency of depressing a holiday market, but at the same time prices have gone down very little, comparatively speaking. There is no business being done, either in the speculative or cash line, and it seems doubtful if there will be any material increase in business until after January 1st.

THE CATTLE MARKETS.

No Cable Quotations—Firm Feeling in New York.

New York, Dec. 26.—Beeves—Receipts, 434; no trade of consequence; feeling firm. No cable quotations received; shipments none; to-morrow, 850 cattle, 1112 sheep and 9700 quarters of beef. Calves—Receipts, 180; steady; veals, $5 to $8.25; barnyard and fed calves, $3 to $4; Southern calves, $3.12½ to $3.30.

Sheep and Lambs—Receipts, 700; 15½ cars on sale; sheep firm; lambs, 15c higher; all sold; sheep, $3 to $4.50; lambs, $5.10 to $6.25, one deck $6.40; Canada lambs, $6.25.

Hogs—Receipts, 3871; market 10c to 15c higher; good Western hogs, $4.65.

Chicago Live Stock.

Chicago, Dec. 26.—Good to choice cattle, $5.40 to $6.75; poor to medium, $4.25 to $5.25; mixed stockers, $3 to $3.80; selected feeders, $4.25 to $4.80; good to choice cows, $3 50 to $4.50; heifers, $3 to $4.75; calves, $4 to $7.25; mixed and butchers' hogs, $4.05 to $4.30; good to choice heavy, $4.15 to $4.35; rough heavy, $4 to $4.10; light, $3.95 to $4.25; bulk of sales, $4.15 to $4.25; native wethers, $4.25 to $4.90; lambs, $4 to $6; Western wethers, $4 to $4.65; Western lambs, $5.25 to $5.85.

East Buffalo Market.

East Buaffio, Dec. 26.—Cattle—There was one load on sale, not enough to effect a quotable change in the market. The feeling is still firm on good fat butcher cattle. There were no calves on sale. Feeling steady on basis of $7.50 to $8.

Sheep and Lambs—The offerings were light, only seven loads. There were three loads of Canadas on sale. The demand was active and the basis strong at $6. Choice to extra lambs were quotable $5.75 to $6; good to choice, $5.50 to $5.75; sheep, choice to extra, $4.25 to $4.50. Canada lambs sold on the basis of $5.80 to $6.

Hogs—The supply was light, 15 loads. The demand was active and the prices strong to higher on the heavy hogs. Heavy were quotable $4.40 to $4.47½; mixed, $4.35 to $4.45; Yorkers, $4.30 to $4.35; pigs, $4.25 to $4.30; roughs, $3.75 to $4; stags, $3 to $3.50. The close on the heavy hogs was full strong.

ON THE PLAINS OF ABRAHAM.

The Time Recalled When Wolfe and Montcalm Met Their Fate, One in Victory and the Other in Defeat.

And so we come to that great conflict wherein for the last time Old and New England fought side by side. The year 1759, and a moonless night in early September, dark and intensely still. No light save that of the stars; no sound save the ripple of the swift, inflowing tide, as it washes the base of the cliffs, grim and frowning above the City of Quebec. All things seem to sleep, yet on either side of the river a thousand wakeful eyes keep watch and ward. Now from below the fortress comes the boom of cannon, and against the dull red glow that spreads across the sky we see, far up the river, the dark outlines of ships swinging at anchor. Close under their shadow wait a number of shallow, flat-bottomed boats, and in them, silent and expectant, some 1000 men.

The night wears on, and the tide is nearly at the ebb, when suddenly two lanterns gleam from the mainmast of one of the ships. At the signal there is a quiet stir among the waiting men; the rowers bend to their oars, and in darkness and silence the boats move rapidly down the river. In the foremost, with several officers, sits their leader, calm and strong in his daring purpose, though knowing well its failure would mean irretrievable disaster. Presently his voice breaks the silence, and in low, reverent tones he repeats to his wondering listeners those immortal words:

"The boast of heraldry, the pomp of power,
And all that beauty, all that wealth e'er gave,
Await alike the inevitable hour—
The paths of glory lead but to the grave."

On go the boats, with naught to bar their way save an occasional "Qui vive?" from some solitary sentinel above. Our hero's path of glory draws near its end, but there is great work yet to be done. At length they draw up on a narrow strip of beach skirting a cliff, steep and seemingly inaccessible. But the leader has already marked its zig-zag path as the one opening for his daring enterprise, and in a few moments the men are scrambling, hands, feet and knees, up the face of the cliff. Meanwhile, on the opposite shore, others wait eagerly for the returning boats, and ere day dawns 4500 men are drawn up ready for battle on the Plains of Abraham.

And now Wolfe and Montcalm are face-to-face; and never met as foes two braver soldiers or better men. Short and fierce is the struggle. The French charge impetuously, while English and Americans stand like a wall, waiting the word of command. It comes, and a volley, blinding and terrible, rings out like one shot. We see our hero's eyes light up once more as he bounds forward, cheering on his men, and the next moment the French forces, broken and scattered, are fleeing in wild panic. A shout of victory goes up, but Wolfe, thrice wounded, heeds it with dying ears; his work is done, and the frail frame, holding so grand a soul, is at rest.

And for each, victor and vanquished, the laurel and the cypress are mingled; for the brave, heroic Montcalm also is mortally wounded, and in a few hours he too rests from his labors.—From The Self Culture Magazine for January.

SOUTH ONTARIO BRIBERS.

Subpoenas Are Being Issued for Witnesses to the Trial on Jan. 9.

The Crown authorities are issuing subpoenas for witnesses in the prosecution of the bribery charges arising out of the South Ontario election protest. The offenders will be up for trial there on Jan. 9, before two judges to be specially appointed.

The Eating of Horseflesh.

The consumption of horseflesh in Paris does not vary much from year to year, but there appears to have been a slight increase in 1898-99, as five fresh shops or stalls for the sale of this meat were opened, there being now 105, as against 100. The official figures indicate that 22,303 horses, 32 mules and 217 donkeys were sent to be slaughtered, but of these 1335 were rejected as unsuitable for consumption, and the flesh of 21,290 horses, 22 mules and 205 donkeys was sold at rates ranging from ninepence to a penny a pound, the total net weight being 4700 tons, at the rate of 485 lbs. for each horse and mule, and 110 lbs. for each donkey. It is estimated that a third of the meat is sold at the stalls, and that the rest is used for making sausages.

Lovell Arms Company Assigned.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 26.—The John P. Lovell Arms Company, one of the largest sporting goods houses in the country, assigned to-day as a result of the collapse of the Globe National Bank of this city, to which the company was largely indebted. The company manufactured bicycles, firearms and sporting goods of nearly every description.

Seven Indians Drowned.

Ashcroft, B. C., Dec. 26.—Seven Indians, including two women, were drowned last night a short distance west of this place by the upsetting of a canoe in which they were attempting to cross the Thompson River.

Wiarton's Council Elected.

Wiarton, Ont., Dec. 26.—All the other candidates nominated having retired, the following have been declared elected by acclamation: Mayor—James Symon. Councillors—G. Kastner, C. Recken, W. Bernie, E. Jones, G. S. Sinclair and Albert Watt.

DOING HIS DUTY.

One Man's Idea of What is Right.

Durham Brown of Kenmore Was Cured of Rheumatism and Backache—Says It is His Duty to Recommend the Medicine That Cured Him — "Dodd's Kidney Pills Do Even More Than is Claimed for Them."

Kenmore, Dec. 26.

Gentlemen,—For some time past I have contemplated writing concerning the merits of the well-known and wonderful medicine, Dodd's Kidney Pills, but through neglect have failed to accomplish what I now term my duty. During the last winter I was frequently troubled with lame back, so much so that I was unable at times to stoop without a great deal of pain and exertion. I experienced other well-known symptoms peculiar to kidney trouble. I also was afflicted with rheumatism in my right leg and hip to an extent that I was constantly (while at work) suffering agonizing pains in the parts affected. My work during the summer months consists of cheese-box making, and this required me to be seated driving nails. Previous to taking Dodd's Kidney Pills I was forced to look to the invention of a machine to nail covers on, which I named Jack in a Pinch. After taking one box of Dodd's Kidney Pills I found an improvement in my condition, and before I had finished six boxes I found myself nailing in the natural way and Jack in a Pinch was discarded. I was able to sit up in my chair as of old and drive five hundred one and a quarter-inch nails in eighteen minutes. My brother and I worked together, and, if necessary, he can testify to the cure I have received through Dodd's Kidney Pills.

In conclusion, I would say that Dodd's Kidney Pills are all and even more than is claimed for them. If this is of any benefit to the proprietors in any way they are at liberty to make use of it as they may deem advisable.

Wishing them continued success,
I remain,
Very sincerely,
DURHAM BROWN.

BETTER CONDITION IN STOCKS

Canadian Securities Are Firmer in Toronto and Montreal.

New York Stock Market Quiet, With a Better Feeling and No Bad News—A Holiday in London—Latest Financial News.

Tuesday Evening, Dec. 26.

On the Toronto Stock Exchange to-day business was light, but stocks were generally stronger. At the early board the only sales were in Bell rights at 66. At the noon session C.P.R. sold up to 88¾. Toronto Railway also rallied to 98½. War Eagle was rather active, selling up to 254. Dunlop Tire sold lower at 102¼. Republic sold at 102½, and Telephone rights at 67. Bank stocks were quiet, but firm. Mining issues were dull.

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The London Stock Exchange was closed to-day. The fortnightly settlements in Americans will begin to-morrow.

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Stocks were stronger in Montreal, with C.P.R. closing at 89¼ bid, and Richelieu recovering to 102 bid at the close. Street Railways were higher, and Royal Electric was up to 187¾ bid and 191 asked. Bank shares were steady and mining stocks were stronger and fairly active.

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There was no afternoon board on the Toronto Stock Exchange yesterday.

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The earnings of the Twin City Rapid Transit Company for the third week of December, 1899, were $54,141.05, being an increase of $3228.96 over the same period of last year.

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Canadian Pacific earnings for the week ended Dec. 21 were $601,000, an increase of $51,000.

Wall Street.

McIntyre & Wardwell say:

The stock market was quieter to-day as a result of more rational views which obtained over Sunday and the Christmas holidays in regard to the condition immediately surrounding the market and the general situation. There were no London advices on account of the markets there being still closed for the Christmas holidays, and, with no bad news from that point or from South Africa, and absolutely no confirmation of any of the last week's rumors of further financial trouble here, sentiment was more hopeful of the future, and the disposition among the rank and file of operators was to repurchase the stocks thrown over in last week's panic.

Barnett, Frazier & Co. (J. A. MacKellar), 21 Melinda-street, received by private wire the following despatch:

Absence of any disquieting news over the holidays gave strength to the opening prices in the stock market, advances being general, in some instances as much as 1 to 1½ points, the specialities, such as Sugar, B.R.T., Federal Steel and American Steel & Wire leading. Shorts were anxious buyers, finding few stocks offering at the advances. On their demands being somewhat satisfied, some recession was made, though a firm tone was manifest throughout the session. Total sales moderate in volume—415,493 shares.

L. G. Quinlin & Co., New York, send the following despatch to Thompson & Heron to-day:

The strength of the stock market to-day was fairly well maintained at the close, although little quick profit-taking in places made the finish somewhat under the best. Leather, common, was strong, and was supposed to have been bought during the day for Standard Oil interests. Industrials, more or less, eased off before the finish, but in idle markets changes were not important.

Railways for the most part maintained their advances. Disposition seemed to be to wait for result of English stock exchange settlement to-morrow before taking decided views.

Foreign Exchange.

A. E. Hilliard, 12 Melinda-street, Toronto, broker, to-day reports closing exchange rates as follows:

	Between Banks. Buyers.	Sellers.	Counter
N. Y. Funds	1-16 prem	3-32 prem	1-4 to 3-8
Mont'l Funds	10 dis	par	1-8 to 1-4
Demand Stg	9 11-16	9 3-4	9 7-16 to 9 10
60 Days Stg	8 1-4	8 5-16	8 5-8 to 8 3-4
Cable Trans'f	9 7-8	10	10 1-8 to 10 1-4

—Rates in New York.—

Demand, sterling	4.88⅝	4.87¼ to ....
Sixty days, sight	4.82	4.80⅞ to ....

Money Market.

The local money market is unchanged. Money on call, 6 to 6½ per cent.

The Bank of England rate remains at 6 per cent. Open market discount rate, 6¾ to 7 per cent.

Money on call in New York, at 2½ to 6 per cent. Last loan, 3 per cent.

Toronto Stocks.

	Ask.	Bid.
Montreal	...	250
Ontario	...	130
Merchants'	167	...
Commerce	144¾	142½
Imperial	215½	210
Dominion	265	262
Standard	...	194
Hamilton	196	...
Nova Scotia	225	...
Traders'	...	111
British America	126	123¾
Western Assurance	166	162¼
Imperial Life	...	147
National Trust	135	130½
Consumers' Gas	...	223
Montreal Gas	...	182¾
Dominion Telegraph	135	130
Ontario & Qu'Appelle	60	50
Canada Northwest Land, pr.	56	49
Can. Pacific Ry. Stock	89	88¾
Toronto Electric Light	136	132
do. do. new	...	131
General Electric	170	167⅞
Commercial Cable	187½	185
Bell Telephone	...	172
do. rights	70	67
Richelieu & Ontario Nav.	101¾	101
Toronto Railway	98¾	98½
London Street Railway	185	...
Halifax Electric Tram.	100	...
Ottawa Street Railway	200	...
Hamilton Steamboat	...	85
London Electric Light	120	...
Luxfer Prism, pref.	112½	108
Toronto General Trusts	140	...
do. do. new	140	134
Cycle & Motor	...	80¼
Carter-Crume	105	102¼
Crow's Nest Coal	...	132½
Twin City Rapid Transit	61	58½
Payne Mining	...	102
Dunlop Tire, pref.	107	102
War Eagle	253	251¼
Republic	105	102
Cariboo (McKinney)	115	...
Golden Star	32	30
Virtue	55	51
Empress	...	2½
British Can. L. & I.	100	...
Canada Landed & N. I.	90	...
Canada Permanent	135	...
Canadian S. & Loan	...	112½
Dominion Savings & I. Soc.	76½	75
Hamilton Provident	115	110
Huron & Erie L. & S.	...	170
do. do. 20 per cent.	...	166
Imperial L. & I.	100	...
London & Canada	65	...
London Loan	...	108½
Manitoba Loan	50	...
Ontario Loan & Deb.	...	120
do. do. 20 per cent.	...	110
People's Loan	30	25
Real Estate, Loan & Deb.	...	60

Sales at 11.30 a.m.: Telephone, rights, 5, 7½, 6, ½ at 66½.

Sales at 1 p.m.: Standard Bank, 20 at 104; C.P.R., 15 at 89, 25 at 88¾; Cable, 5 at 185; Telephone, rights, ¼, ¼ at 67¼, 20 at 68, 38¾, 13¾ at 67; Toronto Railway, 25 at 98½, 25 at 98¾, 25 at 98¼; Dunlop Tire, 10 at 102¼; War Eagle, 100 at 253, 500, 1500, 1000, 1000 at 254, 500 at 253½, 100 at 254; Republic, 100 at 102¼.

Unlisted Mining Stocks.

Alice A., 9 asked; Athabasca, 36 asked; Big 3.12 asked; Drdanelles, 12 asked, 11 bid; New Deer Park, 2¼ asked; Deer Trail No. 2, 14 asked, 10½ bid; Evening Star, 10 asked; Fairview Corp, 6 asked; Hammond Reef, 20 asked; Iron Mask, 70 asked; Minnehaha, 16 asked; Monte Cristo, 5½ bid; Noble Five, 21 asked; Smuggler, 3 asked; St. Elmo, 4 asked; Victory-Triumph, 7 asked; Virginia, 10 asked; Waterloo, 13 asked, 10 bid; White Bear, 3¾ asked, 3 bid; Winnipeg, 33 asked.

Montreal Stocks.

Montreal, Dec. 26.—Close—C.P.R., 89½ and 89¼; Duluth, 6 and 5¼; Duluth, pref., 16 and 12½; Cable, 187½ and 184; Richelieu, 103 and 102; Montreal Railway, 290 and 286; Halifax Railway, xd., 100 and 90; Toronto Railway, 100 and 99½; Twin City, 59 and 58; Twin City, pref., 140 and 135; Montreal Gas, 186 and 185; Royal, 191 and 187¾; Montreal Tel., 177¾ and 172½; Bell, xns, 180 and 172½; Dominion Coal, 43 offered; Montreal Cotton, 138 offered; Canada Cotton, 94 offered; Dominion Cotton, 94 and 92½; War Eagle, 251 and 250; Virtue, 60 and 54; Montreal-London, 40 and 33; Payne, 108 and 107; Republic, 110 and 107; Merchants' Bank, 165 asked; Merchants' Bank (Halifax), 180 offered; Union, 112 asked; Commerce, 147 asked; Hochelaga, 146 asked; H. & L. bonds, 75 asked; Canada Cotton bonds, 100 offered.

Morning sales: C.P.R., 300 at 89, 25 at 89½; Richelieu, 5 at 100, 25 at 101, 40 at 100, 25 at 100½, 875 at 101; Montreal Ry., 25 at 280, 125 at 284, 250 at 282½, 200 at 283; Toronto Railway, 25 at 99, 25 at 98¾, 175 at 98, 325 at 98, 50 at 98¾; Twin City, 125 at 59; Gas, 75 at 183¼, 75 at 184, 20 at 183¼, 130 at 183; Royal Electric, 50 at 184, 25 at 185, 25 at 185½, 25 at 185, 25 at 184; Telephone rights, 2½ at 66, 6 at 69, 1½, 1 at 70; Dominion Cotton, 25, 85 at 93; War Eagle, 1000 at 251; Montreal-London, 500 at 35; Republic, 400 at 104; Bank of Montreal, 4 at 255; Merchants', 20 at 162½.

Afternoon sales: C.P.R., 115 at 89; Cable, 25 at 185, 15 at 187, 25 at 185, 3 at 187; Richelieu, 25 at 101½, 50 at 102; Montreal Railway, 5 at 283; Toronto Railway, xd., 50, 50 at 98½, 25 at 98¾, 50 at 99, 25 at 99½; Montreal Gas, 100 at 184¾, 25 at 185; Royal, xd., 200 at 185; Montreal Tel., 32 at 172½; Bell, rights, ½ at 70, 11½ at 69, 44½ at 69; Dominion Coal, 10 at 45; Dominion Cotton, 55 at 93, 50 at 93½; War Eagle, 3000, 500 at 251, 200 at 253; Moisons, rights, 18 at 61½.

New York Stocks.

Bartlett, Frazier & Co. (J. A. MacKellar), 21 Melinda-street, report the fluctuations on Wall-street to-day as follows:

	Open	High	Low	Close
Sugar	121½	124¼	120⅝	124¼
Tobacco	88¼	91½	88	90½
Con. Tobacco	28¼	30½	28¼	29¾
Leather, pref.	69¾	71½	69¾	70¾
General Electric	120	120	119⅞	119⅞
Rubber	40	...	...	...
Federal Steel	45½	47¼	45	46¾
do. pref.	69¼	70¾	69	70½
Steel & Wire	43	44½	42½	44
St. Paul	116¼	117	116¼	116⅞
Burlington	118¾	119¾	118⅛	119
Rock Island	104	104¾	104	104¾
Northwest	153	153½	153	153¾
Chic., Great West.	11¼	11⅞	11¼	11½
Northern Pacific	51	52	51	51¼
North. Pacific pr.	72	72⅝	72	72⅝
Canadian Pacific	87	...	...	...
Missouri Pacific	38	38½	37½	37¾
Southern Pacific	34¼	35	34¼	34¾
Atchison	18⅞	18⅞	18⅛	18¼
Atchison, pref.	57¾	58⅝	57½	58¼
Texas Pacific	14¼	14¼	14	14
Louis. & Nash.	75½	77¼	75¼	76½
Southern Rail.	11½	15½	15½	15½
do. pref.	51½	52¼	51½	52
N. & W., pref.	66	66	65½	65½
N. Y. Central	126¾	128½	126¾	128
Canada South.	49½	...	...	...
Pennsylvania	128	129	128	128
C. C. C.	57	58	57	58
Wabash, pref.	20	20½	20	20½
Balt. & Ohio	50¼	51¾	50	51¾
Jersey Central	114	114½	114	114½
Reading	17	17½	17	17½
Reading, pref.	45⅞	47½	45⅞	46¾
Del. & Lack.	171	172¼	171	171½
Del. & Hudson	114	115	114	114½
N.Y.O. & W.	20½	21	20½	21
Pacific Mail	37½	38¾	37½	38
Ches. & Ohio	28½	28⅞	28¼	28¾
Consolidated Gas	185	187	184	184
People's Gas	96¾	98⅜	96⅝	98
Manhattan	90	92½	90	92¼
Metropolitan	160	162½	159	161¼
Brooklyn R. T.	67¾	70⅝	66¼	69⅝
M., K. & T., pr.	30¾	31	30¾	31
Tenn. C. & I.	78½	79¾	78½	78⅞
Western Union	84	84¾	84	84½
Illinois Central	108¾	...	...	...

Cotton Markets.

New York, Dec. 26.—Cotton—Futures closed very steady. Dec. 7.14, Jan. 7.17, Feb. 7.25, March 7.32, April 7.36, May 7.41, June 7.42, July 7.43, August 7.40, Sept.