COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL NEWS

ern markets showed some signs of im-provenoent. The San Francisco steamer arriving Sunday night brought a good-sfæd consignment of California produce and fruit, which met with a ready sale. The efforts to keep eggs down to Elic are not very successful, and the bulk of the sales yesterday were made at Ne per doz-en. There has good demand for the holi-day trade; and white same far the holi-day trade; and white same far the day trade; and while some dealers are intimating lower figures. It is thought that the pulce will-hold fairly steady un-til after Christman. It is too early in the week to get a line on the poultry market, and the few birds that came in yesterday were not offering at figures which induced buying.

Bank Clearings. PORTLAND MARKETS. Grain, Flour, Etc.

The wheat market yesterday showed one improvement in the East, the American visible showing a decrease, and a better export demand being reported. In the local market there was some buying at 50050cc, but the movement was very light, and will probably continue so until tonnage engagements are more pressing then they are at the present time. The freight attention continues steady, with a fair amount of distant tomage offer-ing, not, however, at rates sufficiently attractive to induce much chartering at the present time. The C. H. Watjen, now in port, was rechartered vesterday at 41s 6d. an advance of 6d over her original

Wheat - Walla Walls, St@5the: Valley tominai; bluestem, 509554c per bushel. Flour-Best grades 229563 40 per car-ci; grahm, 220. Oats-White, 42645c per bushel; gray-

Barley-Feed, \$15615 50; brewing, \$166 #16 56 per ton.
Milibtuffs-Bran, \$16 56 per ton: middlings, \$2: shorts, \$17: chop. \$16.
Hay-Timothy, \$128212 56: clover, \$56 \$3 50. Oregon wild hay, \$697 per ton.

Rutter, Eggs, Poultry, Etc.

Butter-Fancy creamery, 19615c; store, 250215c per roll, Exce-Eastern, 224625c; Oregon ranch, 274830c per dozen.

hens, 13 5004 50, ducks, 21 1002 50; hens, 13 5004 50, ducks, 21 1002 50; geese, \$608 per dozen; turkeys, live, lighte; dressed, 12015c per pound.

Cheese—Full cream Corese—Full cream, twins, 120134c. Young America, 124-014c per pound.

Vegetables, Fruits, Etc.

Vegetables-Parsnips, 85c; turnips, 75c; carrots, 75c sack; onlone, \$1 50@1 75; cabbage, \$1 2561 50 per cental; potatoes, 508 60c per sack; sweet potatoes, 15c per pound; celery, 60865c per dozon; California tomatoes, \$1 25 per box.

3 for navel; \$2 0062 50 for seedlings, per box; pineapples, \$4 5006 per dozen; ba-nanas, \$2 5063 per bunch; Persian dates, To per pound; pears, Togiti per box; apples, Sogiti S per box; grapes, Muscat, Socii; Tokay, it per box.
Dried fruit—Apples, evaporated, Socie per pound, sun-dried, sacks or boxes.

\$254c; pears, \$65c; prunes, Italian, 527c; silver, extra choice, 527c; figs. Califor-nia binck, 5c; figs. California white, 52 7c; plums, pitless, white, 728c per pound.

Mutton-Gross, best sheep, wethers and ewes, sheared, \$5.50; dressed, 64,67c per bound; spring lambs, 54c per pound gross, dressed, 7074c. Hogs-Gross, choice heavy, \$5.0065.75; light, \$5; dressed, \$66\(\)\(\)\(\)\(\)\(\)\(\)\end{arge}, \$666\(\)\(\)\(\)\(\)\(\)\(\)\end{arge} per pound; small,

26% per pound.

Beef-Gross, top steers, \$3,5094; cows.
\$3698 B9; dressed beef, 667c per pound. Provisions — Portland pack (Shield brand): Hams, smoked, are quoted at 12c per pound; picnic hams, \$c per pound pick; dry-saited sides, \$\frac{5}{2}\gamma^2\$ lbc; dried beef, 15c; lard, five-pound palls, 10%c; 10-pound palls, 10%c; 15c, 10%c; tierces, 16c per pound. Eastern pack (Hammond's): Hams, large, 12c; medium, 12%c; emall, 15c; picnic hams, \$c; shoulders, \$\frac{9}{2}\sigma^2\$ breakfast bacon, 12%g 15%c; dry-saited sides, \$\frac{9}{2}\sigma^2\$ local, \$\frac{9}{2}\sigma^2\$ loca Provisions - Portland pack (Shield

Groceries, Nuts, Etc.

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Coffee-Mocha, E@Ssc; Java, fancy, 250; Ec; Java, good, 250;26c; Java, ordinary, 150;26c; Costa Rica, fancy, 150;26c; Costa Rica, good, 162;15c; Costa Rica, good, 162;15c; Costa Rica, good, 162;15c; Costa Rica, good, 162;15c; Arbuckle's, 113:25; Lion, 113:13 per case.

Sugar-Cube, 46:25; crushed, 26:30; powdered, 35:95; dry granufated, 35:30; extra C, 35:25; golden C, 35:15 net; haif barrels, 5;c more than barrels; maple, 159;16c per pound.

pound.
Salmon-Columbia River, one-pound talls, \$1 5092; two-pound talls, \$2 2592 50; \$5-pound fancy one-pound flats, \$232 50; \$5-pound fancy flats, \$1 1091 30; Alaska, one-pound flats, \$1 1091 30; talls, \$1 40@1 60; two-pound talls, \$1 50@

Nuts-Pennuts, single per pound for ryw, 8c for roasted; coccanuts, 90c per cham; walnuts, 100Hc per pound; pine roas, 15c; hickory nuts, 7c; chestnuts, 15c; Brani, lic: filectory nuts, ac; chestnuts, lic: Brani, lic: filecta, lic; fancy peccans, 12 (314c; almonds, 15-3174; per pound. Beans—Small white, the per pound. Beans—Small white, the per pound. Grain bags—Calcutta, 18-36 124; per 100

for spot.
Coal oll-Cases, 1814c per gallon; barrels, 1814c; tanks, 18c.
Rice-Island, 814c; Japan, 814c; New Orleans, 6146314c; fancy head, 8767 50 per

Hops, Wool, Hides, Etc.

Hops-New crop, 12014c per pound; 1859 crop. 637c Wool-Valley, 1851c; Eastern Oregon, 16912c; mohair, 25c per pound. Sheepskins-Shearlings, 15920c; short-wool, 25925c; medium-wool, 26930c; long-

@cirst each. Tallow-4c; No. 2 and grease, 263c per pound.

Hides-Dry hides, No. 1, 16 pounds and

Hides—Dry hides, No. 1, 16 pounds and upward, 14@15c; dry kip, No. 1, 5 to 15 pounds, lic per pound; dry calf, No. 1, under 5 pounds, 15@15c; dry-salted, one-third less than dry film; salted hides, sound steers, 30 pounds and over, 7@5c; do. 50 to 30 pounds, 7%c; do. under 50 pounds and cows, 7c; kip, 13 to 30 pounds, 7%c; do. calf, under 19 pounds, 7%c; green (unsalted), le per pound less; cuils (bulls, stags, moth-eaten, badly cut, scored, halr-stags, moth-eaten, badly cut, scored, halrstags, moth-eaten, badly cut, scored, hair-slipped, weather-beaten or grubby), one-

Pelts—Bearmins each, as to size, 550
Tib: cubs, each, 1865; badger, each, 56c; wildcat, 2567c; housecut, 5625c; fox, common gray, 186671; do, red, 41 1563 50; do, cross, 82 2066; lynx, 8264 50; mink, 66 61 5; marten, dark Northern, 55610; do, cale pine, 8264; muskrat, 5612c; skunk, 6568c; otter (land). Miss: panther, with head and claws perfect, 1863; raccoon, 25 680c; wolf, mountain, with head perfect. \$2 5065; wolverine, 32 5066; beaver, per skin, large, 1067; do, medium, per skin, 14061 do small, per skin, 1162; do, kits, per skin, 2165.

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET.

Enormous Bealtzing Was in Evidence in Early Trading. NEW YORK, Dec. 17. The surface in-dications in today's stock market all go to abow that stocks were in very active

The beginning of the last week before Christmas finds the holiday trade on at fall swing, and as usual other lines are in a measure neglected. This is exceptionally so in the case of wheat, and there was very little business doing in the cereal yesterday; although the Eastern markets showed some signs of improvement. The San Francisco steamer | provement and take profits without regard to the last week before course of transfer from the hands of and take profits without regard to the prospect of further advance. The weight of influence then passes to the hear party, and the nuward course is not re-newed until they have exhausted their best efforts to push the reaction to a cul-mination. What was evident today was that powerful and skillful manipulation was at work to make the prices as high as possible to meet the flood of outside

> he market after last week's events.
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> From the very first enormous realising was in evidence. Later in the day various attempts were made to hold the market by marking up the prices various individual stocks. As the fo As the fact became more and more evident that the sustaining force of these individual movements was taken advantage of to co ong stock, the professional element on the exchange turned to the bear side. the exchange turned to the bear side. They were successful in forcing a snarp reaction, much reducing the gains that had been largest, and completely wiping out a large number of those that had only reached moderate proportions. Manipulation developed at the close again to rally the market by bidding up Northern Pacific to 1814, a record price. The shorts were buying to cover elsewhere, so that the closing was generally steady with the closing was generally steady, with the further course of the market very unsattled and doubtful. Even with the

> net changes in prices today very small, the profits on last week's advances are on an enormous scale. Today's animated outpurst of outside goody's anisogreed couldness of outside speculation was the logical consequence or last week's events. The paintble fact that large banking and financial institutions were taking enormous lines of various stacks and the developments of the week pointing to far-reaching plans and the improvement of values was offset for a time by the apparently dangerous condition of the money market against the of the money market against the natural drain on its resources. The normal course of subtreasury operations also promised some relief this week. The outburst of buillsh enthusiasm was

> certain consequence. The fact serms to be that strong banking interests pro-vided themselves long since with ampl-resources to take advantage of the reactionary tendency of stocks incident to the December period to absorb very heavy amounts of the railroad stocks which have figured most largely in the stock market for many days past. So large and effective was this buying us to ov ob'ic to rush to secure stocks, sceing that the expected reaction was not likely to occur before January. Higher prices for stocks in January has been the universal expectation on the stock exchange, and speculators have only afforded an s tunity to buy stocks and hold them safely in anticipation of any risc. Last week's bank statement was ac-

cepted as the assurance that money sources would be ample to hold sto over the January 1 period. Outside over the January 1 period. Outside of the opening general advance, ranging up to between 1 and 2 points, the most strik ing later advances were in the New York public utilities, led by Brooklyn Rapid Transit and Metropolitan, the Eric stocks and a number of the minor Vanderbilis. Amalgamated Copper also developed nota-ble strength, rallying 4 points. The ex-cited bull market was a striking contrast to the panic of a year ago, when the constriction of the money supply was forcing stocks on the market at any sacrifice in order to meet the calling of loans. Bonds were not so active as stocks and the movement of prices was irreg-

ular. Total sales, par value, \$5,36,666.
United States is registered declined %; the is advanced %, and is coupon % on the last call. HONDS. U. S. 2s, ref. reg. 1045, N. Y. Cent. 1sts...100% do coupon105%, Northern Pac. 3s...70%, 10472. lo de, reg.,

STOCKS.

The total sales of sto-	cks today were 1,515,7
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Can. Pacific 87%	Wis. Central 13
Can Southern 60	P. C., C. & St. L. M
Ches. & Ohio 39	Third Avenue118
Chl. Gr. Western, 164	Sational Tube 62
C. B. & Q	CANDEDS CO.
Chi. & Enst Til. 951	American 170
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do lst pref 45 4	do pref
do 2d pref 18%	Amer. Malting 5
Det. & Rudson 121%	do pref
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Denver & Rio Gr. 20	de pref 96
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Foreign Financial News.

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.-The Commercial says: The markets here were fairly ac-tive today, but they were more or less affected by a heavy slump in Westralian mines, which may lead to severe trouble in the market.

Americans

Americans were buoyant and active, losing excited at the top, although the dealings were still mainly professional. Favorites were Northern Pacific, Atchisons, Southerns and Erie preferred. There was no initiative here, only implicit acceptance of New York sips.

New York sold Amacondus, disheartening operations, but to the surprise of every one they bought Argentines and Brazillans.

The bank got £150,000 gold from South Africa, and lost £180,000 to an unstated destination. creased 345, and supplies decreased 400

Money, Exchange, Etc.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 17.—Sterling on London, 69 days, 18 85½; sight, 24 85½; drafts, sight 5c; telegraphic, 7½c; Mexican dollars, 30% fiste. NEW YORK, Dec. 17 .- Money on call

NEW YORK. Dec. 17.—Money on call, steady; last loans, \$600 per cent; prime moreantile paper, \$5,000 per cent; sterling exchange, weak, with actual business in bankers' bills at \$8.54½ for demand, and at \$4.500,000 \$50½ for 60 days; posted rates, \$4.51½,500 \$50½; commercial bills, \$4.800,000%; allver certificates, \$4.00 \$50½. Government bonds, irregular; state sonds, strady; railroad bonds, irregular. LONDON, Dec. 17.-Consols, 97%c.

Mickel Plate Four Per Cents. F. G. Logan wired R. W. McKinnon & Co. yesterday: "Nickei Plate first preferred will be retired and replaced with 246 or 4 per cent bonds and the preferred will in all probability be placed on a 4 per cent basis."

Stocks in London. LONDON, Dec. 17.—Atchison, 44%; Canadian Pacific, 304; Union Pacific preferred, 85%; Northern Pacific preferred, 85%; Grand Trunk, 6%; Anaconda, 9%; Rand

THE GRAIN MARKETS.

Prices for Cereals in European and American Ports.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 17.—Wheat and barley futures, inactive; spot wheat quiet; spot barley, steady; oats, steady. Spot guntations were: Wheat-Shipping, No. 1, 9756; choice, 756; milling, \$161 034. Barley-Feed, 75,6735; brewing, 7756

Onts-Black, for seed, \$1 22461 10. Call board sales—Wheat, no sales; cash, 574c. Barley, no sales. Corn, large yel-low, \$1 17461 29.

Chicago Grain and Produce. CHICAGO, Dec. 17.-Corn again took precedence on the Board of Trade today, and was strong and higher from the start. The unsettled weather conditions, render, ing still more ungertain any increase in the contract stocks, and the total ab-sence of contract corn in today's arriv-als of 547 cars, revived anxiety among shorts, who became active bidders for both December and May as the session progressed. Chief interest centered in the December option. This was bid up very rapidly by one prominent broker, who is credited with being heavily short, the price reaching 19% before the reaction came. Even at that figure there was lit-tle offered for sale. The decrease in the visible supply of 63,900 bushess helped the bull situation. May in the meantime

also showed considerable arrength, though having periods of comparative depression. December closed 2% higher at 20%. May closed 5% higher at 30%. May closed 5% higher at 30%. Wheat was inclined to be weak early in the session. Lower cables, world's shipments of about 1,000,000 bushels larger than expected, and a large increase on massage, had a depression effect on tradpassage, had a depressing effect on traders, and the market for some time appeared to be utterly without support. Opening %c lower at 72%472%c May sold at 72%472%c during the first hour of tradat 72567-24c during the first hour of trad-ing. Up to about 11 o'clock the market continued heavy and apparently bare of buyers, but a hardening tendency devel-oped soon after, prospects of a good in-crease in the visible and the strength of corn bringing good support. During the ast hour the market was dull, but quite fiem, and all the early loss was recov-ered. May advanced to 724c, and closed at that price.

at that price.
Oats were dull from start to finish, business being confined entirely to professionals. May closed a shade higher at

islons were dull and easy early, heavy hog receipts causing a general de-cline in prices. Lard and pork were of-fered quite freely. Toward the close the demand improved, shorts coming into the market and prices recovering somewhat, January pork closed loc lower, lard 24c lower, ribs unchanged. The leading futures ranged as follows:

WHEAT.

	January\$0	70% 70%	Highest. Sci 78% 73%	Lowest. \$0.70 72%	Clore, \$0 70% 73%		
		CO	BN.		- 1		
100		37% 35% 35%	23% 36%	37% 35%	2914 3614 3614		
56	OATS.						
	December		23%	2316	2114 2374		
20	MESS PORK						
-	January12 May12	1716	12 20 12 10	12 1216 12 0216	12 15 12 0714		
	LARD,						
	December 7 January 6 May 8	85 90	7 10 6 87% 6 32% RIBS.	T-05 6 85 6 90	7 0714 6 85 6 90		
	January 6 May 6		6 25 6 32%	6 20	6 25 6 3216		
	Cash quotation Flour-Dull, Wheat-No. 1 red, 72@74c. Corn-No. 2, 2	Spr	ing, 65(178%c;	100		

Oats-No. 7, 2214@224c; No. 2 white, 2514

636c; No. 3 white 3446Nije. Bre-No. 2, 48649c. Barley-Good feeding, 49656c; fair to choice maiting, 57655c. Flaxseed-No. 1 Northwestern, 21 649

65.
Timothy seed—Prime, \$4.45.
Mess pork—Per barrel, \$11 124-511 25.
Lard—Per 100 pounds, \$7 6567 10.
Short Ribs—Sides, loose, \$6 2568 50.
Shoulders—Dry-Salted, Boxed, \$5 574-69 Sides-Short, clear, boxed, \$5 50678 70.

On the Produce Exchange today the butter market was dull; creamery, INSTAC; dairy, LASTAC, Cheese-Quiet at 10% 611% c.

'Egga-Dull, fresh, 25%c.

New York Grain and Produce. NEW YORK, Dec. 17 .- Flour-Receipts,

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19,377 barrels; exports, 16,676 barrels, Mar-Wheat-Receipts, 28,000; exports, 22,000. Spot firm; No. 2 red, 78c f. o. b.; 775c elevator. Options during the first half of the session were weakened by heavy world's shipments, local unloading and easier cables. Subsequently, however, export business and an unexpected decrease in the visible supply invited covering which led to a partial recovery. Closed

77%c; March, 79%c; May, 79c; December we. Wool-Dull. Hops-Quiet.

European Grain Markets. LONDON, Dec. 17.—Wheat—Cargoes on passage quiet and steady; cargoes Walla Walla 28s 10% (English country markets quiet and steady.

firm at 14c net advance. January closed

LIVERPOOL. Dec. 11.-Wheat-Quiet; wheat in Paris steady; flour in Paris quiet; French country markets steady; weather in England tine. No. 1 Califor-nia, 6s 216d. No. 2 red Western Winter, Futures dull; December nominal; March, 5s 11%d.

Corn-Spot firm; American mixed, new, 48 26; American mixed, old, 4s 2d. Fu-tures quiet; December nominal; January, 2s 95d; March, 3s 85d.

Visible Grain Supply.

NEW YORK, Dec. 17 .- The statement of the visible supply of grain in store and afloat Saturday, December 15, as compiled

by the New York Produce Exchange, is

CHICAGO WHEAT GOSSIP.

The Situation of the Cereal in Amer-

ica is Fairly Strong. F. G. Logan's Chicago grain letter to R. W. McKinnon & Co. yesterday con-tained the following comment on the sit-uation: The market is extremely duli. The carly statistics were weak consisting of world's shipments of 8,00,00 bushels, ogainst 5,100,000 bushels last year, and an increase on passage of 2,00,000 bushels.

This occasioned some selling pressure at the opening. Later the market firmed again on a decrease of 412,000 bushes in our visible. The action of our visible supply is a puzzle to the trade. Last year at this time stocks were increasing. with exports nearly on a par with the present rate. This year, with primary receipts the past two weeks 25 per cent larger, mills in the Northwest, until the past few days, nearly all shut down, and stocks are decreasing. It may be that there is considerable wheat in transit by rail between Buffalo and the seaboard that would partially account for this. But in the main we think it is due, first to duplication of receipts at primary mar-kets, and to the usual milling demand through the East, which is being supplied from market centers. The visible supply is now 61,000,000 bushels, against 57,000,000 bushes a year ago, with very much les in interior and private warehouses. To situation statistically is therefore fairly strong. Primary receipts are 1.128,000 bush-els, against 694,000 bushels last year. Shipels, against 694,000 bushels last year. Ship-ments, 171,000 bushels, against 128,000 bush-els last year. Estimate of cars for tomor-

SAN FRANCISCO MARKETS.

row, 175.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 17.—Wool-Spring, Nevada, 11@11c; Eastern Oregon, 16@11c; Vailey Oregon, 15@11c, Fali; Mountain lambs, 980c; San Joaquin plains, 6@8c; Humboldt and Mendocino,

Hops-1990 crop, 13%@17%c. Hay-Wheat, 20613 50; wheat and onto, 19612 50; best barley, 19 50; sifalfa, \$759 10; compressed wheat, 19613 per ton; straw, 256475, per bale, Millstoffs-Middlings, \$16 50619 50; bran,

214614 56 per ton. Potatoes-River Burbanks, 30675c; Salinas Burbanks, 20681 18; Oregon Burbanks, 65c@\$1; sweets, 25@85c.

Odions-\$1 65 per cental Butter-Fancy creamery, 20e: ds. 27@28c; fancy dairy, 26c; do seconds, Cheese-California flats, 1644811c

oound; Young America, 11%@12c; Eastern, 14615c. Eggs-Fancy ranch, 44c; store, 25636c; Eastern, 25630c. Citrus fruit - Mexican limes, \$464 30; Citrus fruit - Mexican limes, \$464 30;

Citrus fruit — Mexican limes, 4494 26; common California lemons. 75c; choice, \$2.50; navel oranges, \$1.5092 50 per box; plnesapples, \$1952 per dozen.

Poultry—Turkeys, gobblers, 12913c; dehens, 12813c per pound; old roosters, \$3.50 45; per dozen; young roosters, \$3.7524 25; fryers, \$3.5094, hens, \$2.5095 per dozen; small broilers, \$222.50; large do, \$3.53, \$50, and \$3.50, small broilers, \$2312 oc. large do, \$333 59; old ducies \$584 geese, \$1 2561750 per pair.

Green fruit—Apples, choice, \$1 per box; common, 50c per box.

Bananas—\$1672 50 per bunch.

Receipts—Flour, 45,500 quarter sacks; wheat, 3440 centals; barley, 17,250 centals, oats, 650 centals; beans, 2500 sacks; corn, 1500 centals; bottoos, 5700 sacks; brain, 1500 centals; brain, 5700 sacks; brain.

1100 centals; pointoes, 9700 sacks; bran, 1900 sacks; hay, 230 tons; hides, 1360,

Enstern Livestock.

Enstern Livestock.

CHICAGO. Dec. 17.—Cattle—Receipts—
2000 head, including 700 Texans. Market generally 19c to 15c lower, except
handy light butchers' stock. Good to
prime steers, \$5 2006 10; poor to medium,
\$5 5065 10; selected feeders, \$3 5008 25;
mixed stockers, \$2 5063 75; cows, \$2 5069
4 25; helfers, \$2 50694 50; canners, \$1 7562 40;
bulls, \$2 50694 50; calves, \$465 50; Texas-fed
steers, \$4694 80; grass steers, \$3 3564; bulls,
\$2 40693 15. Hogs-Receipts today, 41,000 head; to-

morrow, 300 head; left over, 900 head; to-morrow, 300 head; left over, 900 head, Market opened shade lower; closed weak, 5e to 19c lower. Top, \$4 57%. Mixed and butchers, \$4 6594 59%; good to choice, heavy, \$4 75094 55; rough heavy, \$4 0004 30; light, \$4 6504 52%; bulk of sales, \$4 750 Sheep-Receipts, 25,000 head. Sheep and lambs, 10c to 30c lower. Good to choice wethers, \$3 9064 60; fair to choice mixed,

\$3 6063 90; Western sheep, \$3 5064 50; Tex-as sheep, \$2 2563 50; native lambs, \$46 5 65; Western lambs, \$4 7565 60. KANSAS CITY, Dec. 17 .- Cattle-Re-

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 17.—Cattle-Receipts, 8000; market, steady to lower; Texas steers, 15055 20; Texas cows, \$2 2503 75; native steers, 14055 25; native cows and helfers, \$254 50; stockers and feeders, \$3 1065; buils \$2 6503 75.

Hogs-Receipts, 8000; market 254052 lower; builk of sales, \$4 82464 875; heavy, \$4 5004 8275; packers, \$4 8064 90; mixed, \$3 7504 50; lights, \$4 8064 9255; yorkers, \$4 87464 9275; pirs, \$4 8064 92.

Sheep-Receipts, 2000; market, strong, lambs, \$3 5065 50.

OMAHA, Dec. 17 .- Cattle, receipts, 15 .-000; market, slow and steady; native beef steers, \$4 2595 40; cows and helfers, \$1 000 4 25; canners, \$1 1562 75; stockers and feeders, \$3 0004 50; bulls and stags, \$2 000

strong; heavy, \$4.80@4.85; mixed, \$4.80@ 4.82%; light, \$4.80@4.87%; bulk of sales, 4 5094 55.

Sheep - Receipts, 2000; fair to choice Westerns, \$2 7094 00; common to choice sheep, \$2 5003 55. lambs, \$4 2505 50; fed muttons, \$2 8504 10.

The Metal Markets.

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.-The week starts with changed conditions in metals, with prices wholly in buyers' favor. Advices from London reported a weak and lower market for tin. The local situation was also depressed, owing to the heavy ship-ments from the Straits, and in sympathy with the weakness abroad. The close was very weak at \$35 25. Copper dull, but about steady, at \$17 for Lake Superior and \$16 63½ for casting copper and elec-

Copper in London closed at £71 12s 4d. Lead ruled dull and nominally unchanged, both here and abroad, closing at \$4.37\mathbf{1}\$ and £16 12s 6d, respectively. Spelter was niso dull at \$4 15664 20, in the absence speculation. Domestic iron markets remained dull and unchanged, despite a further loss abroad, where Ginagow closed at 10% 4d and Middlesboro 52s 9. Pig from warrants 20 506216 50: Northern fo \$15@15 50; Southern foundry, \$14 50@14 75, and Southern, \$13@15 75, Bar silver, 64c.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 17 .- Bar silver,

LONDON, Dec. 17.-Bar silver, 29%d.

NEW YORK, Dec. 17 .- Wheat-Steady at net unchanged prices to 5 points lower; sales, 28 500 hags, including December \$5.65; January, \$5.65; February, \$5.75. Rio burely steady; No. 7 invoice, 7c. quiet: Cordova, 946124c, Sugar-Raw steady; refined quiet.

DAILY CITY STATISTICS.

Real Estate Transfers.

Sarah A. Shattuck to Charlotte Wood-man, lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 15, 16, 17, 18, block 19, Simon's Addition, city, December 12 6, 7 and 8, block 10, Woodlawn, December 5
Thaddeus S. Townsend and wife to John Chaimers, lots 7, 8, 9, 16, 17 and 18, block 1, Townsend's Addition, city, December 11.

J. M. E. Smithson to M. N. Hamilton, lot 7, block 1, subdivision Riverview Addition, Abina, December 14.

D. and Warren E. Thomas to James D. Hart, lot 19, block 12, Mount Tabor Villa Annex, December 17.

William Wheaton and wife to Sarah William Wheaton and wife to Sarah E. Collins, lot 3, block 15, Multno-mah Addition, December 17.

Building Permits.

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Marriage Licenses. John Weiss, 51, and Anna Conell, 36; J. W. Sweeney, 27, and Elizabeth M. Neicken, 27; Thomas Callaghan, 24, and Gertrude E. Weels, 41.

Birth Returns.

December 7-Girl to the wife of Wiltam Schultz, Se Mississippi avenue.

December 15—Boy, to the wife of James Foster, 166 Skidmore street December 14-Boy, to the wife of Chin Wing, Oak between Second and Third

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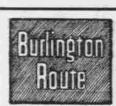
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