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AT OSGOODE HALL.

The Settlement of the Fire Loss of the Katrine Lumber Company Under Review—Alleged False Declarations.

In Davidson v. Lucas, at the instance of the plaintiff, Mr. E. R. C. Clarkson was appointed receiver, and the injunction restraining defendant from disposing of the book debts or stock of his business continued until the trial.

The appeal of certain defendants in re Curry, Curry v. Curry, from the report of the Master at Windsor, called for the attendance of Mr. McCarthy, Q.C., for the appeal, and Mr. S. H. Blake, Q.C., contra, but otherwise was without interest except to the parties. The argument was not concluded when the court rose.

A FIRE LOSS.

In Katrine Lumber Co. v. Liverpool, London & Globe Insurance Co., Chief Justice Meredith gave judgment varying the order of the Master in Chambers as to the particulars which defendants are to furnish. After the fire, which burned the plaintiff's mill, store and goods, the plaintiff's manager made a declaration in support of loss sustained. The defendants allege that some of the statements contained in it are false. The declaration says that the fire in question commenced between 2 and 4 p.m. of May 8, 1896, from the embers of a fire the previous night, and that neither fires were caused by the "wilful act" or "neglect" or "contrivance," etc., of the plaintiffs, or any of their officers; and that the account showing the items of the loss is just and true. The defendants say that under the 15th statutory condition the plaintiffs cannot succeed, because portions of the declaration are false and fraudulent. An order of the Master was then made, requiring the defendants to give particulars showing in what respects the statements of the manager were false and fraudulent. The defendants then furnished particulars politely alleging that the manager falsely stated that the fire commenced from the embers of the first fire, and that the fires were not caused by the wilful act, neglect or contrivance of the plaintiffs' manager, or any officer; and, further, that the account of loss was $8000 too large, and also raising other objections made to the Master, who made the order on appeal. It directs further particulars to be given as to the alleged falsity of the paragraphs of the declaration alleging that the fire commenced from the embers of the previous fire, and as to the falsity of the statement that the fire was not by wilful "default," "procurement," or "contrivance," and also as to the over-estimate of the loss. The order of the learned Chief Justice refuses further particulars as to the over-estimate, and as to the particulars of the cause of the fire. He thinks the defendants say in effect that the fire was caused by the wilful act of the plaintiffs' manager, but that further particulars ordered by the Master must still be furnished of the allegations as to the untruth of the declaration in respect to the occurring of the fires by the "neglect," "procurement" or "contrivance" of the plaintiffs' manager. Costs in the cause.

TO-DAY'S LIST.

Single Court, at 10 a.m.: Re Curry, Curry v. Curry (to be continued), Merchants' Bank v. Black (two motions), Wright v. Cameron, Hopper v. Paterson, Rumpel v. Clearihue, Clarke v. Clearihue, re Cockburn and Imperial Lumber Co., Hortin v. Water Commissioners of Windsor, Beaton v. Boyd, Hanlan v. Tinning. Only urgent motions will be heard.

NEWCOMBE FLED TO CANADA

And Now the State of Kentucky Will Try to Confiscate His Property.

Henderson, Ky., Dec. 15.—An unusual suit, which will be watched with interest all over the United States, was filed here yesterday, it being stated that the point involved is raised for the first time.

The State seeks under the alien land law to reclaim property valued at $30,000 because the owner afterwards became a subject of Great Britain, the contention being that he thereby forfeited his right to own property in the United States. Mrs. Mary Newcombe and others are made defendants. E. H. Newcombe, now deceased, owned various pieces of property in and about Henderson. At the breaking out of the Civil War he fled to Canada, where he later took an oath of allegiance to the Queen of Great Britain. He became a British subject 33 years ago.

INFLAMMATORY RHEUMATISM.—Mr. S. Ackerman, Commercial Traveler, Belleville, writes: "Some years ago I used Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil for Inflammatory Rheumatism, and three bottles effected a complete cure. I was the whole of one summer unable to move without crutches, and every movement caused excruciating pains. I am now out on the road and exposed to all kinds of weather, but have never been troubled with rheumatism since. I, however, keep a bottle of Dr. Thomas' Oil on hand, and I always recommend it to others, as it did so much for me." ed

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PREACHER SUSPECTED.

Mrs. Bailey After a Quarrel With Her Husband is Found Dead in a Pond.

Westchester, Pa., Dec. 15.—The body of Mrs. Eliza Bailey was found in an ice pond yesterday. The woman's husband is under arrest. Mrs. Bailey was the wife of Rev. Eleven Samuel Bailey, pastor of the Zion African Methodist Episcopal Church. She disappeared from her home shortly before daylight Wednesday morning. When the body was taken from the pond yesterday Mr. Bailey was in Media, ostensibly in search of his missing wife, and neighbors told the authorities of quarrels which the couple had been having for several days over papers for $2000 held by the wife.

Deputy Coroner Russell and Chief of Police Jeffries thereupon commenced an investigation, which is yet unfinished. Bailey returned home on a late train yesterday, and was placed under arrest, the charge upon which he is held being that of beating and abusing his wife on the night preceding her disappearance. Bailey vehemently denied the charge against him.

The coroner's hearing commenced last evening. Two women testified that the couple had quarreled over the possession of property.

William Bailey, a brother of the preacher, testified that the clergyman and his wife lived unhappily together, but denied that she had ever been abused.

"They had some words over the papers on Tuesday," he said, "and my brother demanded that he be given possession of them. She had said that she intended to kill him. She also told me that she would kill herself. I heard her leave her room at 4 o'clock Wednesday morning. Some hours later we began a search for her, and tracked her footsteps to an alley in the rear of the house."

Dr. Charles E. Woodward made an examination of the body, but found no marks of violence. The woman's stomach was removed, and an examination of its contents will be made for poison. The coroner's investigation has been adjourned until tomorrow.

NOW FOR ELECTRIC EGGS.

Giving Them a Bath of Electricity in Order to Keep Them Fresh.

A New York electrician has devised a scheme for the indefinite preservation of eggs. For years the only successful method of accomplishing this result has been to submerge the hen fruit in lime water long enough to close up the pores in the shell and kill any germs which might be lurking about, says The New York Journal. With this treatment it has been possible to preserve eggs in such a state as to permit their use three or four months after the submersion. But at the expiration of this time, while the eggs are in a condition to be used by confectioners and bakers, they have lost the delicacy and freshness which made them appetizing for the matutinal meal.

However, if the electrician's scheme proves to be a success, eggs can be preserved for an indefinite period in as eatable a condition as when first laid. The treatment proposed involves the placing of the eggs in a vacuum chamber. It is a well-known fact that the shell is not absolutely airtight, and there is always more or less air inside the other covering, which hastens its decay. Putting them in the vacuum chamber will have the effect of withdrawing the air from the interior. They will then be painted with a composition which will render the shells airtight.

After this they will be packed in barrels of water and an electric current will be introduced sufficient in strength to destroy any germ life that may be present. If the scheme is successful it will mean a revolution in the price of eggs in the winter.

Change of Provincial Departments.

A change of considerable importance has been effected by an order-in-Council, whereby the Provincial Board of Health and the Registrar-General's Departments, both of which from the time of their organization have been under the control of the Provincial Treasurer, will now come under the jurisdiction of Hon. E. J. Davis, the Provincial Secretary. By this change, the spending of about $15,000 in salaries, supplies, etc., will be taken from Hon. Mr. Harcourt and given to his colleague. The death of Dr. Rae of Oshawa makes a vacancy on the Board of Health staff, which it will shortly be necessary to fill.

Devastation on Newfoundland Coast.

St. John's, Nfld., Dec. 15.—Last week's storm caused great devastation along the northern coast. Seven vessels were driven ashore and wrecked. Three of them were laden with fish and the others with various cargoes. No lives were lost.

The schooner Greyhound has arrived here in a sinking condition. Her bows were stove in in contact with an ice floe. The Straits of Belle Isle are blocked with ice. Intense frost prevails in the northern part of the island.

$100,000 Fire at Altoona, Pa.

Altoona, Pa., Dec. 15.—The most destructive fire that has visited this city in a number of years started in the large drygoods store of Frank M. Morrow at 7.30 o'clock this evening and was not under control until after 10 o'clock. Loss $100,000.

Business Embarrassments.

The creditors of John Bradley, East Caledon, will meet in Assignee Barber's office on Thursday.

Alexander McDonald, general store, Esquesing Township, has assigned to J. H. Shortreed.

T. G. Wilson, general store, Toronto Township, has assigned to R. Broddy.

Macdonald Bros., men's furnishings, Ottawa, have offered to compromise at 10c on the dollar.

F. Bowman, sporting goods, Hamilton, are offering to compromise.

A. L. Kerby, drygoods, Windsor, has assigned to R. Pinchin.

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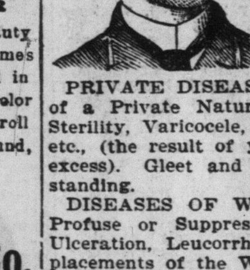

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WHEAT MARKETS WEAKER.

Bradstreet's Visible Disappointing to Holders of Wheat.

Local Market is Easier—Provisions Heavier in Chicago—Domestic Stock Markets are Dull—Wall-Street Securities are Lower—Money in London Firmer—Latest Financial and Commercial News.

Tuesday Evening, Dec. 15.

Liverpool wheat futures closed weak.

Lard rose 3d in Liverpool to-day.

Cash wheat in Chicago 1c lower at 77¼c.

May wheat on curb 80⅝c.

Puts on May wheat 80c, calls 82c.

At Toledo clover seed closed at $5.50 for Dec. and at $5.57 for March.

Bradstreet's reports a decrease in wheat of 2,199,000 bushels east of the Rockies and an increase of 2,488,000 in Europe and afloat, making a net increase of 289,000 bushels for the week.

Estimated receipts of hogs at Chicago today 27,000; official Monday 36,512; left over 3000. Estimated for Wednesday 44,000. Market slow and 10c lower. Heavy shippers $3 to $3.40.

Cattle receipts at Chicago to-day 3500; market steady to stronger. Sheep 12,000; market quiet and steady.

Receipts of wheat at Liverpool the past three days were 232,000 centals, including 62,000 centals of American. Corn same time 63,800 centals.

Receipts of wheat at Minneapolis and Duluth to-day 440 cars, as against 1315 cars the corresponding day of last year.

Exports at New York to-day: Flour 5880 barrels and 25,040 sacks; wheat 95,477 bushels.

The stocks of wheat at Port Arthur and Fort William are 1,731,486 bushels, as against 1,484,714 bushels last week and 1,741,972 bushels a year ago.

Car receipts of grain at Chicago to-day: Wheat 71, corn 327, oats 664. Estimated for Wednesday: Wheat 19, corn 158, oats 290.

The Corn Trade News says the winter wheat area of France is 10 per cent. less than last year.

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LEADING WHEAT MARKETS.

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

	Cash.	May.
Chicago	77¼c	81⅛c
New York	87⅞c	86⅝c
Milwaukee	77⅛c	80¾c
St. Louis	91¼c	90½c
Toledo	95½c	96¼c
Detroit	91¼c	94¼c
Duluth, No. 1 hard	80c	...
Duluth, No. 1 Northern	78½c	81¼c
Toronto, white	85c	...
Toronto, No. 1 hard	94c	...

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LOCAL BREADSTUFFS MARKET.

Flour—The market is very quiet and prices generally are unchanged. Straight rollers are nominal at $4, Toronto freights.

Bran—Trade quiet and prices unchanged. Bran is quoted at $7 to $7.50 west, and shorts at $9 to $9.50.

Wheat—The market this afternoon was weaker, owing to lower cables and the decline in Chicago. Red sold outside at 80c and white at 81c. No. 1 Manitoba hard sold at 94c, Toronto freight, and more offer at this price.

Buckwheat—The market is dull and nominal at 28c to 29c.

Barley—The market is quiet. No. 2 is quoted at 27c north and west, and a lot of 10,000 bushels sold at 30c June delivery. Feed barley 20c to 21c.

Oats—Market is quiet and prices unchanged. White sold outside at 18c, and mixed quoted at 17c west.

Peas—Trade quiet and prices unchanged at 40c, north and west.

Rye—The market is steady, with sales at 34c to 34½c outside west.

Corn—The market is dull, with new yellow offering at 25c outside and old at 27c.

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THE FARMERS' MARKETS

The offerings of grain to-day show an increase. Wheat firm, 700 bushels selling at 88c for white, 87c for red and 65c to 66c for goose. Barley firm, 1200 bushels selling at 28c to 35c. Oats steady, 1200 bushels selling at 23c to 24½c. Peas unchanged, 200 bushels selling at 44c to 45c. Hay is unchanged at $13.50 to $14, and straw $8 to $10. Dressed hogs $4.50 to $5.25.

GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

Wheat, white, bushel	$0 88 to	$0 88½
" red winter, bushel	0 86	0 87
" goose, bushel	0 64	0 66
Barley, bush	0 28	0 35
Peas, bushel	0 44	0 45
Oats, bush	0 23	0 24½
Rye, bushel	0 33	0 35

HAY AND STRAW.

Hay, per ton	$12 00 to	$14 00
" baled, per ton	8 50	10 00
Straw, per ton	8 00	10 00
Straw, per ton	10 50	11 50
" baled, per ton	6 00	7 00

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" bakers'	0 08	0 10
" pound rolls	0 15	0 17
" creamery tubs	0 17	0 19
" " rolls	0 19	0 20
Cheese	0 10	0 10½
Eggs, new laid	0 19	0 20
" limed	0 14½	0 16

FRESH MEATS.

Beef, forequarters, per lb	$0 02½ to	$0 04½
" hindquarters	0 05	0 06½
Mutton, per lb	0 04	0 05
Lamb	0 06	0 06½
Veal, per lb	0 04	0 06

PROVISIONS AND POULTRY.

Hogs, dressed, selected	$4 75 to	$5 20
" heavy	4 25	4 50
Backs, per lb	0 09	0 09½
Breakfast bacon	0 10	0 11
Mess pork	11 00	11 25
" short cut	11 25	11 50
" shoulder mess	9 00	9 50
Hams, smoked	0 10½	0 11
Lard, per lb	0 07	0 07¾
Bacon, per lb	0 05½	0 06
Chickens, per pair	0 20	0 40
Ducks, per pair	0 40	0 55
Turkeys, per lb	0 06	0 07
Geese, per lb	0 04½	0 05

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TORONTO LIVE STOCK MARKET.

The receipts at the Western yards to-day were larger than of late, there being about 75 carloads. There is nothing doing in shippers, but the receipts consisted of a good many choice cattle for the Christmas trade. The best sold at 4c per lb, and good to choice cattle at 3¼c to 3¾c. Medium butchers' sold at 3c and inferior stock at 2c per lb. Milch cows sell at $25 to $40 each and calves at $4 to $9 each.

Sheep and lambs in fair supply and prices are unchanged. Choice sheep sold at 3c per lb. and bucks at 2½c. Lambs are steady, there being sales at 3½c to 3¾c per lb.

Hogs in liberal supply and prices unchanged. The best sold at 4c per lb., weighed off cars, thick fats at 3⅝c to 3½c, lightweights at 3⅝c, sows at 2¾c to 3c and stags at 2c per lb.

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Potatoes—Steady at 30c per bag in car lots; small lots, 37c to 40c. Onions, 60c to 65c per bag. Sweet potatoes, $2.50 to $2.75 per barrel.

Cranberries, barrel, $6 to $6.25 for Canadian and $2.50 to $2.75 per box for Cape Cod. Hops, 9c to 10c.

Turnips, bag, 20c to 25c; carrots, bag, 30c to 35c; parsnips, bag, 40c; celery, dozen, 30c to 40c.

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CHICAGO MARKETS.

Henry A. King & Co. report the following fluctuations on the Chicago Board of Trade to-day:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat—Dec.	78¼	78½	77¼	77¼
" —May	82½	82¾	81	81¼
" —July	75⅝	75⅞	74⅞	74⅞
Corn—Jan.	23	23	23	23
" —May	26⅛	26⅛	25¾	25¾
Oats—Jan.	18	18	17¾	17½
" —May	20¾	20¾	20½	20⅜
Pork—Dec.	6 82	6 82	6 77	6 77
" —Jan.	7 70	7 70	7 62	7 62
" —May	7 95	7 95	7 92	7 92
Lard—Jan.	3 85	3 87	3 85	3 85
" —May	4 05	4 07	4 05	4 05
Ribs—Jan.	3 87	3 87	3 85	3 87
" —May	4 02	4 02	4 00	4 02

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BRITISH MARKETS.

Liverpool, Dec. 15.—Spring wheat, 6s 9½d to 6s 10½d; red, no stock; No. 1 Cal., 7s 3d to 7s 4d; corn, 2s 10d; peas, 4s 5½d; pork, 48s 9d; lard, 21s 3d; bacon, l.c., heavy, 29s 0d; do., light, 28s 0d; do., s.c., heavy, 26s 6d; tallow, 18s 6d; cheese, white and colored, 51s.

London—Opening—Wheat off coast and on passage 3d to 6d higher.

Liverpool—Opening—Wheat steady at 6s 9¼d for Jan., 6s 9½d for Feb. and 6s 9¾d for March. Maize steady at 2s 9¾d for Dec., Jan., Feb. and March and 2s 10d for April and May. Flour 25s.

Paris—Wheat 21f 75c for Jan.; flour 46f. 50c for Jan.

Liverpool—Close—Wheat quiet at 6s 8¼d for Jan., 6s 8½d for Feb. and 6s 9¼d for March. Maize steady at 2s 9¾d for Jan., Feb. and March and 2s 10d for April and May. Flour 25s.

London—Close—Wheat on passage firm. Maize on passage steady.

Paris—Close—Wheat quiet at 21f 90c for Jan.; flour quiet at 46f 50c for Jan.

FINANCIAL.

The local stock market to-day was dull and inclined to weakness.

Montreal Gas closed firmer, with buyers at 182.

The bullion gone out of the Bank of England on balance to-day was £5000.

The net gold balance of the United States Treasury is $133,192,000.

Consols are ¼ lower, closing to-day at 111⅛ for money and at 111⅜ for account.

American securities opened weak in London, but closed firmer. C.P.R. closed at 56⅛, St. Paul at 76, Erie at 15⅝, Reading at 13⅛, N.Y.C. at 97¾ and Ill. Central at 95¾.

Railroad earnings are certainly not favorable. December is a "cleaning up" month, when accounts are adjusted for the year, and settlements rather favor the sale than the purchase of securities. The incomes dependent upon the vast holdings of bonds are practically exhausted, and the business man is using his capital for the liquidation of accounts or the preparation for the spring season.

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MONEY MARKETS.

The local money market is unchanged at 5 per cent. for call loans. At New York money on call closed at 1½ to 2, and at London at 2¾ to 3 per cent. The Bank of England discount rate is unchanged at 4 and the open market rate firmer at 3⅜ per cent.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE.

Aemilius Jarvis & Co., 23 King-street east, stocks and exchange brokers, Toronto, report local rates to-day as follows:

	—Counter— Buy.	Sell.	—Bet. Banks— Buy.	Sell.
N.Y. Funds	⅛ to	¼	1-32 dis. to	par.
Stg. 60 days	9⅛ to	9¼	8 11-16 to	8 13-16
do. demand	9⅝ to	9¾	9 7-16 to	9½

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MONTREAL STOCKS.

Montreal, Dec. 15.—C.P.R., 56 and 54½; Duluth, 5 and 4¼; do., pref., 10 and 8; Cable, 165 and 164⅞; Postal Telegraph, 93¼ and 93; Telegraph, 175 and 165⅞; Richelieu, 88 and 85⅝; Street Railway, 219¼ and 218¾; Gas, 183¼ and 183; Telephone, 159 and 157½; Toronto Street Railway, 69¾ and 69½; Montreal, 230 and 227½; Molsons, 182 bid; Merchants', 175 and 168; Commerce, 128 and 126; Toronto, 226 bid; Ontario, 79 bid.

Morning sales: Duluth, 25 at 4½; Cable, 125 at 165, 20, 75 at 165, 25 at 164⅞, 125 at 165, 25 at 164⅞; Postal, 100 at 93½; Richelieu, 16, 25, 9 at 86½; Street Railway, 225, 20 at 219, 150 at 219½, 50 at 219¼; Gas, 14 at 182; Toronto Railway, 25 at 70, 25 at 69⅞, 50 at 69¾; Ontario Bank, 4 at 80, 19 at 81; Hochelaga, 25 at 124; Montreal Cotton, 25, 227 at 124.

Afternoon sales: Cable, 50 at 165; Halifax Railway, 50 at 75; Street Railway, 300, 15 at 219.

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TORONTO STOCK MARKET.

	Noon.		3.30 p.m.	
Montreal	228½	227	229	227
Ontario	90	80		79¼
Toronto	231	227	231	226½
Merchants'	171	167½	171	167
Commerce	128	126¾	128	127
Imperial	178	177	178	177
Dominion	230	...	230	...
Standard	165	161	165	161
Hamilton	153	151¾	153	151¾
British America	121	119	121	119¼
West. Assurance	163½	162	162	161¾
Confed. Life	...	278	283	278
Consumers' Gas	...	200	...	200
Dom. Telegraph	125	123	...	123
Can. Northwest L.	50	...	50	...
C. P. R. Stock	55½	54½	56	54
Toronto Electric	132	126	132	126
General Electric	84½	80	85	80
Com Cable Co.	165½	165	165¼	165
Postal Telegraph	93¾	93¼	93¾	93
Bell Telephone	158¾	157½	158½	157¼
Montreal St. Ry	219½	218¼	219½	218
Toronto Railway	69¾	69¼	69⅝	69⅛
Fraser River	154	151	155	151
Crown Point	40½	38¾	40½	38¼
Empress	22	19½	22½	19½
British Cana. L & I	102	...	...	...
B. & L. Association	75	...	...	...
C L & N I Co.	109	107	...	...
Canada Perm., xd.	130	...	...	...
do. do. 20 p.c.,xd	120	...	...	...
Cen. Canada Loan	120¾	119½	...	...
Dom. S. & I. So.,xd	80	75	...	...
Farmers' L & S	100	...	...	...
Freehold L. & S.	100	...	...	...
do. do. 20 p.c.	80	...	...	...
Hamilton Provident	110	...	...	...
Huron & Erie L.&S.	...	160	...	...
do. 20 p.c.	...	150	...	...
Imperial L. & I.,xd.	100	...	...	...
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Sales at 11.15 a.m.: Cable, 25 at 165; Crown Point, 500 at 40; Western Canada Loan, 25 per cent., 40, 14 at 100.

Sales at 1.15 p.m.: Imperial, 10 at 178; Toronto Electric, 15 at 126; Cable, 25 at 165, 25 at 165½, 50 at 165; Postal, 25, 25 at 93; Freehold Loan, 20 per cent., 20 at 75; Western Canada, 1 at 106.

Sales at 3.30 p.m.: Western Assurance, 50 at 162; Western Canada Loan, 19, 9 at 106.

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Chicago Gas	72½	73¼	71⅝	71⅞
Canada Southern	...	...	...	48b
C. C. C. & I.	26½	27	26½	26¾
Dela. & Hudson	125⅜	125⅜	125⅜	125⅜
Dela., Lac. & W.	...	...	...	154½b
Erie	...	...	...	14½b
Lake Shore	154	154	154	154
Louis. & Nashville	48⅞	48⅞	48	48⅛
Kansas Texas, pref.	27	27¼	27	27
Manhattan	94¾	95⅛	92½	93
Missouri Pacific	20⅜	20⅜	19⅜	19⅜
Leather, pref., xd.	59	59⅝	58¾	58¾
Balt. & Ohio	14⅝	15	14⅝	15
N. Y. Central	...	...	...	94½b
North. Pacific, pref.	22¼	22¼	22⅛	22⅛
Northwestern	102¼	102¼	102¼	102¼
General Electric	30¼	30⅜	30¼	30⅜
Rock Island	67¼	67⅛	67	67⅞
Rubber	23	23⅛	23	23⅛
Omaha	48⅛	48⅛	47⅝	47⅜
N. Y. Gas	151	153	150	150½
Pacific Mail	24	24⅜	24	24⅜
Phila. & Reading	25¼	25⅜	25⅛	25⅜
St. Paul	73⅝	74⅛	73⅝	73⅞
Union Pacific	9⅛	9⅜	8⅞	9
Western Union	86⅝	86⅞	85	85¼
Jersey Central	102½	102½	102½	102½
National Lead	...	...	...	24¼b
Wabash, pref.	15½	15½	15	15½
T. C. & I.	26	26⅛	25⅛	25⅛
Southern Rail.	9½	9⅝	9¼	9¼
do. pref., xd.	27	27	26¾	26⅜
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The market was heavy at the close.

The most active stocks to-day were: Sugar 49,000 shares, St. Paul 14,600, R.I. —, W.U. 7200, Burlington 16,200, R.I. 4600, U. P. 3800, Reading 15,600, Mo.P. 2400, L. & N. 4500, Atchison, 2200, C. Gas 6100, Am. Spirits 2700, Manhattan 19,600, G.E. 1300, T.C.I. 3600, Tobacco 3600, Leather, pr., 3,200.

McIntyre & Wardwell (John J. Dixon) send the following despatch from New York to their branch office in Toronto:

Stocks were weak and active this afternoon, closing at the lowest range of prices since the election. Sugar was a feature. Upon the closing of the company's transfer books for the dividend, there was more selling of long stock. There was a sharp break in American Spirits, preferred. A market order to sell a few hundred shares found no market to take the stock. Chicago Gas was active and heavy. Senator Morgan is making a speech this afternoon on Cuba, which had something to do with unsettling the market, but the fact is that the decline has reached a point that necessitates liquidation. The tone of the market at the close was decidedly weak. Sterling was firm at $4.87, discount in London is up to 3⅜ per cent., and it is feared that rates will be higher there at the end of the year. Some of the Rand gold mines are shutting down, which tends further to unsettle London. Union Pacific for October gains $49,000 in gross and has a net decrease of $89,000. The Union Pacific Funding Bill will, it is asserted, be taken up in the House after the Christmas recess.

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CHICAGO GOSSIP.

Henry A. King & Co., 12 King-street east, received the following despatch today from Chicago:

Wheat acted in a contrary manner today, opening higher and selling off on heavy realizing sales, led by Brosseau, Bartlett-Fraser and commission houses. Liverpool cable steady, 1¼d higher. Berlin ¼ mark higher. Paris 10f to 15f lower.

Receipts here 71 cars, with 19 estimated for to-morrow. Receipts Northwest 440 cars, against 1315 a year ago. Bradstreet's East Rockies decreased 2,199,000 bushels. Europe increased 2,488,000. World's visible increased 289,000 bushels. The Armour deliveries, about 2,000,000 bushels, during the past few days, but chiefly on Saturday, will count against the market in case the grain drifts around without absorption by consumers. The release of this grain will give the market its best test and will settle the claims and counter claims as to the milling and shipping demand. If it turns out that the shippers, having come into control of some actual grain, can interest the seaboard or foreigners to the point of buying, there would be no gainsaying then the bull claims. That would be a clear sign for a new advance. The shippers, of course, will have to contend with the closing of navigation, but "all-rail" rates in connection with ocean rates have been wonderfully close to the "lake and rail" of late, but the disadvantage may not be prohibitive in case there does appear a new foreign demand. The enormous clearances of late have been recognized as the mere accomplishment of the business done several months ago, and on which the price was advanced from under 60c to over 80c. The bear claims there will be an end to these clearances and assumes his selling position is right, while new business is at a standstill. A new demand from abroad would find very small seaboard stocks.—about 12,000,000 bushels to fill all sorts of domestic and foreign demands—would find no Duluth stock to draw from and would be compelled to go to Chicago and pay all-rail rates. This is why any new export buying would make bulls of all classes and why it is the one thing around which the whole market controversy now centres. Closing Liverpool cable quoted wheat 1¼d to 1½d lower. The Mark Lane Express says the India rains are too late to allow any thing like the average area of sown wheat for 1897, also that the new wheat is reaping in the warmer Provinces of Argentine, and adds that it learns that from 300,000 to 400,000 qrs. of wheat may be expected from Montevideo. Market has been heavy and sagging all day, closing rather weak at the bottom. Would buy wheat on any further concessions.

Corn opened steady, but weakened on the break in wheat. Cables were firm. May ranged from 25⅝c to 26⅛c. Receipts were 327 cars, with 158 estimated for tomorrow. Don't believe corn will go much lower.

Oats were sold freely by Barrett and local crowd on heavy receipts and May declined from 20⅝c to 20⅛c. There were quite a number of orders for cash lots at concessions. Receipts to-day 664 cars, with 250 for to-morrow.

Provisions were dull and lower on heavy receipts West and large estimates for tomorrow. Cash demand is quiet.

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McIntyre & Wardwell (John J. Dixon), send the following despatch to their branch office in Toronto, from Chicago:

Provisions—Shade lower on large receipts hogs at all packing points. Market ruled dull but firm all day. Large quantities of Jan. product were changed to May.

Wheat—There was considerable bullish enthusiasm manifested at the opening of the market this morning and traders generally bought on better cables and reported 10 per cent. reduction in French area as compared with last year. The outside, however, did not follow advance, and as lower cables were almost immediately afloat, there was a rush to unload early purchases, market selling off 1½c during the selling. Afterwards the market became firm again on better tone to closing cables, and advanced about ⅜c. At this point longs attempted to unload, and a quick decline of nearly 1c resulted, market closing weak at lowest prices. Receipts at Minneapolis and Duluth were 440 cars, against 1315 last year. Bradstreet's statement showed a decrease of 2,199,000 bushels wheat east of Rockies and increase in amount afloat of 2,488,000 bushels. The market looks weak at the moment and we rather expect somewhat lower prices for a while.

COTTON MARKETS.

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