Financial and Commercial

BULK OF MARKET FORMED BY GEESE

Prices Range From 20 To 22 Cents—Turkeys 35 To 40 Cents.

Geese formed the bulk of the market to-day on the local square. There were a few turkeys, and chickens as well. Dressed prices were: Geese, 20 to 22 cents a pound; turkeys, 35 cents for gobblers, and 40 cents for hens; chickens, 28 to 30 cents a pound.

Butter is scarce and sold for 48 to 50 cents a pound, and eggs were firm at 60 to 65 cents a dozen for strictly fresh, and pullets' eggs, 40 and 50 cents a dozen.

Potatoes do not come to the local market in any quantities just now, the few bags on the market to-day being offered at $2.25 a bag retail. Sales were few.

Hay and oats are wanted and there are plenty of orders for these at current prices. One load of oats came in on Wednesday and two loads of hay to-day.

Butter			
Creamery, wholesale	45	@	46
do., retail	48	@	50
Dairy, crocks, w'sale	43	@	43
do., crocks, retail	45	@	46
do., prints, w'sale	43	@	45
do., prints, retail	45	@	48
Eggs			
Extras, wholesale	54	@	54
do., retail	60	@	65
Firsts, wholesale	45	@	45
do., retail	50	@	50
Seconds, wholesale	32	@	32
do., retail	35	@	35
Crocks, wholesale	32	@	32
do., retail	35	@	35
Vegetables			
Beets, bushel	1 00	@	1 00
Cabbage, dozen	50	@	80
do., each	8	@	15
Celery, dozen	60	@	1 25
do., bunch	10	@	20
Carrots, bushel	80	@	1 00
Potatoes, w'sale	2 00	@	2 00
do., retail	2 25	@	2 25
Onions, bushel	1 25	@	1 25
Lettuce, dozen bunches	80	@	80
Turnips, bushel	50	@	65
Spinach, peck	35	@	35
do., bushel	1 00	@	1 25
Parsley, dozen	40	@	40
Sage and savory, dozen	40	@	40
Parsnips, 11-qt. basket	35	@	40
do., bushel	1 00	@	1 00
Squash, each	10	@	15
Fruits			
Apples, 11-qt. basket	35	@	50
do., bushel	85	@	1 50
do., barrel	2 50	@	4 00
Poultry—Wholesale.			
Spring chickens.	Alive		Dressed.
Over 6 lbs.	21		26
5 to 6 lbs.	19		25
4 to 5 lbs.	17		23
Under 4 lbs.	15		20
Hens, over 5 lbs.	18		22
Hens, 4 to 5 lbs.	15		20
Hens, under 4 lbs.	10		15
Old roosters, over 5 lbs.	10		14
Old roosters, under 5 lbs.	8		11
Spring ducks, over 5 lbs.	18		22
Spring ducks, under 5 lbs	16		20
Geese, over 10 lbs.	12		12
Young turkeys	30		33
Old turkeys	26		30
Poultry — Retail — Dressed			
Chickens, lb.	25	@	30
do., each	1 20	@	1 40
Ducks, lb.	23	@	23
do., each	1 00	@	1 60
Geese, lb.	20	@	22
Turkeys, lb.	25	@	40
Grain, Bushel			
Oats	46	@	47
Wheat	1 35	@	1 40
Barley	67	@	72
Buckwheat	72	@	72
Rye	80	@	86
Grain, Hundredweight			
Oats	1 35	@	1 40
Wheat	2 00	@	2 68
Barley	1 40	@	1 50
Buckwheat	1 50	@	1 50
Rye	1 60	@	1 60
Hay, Per Ton			
Hay, per ton	21 00	@	22 00
Straw	9 00	@	10 00
Live Stock			
Live hogs	12½	@	12½
Hogs, dressed	17	@	18
Small pigs, pair	10 00	@	12 00
Fat sows	8	@	8½
Spring lambs	11 00	@	12 00
Calves	9 00	@	10 00
Dressed Meats—Wholesale			
Beef, heifer	12	@	13
Beef, cow	7	@	9
Mutton	15	@	15
Veal	13	@	14
Hides and Wool			
Butcher hides, No 1	9	@	9½
do., No. 2	8½	@	8½
Bulls, No. 1	7½	@	7½
do., No. 2	6½	@	6½
Calf, No. 1	15	@	15
do., No. 2	13	@	13
Kips, No. 1	13	@	13
do., No. 2	11	@	11
Tallow, rendered	6½	@	7
do., rough	3	@	3½
Horsehides	3 50	@	3 50
Sheepskins	1 00	@	1 50

OILS.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 31.—Kerosene, No. 1, 1s 3d; do., No. 2, 1s 2d; rosin, common, 29s 6d; turpentine, spirits, 66s 6d.

LONDON CLOSING.

LONDON, Dec. 31.

Consols for money	55 1-16
British 5 per cent. loan	100½
British 4½ per cent. loan	95
Atchison	138½
Baltimore & Ohio	93½
Canadian Pacific	149
Chesapeake & Ohio	126½
Chicago Great Western	11⅛
Chicago, Mil. & St. Paul	9½
De Beers	14½
Erie	39⅛
Erie, 1st, pfd.	46⅛
Illinois Central	124
Louisville & Nashville	142⅝
New York Central	136½
Norfolk & Western	147⅞
Ontario & Western	28¼
Pennsylvania	54⅞
Rand Mines	2⅞
Reading	88⅝
Southern Railway	119⅞
Southern Pacific	103⅜
Union Pacific	149⅞
United States Steel	134⅜

FINANCIAL.

TORONTO.

TORONTO, Dec. 31.—The market was strong on the Toronto stock exchange to-day and a broad list was dealt in. The sudden prominence of Winnipeg Electric was a feature, it selling up 1¾ points, at 48¾. MacKay, common, sold 2½ higher, at 138, and Canada Bread, common, 2 higher, at 62.

Brazilian and Smelters were again the leaders, with Winnipeg also outstanding. Smelters receded during the session to 178, recovering to 182 at the morning close, for a slight gain. Brazilian advanced ½, at $21½. The active Canadian Canners issues were among the few weak stocks, selling fractionally lower. Canadian General Electric preferred, was marked down 2, at 55.

Morning sales:

		High.	Low.	Noon.
40	At. Sugar pfd.	85½	85½	85½
100	Abitibi	75¼	75¼	75¼
19	Brantford	26½	26½	23½
500	Brazilian	82¾	82⅜	82½
75	B. C. Fishing	60	59	60
75	Bell Tel.	140	139½	139⅞
5	F. N. Burt	62¾	62¾	62¾
50	Can. Bread	62	61¼	62
50	do., "B" pfd.	96¼	96	96
5	Bakeries	37	37	37
50	Can. S. S.	11	11	11
12	Can. Gen. E. pfd.	57	55	55
15	C. P. R.	149	148½	148½
90	City Dairy pfd.	108	108	108
900	Con. Smelters	192	178	182
3	Con. Gas	174	174	174
170	Crow's Nest	50	50	50
10	Goodyear pfd.	94	94	94
25	Int. Milling pfd.	103½	103½	103½
40	Ind. Alcohol	16⅜	16⅛	16⅛
65	Mackay	138	137	138
85	Can. Canners	14	13¾	14
202	do., pfd.	68	66½	66½
50	Davies "A"	37¾	37½	37¾
45	Porto Rico Ry.	41	41	41
75	Prov. Paper	100	100	100
5	Sales Book	63	63	63
5	do., pfd.	94	94	94
40	Twin City	78½	78½	78½
315	Winnipeg Ry.	48½	47½	48⅝
10	do., pfd.	95	95	95
Mines:				
200	Vipond	160	160	160
113	McIntyre	2275	2266	2275
165	Hollinger	1740	1730	1740
200	Lake Shore	960	960	960
Banks:				
1	Commerce	225½	225½	225½
20	Imperial	212½	212	212½
1	Standard	199	199	199

STANDARD MINING EXCHANGE.

TORONTO, Dec. 31.—A rise of $1.15 in Noranda, an unlisted gold stock, featured trading on the Standard Mining Exchange this morning. There was a total trading of 300,052 shares. Noranda has been advancing for several days and at the close to-day had reached its high at $15.20. Coniaurium, another unlisted stock, also went up 5 points to $4.15. Changes in the gold mine stocks were fractional. Cons. West Dome was a fraction lower at 23c. Dome Mines was off 40c, closing at $16.80; Lakeshore also was 10c lower. In the silvers, Coniagas was 10c lower at $4.40; Keeley advanced 2c to 165. Nipissing closed at $6.25, a gain of 5c.

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	Bid.	Ask.
Apex	2¾	3¼
Atlas	1⅞	2
Argonaut	15¾	16
Baldwin	2	2¼
Beatty	⅞	⅞
Buckingham	2⅝	3
Bidgood	6¼	6¼
Chaput Hughes	7	8
West Dome Lake	23	23½
Clifton	2⅞	2⅞
Columbus	4	5
Dome Mines	1670	1680
Goldale	36½	37
Goldreef	1¾	1⅞
Hattie pfd.	1⅞	1⅞
Hunton	7	7½
Hollinger	1740	1750
Indian	5	5½
Keora	13¾	14
Kirkland	84	84½
Lakeshore	955	960
McIntyre	2265	2270
Newray	42	43
Nighthawk	3½	3½
Porc. Crown	4	4½
Preston	7½	8
T. O. Burnside	54	55
Tex Hughes	259	260
Vipond	159	160
Vickers	13¼	13¾
West Tree	2¾	3
Wasapika	1	3
Wright-Hargraves	780	785
Beaver	50	51
Capitol	37	37¼
Crown Reserve	20½	21
Castle Treth.	150	151
Everett	8⅝	8½
Keeley	165	167
Lakeside Lorrain	2¾	3¼
Lorrain	8	8½
Lor. Trout Lake	105	110
McKinley	24½	24¾
Mining Corp.	320	326
Ophir	3	3¾
Nipissing	620	630
Peterson Lake	2¼	2¾
Temiskaming	14	14
Wetlauffer	5	5
Premier	217	270
Can. Lorrain	73½	74

GOVERNMENT LOANS

Wood, Gundy & Co., bond dealers, Royal Bank Chambers, furnish the following prices and yields:

Year	Bid	Yield
	5½ Per Cent Victory	
1927	102.10	102.20	4.40
1933	105.80	105.90	4.65
1934	103.90	104.00	5.00
1937	108.75	108.85	4.55
	5 Per Cent. War Loan		
1921	102.15	102.25	4.56
1937	104.15	104.30	4.53
	5½ Per Cent. Renewal.		
1927	101.40 bid		4.86
1932	103.10	103.20	4.96
	5 Per Cent. Refunding		
1928	100.60 bid		4.86
1943	101.50	101.60	4.85
	4½ Per Cent. Refunding		
1944	96.65	96.75	4.77
1940	96.20	96.35	4.85

MONTREAL

MONTREAL, Dec. 31. — The final day of the year witnessed a strong demonstration in a wide group of stocks on the Montreal Stock Exchange. Consolidated Smelters was by far the most actively traded in and it sold as high as 182⅜ (ex-div.) and (ex-bonus $5.75 per share) which is equivalent to a new high record. It closed at 181¾, for a net gain of 5½ points. Montreal Power got back into its stride and advanced to 216, which compares with yesterday's low of 212. Brazilian advanced 1⅛ point to 83, after opening at 82⅝. The paper group gave a better account of itself. St. Maurice rose a point to 103. Laurentide touched 87 at the opening and finished with a net gain of 1⅞ points at 86¾. Howard Smith preferred, however, was off 1¼ at 94¾. Winnipeg Electric was quite active and advanced two points to 48⅞, later reacting a quarter.

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BUYING GENERAL ON N.Y. EXCHANGE

Speculative Sentiment Hopefully Disposed At Business Prospects.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—With speculative sentiment hopefully disposed at business prospects for the new year, buying became general on the New York Stock Exchange to-day, although there was a considerable volume of cash transactions to register income tax losses. A block of 40,800 shares of Transcontinental Oil changed hands at 4. Mack Truck, which was quoted ex the 50 per cent. stock dividend, sold at 150¾. Missouri, Kansas & Texas preferred reached a new high figure for the year at 92½. Call loans again renewed at six per cent.

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1.30 p.m.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Allis-Chalmers	91¾	92¾	91¾	92¾
Allied Chemical	112½	114	112½	114
Am. Int. Corp.	42⅞	44¼	42⅞	44
Am. Ice	132½	133	132½	133
Am. Locomotive	118½	118¾	118	118¾
Am. C. & Fdy.	109¾	109¾	109¾	109¾
Am. Smelting	141	143⅛	141	142⅞
Am. Can	291	297⅜	290½	296¾
do., new	48¼	49¾	48¼	49⅝
Am. Sugar Co.	75	75¼	74⅞	75
Am. Ship & Com.	5⅞	5⅞	5⅞	5⅞
Am. Woolen	40½	42	40½	42
Am. Tel. & Tel.	142⅝	142⅝	142⅝	142⅝
Anaconda	49⅝	50	49⅜	49⅝
Atlantic Gulf	66⅞	67	66¼	66¾
Atchison	138½	138½	138⅛	138½
Agr. Chem.	26⅜	26½	26⅜	26½
Am. Tobacco	115¼	115¼	114	114
Ajax	10½	10½	10½	10½
Am. For. Power	40½	40¾	40½	40¾
Am. La France	15⅝	15¾	15⅝	15½
Armour "A"	24	24	23¾	23¾
Am. Chicle	47¼	47¼	47	47
Balt. & Ohio	93⅞	94	93⅞	94
Baldwin Loco.	129⅝	130¼	129⅝	130
Beth. Steel	47¾	48¼	47¾	48¼
Bangor R. R.	44¾	45¼	44¾	45¼
Briggs Mfg.	33¾	35⅝	33½	35
Cast Iron Pipe	205⅛	207	205	205¼
Ches. & Ohio	126¾	127	126⅛	126⅛
Calif. Petroleum	33¾	34¼	33½	34¼
Central Leather	18⅞	19	18⅝	19
Cosden Co.	36⅞	37¼	36⅝	36⅞
Cons. Gas	95	95	94⅝	94½
Chandler	47⅞	48¼	47⅞	48¼
Chile Copper	34⅜	34⅞	34¼	35⅛
Corn Products	40⅝	41⅜	40⅝	41⅜
Cons. Textile	2¾	2¾	2¾	2¾
Coco Cola	153	153	153	153
Crucible Steel	79½	79½	79½	79½
Cub. Am. Sugar	23¾	23¾	23¾	23¾
Con. Can	91⅝	92½	91⅝	92½
Cub. C. Sgr. pref.	43½	43½	42¾	42¾
Con. Motors	11¾	11⅞	11⅝	11¾
Chrysler	201	206¾	201	205½
Congoleum	17½	17⅞	17½	17⅞
Dodge Bros.	45¼	45⅞	45¼	45¾
Del. & Hudson	154½	159	154½	158½
Dupont	232	233	232	233
Davidson Chem.	40⅝	40⅝	40	40
Erie com.	38	38	37¾	38
do., first pref.	44⅝	44⅝	44½	44½
Eaton Axle Co.	28	28	27½	27½
Eureka	53½	53½	53½	53½
Fisk Tire	23	23⅛	22¾	22¾
Famous Players	107	108⅜	107	107¾
Fleischmann's	55⅞	56	55½	56
Fisher Body	96⅜	98½	96⅜	96½
Foundation Co.	156¼	157½	155	157½
Gen. Electric	325¼	328½	325¼	328½
Gen. Motors	116½	117⅜	116¼	117⅜
Gt. North. pref.	78⅜	78⅜	78¼	78⅜
Gt. North. Ore	25¾	26	25¾	25⅞
Great Western	11¼	11¼	11⅛	11½
do., pref.	27⅝	28	27⅝	28
Gulf States	93	93⅜	93	93⅜
Goodrich	61¾	61¾	61¾	61¾
Gen. Petroleum	57⅜	58½	57⅜	58½
Hupp Motor	26¾	27½	26¾	27⅜
Harvester	128¾	129⅞	128¾	129⅞
Houston	73	73	72½	72½
Hudson Motor	112	113¼	111	112¾
Intertype	28¼	28¼	28¼	28¼
Int. Paper	62	62⅝	62	62⅝
Indus. Alcohol	74⅞	74⅞	74½	74½
Insp. Copper	25½	25½	24¼	24¼
Inter. Nickel	45⅛	45¼	44⅞	45
Int. Combustion	61¾	62½	61¾	62¼
Ind. Oil & Gas	33⅜	33⅜	32⅝	32⅝
Keystone Tire	17⅛	17⅛	17⅛	17⅛
Kennecott Cop.	54⅝	55	54⅝	55
Kelly Springfield	17¼	17¼	17¼	17¼
Kresge D. Co.	28½	28½	28½	28½
Lehigh Valley	85¼	85¼	85¼	85¼
Lima Loco.	68⅞	68⅞	68⅞	68⅞
Louisiana Oil	19	19½	19	19¼
Lorillard	35¼	35½	35⅛	35½
Louis. & Nor.	142½	142½	142½	142½
Marine pref.	42⅞	42⅞	42¼	42¼
Middle States	1	1	1	1
Mex. Seaboard	11	11¼	11	11¼
Miami	12¼	12½	12¼	12½
M., K. & T.	41⅛	41¼	41	41
Missouri Pacific	39½	39½	38⅞	39
do., pref.	88¾	88½	88⅜	88⅜
Mack Trucks	148⅞	151¼	148⅞	151
Marland Oil	59⅜	59½	59⅛	59½
Moon Motors	35⅞	35⅞	35⅞	35⅞
Motor Wheel	30¼	30¼	30¼	30¼
Motor Meter	43¾	44	43½	43½
Nat. Distillers	31	31⅛	31	31⅛
New Haven	44¾	45¼	44¾	45¼
Nor. American	62⅞	63	62	62⅝
Northern Pacific	76	76½	76	76½
N. Y. Central	134¾	135½	134½	135
Nor. & Western	148¼	148¼	148	148
Overland pref.	94¼	94¾	94¼	94¾
Pacific Oil	75½	76⅜	75	75⅝
Pure Oil	30⅝	31	30⅝	30⅞
Pennsylvania	54⅞	54⅞	54¾	54⅞
Pan-Am. "B"	77⅞	77⅞	77¼	77¼
Prod. & Refiners	17	17	16¾	17
Penn. S. Steel	2⅛	2⅛	2	2
Phillips Pet.	46¾	46⅞	46⅛	46⅝
Pierce Pet.	4⅞	5	4⅞	5
Packard	40¾	42	40¾	41⅞
Pierce Arrow	35¼	36⅛	35¼	36⅛
Pullman Car	167	167	166½	166¾
Pan-Am. West	44⅝	45⅞	44	45⅞
Radio	42⅝	44½	42⅝	43¾
Royal Dutch	55¾	55⅞	55¾	55⅞
Ray Con.	12	12⅛	12	12⅛
Reading	88⅝	88¾	88¼	88¾
Republic I. & S.	59⅝	60⅛	59⅝	60⅛
Rock Island	58¼	58⅞	58	58
Rubber com.	79¼	81	79	80½
Reynolds Tob.	93⅞	94¼	93⅞	94¼
Reynolds Spring	9⅛	9⅛	9⅛	9⅛
Replogle Steel	14⅞	14⅞	14⅞	14⅞
Sloss	136	136	136	136
St. L. & S. W.	64	66¾	64	66¾
Sinclair Cons.	23	23⅜	23	23⅜
Southern Ry.	119¼	119⅝	119⅛	119⅛
San Francisco	100¼	101	99⅞	99⅞
Sears Roebuck	234	236½	234	236½
Stromberg	74¾	74¾	74¾	74¾
Stan. Oil, N. J.	45¾	46⅜	45¾	46¼
St. Paul	10	10½	10	10½
do., pref.	19⅛	19⅛	19	19
Stan. Oil, Calif.	62¼	62¼	61¼	61⅞
Studebaker	56½	57¾	56¼	57¼
Southern Pacific	103½	104	103½	103¾
Stewart Warner	90⅞	91	90½	90⅞
Shell Oil Corp.	27½	28	27½	28
Skelly Oil	32¼	32½	32⅛	32½
Stan. Gas & Elec.	55½	55¾	55½	55¾
Tob. Products	97	97¼	96⅝	96⅝
Tenn. Copper	14½	14½	14½	14½
Transcon. Oil	4⅛	4⅜	4	4⅜
Texas Oil	54⅛	54½	54⅛	54⅜
Tex. Pac. Oil	16½	17½	16¼	17⅝
Texas Pacific	57⅞	57⅞	57	57⅛
Timkens	54	54	53½	53½
Texas Gulf Sul.	118⅜	122¼	118⅜	121
United Cigar	92¾	93½	92¾	93
United Drug	153	156½	153	156½
Union Pacific	150	150⅝	149¾	149¾
U. S. Steel	134¾	136½	134½	136½
Universal Pipe	27⅝	28	27	28
U. S. Smelting	49⅝	50	49½	49⅝
Viviandon	27¼	27¼	27	27
West. Maryland	16⅜	16⅜	16⅜	16⅜
Wheeling	30¾	32	30¾	31½
Western Union	135⅝	135⅝	135⅝	135⅝
Wabash	43⅞	44	43⅞	44
do., "A"	73⅛	73⅜	73	73⅜
Worthington P.	42⅞	42⅞	42	42
Woolworth	211	213	211	212¾
Willys Overland	30	31¾	29¾	31¼
Westinghouse	74¼	74⅜	73⅝	74⅜
White Motors	82¾	84	82¾	83¾
Yellow Cab	29½	30	29½	30
Youngstown	86	86	86	86

EXCHANGE AT NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—Sterling exchange, steady. Demand rates (in cents): Great Britain, 484⅞; France, 3.75; Italy, 4.03½; Germany, 23.80. Canadian dollars, 3-32 of one per cent. discount.

GRAIN.

LIVERPOOL.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 31—Wheat, No. 1 Manitoba, 13s 11d.

CHICAGO.

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—Wheat prices took an upward swing to-day, after a wavering start. The rise in the market accompanied considerable new buying on the part of speculators, who of late have been sellers to realize profits. Liverpool reports of a scarcity of offerings from Argentina were a stimulating factor. The opening, 1¼c lower to 1⅜c higher (new style), was followed by numerous irregular changes, in which December touched $1.88 and May $1.82.

Corn and oats showed relative weakness, as compared with wheat. Fairly liberal offerings of corn to arrive attracted notice. Corn opened unchanged to ¼c lower and later showed some loss all around.

Oats started ⅜c off to ¼c up, and then held near to the initial figures.

In line with hog values, the provision market was easy.

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	Open.	High.	Low.	Close
WHEAT—				
Old December	187½	187½	183¾	184
New December	190	190	185½	186¾
Old May	177½	179¾	176	176¼
New May	179¾	181⅞	178⅛	178⅛
July	152⅛	154	152	152⅝
CORN—				
December	78½	80¼	78½	79½
May	87½	87⅞	85⅞	86
OATS—				
December	42⅛	42¼	42	42
May	46	46¼	45¾	45⅞

WINNIPEG

WINNIPEG, Dec. 31

WHEAT—				
December	158½	159¾	155¾	156⅞
May	161½	163	158⅞	160
July	158½	160⅞	156¼	157½
OATS—				
December	46⅞	47⅛	46⅞	47
May	51⅛	51½	50⅞	50⅞
July	51⅞	52⅛	51½	51½
FLAX—				
December	221	222	221	222
May	278½	231¾	228½	229⅜
RYE—				
May	108½	110½	107	107¼

LIVE STOCK.

STOCK YARD IS CLOSED

TORONTO, Dec. 31.—The Union Stockyards were closed to-day and there is no live stock market until January 4.

EAST BUFFALO.

EAST BUFFALO, N. Y., Dec. 31.—Cattle—Receipts, 325; slow and steady.

Calves—Receipts, 200; active; choice, $1.50 higher; culls, $1 higher.

Hogs—Receipts, 3,200; active, 25c to 50c lower; lights 10c lower, $11 to $11.50; mixed, $11.50 to $12; yorkers, $12 to $13; light yorkers and pigs, $13; roughs, $9.75 to $10; stags, $7 to $8.

Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 1,700; slow, 10c lower; lambs, $10 to $17; others unchanged.

CHICAGO.

CHICAGO, Ills., Dec. 31.—Hogs—Receipts 52,000; good and choice, 200 to 300 lbs.: butchers, $11.05 to $11.30; majority 160 to 180 pound averages, $11.40 to $11.60; practical top, $11.75; bulk, 140 to 150 pound kind, $11.60 to $11.80; packing sows, $9.10 to $9.40; desirable pigs, $12.00.

Cattle—Receipts 6,000; fat steers steady; kinds of value to sell at $9.00 @ $10.00; best heavies, $10.50; culls, $8.00 to $10.00.

Sheep — Receipts 16,000; desirable handyweight mostly, $15.50 to $15.75; fat ewes, $8.00 to $6.50; feeding lambs, $15.00 to $15.35.

NEW YORK CURB

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—Jones, Easton, McCallum's wire. Closing curb quotations:

Industrials:	Bid.	Asked.
Chicago Nipple	43	43⅞
Durant Motors	12⅛	12½
Heyden Chemical	2	2¼
Reo Motor Truck	22⅞	23⅛
Stutz Motor	34½	35
Standard Oils:		
Anglo-American	19¼	19½
Continental Oil	25⅝	25¾
Eureka Pipe	62¼	63½
Imperial Oil	37½	38
Galena Signal	24½	26½
Ohio Oil	65½	66
Prairie Oil and Gas	57	57½
So. Pipe Line	63	64½
Standard Oil of Ind.	69½	69¾
Standard Oil of Ken.	132½	134
Standard Oil of N. Y.	46¼	46¾
Independent Oils:		
Engineers Pete.	4	5
Federal Oil	7¼	7½
Int. Petroleum	24⅜	24½
Noble	6⅛	6¼
Pennock	22¼	23
Salt Creek	9⅛	9¼
Mines:		
Hollinger	17¼	17¾
Nipissing	6¼	6⅜
Premier	2⅛	2¼

Range:

Sales.		High.	Low.	Close.
1400	Imperial	33¾	33¼	33¾
8900	Int. Petro.	25⅛	25¼	25⅜
10900	S. O. of Ind.	34⅞	34¼	34⅜
300	S. O. of Ken.	133½	132¾	133½
4000	S. O. of N. Y.	46⅞	46½	46½
	S. O. of Calif.	62¼	61½	61⅞
	S. O. of N. J.	45¾	45⅛	45½

BANKRUPTCY PETITION IS GRANTED BY COURT

MONTREAL, Dec. 31 — Holding that the Asbestos Mines, Limited, was hopelessly insolvent and that the proceedings under the Winding Up Act instituted by the company were not taken to defeat the rights of S. W. Cohen, who opposed the petition in bankruptcy, Acting Chief Justice Martin in the Superior Court, to-day dismissed the intervention of Cohen against the winding-up order, and granted the petition in bankruptcy, ordering that the affairs of the company be wound up with costs against Cohen.

EGGS

OTTAWA, Dec. 30.—Markets generally steady for fresh eggs and slightly easier for storage. The condition of the dressed poultry market is unchanged, with prices on all varieties being fully maintained under a steady demand.

Toronto—Jobbing fresh specials, 60c; extras, 58c; firsts, 55c; storage extras, 45c; firsts, 42c; seconds, 35c.

Montreal—Egg market dull and weak; stocks accumulated during week.

Manitoba—Markets unchanged.

Calgary—Egg receipts heavy; dealers paying country points, delivered extras, 40c; firsts, 35c; jobbing, $15 to $16 per case; storage extras, $12.90 per case; firsts, $12; seconds, $9.90. Poultry cleaned up.

Edmonton—Receipts light; dealers quoting country shippers, delivered extras, 45c; firsts, 40c. Poultry firm; receipts light.

Vancouver—Easy and