FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

The following is the official report of the Toronto Stock Exchange, Dec. 17, 1879:—

Banks.	Sellers.	Buyers.	Trans.
Montreal	140	....	.....
Toronto	....	117	.....
Ontario	70	68½	.....
Merchants'	87	85	.....
Commerce	115½	114	ex div.
Consolidated	....	....	.....
Dominion	116	115	.....
Hamilton	99	70	.....
Standard	....	101	ex div.
Federal	101½	....	ex div.
Imperial	97	....	.....
Molsons'	79	....	.....
Loan and Savings Cos.			
Canada Permanent	184	182	.....
Freehold	....	144	.....
Western Canada	....	152	.....
Union	129½	....	.....
Canada Landed Credit	130	127	ex div.
Building and Loan	87	85	xd 4bas86½
Imperial	....	105	ex div.
Farmers'	....	108	.....
London & C. L. & A. Co.	133	130	.....
Huron and Erie	....	130	exdiv.
Dominion Savings and Investment Soc.	....	120½	ex div.
Ont. Loan and Deben. Co.	130	....	ex div.
Can. Sav. and Loan Co.	110	....	.....
London Loan Co.	107½	....	.....
Hamilton Prov. & L. Soc.	....	....	.....
National Investment Co.	....	100½	ex div.
Anglo-Can. Mortgage Co.	....	....	.....
Insurance, &c.			
British America	....	116½	.....
Western Assurance	160	157½	.....
Canada Life	....	208	.....
Confederation Life	....	136	.....
Consumers' Gas	123	....	.....
Dominion Telegraph	70	65	.....
Railways.			
Toronto, G. & B. Bonds	....	30	.....
Toronto & Nipissing Bonds	....	....	.....
Debentures, &c.			
Dom. Gov. Stock, 5 p. c.	....	....	.....
Dom. Gov. Stock, 6 p. c.	....	109½	.....
County (Ont.) Stock, 6 p.c.	....	101	.....
T'n'p (Ont.) Stock, 6 p. c.	....	98½	.....
City Toronto Stock, 6 p.c.	....	102	.....

English Markets.

WEDNESDAY, Dec. 17.

London—Floating cargoes—Wheat and maize, very little enquiry; cargoes on passage—wheat and maize, very quiet. Mark Lane—Wheat and maize, slow; good cargoes No. 2 spring wheat, off the coast, was 55s, now 54s 6d; No. 2 red winter, was 58s, now 57s 6d; No. 2 California was 57s, now 56s to 56s 6d. Imports during the week into the United Kingdom—Wheat, 285,000 to 290,000 qrs; maize, 85,000 to 90,000 qrs; flour, 110,000 to 115,000 bbls. Liverpool—Spot wheat, dull; California, 1d cheaper; average, red winter, white Michigan and spring, 2d cheaper; maize, 1½d cheaper.

WEEKLY REVIEW OF TORONTO WHOLESALE MARKETS.

WEDNESDAY, December 17.

PRODUCE.

The market has been rather unsettled since our last, particularly on flour and wheat. Prices were tending upwards until the end of last week, but on Monday the upward movement was checked, and since then a part of the advance on wheat has been lost. The enquiry was active in the latter part of last week, but since then it has fallen off. The enquiry all through last week and the large sales made and high prices paid in the early part of it, seems to have been due to very low rates of ocean freight and a want of grain to fill up the vessels chartered. This having been done and no more ship room being offered just now at these low rates, the market has fallen back into its normal condition in regard to outside prices. Stocks have generally been increasing during the week, and stood on Monday morning as follows:—Flour, 11,300 barrels; fall wheat, 145,659 bushels; spring wheat, 106,986; oats, 1,760; barley, 153,920; peas, 27,831 and rye, 1,040 bushels, against on the corresponding date last year:—Flour, 5,550 barrels; fall wheat, 32,996 bushels; spring wheat, 56,076 bushels; oats, 12,150; barley, 120,537; peas, 27,232; and rye nil bushels. Outside advices show markets to have been rather unsettled in most quarters. English quotations have advanced and declined during the week, but close with an advance of 1d on spring, white and club, and of 2d on red winter, wheat; with a rise of 2d on oats. Markets to-day were very quiet with cargoes slow of sale and quoted at a decline, markets were steadily improving during last week when both English and foreign wheat sold readily at an advance of a shilling per quarter. Friday showed a very firm market, with all sorts of wheat advanced but millers not inclined to concede the advance, when they could avoid doing so. Further cable advices of the 8th inst. state that during the preceding week home deliveries showed a slight decrease; but as there was no material improvement in the quality, business was very slow, both in London and at the country markets, with little or no change in prices. It was admitted that supplies were considerably in excess of immediate requirements, but this fact exercised very little influence on trade; the advance noted was expected and it was thought that the closing of Russian ports and a decrease in the American shipments were likely to produce considerable activity before the close of the year. The total supply during the previous week, ending on the 6th inst. seems to have been from 8,000 to 110,000 quarters in excess of the usual weekly consumption; and there seems no reason to expect any early decrease in receipts. The amount of wheat and flour in transit on the 14th inst., was equal to 2,280,000 quarters, against 2,236,000 on the 27th ult., and 1,612,000 quarters at the corresponding date last year. The approximate quantity of grain on passage for the United Kingdom for orders, expected to arrive during the four weeks from Nov. 27 to Dec. 25, is:—Wheat, 379,000 quarters, comprising 3,000 quarters from the Danube and Black Sea; 204,000 quarters from Atlantic ports; 97,000 quarters from California, and 75,000 quarters from Chili and Australia, along with 126,000 quarters of corn, all from American Atlantic ports. Continental advices by mail state that in France during the last week of November the demand was inactive, and quite of a local consumptive character, but prices varied but little. Inferior lots were only settled all over, and all through the week which is admittedly due to the fact that the markets are in the hands of a combination of New York and Chicago speculators, formed for the purpose of advancing prices. These they have already brought to 10 to 15c above a shipping margin on No. 2 spring; but they hope to be able to keep prices above the limits of shippers until after the holidays, and force English and Continental buyers ultimately to take their wheat at present high values. This is no easy task, as the quantity is so large that it is difficult to manage. The stock at New York and in the west, instead of diminishing, is increasing, and the exports are falling off, having been last week only 618,652 bushels from New York, and from the coast 1,687,660. The stock at New York is 15,049,352 bushels, to this add 1,926,451 held at other Atlantic ports, and we have a total of 16,975,253. On the other hand it is estimated that in Ohio, Indiana and Illinois about 170 per cent. of the surplus of the winter wheat crop is out of the growers' hands, and in Michigan upwards of 50 per cent. It is also stated that the surplus spring wheat crop of Iowa, Minnesota, Wisconsin and Nebraska has been more than one-half marketed. The visible supply of grain, comprising the stocks in granary at the principal points of accumulation at Lake and seaboard ports, and in transit by rail at the undermentioned dates was as follows:—

	1879. Dec. 6. bush.	1879. Nov. 29. bush.	1878. Dec. 7 bush.
Wheat	27,850,685	28,217,890	*17,945,020
Corn	10,837,306	10,29[illegible],951	*8,124,150
Oats	2,998,930	3,026,417	3,412,417
Barley	4,678,970	4,979,792	5,205,[illegible]62
Rye	1,194,683	1,234,487	1,200,820
Total, bu.	46,850,654	47,755,447	33,908,559

*Stock afloat in New York not included.

The following table shows the top prices of the different kinds of produce in the Liverpool markets for each market day during the past week:—

	Dec. 11, 5 p.m.		Dec. 12, 5 p.m.		Dec. 13, 5 p.m.		Dec. 15, 5 p.m.		Dec. 16, 5 p.m.		Dec. 17, 5 p.m.	
	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.
Flour	13	0	13	0	13	0	13	0	13	0	13	0
S. Wheat	11	0	11	2	11	2	11	2	11	1	11	1
R. Winter	11	6	11	10	11	10	11	10	11	8	11	8
White	11	7	11	9	11	9	11	9	11	8	11	8
Club	11	10	12	0	12	0	12	0	11	11	11	11
Corn	5	10½	6	0	6	0	6	0	5	10½	5	10½
Oats	6	8	6	5	6	5	6	5	6	5	6	5
Barley	5	3	5	3	5	3	5	3	5	3	5	3
Peas	7	0	7	0	7	0	7	0	7	0	7	0
Pork	59	6	60	0	60	0	60	0	60	0	60	0
Lard	39	6	39	0	39	0	38	6	38	6	38	6
Beef	82	6	82	6	82	6	82	6	82	6	82	6
Bacon	42	9	41	6	41	0	40	6	40	6	40	0
Tallow	38	0	38	6	38	6	38	6	38	6	38	6
Cheese	66	0	66	0	66	0	66	0	65	0	65	0

FLOUR—The market has been inactive, as buyers and sellers have been apart, but prices have been firm with an upward tendency. Superior extra on the spot has been firmly held at $5, with $5.20 to $5.25 bid; but we understand that a lot outside was sold in the latter part of last week at equal to $5.20. Extra has been purely nominal. Strong bakers' has been very firm, and sold in the latter part of last week at $6.85 f.o.c. Spring extra very scarce, and any in the market held far above buyers' views, $5.70 having been asked in one instance. The market to-day showed no change of any consequence, and the only sale reported was that of a lot of superior extra at $5.85 f.o.c.

BRAN—Very scarce and bids advancing; cars would have brought $9.75 to $10.

OATMEAL—Inactive and unchanged, with cars worth $4.80 to $4.40, and small lots selling at $4.50 to $4.75.

WHEAT—The demand was active and prices advancing up to Saturday; but since then a reaction has set in, as all the cheap freight-room has been filled and outside markets have been weak. No. 2 fall sold at $1.32 on Friday, and at $1.33½ and $1.35 f.o.c. on Saturday, but $1.32 was the best bid on Tuesday. No. 3 fall sold last week at $1.20 and at $1.21 f.o.c.; spring has been less wanted than fall, but sales of No. 1 were made last week at $1.32; and of No. 2 at $1.30 last week and $1.28 f.o.c. on Tuesday. The market to-day was inactive, but seemed no lower than on Tuesday. No. 2 fall was offered in car-lots at $1.34 with $1.31 bid; and No. 1 spring at $1.32 with $1.30 bid; No. 2 was held at $1.30, and would have brought $1.28 f.o.c. On the street fall sold at $1.28 to $1.30, and spring at the same price.

BARLEY—All sorts have been scarce and the higher grades have been firm and wanted; but the movement has been small all over. No. 1 has been held at 80c with 78c bid in one instance. No. 2 has sold at from 67½ to 68½c, f.o.c., chiefly, if not entirely, in car-lots, and has generally been held at 70c with a good demand at the above prices. No. 3 extra has been easy with small sales at 58c, f.o.c., and 57c on track. No. 3 has been but sold at 50c on track. There was no movement reported to-day, beyond the offer of a car of No. 1 and a car of choice No. 2 at 78c all round with 77c bid; values seemed to be generally unchanged. On street prices have ranged from 58 to 68c.

OATS—Have been quiet but steady; some few cars on track sold in the latter part of last week at 36c, and three cars changed hands to-day at the same price. Street prices declined to-day to 36 to 37½c.

PEAS—There has been no movement reported, but this is due to offerings being small and holders very firm. For some days of No. 1 there was 68½c bid and refused last week, and No. 2 would readily have brought 67c. Street prices have been firmer at 65 to 70c.

RYE—Has sold as before at 70 to 71c on the street.

BEANS—There has still been little or nothing doing, and prices have remained as before at $4.75 to $5 per bushel, or $3 to $3.50 per central for clover; all others purely nominal.

HAY—Pressed has been very quiet, and prices weak at about $10 for cars. Receipts on the market have been very large, and prices easier at $6.50 to $10, and the general run from $8 to $9.

STRAW—Offerings have been fully sufficient, but prices fairly steady at $6 to $7 for oat and rye straw in sheaves; and occasionally $7.50 for choice.

POTATOES—Have been easier and rather quiet; cars have declined about five cents, and have sold at 55c. Street receipts sufficient and prices easier at 50 to 55c per bag.

APPLES—Firm, with all offering wanted; a car-lot sold at $2.40. On the street prices range from $1.75 to $2.50, with the general run $2 to $2.25.

MUTTON—Has been scarce and easier at $4 to $4.50 per central; but really good lamb has been scarce and wanted at $5.75 to $6 per central.

POULTRY—Was abundant and slow of sale until the change of weather when it became firmer. Turkeys have been selling at 60 to 80c for hens and 50 to $1.25 for gobblers. Geese have been bringing 45 to 55c; fowl from 30 to 40c, and ducks from 50 to 60c. Box-lots have been firmer at 7 to 8c per lb for turkeys and ducks, and 5 to 5½c for fowl and geese, but wet weather would at once cause a fall.

FLOUR, f.o.c.		
Superior Extra, per 196 lbs	$5 85 to	$6 00
Extra	5 60	5 75
Fancy and Strong Bakers	5 75	5 85
Spring Wheat, extra	5 50	5 75
Superfine		none.
Oatmeal, per 196 lbs	4 50	4 40
Cornmeal, small lots	3 25	3 50
BAG FLOUR, by car lot f.o.c.		
Extra	$5 50	$0 00
Spring Wheat, extra	5 50	0 00
GRAIN, f.o.b.		
Fall Wheat, No. 1, per 60 lbs	$1 33	$1 34
" No. 2, " "	1 31	1 32
" No. 3, " "	1 23	1 30
Red Winter		none.
Spring Wheat, No. 1	1 30	1 31
" No. 2	1 28	1 29
" No. 3	1 18	1 20
Oats (Canadian) per 34 lbs	36	0 00
Barley, No. 1, per 48 lbs	0 78	0 80
" No. 2, " "	0 68	0 72
" Extra No. 3	0 57	0 59
" No. 3	0 51	0 52
Peas, No. 1, per 60 lbs	0 68	0 69
" No. 2, and No. 3	0 67	0 68
Rye	0 70	0 72
PRICES AT FARMERS' WAGGONS.		
Wheat, fall, new, per bush	$1 28	$1 32
Wheat, spring, do.	1 28	1 32
Barley, do.	0 50	0 70
Oats, do.	0 36	0 37
Peas, do.	0 65	0 70
Rye, do.	0 70	0 71
Dressed hogs, per 100 lbs	5 75	6 25
Beef, hind qrs., do.	4 00	4 50
Mutton, by carcase, 100 lbs	4 50	6 00
Chickens, per pair	0 30	0 40
Ducks, per brace	0 50	0 60
Geese, each	0 45	0 55
Turkeys	0 60	1 25
Butter, lb. rolls	0 20	0 23
do. large rolls		none.
do. tub dairy	0 17	0 20
Eggs, fresh, per doz	0 18	0 22
Potatoes, per bag	0 60	0 65
Apples, per bbl	1 75	2 50
Onions, per bag	1 50	1 75
Tomatoes, per bush		none.
Turnips, per bag	0 30	0 35
Carrots, per bag	0 45	0 50
Beets, per bag	0 50	0 70
Parsnips, per bag	0 50	0 60
Hay, per ton	6 50	10 00
Straw, per ton	5 00	7 50
Wool, per lb	0 30	0 31

PROVISIONS.

TRADE—Has continued to be quiet all over since our last.

BUTTER—There has been very little movement in the market and prices have remained weak though we do not think that any further decline has been established; selected has sold to a small extent at 18c, and the same price would have been paid to-day. Round lots of good quality, with white thrown out, are worth about 15 to 16c. In inferior qualities there seems to have been nothing doing. Box-lots have been in fair supply and easy at 17 to 18c. Offerings of all sorts seem to be on the increase; the falling-off of the shipping demand having left country holders without much enquiry from buyers they have begun to enquire of them what prices will be paid. Street receipts have been fair but of poor quality, and prices remain much as before at 20 to 22c for pound-rolls, and 17 to 20c for tubs, pails and crocks. English advices report markets inactive but stocks hold firmly with a revival expected.

CHEESE—The only movement here has been in small lots, and these have sold as before at 11 to 12c for good qualities. English quotations show prices to have receded a shilling during the week.

EGGS—Receipts seem to have been rather on the increase and fully sufficient. Store-lots, consisting of all sorts, sell usually at 15 to 17c, according to quality; fined are worth about 14c. Fresh would bring 18 to 19c could they be had. On the street really fresh bring 20 to 22c, but other sorts sell much as above.

PORK—Firm; a car-lot sold at $14.25, and small lots have been going at from $14.75 to $15, but with very little doing in them.

BACON—Has been quiet but generally steady. Cumberland has sold to a small extent at 7½c for tons, and 7¾ to 8c for cases and smalls lots. Long-clear is very scarce and firmer than Cumberland; there has been 8c bid and refused for a round lot, and small lots bring 8½ to 8¾c. Smoked rolls are firm at 9 to 9½c; hollies seem to have advanced to 9 to 9½c, with a lot of 50 sold at 9c.

HAMS—Quietude and inactivity have continued to rule in smoked and canvassed, which are nominally unchanged at 10 to 11c; a lot of 500 green, short-cut, and averaging 16 to 18 lbs., has however brought 9c.

LARD—The firmness of last week has been maintained; a lot of about 25 pails sold at 9½c, and small lots have brought 10c; tinnets usually sell at 9½c, and tierces at 9c in small lots.

HOGS—Have been coming forward more freely, but were all taken readily at firm prices; rail lots have sold usually at $5.65 to $5.75. Street receipts were small until to-day, when they increased, and prices became easy at $5.75 to $6.

SALT—Remains unchanged in price at 90c for Liverpool in cars, and $1 for small lots; and $1.25 per central for Cagliari, but sales have been small. Goderich is unaltered, with sales of car-lots at 55c per barrel.

DRIED APPLES—The late active demand and firm prices have been maintained; country-lots have brought 5½ to 6c, and dealers have advanced their prices to 6½ to 7c for small lots.

HOPS—Quiet and easier, with new offering at 28 to 32c, and yearlings at 7 to 13c, according to quality, but very little selling.

CATTLE.

TRADE—has been decidedly active as is usual at this season.

BREVIER—Receipts have been large but all have been wanted. Choice, however, have been scarce and have been taken for shipment at firm prices; the export sales have been chiefly of those cattle which used formerly to be bought here as "show cattle," and these have brought from $5 to $6.12 per cental, but the latter has been paid only for a lot of heifers averaging 1,000 lbs; more would have been taken had they been offered. First-class, consisting of steers and heifers averaging not under 1,200 lbs, have been in good demand for the local market, and selling readily at $4.75 to $5; one car of steers and heifers averaging 1,300 lbs sold at $5.50 and another of the same weight at $5.5, and a car of cows, steers and heifers averaging 1,350 lbs at $61. Lower grades have been quiet, as buyers and sellers have been apart in their views and this has caused a good many to be shipped to Montreal; any sales of second-class have been made usually at $3.75 to $4. Third-class also have been quiet from the same cause as has influenced second-class; they have sold slowly at $3 to $3.25, but it cannot be said that there have been too many of either grade in the market.

SHEEP—The Christmas market has affected these only to a very small extent; offerings have been small but sufficient and prices usually unchanged at from $5 to $5.50 for first-class wethers, dressing not under 70 lbs; and $4 to $4.75 for second-class, with rather a slow sale for the latter.

LAMBS—An active demand has been maintained; all offering have found a ready sale, as would probably some more had they been forthcoming. Prices have been very firm all over, but we cannot say that any actual advance has been established. First-class dressing from 50 lbs upwards have been offered insufficiently and more wanted at $4.25 to $4.50; and lots of first-class, dressing from 40 to 48 lbs, at from $3.62 to $4.12. Second-class, dressing from 30 to 38 lbs, have ranged from $2 to $3.37, and third-class, consisting chiefly of culls, have sold usually about $3, with little doing in them.

CALVES — Choice Christmas calves have been wanted and some have sold at 8 to 10c per lb, dressed weight. Good first-class dressing from 120 to 150 lbs have been steady at 6c, or $7.50 to $9 each; and inferior have been dull and inactive at 5c per lb.

HIDES, SKINS AND WOOL.

TRADE—Has continued fairly active.

HIDES—Green have shown a fall of 25c since our last, No. 1 being down to $9.75; there are rather more offering but all wanted. Cured have been active with sales of car-lots at 10½c, at 10½c and 10c and more offering at the latter price.

CALFSKINS—Nominally unchanged at former prices.

SHEEPSKINS—Have been offering slowly and have again advanced. The best green now being $1.05, but the rise is said to be much greater than is warranted by the advance of wool. Dry have been inactive; fairly good lots would bring $1.25.

WOOL—The market has continued to be active at still advancing prices. Several lots both of fleece and of super have sold on p.t., but admittedly at an advance on last week's prices. As these were 30 to 31c it is probable that 32c has been paid. Indeed, we should expect prices to have been still higher were it not that any advance over 32c must lead to an increase in the States' duty. Still as it is thought they will want more than they can get in Canada it is probable that this objection has not weighed and that 33½ or more have been paid. Fleece has brought 31c in the street.

TALLOW—Seems rather easier, with rendered usually selling at 6c, and offerings considerable.

Quotations stand as follows:—No. 1 inspected, choice, $10.00; No. 2 inspected, $9.00; No. 3 inspected, $8.00; Calfskins, green, 12c; Calfskins, cured, 12½ to 14c; calfskins, dry, none; sheepskins, 70c to $1.05; Wool, fleece, 30 to 31c; Wool, pulled super, 30 to 31c; extra super, 34 to 35c; Wool, pickings, 4 to 7c; Tallow, rough, 4c; rendered, 6½c.

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

Montreal Markets.

MONTREAL, Dec. 17.

FLOUR—Receipts, 831 bbls; the market is quiet and unchanged. In the absence of transactions no change can be made in quotations. Superior extra at $5.80 to $6.35; extra superfine at $5.70; spring extra, new ground, at $6; superfine at $5.65 to $5.75; strong bakers' at $6.25 to $6.50; fine at $5.30 to $5.40; middlings at $4.70 to $4.80; Ontario bags $2.80 to $3.05; city bags, delivered, $3.30.

BARLEY—Nominal.

OATMEAL—Ontario at $4.70 to $4.75.

RYE—Nominal.

OATS—31 to 32c.

PEAS—80 to 82½c per 66 lbs.

CORNMEAL—$2.90.

CORN—45 to 70c, duty paid.

WHEAT—Canada spring at $1.45.

BUTTER—Western, 15 to 20c; Brockville and Morrisburg, 17 to 21c; Eastern Townships, 20 to 22½c; creameries, 26 to 28c.

CHEESE—12 to 13c, according to make.

LARD—10 to 11½c for tubs and pails.

PORK—Mess at $17 to $17.50.

HAMS—11 to 12c.

BACON—8¼ to 9c.

ASHES—Pots, $4.95 to $5 per 10 lbs.

DRESSED HOGS—$5.70 to $6.90 per 100 lbs.

New York Produce Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.

COTTON—Nominal; quoted at 12½c for middling uplands.

FLOUR—Dull; receipts 23,000 bbls; sales, 12,000 bbls; superfine state and western, $5.50 to $5.90; common to choice extra state, $5.90 to $6.35; common to choice extra western at $5.90 to $6.40; common to choice extra round-hoop Ohio, at $6.15 to $7.75.

RYE FLOUR—Firm; sales, 250 bbls, at $5.30 to $5.75 for superfine state.

WHEAT—Spring, nominal; winter, ¼ to 1c better; fairly active; receipts, were 14,000 bush; sales, 126,000 bush; No. 2 red, in December, at $1.54¾.

RYE—Firm; state and Canada at 97c.

CORN—Dull; receipts, 30,000 bush; sales, 24,000 bush, 45 of rye 65c for Western mixed.

BARLEY—Dull; two-rowed state quoted at 73 to 76c.

OATS—Dull; receipts, 39,000 bush; sales, 30,000 bush, at 49 to 50½c for mixed state and western; 50 to 54c for white do.

PORK—Firmer; sales of 100 bbls at $12.25 for new mess.

BEEF—Steady.

LARD—Firmer; at $7.75 for steam.

BUTTER—At 14 to 35c for State and Pennsylvania.

CHEESE—Quoted at 7 to 13c.

SUGAR—Quoted at 10c for granulated.

EGGS—Quoted at 14 to 29c for state and Pennsylvania.

WHISKEY—Quoted at $1.17 to $1.18.

TALLOW—At 6¾ to 6 13-16c.

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.

RECEIPTS—Flour, 23,140 bbls; wheat, 24,000 bush; corn, 30,000 bush; oats, 39,000 bush; rye, 4,500 bush; barley, 4,000 bush; pork, 1,901 bbls; lard, 1,944 tcs; whiskey, 1,361 bbls.

NEW YORK, Dec. 17, 2 15 p.m

WHEAT—Quiet; sales of 150,000 bush No. 2 red at $1.54½ to $1.55.

CORN—Quiet; sales of 50,000 bush No. 2 at 64½ to 65c.

OATS—Dull and lower.

TALLOW—At 6¾ to 6¾c.

DRESSED HOGS—At 5¾ to 6¼c.

Chicago Markets.

CHICAGO, Dec. 17.

FLOUR—Unchanged.

WHEAT—At $1.29 for January; $1.30¾ for February.

CORN—At 40¼c for December; 40⅝c for January; 41¼c for February; 46¾c for May.

OATS—At 34½c for January; 35c for February; 39½c for May.

RYE—78c bid for cash; 78½c for January; 79½c for February.

BARLEY—Extra No. 3 at 64c bid for January.

WHISKEY—Sales of 600 barrels at $1.12.

PORK—At $12.65 to $12.67½ for January; $12.87½ February.

LARD—At $7.32½ for January; $7.45 to $7.47½ for February.

LOOSE MEATS—Short clear, $6.40; short rib, $6.25; long clear, $6.15; shoulders, $4.10; green hams, 7c.

DRY SALT MEATS—Short clear, $6.60; short rib, $6.45; long clear, $6.35; shoulders, $4.30; sugar pickled hams, 8c.

RECEIPTS—Flour, 19,426 bbls; wheat, 76,000 bush; corn, 137,000 bush; oats, 27,000 bush; rye, 8,000 bush; barley, 13,000 bush.

SHIPMENTS—Flour, 15,512 bbls; wheat, 15,000 bush; corn, 37,000 bush; oats, 1,000 bush; rye, 5,000 bush; barley, 12,000 bush.

Live Stock Markets.

U. S. YARDS, CHICAGO, Dec. 17, 12.27 p.m.

HOGS—Up to 12 o'clock there was but 4 sales of hogs at the Union Stock Yards; unless the packers come to some understanding with their men, all packing houses will close to-night. Union men refuse to work unless non-union men are discharged. Light grade sales; $4.25 for good to choice heavy shipping.

EAST BUFFALO, Dec. 17, 10.50 a.m.

HOGS—Easier; receipts, 82 cars; shipments, 71 cars; 17 cars to New York; yorkers, $4.60 to $4.69; heavy and medium, $4.65 to $4.80; new, extra selected, for Boston, $5.

EAST LIBERTY, Dec. 17, 11 a.m.

CATTLE—Active; prime, $5 to $5.37½; good, $4.25 to $5; common, $3.75 to $4.25; receipts, 1,105; shipments, 833.

HOGS—Dull; receipts, 5,000; shipments, 2,900; Philadelphias, $7.30 to $7.80; yorkers, $4.40 to $5.00.

SHEEP—Active; receipts, 2,000; shipments, 4,300.

U. S. YARDS, CHICAGO, Dec. 17, 9 47 a.m.

HOGS—Estimated receipts, 23,000; official yesterday, 26,094; shipments, 1,192; market dull; light grades, $4.35 to $4.45; mixed packers at $4.15 to $4.40; heavy shipping, at $4.50 to $4.55.

CATTLE—Receipts, 4,000.

U. S. YARDS, NEW YORK, Dec. 17, 10.50 a.m.

CATTLE—Lively; at 5½ to 10c; receipts, 1,641.

SHEEP—Lively, at 5 to 5½c; receipts, 4,522.

CALVES—Lively, at 6 to 7½c; receipts, 217.

JERSEY CITY, Dec. 17, 11 30 a.m.

CATTLE—Firm, at 5½ to 10½c; receipts, 112.

SHEEP—Firm, at 4½ to 5½c; receipts, 16 cars.

LAMBS—Firm, at 5½ to 6½c; receipts, 1 car.

HOGS—Firm, at 6 to 6½c; receipts, 18 cars.

Toledo Markets.

TOLEDO, Dec. 17, 11.36 a.m.

WHEAT—Call; No. 2 red at $1.36½ to $1.37 for December; $1.37½ to $1.37¾ for January; $1.40½ to $1.41½ for February.

CORN—No. 3 at 44c asked, 43½c bid for cash; 47½c for May.

OATS—No. 2 at 40c asked for cash.

RECEIPTS—Wheat 23,000 bush; corn, 13,000 bush; oats, 1,000 bush.

SHIPMENTS—Wheat, 3,000 bush; corn, 16,000 bush; oats, 2,000 bush.

TOLEDO, Dec. 17, 1 p.m.

WHEAT—No. 2 red at $1.37½ for December; $1.41½ for February.

CORN—High mixed at 44½c; No. 2 at 44c for cash.

OATS—Nominal.

Detroit Markets.

DETROIT, Dec. 17, 12.55 p.m.

WHEAT—Quiet; white at $1.34 for cash for December; $1.35 for January; $1.38½ for February; $1.41½ for March.

Milwaukee Markets.

MILWAUKEE, Dec. 17, 9.34 a.m.

WHEAT—$1.25½ bid for January; receipts, 68,000 bush; shipments, 4,000 bush.

MILWAUKEE, Dec. 17, 10.05 a.m.

WHEAT—$1.25½ for December; $1.32½ for January; $1.28 for February; cars, 124.

CORN—Dull, at 39c.

OATS—Firm, at 33½c.

RYE—Quiet, at 77c.

BARLEY—Dull, at 74c.

MILWAUKEE, Dec. 17, 1.08 p.m.

WHEAT—Hard, at $1.28; No. 1 at $1.27½; No. 2 at $1.26½ for cash for December; $1.28½ for January; $1.28¾ for February; No. 2 at $1.11½.

MILWAUKEE, Dec. 17, 2.35 p.m.

WHEAT—$1.26 or December; $1.26½ for January; $1.28¾ for February.

MILWAUKEE, Dec. 17, 3.16 p.m.

WHEAT—$1.27½ for January; $1.29½ for February.

MILWAUKEE, Dec. 17, 3 33 p.m.

WHEAT—Firm; hard at $1.28; No. 1 at $1.27½; No. 2 at $1.26½ for cash or December; $1.27½ for January; $1.29 for February.

Oswego Markets.

OSWEGO, N.Y., Dec. 17.

FLOUR—Unchanged.

WHEAT—Unchanged; white state at $1.45.

CORN—Lower; western, at 58c.

BARLEY—Quiet; No. 1 Canada held at 88c; No. 1 bright at $1.

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