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New York, Dec. 14 .- Cotton-Futures closed steady. Closing bids: December 29.75c; January, 28.95c; March, 28.54c; May, 28.34c; July, 28.09c. Spot closed quiet; middling uplands, 30.70c; no sales.

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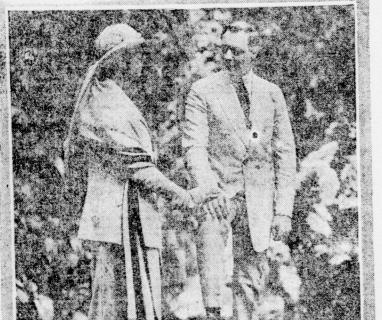
6%c; extra No. 1 feed, 76%c; No. 1 ees, 73%c; No. 2 feed, 70%c.
Barley—No. 3, \$131; No. 4, \$1.26; eed and rejected, \$1.13.
Flax—No. 1 N.W.C., \$3.06½; No. 2 J.W., \$3.01½; No. 3 C.W., \$2.84½. TORONTO. Toronto, Dec. 14.-Grain quotation

Toronto, Dec. 14.—Grain quotations are as follows:
Wheat—Ontario, No. 2 winter, \$2.22, oneside, according to location; Manitoba, No. 1 northern, \$2.23½; No. 2 northern, \$2.20½; No. 3 northern, \$2.17½;
Oats—Canada western, No. 2, 79%c; No. 3 Canada western, No. 2, total lake ports for immediate shipment; Ontario, No. 2 white, 77@78c, outside; No. 3 white, 76@77c, outside; No. 3 white, 76@77c, outside, Peas—No. 2, \$3.70@3.80.
Rye—No. 2, \$1.77.
Barley—\$1.25@1.26, outside for malting.

Buckwheat-\$1.45; shipping points

MONTREAL.

Montreal, Dec. 14.—The local market for oats was weaker today in sympathy with the situation in Winnipeg and Chicago, and prices were reduced 1c per bushel at the close of the day, with carlots of No. 3 Canadian western wested at \$9c.



O LOCKWOOD IN "PADADISE GAPPENI The big special seven-act feature at the Majestic Wednesday and Thursday, imber 19 and 20.

Winniper, Dec. 14.—The demand for poultry of all kinds showed a slackening today, many marketers apparently waiting for the fresh fowl to come in before purchasing a bird fowl to come in the fore the few to come in the fore purchasing a bird fowl to come in before purchasing a bird fowl to come in the fore the few to come in the fore the few to come in the fore the few to come in the cash wheat situation, the Wheat Export Company being the chief buyer. There was a good inquiry of the sast month the price of lurge was a good inquiry of the few to come in the cash wheat situation, the Wheat Export Company being the chief buyer. There was a good inquiry of the few to come in the cash wheat situation, the wast to continue with a few to come in the cash wheat situation, the wast to continue with a few to come in the cash wheat situation, the wast to come in the cash wheat situation, the wast to come in the cash wheat situation, the wast to come in the cash wheat situation, the wast to come in the cash wheat the conditions of the reliance of the conditions on the railroads made any substantial improvement. Weak, the new year, when the price of lurge was a good inquiry of the feet the new year, when the pork market to give the bears and any substantial decrease in butter values to the name year, when the pork market to give the bears and any substantial decrease in butter values to the name year, when the pork market to give the bears and any substantial decrease in butter values to the name year. The few the collections of the pole of the pole of the pole of the pole of the

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American, No. 2 yellow, \$2.1 Oats Canadian western, No. 3, 89c: xtra No. 1 feed, 89c; No. 2 local white 0c; No. 3 local white, 80c.

> second patents, \$11; strong bakers, \$10.60; Ontario winter, 90 per cent patents, \$9.70, bulk, seaboard, Milfeed—Manitoba bran, \$38 per ton; shorts, \$42 per ton on track, Toronto.

Montreal, Dec. 14.—The tone of the market for rolled oats was very firm oday, with a continued good inquiry or supplies, the offerings being somewhat limited. Standard grades were sold today in broken lots at \$5 to \$5.30 Flour—Manitoba spring wheat patents, firsts, \$11.60; seconds, \$11.10; strong bakers, \$10.90; straight rollers, bags, \$5.20@5.37½.

Shorts—\$40@42. Middlings—\$48@50. Moullie—\$56@58.

Bran-\$40@40.50.

HAY



Financial, Market and Commercial Section | ARE ALREADY RUINED

East Buffalo, N.Y., Dec. 15.—Cattle—Receipts, 225; strong.
Calves—Receipts, 50; market steady, t \$7@1750.

lambs, na \$8 90@13.

POULTRY DEMAND SHOWS SLACKENING

Local Purchasers Apparently **Awaiting Christmas**

Arrivals.

With the exception of vegetables every variety of produce was represented on the local market this morning. Although the supply of hay was of the best on Thursday, but half a dozen loads appeared for sale on Friday, and less than that number today. Oats are plentiful, and lead to the supply of the

usual rate, and the demand for them is poor.

Large quantities of turkeys sold Friday and a price as high as 35c per pound was offered. It is not expected that the birds will go over this value, but it is practically certain that a much lower price will not be reached. Market officials express the belief that the large proportion of marketers will substitute chicken or duck in place of the traditional Christmas turk.

The demand for poultry of all kinds showed a slackening today, many marketers apparently waiting for the fresh fowl to come in before purchasing a bird for Christmas eating.

Live hogs remain unchanged at \$17 During the past month.

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Rolled Oats—Bags, 90 lbs., \$5@5.30. Bran—\$35@37.

Minneapolis, Dec. 14.-Flour-Un-

Montreal, Dec. 14.—Hay—No. 2, per ton, carlots, \$15.50.

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buying power or indifference of invest-

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dently being prompted by a realization of attractive dividend returns and considerable short covering. General trade returns are reported as fairly satisfactory, but the reaction in bank clearings offered poof of a moderate setback in many lines of industry.

Economic Conditions Due To War.

East Buffalo, N.Y., Dec. eccipts, 225; strong.
Calves—Receipts, 50; market steady, at \$7@1750.

Hogs—Receipts, 4,000; slow and easier; heavy, \$17.75@17.85; mixed, \$17.50@17.80; yorkers, \$17.50@17.75; light yorkers, \$17.00; \$15.75; light yorkers, \$17.00; \$16.75; stags, \$14.00; slow part \$10.00; \$16.75; stags, \$14.00; \$16.75; The Hague, Dec. 15.—Signs that Germany is seriously considering her economic future increases daily. The Hamburg-Bremen-Africa Steamship Line has just doubled its capital. The new shares are to be taken up by the Bremen National Bank. Undoubtedly enormous increase in her merchant fleet has caused alarm in shipping circles. The Hansa Line, which before the war had 950,000 tons of shipping, admits that only 500,000 tons of shipping. Liverpool, Dec. 15.—Tallow—Austratian (in London), 72s.
Turpentine Spirits—127s.
Rosin—Common, 60s.
Petroleum—Refined, 1s 6%d.
Linseed Oil—61s 6d
Cottonseed Oil—68s 6d.
War Kerosene—No. 2, 1s 2%d. tons of shipping, admits that only 500,900 tons remain. The tonnage of all Germany has been cut almost in half. The Weser Zeitung, which has not been bought by the Krupps as was reported, but by a syndicate of businessmen, deals of the state of the sta PROVISIONS.
Liverpool, Dec. 15.—Beef—Extra India

mess, 360s.

Pork—Prime mess western, 330s.

Hams—Short cut, 137s.

Bacon—Cumberland cut, 152s; Wiltshire cut, 152s; clear bellies, 160s; long clear middles, light, 160s; do, heavy, 159s; short clear backs, 157s; shoulders,

Dec. ... 75% 76% 74½ 74% 74% May ... 72 72½ 70% 71½

NEW YORK COTTON EXCHANGE. (Reported by Thomson & McKinnon.)

New York, Dec. 15.

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IMPROVING IN HOSPITAL

Toronto, Dec. 15 .- Sir George Fos ter. minister of trade and commerce Unionist candidate in North Toronto, is reported "improving" this morning at the Toronto General Hospital, where Steels—
Bethlehem Steel. 69½ 70 67% 67% 67% 67% be was taken last night after being taken and narrowly escaping death while crossing the passenger tracks at the Toronto Union Steel. 71% 72% 71% 71% Expublic Steel. 71% 72% 71% 71% Expublic Steel. 83½ 83% 81% 81% Station. It was stated that Sir George U. S. Steel pfd. 106 106 105% 105% passed a good night, but no intimation was given as to when he will be able was given as to when he will be abl Anglo-French 5's. 84% 84% 84% to leave the hospital.

WALL STREET REVIEW.

New York, Dec. 15.—Weekly Financial Review.—The perplexing railroad situation, higher money rates, due mainly to extraordinarily heavy disbursements by and to the Federal Government, and increasing concern respecting the course of foreign military and political developments were the most disturbing features of another very unsettled week in service council has acquiesced in his review of the Halifax opments were the most disturbing features of another very unsettled week in the stock market.

The familiar tale of new low records was repeated with added force and breadth, many high-class rallway and industrial issues joining the already long list of new minimums for periods extending from a few years to almost a generation.

Apprehension was accentuated by concurrent declines in various foreign Government bonds and domestic ralls to levels which plainly denoted the lack of ly. or as part of a second draft. concurrent declines in various foreign men thus relieved will be called shortly thereafter, either independences which plainly denoted the lack of ly, or as part of a second draft.

TEN STEAMERS FOLLOW ICE-BREAKER IN LAKES

Intimations of further price adjust-Intimations of further price adjustment of important commodities by the war board also served to bring about fresh liquidation, but subsequent unofficial advices anent that situation were more reassuring.

Rallies of two to almost five points occurred in leading stocks toward the end of the week, the movement evi-

MANY GERMAN FIRMS BY ALLIED BLOCKADE

Enemy Taking Stock of the

editorially with the future of Germany's consular service, advocating the selection of consuls with business experience and a thorough knowledge of commerce. It favors the appointment of both diplomatic and commercial consuls.

Many Rulned.

The Zeitung remarks that many efficient businessmen have been entirely
ruined by the war, and having lost
everything would be glad to take up work for which they are fitted. He says that, owing to hatred of Germans it will be very difficult for the latter to do business in British or Allied colonies after the war. America and England, it remarks, are already occupied with simi ar trade questions, and have set th lar trade questions, and have set the Germans a good example.

There is no doubt that the Germans are perfectly confident that business relations with the Allies will be resumed immediately on cessation of hostilities. The Zeitung proposes, for example, that Germany should appoint a consul-general at Pretoria instead of Capetown.

THE WAR SITUATION

Partial if not complete collapse of the counter-revolution in Russia is in-dicated in an announcement from the ePtrograd official news agency, which says the Bolsheviki have captured three important cities in the Don Cos-sack territory and that General Kale-dines, leader of the Don Cossacks, has been arrested, apparently by his own

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