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TRADING UNEVENTFUL The following were the last quotations at the board of trade call board. All quotations except where specified, are for outside points:

Wheat Futures Practically Steady -Corn and Oats Options · Close Higher.

World Office, Thursday Evening, Dec. 20. Liverpool wheat futures closed to-day 4d to %d lower than yesterday and corn 4d to %d lower than yesterday and corn futures unchanged to ¼d lower.

At Chicago May wheat closed %c lower than yesterday; May corn %c higher and May oats ¼c higher.

Chicago car lots to-day: wheat 45, contract 29; corn 268, 6; oats 82, 18.

Northwest cars to-day 285, week ago 627, year ago 664.

Winnipeg car lots to-day: wheat 62, year ago 209.

Primary receipts to-day: wheat 665,000, shipments 147,000; week ago, 887,000, 584,000; year ago, 808,000, 182,000; corn to-day, 535,000, 362,000; week ago, 525,000, 362,000; year ago, 840,000, 617,000. ipeg car lots to-day: wheat 62, year

ST. LAWRENCE MARKET.

Receipts of farm produce were 1700 bushels of grain, 20 loads of hay, 3 loads of straw, with several loads of apples and a few lots of dressed hogs.

Wheat—Four hundred bushels sold as follows: 300 bushels fall at 72c to 73c; goose, 100 bushels at 67c.

Barley—Eight hundred bushels sold at 186c to 55c. oc to 55c. Oats—Five hundred bushels sold at 38c Hay—Twenty loads sold at \$15 to \$16 or ton for timothy and \$11 to \$12 per ton Hay—Twenty loads sold at \$15 to \$16 st. Lawrence sugars are quoted as follows: Granulated, \$4.28 in barrels, and No 1 golden, \$3.88 in barrels. These price Straw—Three loads sold at \$15 to \$16

Straw—Three loads sold at \$15 to \$10 per ton for sheaf.

Dressed Hogs—Prices firmer at \$8.25 to \$8.75 per cwt.

Potatoes—J. J. Ryan, wholesale dealer in potatoes, reports New Brunswick Delawares a little firmer at 80c per bushel by the car on track at Toronto. Mr. Ryan bought two car loads to arrive at that Apples—Since snow came and enabled farmers to come in with their sleighs, apples have been more plentiful, with prices easier at \$1.50 to \$2.75 per barrel, the latter price being paid for choice spys.

Poultry—Receipts have fallen off considerably, causing prices to be firmer as follows: Turkeys, 14c to 16c per lb.; geese are plentiful, at 9c to 10c; ducks, 10c to 12c; chickens, 10c to 12c; old fowl, 8c to 9c per lb. These prices are for good to choice quality fowl, and common stuff is cheaper. cheaper. Market Notes. The butchers at the St. Lawrence market are making grander displays than ever. Be sure you go and see them.

The florists in the flower department at

the St. Lawrence market are also fixing up for a "Greater than has been" display of the best and finest to be had. Wheat, spring, bush . 9 00
Wheat, goose, bush . 0 67
Wheat, fall bush . 0 72
Wheat, red, bush . 0 73
Peas, bush . 0 80
Barley, bush . 0 54
Oats, bush, new . 0 38
Buckwheat, bush . 0 60
Rye, bush . 0 76

Alsike clover, fancy . \$6 30 Alsse, clover, tancy ... 50
do. No. 1 ... 600
do. No. 2 ... 5 25
do. No. 3 ... 4 50

Red clover, new ... 7 25
Red clover, old ... 6 50
Tinothy, No. 1 ... 1 50
Timothy No. 2 ... 1 20 Hay and Straw-

Poultry-Turkeys, dressed, lb....\$0 14 to 0 16 Geese, per lb ... 0 09
Hens, per lb ... 0 07
Spring chickens, lb ... 0 10
Spring ducks, lb ... 0 10
Dairy Produce—

Butter, lb. rolls ...... \$0 28
Eggs, strictly new-lafd,
dozen ......... 0 40
Fresh Meats Beef, forequarters, cwt.\$4 50
Beef, hindquarters, cwt. 7 00
Lambs, dressed. lb ... 0 09
Mutton, light, cwt ... 8 00
Veals, prime, cwt. ... 9 00
Veals, common, cwt. ... 6 00
Dressed hogs, cwt ... 8 00

FARM PRODUCE WHOLESALE.

The prices quoted below are for first-class quality; lower grades are bought at correspondingly lower quotatious:

Potatoes, car lots, bag .80 80 to \$0 82
Hay car lots, ton, baled .11 00 \$2 00
Butter, dairy, lb, rolls .0 25 0 26
Butter, tubs ... 0 25 0 26
Butter, creamery, boxes 0 25 0 26
Butter, creamery, boxes 0 25 0 26
Butter, creamery, lb, rolls 0 28 0 29
Butter, bakers', tub ... 0 17 0 18
Eggs, new-laid, dozen 0 30 ...
Eggs, cold storage 0 22 0 23
Turkeys, per lb 0 11 0 13
Geese, per lb 0 00 0 10 Geese, per lb 0 09
Ducks, per lb 0 09
Chickens, per lb 0 08
Old fowl, per lb 0 06
Cheese, large, lb 0 13
Cheese twine lb 0 06 0 13 0 141/4 

Hides and Tallow Inspected hides, No. 1 cows, steers, 50 11%, Inspected hides, No. 2 cows, steers, 0 10%, Country hides, cured \$0 101/2 to \$0 103/4 Country hides, green 0 001/2 0 001/3. Calfskins, No. 1 city 0 12 Calfskins, No. 1 country 0 11 Lambskins, each \$1 00 to \$1 10 Horschides 3 50 3 75

Horsehair, No. 1, per lb... 0 30 Tallow, per lb ...... 0 05½ GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

F. W. SROUGHALL.

Bran-\$20 bid, Toronto. Winter wheat—No. 2 white, buyers 69c, sellers, 71c; No. 2 mixed, sellers 70c; No. 2 red, 69c bid, sellers 70c.

Shorts-No quotations. Spring wheat-None offering. No. 2 goose 65c bid, sellers 661/2c. Manitoba, No. 1 hard, no quotations; No. 1 northern, 80c bid; sellers, 81c; No. 3, 77% buyers.

Buckwheat-Buyers 53c. Barley - No. 2, 50c bid. No. 3X, 50c sellers; No. 3, 46c bid.

Winnipeg Wheat Markets. At the Winnipeg option market to-day the following were the closing quotations: Dec. 73%c, May 76%c, July 77%c bid.

Flour Prices, Flour-Manitoba patent, \$3.75, track. To-ronto: Ontario, 90 per cent. patents, \$2.70 bid for export; Manitoba patent, special brands, \$4.50; strong bakers', \$4.

Toronto Sugar Market.

Leading Wheat Markets. 

can hope for in the immediate future is a small scalping market.

Corn and Oats — Started strong, with some good buying in evidence. The scarcity of cars continues the paramount feature for the present.

Provisions—Were the most active commodity on the list and manifested a good tone all day.

New York, Dec. 20.—Butter—Quiet, un-changed; receipts, 6958. Cheese—Firm, unchanged; receipts, 2453.

Eggs-Steady, unchanged; receipts, 7204. New York Grain and Produce. New York, Dec. 20.—Flour.—Receipts, 23,161 bbls.; exports, 11,226 bbls.; eles, 4200 packages; market dull and bout

flour-Steady. Buckwheat flour-

50%c, closed 50%c; Dec., 52%c to 52%c, closed 52%c.
Onts.Receipts, 13,500 bush,; exports, 10,179 bush,; spot firm; mixed onts, 26 to 32 lbs., 39c to 39%c; citpped white, 36 to 40 lbs., 40c to 44c; natural white, 30 to 33

o lbs., 40c to 44c; hattish white, or to be, 40c to 41c.

Rosin—Steady. Turpentine—Steady. Moasses—Steady; New Orleans open kettle, 
rood to choice 37c to 48c. Pennuts—
luiet; fancy handpicked, 64c; other domestic, 34c to 64c; freights to Liverpool gulet.
Sugar—Raw quiet; fair refluing, 3 5-16c to 3 11-32c; centrifugal, 96 test, 3 13-16c to 3 21-32c; molasses sugar, 3 1-16c to 3 3-32c; refined quiet.

80 CARS AT CITY YARDS TRADE DULL, PRICES LOWER

Calves, Hogs and Sheep Steady -Lambs Easier-Cattle Prices 25 Cents Lower.

The receipts were large again upwards of 100 loads, counting Wednesday and Thursday, but we cannot give details, not being able to get our report from the G. T. R. One thing can be truthfully said and that is, there were and have been too many cattle, more than were required. This caused trade to be bad, with prices much

lower all round. Exporters.

There were none, excepting a few bulls, which sold at \$3.50 to \$4 per cwt.

Rye—Sellers 71c.

Oats—No. 2 white, buyers 35%c, sellers 36c; No. 2 mixed, buyers 35%c, sellers 51%c.

Peas—No. 2, 80c bid, sellers 82c.

Peas—No. 3 yellow, sellers 51%c, To-conto.

Feeders and Stockers.

Few offering and not many wanted. One load of good short-keeps, 1180 lbs, each, sold at \$4.25 per cwt.; feeding steers, \$3.25 to \$3.75 per cwt.; stockers ranged from \$2.50 to \$3 per cwt., with one lot at \$3.10 per cwt.

Milch Cows. Trade fair at a little easier quotations. Prices ranged from \$85 to \$55 each. Veal Calves.

Veal Calves.

Veal calves sold at about the same prices, ranging at \$3.50 to \$6.50 per cwt.

Sheep and Lambs.

Sheep sold at about steady prices, but lambs were easier, selling at about \$5.60 to \$5.80 per cwt. Export sheep were quoted at \$4.75 per cwt.

Hogs.

Receipts were light, with prices unchanged, at \$6.15 for selects and \$5.90 for lights and fats. Representative Sales,

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Markets.

Marshall Spader & Co. (J. G. Beatjy,
King Edward Hotel, reported the following fluctuations on the Chicago Board of
Trade:

Open. High. Low. Close.

Whotal 74% 74% 74% 74%
Dec. 74% 779% 778 778
July 7796 7796 7797
Corn—
Dec. 42% 42% 41% 42
May 455% 43% 43% 45%
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May 36% 36% 36% 36% 36%
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May .10.35 16.45 16.25 16.45
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CATTLE MARKETS.

Cables Unchanged-Sheep and Cattle Steady-Hogs Lower at Chicago.

Liverpool Grain and Produce.

Liverpool, Dec. 20.—Wheat—Spot firm;
No. 2 red western winter 6s; futures dull;
Dec. nominal; March, 6s 4%d; May, 6s 4d.

Corn—Spot quiet; American mixed, new,
4s 3d; do, old, 4s 4d; futures dull; Jan., 4s
11%d; March, 4s ½d.

Bacon—Cumberland cut easy, 47s; short
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Colver; common stock not wanted; lambs
25c to 35c lower; sheep, \$3 to \$5; a few choice cows and wethers, \$5.25 to \$5.50; lambs, \$6.50 to \$7.75; no Canada lambs; culls, \$4.50.

East Buffalo Live Stock East Buffalo, Dec. 20.—Cattle—Receipts, 250 head; light demand and steady; prices unchanged. Veals-Receipts, 150 head; slow and 25c lower; \$4,25 to \$8,75. Hogs\_Receipts, 4300 head; active and a shade higher; heavy, mixed and Yorkers, \$6.60 to \$6.65; pigs, \$6.60.
Sheep and Lambs.—Receipts, 14,000 head; dull and lower; lambs, \$5 to \$7.50; yearlings, \$6 to \$6.25; wethers, \$5.50 to \$5.65; ewes, \$5 to \$5.25; sheep mixed, \$3 to \$5.25; Canada lambs, \$7.25 to \$7.40.

Every assertion made in this advertisement is supported by positive evidence. Every opinion expressed here is endorsed by expert authority.

OUR CAPITAL

This company, operating under a special and very valuable charter from the Legislature of Alherta has an authorized capital of two million dollars. This is divided into 200,000 shares of \$10 par value each. Of these, 20,000 are preference shares, the rest ordinary shares.

OUR HOLDINGS

We own and control 26.240 acres of coal and oil lands in Atherta and British Columbia, on which \$140,000 cash has actually been spent in development work. Every dollar we get from the sale of stock is going straight into development work on the lands.

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rels of oil a day. A contract has been let for drilling five oil wells to be sunk on the Company's oil lands, which are in the heart of the great crude oil belt of the North-West. For every barrel of oil the Company produces the Government pays 521/2 cents bounty, and the Company still owns the oil. If the wells produce only 100 barrels a day all told the Company will earn \$15,750 a year in bounties in addition to the value of the oil. That value at wholesale will be not less than seven dollars a barrel, and the whole cost of production and refining deducted, the net profits per barrel will exceed six dollars a barrel.

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CONDITIONS AT THE JAIL. anzant Enquiry Continued by an

Our lands in Alberta are

in the very district where

the J. J. Hill interests

have lately been buying largely. We had the

first choice.

Inspection of His Castle. Commissioner Joseph Juda visitette
Toronto jail yesterday in connection
with the Vanzant enquiry. Property
Commissioner Harris, Inspector Bruce
Smith, J. D. Bain and City Solicitor
Chisholm accompanied him.
Governor Vanzant explained the jail
and its inner vertings. It was point

Another fact was the lack of water protection in case of fire, and also that each cell had to be opened separately to liberate a prisoner. It was the opin ion of Dr. Smith that each corridor should be equipped with stand pipe Commissioner Joseph Judd visited and hose for fire protection, like the city hospitals. Among several abuses mentioned by

the commissioner was the fact that Bridant, accused of manslaughter, had been in fail five months and never out for air once. The governor explained that all prisoners were allowed out for air except those charged with Three potatoes, a bowl of soup and eight ounces of bread for laboring prisoners, is the regulation supply.

Shaw's satirical comedy. "Caesar and came of me. I was a burden on them Cleopatra." Mr. Robertson plays Caesar as a youngster. I soon got into the homes and good parents have only

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SENT TO THE PENITENTIARY

Two Burglars Heavily Sentenced Why One Has Fallen. Joe Kaveney and Mike Hough were sentenced to the penitentiary for three years by Magistrate Denison yesterday. They are the men whom Detective Twigg, Constables Bell, McElroy and Watchman George Bell "nailed" in the attempt to rob the Wreyford store

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Forbes Robertson and Miss Gertrude Elliott will be seen in Toronto in Klaw & Frlanger's production of Geo Bernard Shaw's satirical comedy, "Caesar and Cleopatra." Mr. Robertson plays Came of me. I was a burden on them

at the age of 54. and Miss Elliott, Cleo- reformatory and went from bad to themselves to blame. I was a outc worse. Young fellows who have good and always in the way."

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