TODAY'S MARKETS

With the Great Increase in Arrivals the Egg Market Is Breaking and Prices Are Sliding From Under—Today It Is at Thirty Cents.

EGGS STRIKE 30 CENTS TODAY

Market Continues to Break With Heavier Receipts and Smaller Demand.

TURKEYS HOLD FIRM AT TOP QUOTATIONS

Best Dressed Meats in Active Call With Slight Advance in Hogs—Two Cars Very Fancy Oranges Arrive During the Day.

Front Street, Dec. 22.—The principal features of the Portland wholesale markets today are:
Break in egg market.
Chickens continue to glut.
Turkeys firm at the price.
Best meats are in demand.
Two cars fancy oranges in.
Apple market good; supply heavy.
Quiet in potatoes and onions.
Butter and cheese still firm.
Quiet in wheat and flour.

Break in Egg Market.

As has been told by The Journal for more than a half week, various prices have been asked by dealers in eggs. The first signs of a break occurred when the street changed its quotations to range between 34@35c. Formerly everything went at 35c. Today a considerable number of sales were made as low as 30c and some as high as 31c. The fact that receipts are again increasing is a further drag on the market and dealers are expecting further declines before the present movement ceases. This is the time of the year when eggs usually begin to show softer prices, and the trade generally has been prepared for the downward trend. There are but small supplies of local storage on hand and the volume of eastern stocks is likewise very small.

Chickens Continue to Glut Market.

Receipts continue to increase in the chicken market despite the many warnings sent out by The Journal and the trade. The entire chicken market is very weak and some clean-ups have been made as low as 10c for mixed coops, while nothing over 11c was even asked or obtained today. There have been very liberal arrivals of ducks and geese during the past few days, but dealers experienced no difficulty in selling all that came at the printed prices. Those that asked more still have their supplies unsold.

Turkeys Firm at the Price.

While it cannot be said that there has been any real shortage of turkeys in the market for the Christmas trade, the supplies were not larger by a single coop than the demand warranted at the price. Today there continues a very good tone in turkeys and values ruled between 21@22c for dressed stocks, with the latter price the more general. This season there has been an enormous shipping demand for dressed turkeys, and this alone was a great factor in keeping the prices above the 20c level. Orders came from as far north as British Columbia and from the southward they rolled in from Los Angeles and San Francisco in a steady stream. Few of the latter were accepted, however, on account of the difference in price offered and asked.

Best Meats Are in Demand.

Demand for dressed meats of best grade was very good during the day, and some sales of fancy hogs were reported as high as 7½c a pound. Receipts in both dressed hogs and veal were very small, considering the demand.

There continues a scarcity in fresh Columbia river salmon. Halibut was a trifle more plentiful during the day. Tomcod are in market and find a good call. Clams of all kinds were scarce during the day. Crabs show a fair supply with prices unchanged. Shrimps and Puget sound smelt were in fair supply, as were most of the other lines.

Apple Market Good; Supplies Heavy.

Supplies in the apple market have been quite liberal the past few days. Trade has been excellent and prices ruled as high as $2 for extra fancy goods.

Two cars of oranges came in during the morning. Condition the best of the present season's arrivals. Fancy navels today are as high as $2.75.

There is somewhat of a scarcity in the supplies of green peppers, and as soon as stocks arrive from the south they are eagerly snapped up.

Minor Notes of Markets.

Wheat and flour have a holiday character and both markets are unchanged.

Barley, oats and other millfeeds, except hay, very firm but dull. Prices the same.

There is practically no business reported in potatoes and onions.

Hops are only fairly firm with a few sales between dealers.

Butter and cheese markets in good shape; receipts light.

The trade pays the following prices to Front street dealers. Prices paid producers are so specified:

Grain, Flour and Feed.

WHEAT—New club, 71c; red Russian, 69c; bluestem, 72½c; valley, 73c.

BARLEY—Feed, $23.00; rolled, $25.00; brewing, 23.00.

CORN—Whole, $27.00; cracked, $28.00 per ton.

RYE—$1.55 per cwt.

OATS—Producers' price—No. 1 white, $27.50; gray, $26.50.

FLOUR—New eastern Oregon patents, $4.35; straights, $3.70@3.80; export, $3.30@3.55; valley, $3.70@3.80; graham, ¼s, $3.50; rye, 50s, $5.00, bales, $2.75.

MILLSTUFFS—Bran, $17.50 per ton; middlings, $25.00; shorts, country, $19.50; city, $18.50; chop, $18.00.

HAY—Producers' price—Timothy, Willamette valley, fancy, $11.00@13.00; ordinary, $7.00@9.00; eastern Oregon, $14.00@15.00; mixed, $8.50@9.00; clover, $8.00@9.00; grain, $8.50@9.00; cheat, $8.00@8.50.

Butter, Eggs and Poultry.

BUTTER FAT—F. o. b. Portland—Sweet cream, 31c; sour, 29c.

BUTTER—City creamery, 32½c; outside fancy, 30c; ordinary 27½c; store, 16@17c.

EGGS—No. 1 fresh Oregon, candled, 30@31c; cold storage and eastern, 26@26½c.

CHEESE—New—Full cream, flats, 15@15½c; Young Americas, 16@16½c; cheddars, 15½c.

GAME—Jackrabbits, $1.75 per doz.

POULTRY—Mixed chickens, 10@11c per lb; fancy hens, 10@11c per lb; roosters, old, 9c per lb; fryers, 10½@11c per lb; broilers, 10½@11c per lb; ducks, 15@16c per lb; geese, 10@11c per lb; turkeys, 18@19c per lb; dressed, 20@22c per lb; squabs, $2.70@3.00 per doz.

Hops, Wool and Hides.

HOPS — 1905 — Oregon, choice, 11@11½c; prime, 8½@9c; poor grade, 7½@8c; Washington, 10½@11c; 1904 crops, 9c for choice.

WOOL—1905 clip, valley, coarse to medium, 24½@25½c; fine, 26@27c; eastern Oregon, 19@22c.

MOHAIR—Nominal, 30@31c.

SHEEPSKINS—Shearing, 10@20c each; short wool, 25@40c each; medium wool, 50@75c each; long wool, 75c@$1.00 each.

TALLOW—Prime, per lb, 3½@4c; No. 2 and grease, 2@2½c.

CHITTIM BARK—3c per lb.

HIDES—Dry, No. 1, 16 lbs and up, 16½@17½c per lb; dry kip, No. 1, 8 to 15 lbs, 14c; dry calf, No. 1, under 8 lbs, 18c; salted hides, steers, sound, 60 lbs and over, 10@11c; cows, 8½@9½c; stags and bulls, sound, 6@7c; kip, 15 to 30 lbs, 9c; calf, sound, under 15 lbs, 11c; green, unsalted, 1c less; bulls, 1c per lb less.

FRIDAY PRICES IN THE WHEAT MARKET

	Dec.	May
Chicago	$ .82½	$ .87
Kansas City	.....	.79¼
Milwaukee	.82½	.87
New York	.....	.91⅛ A
Minneapolis	.....	.84⅝ B
Liverpool	6s 10½d	6s 10½d
Duluth	.....	.85B
San Francisco	*1.23	1.41½

*May barley.

JOURNAL'S DAILY TIPS ON MARKETS

While there is considerable weakness and dullness in both the potato and onion markets at the moment, the trade believes that conditions will improve in both lines about the middle of January. By that time the poor onions will have been sold or rotted and good ones will be wanted. Likewise potatoes.

horsehides, salted, each, $1.25@1.75; dry, each, $1.00@1.50; colt hides, 25@50c; goat skins, common, each, 10@15c; Angora, each, 25c@$1.00.

Fruits and Vegetables.

POTATOES—Best Oregon, 75@80c per sack; producers' price for car lots, 70c per sack; ordinary, 65@70c; producers, price, 45@55c; sweets, $1.90 per sack; $2.00@2.25 per crate.

ONIONS—Oregon yellow Danvers, $1.00@1.25; producers' price, No. 1, $1.00; No. 2, 50@75c; garlic, 8@10c per lb.

FRESH FRUITS—Apples, Oregon, $1.00@1.50; fancy, $1.75@2.00; oranges, new navel, $2.00@2.75; seedling, $1.75@2.00; bananas, 4½@5c per lb; lemons, choice, $2.25@2.75 per box; fancy, $3.25@3.75 per box; limes, Mexican, $1.25 per 100; pineapples, $4.00 per doz; grapes, $1.50@1.75; pears, $1.25@1.50 per box; pomegranates, 1.25 per box; tangerines, $1.75; Japanese oranges, 70c per box.

VEGETABLES—Turnips, new, $1.00 per sack; carrots, $1.00 per sack; beets, $1.00@1.25 per sack; Oregon radishes, 25c per doz; cabbage, Oregon, $1.25@1.50 per cwt; green peppers, 7c per lb; California tomatoes, $1.00@1.25; parsnips, $1.00@1.25; string beans, 8@10c; cauliflower, $2.00 per crate; rhubarb, — lb; green peas, 9@10c lb; horseradish, 6c per lb; artichokes, 85c@$1.00 per doz; hothouse lettuce, $1.00@1.75 per box; celery, local, 45@65c per doz; eggplant, $1.50 per crate; pumpkins, 1¼c; squash, 1½c; cranberries, Jerseys, $13.00@14.00 per bbl; Cape Cod and Tillamook, $10.00; radishes, 25c per doz.

DRIED FRUITS—Apples, evaporated, 10@10½c per lb; apricots, 10½@13c per lb; peaches, 10½@12c per lb; sacks, ½c per lb less; prunes, 30 to 40, 6½c; ¼c drop on each sixteenth smaller size; figs, California black, 5½@6c per lb; California white, 8c per lb; dates, golden, 6c per lb; fards, $1.85 per 15-lb box.

Groceries, Nuts, Etc.

SUGAR—Sack basis—Cube, $6.80; powdered, $5.65; fruit granulated, $5.55; dry granulated, $5.55; Conf. A, $5.30; beet granulated, $5.35; extra C, $5.05; golden C, $4.95; D yellow, $4.85; bbls 10c; ½ bbls, 25c; boxes, 50c advance on sack basis, less 25c per cwt for cash, 15 days; maple, 14@15c per lb.

(Above prices apply to sales of less than car lots. Car lots at special prices subject to fluctuations.)

HONEY—$3.60 per crate.

COFFEE—Package brands, $15.88.

SALT—Coarse—Half ground, 100s, $7.00 per ton; table, dairy, 50s, $11.00; 100s, $10.75; imperial Liverpool, 50s, $17.00; 100s, $16.50; 224s, $16.00; extra fine, bbls, 2s, 5s, 10s, $14.00@20.00; bulk 225 lbs, $4.00@5.00; sacks, 50s, 65@66c; Liverpool lump rock, $15.50 per ton; 50-lb. rock, $7.00; 100s, $6.75.

GRAIN BAGS—Calcutta, 7½c.

RICE—Imperial Japan, No. 1, 6c; No. 2, 5@5¼c; New Orleans head, 7c; Ajax, 5c; Creole, 5¼c.

BEANS—Small white, $3.75; large white, $3.25; pink, $2.75; bayou, $4.50; Limas, $5.50; Mexican reds, 5¼c.

NUTS—Peanuts, jumbos, 8½c per lb; Virginia, 7½c per lb; roasted, 9c; cocoanuts, 85@90c per doz; walnuts, 15@15½c per lb; pine nuts, 10@12½c per lb; hickory nuts, 10c per lb, chestnuts, eastern, 15@16c per lb; Brazil nuts, 14c per lb; filberts, 14@15c per lb; fancy pecans, 15½@16½c; almonds, 14½@15½c.

Paints, Coal Oils, Etc.

ROPE—Pure Manila, 14¾c; standard, 13¼c; sisal, 11c.

COAL OIL—Pearl or Astral—Cases, 20½c per gal; water white, iron bbls, 15c per gal; wooden, 18c per gal; headlight, 170-deg., cases, 22½c per gal.

GASOLINE—86-deg., cases 24½c per gal, iron bbls 18c per gal.

BENZINE—63-deg., cases 25c per gal, iron bbls, 18½c per gal.

TURPENTINE—In cases 80c per gal, wooden bbls 66c per gal.

WHITE LEAD—Ton lots, 7¾c per lb; 500-lb lots, 8c per lb; less lots, 8¼c per lb.

WIRE NAILS—Present base at $2.70.

LINSEED OIL—Pure raw, in 5-bbl lots, 60c; 1-bbl lot 51c; raw, cases, 56c per gal; genuine kettle-boiled, cases, 58c per gal; 5-bbl lots, 52c; 1-bbl lot, 53c per gal; ground cake, car lots, $20.00 per ton; less than car lots, $30.00 per ton.

Meats, Fish and Provisions.

FRESH MEATS—Front street—Beef steers, 5@6c per lb; hogs, block, 7@7½c per lb; packers, 7c per lb; bulls 4@5c per lb; cows, 5½@6c per lb; veal, extra, 7½@8c per lb; ordinary, 6c per lb; poor, 5c per lb; mutton, fancy, 7@7½c per lb.

HAMS, BACON, ETC.—Portland pack (local) hams, 10 to 14 lbs, 12½c per lb; 14 to 16 lbs, 12½c per lb; breakfast bacon, 14½@18½c per lb; picnic, 8c per lb; cottage, 8½c per lb; regular short clears, unsmoked, 10½c per lb; smoked, 11½c per lb; clear backs, unsmoked, 10½c per lb; smoked, 11½c lb; Union butts, 10 to 18 lbs, unsmoked, 8c per lb; smoked, 9c per lb; clear bellies, unsmoked, 11c per lb; smoked, 12c per lb; shoulders, 8½c per lb.

LOCAL LARD—Kettle leaf, 10s, 11¾c per lb; 5s, 11½c per lb; 50-lb tins, 10¾c per lb; steam rendered, 10s, 10¾c per lb; 5s, 10½c per lb; compound, 10s, 7½c.

CANNED SALMON—Columbia river, 1-lb talls, $1.80; 2-lb talls, $2.75; fancy 1-lb flats, $1.90; ¼-lb fancy flats, $1.15; fancy 1-lb ovals, $2.75; Alaska talls, pink, $5@90c; red, $1.50; nominal 2s, tall $2.00.

FISH—Rock cod, 7c per lb; flounders, 5c per lb; halibut, 7c per lb; crabs, $1.50 per doz; striped bass, 12½c per lb; catfish, 7c per lb; salmon, silversides, 6c per lb; steelheads, 7c per lb; herring, 5c per lb; soles, 9c per lb; shrimps, 10c per lb; perch, 5c per lb; black cod, 7c per lb; silver smelt, 7c per lb; lobsters, 15c; fresh mackerel, 8c per lb; crawfish, 25c per doz.

OYSTERS—Shoalwater bay, per gal, $2.25; per sack, $3.75.

CLAMS—Hard-shell, per box, $2.00; razor clams, $2.00 per box.

RECEIPTS LIBERAL FOR A HOLIDAY MARKET

All Products Have a Good Feeling Although the Tone Is Somewhat Dull.

Portland Union Stockyards, Dec. 22.—Livestock receipts:

	Hogs	Cattle	Sheep
Today	161	101	120
Week ago	105	11	617
Previous week	349	52	1,686
Month ago	296	28	902

For a holiday market the receipts in the yards are quite liberal. In all the markets the tone is good, though somewhat dull.

Official livestock prices:

Hogs—Best eastern Oregon, $5.85; blockers and China fats, $5.00; stockers and feeders, $4.25.

Cattle—Best eastern Oregon steers, $3.75@3.85; light and medium steers, $2.50; light cows, $2.50; stockers and feeders, $2.25; bulls, $1.50.

Sheep — Wethers, 4½@4¾c; mixed sheep, 4½c; lambs, 4½c.

Calves—Good veal, 150 to 200 pounds, 5@5½c; rough and heavy, 3@3½c.

EASTERN HOGS WEAK.

Chicago, Dec. 22.—Livestock receipts:

	Hogs.	Cattle.	Sheep.
Chicago	23,000	4,000	8,000
Kansas City	8,000	2,000	1,000
Omaha	11,000	1,000	600

Hogs—Opened weak with 9,000 left over. Receipts a year ago were 27,000. Prices: Mixed, $4.75@4.85; good, $4.95@5.05; rough, $4.70@4.85; light, $4.75@5.02½.

Cattle—Steady to strong.

Sheep—10c higher.

SAN FRANCISCO LOCAL STOCKS.

San Francisco, Dec. 22.—Official close, morning session:

	Bid.	Ask.
Contra Costa Water	46⅝	47
Spring Valley Water	40½	40½
Mutual Electric	16⅝	16⅝
San Francisco Gas & Electric	86½	87½
Giant Powder	70½	70⅝
Honokaa Sugar	12¼	12⅝
Hutchinson Sugar	14⅝	14¾
Makawell Sugar	32	32¼
Paauhau Sugar	22	22½
Alaska Packers'	55½	56
California Wine	82	82½
Oceanic Steamship	4	4⅝
Pacific States Telephone	103½	104½
Pacific Coast Borax	152	.....
Hawaiian Commercial	83⅝	84
California Fruit	97½	98½

WHEAT DROPS ON LIQUIDATION

Selling Pressure Very Apparent in December Option—Bull Camp the Sellers.

PRICES A HALF TO A CENT LOWER TODAY

Smallest Loss in the July Option—Stocks in Northwestern Markets Increasing at a Rapid Rate—Trailers Selling the Corn.

FRIDAY'S WHEAT MARKET.

	Close Fri.	Close Thur.	Loss Fri.	Close Year Ago
December	$ .82½	$ .83½	$ .01	$1.10½
May	.87	.87⅝ B	.00⅝	1.11½
July	.83	.83½ B	.00½	.98⅛

Chicago, Dec. 22.—The selling pressure in December wheat, which has been in evidence for the last few days, developed an early tone in all options. The selling of December was liquidation pure and simple and seemed to come from the camp of the former bull leader. The discouraging factors yesterday were again in force, with stocks in both markets of the northwest increasing for the week about 2,000,000 bushels and primary receipts very far in excess of last year. There has been a disposition to even up more or less over the holidays, and the unsettlement today is likely to be continued unless something of a discouraging nature should develop overnight. Liquidation has been quite complete and the short interest is much extended.

Trailers Sell Corn.

There was an easier tone and some selling of December corn by the trailers on the theory that from now on receipts of No. 2 corn, or corn that can be made into contract before final delivery day, are likely to increase.

The oats market practically is nil. It seems at the moment like a waiting affair.

Provision trade is small, but, all things considered, prices held well.

Official quotations by Overbeck, Starr & Cooke company:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
WHEAT.				
Dec.	$ .83⅝	$ .83⅝	$ .82¼	$ .82½
May	.87⅝	.87⅝	.87	.87
July	.83½	.83½	.83	.83
CORN.				
New Dec.	.45¼	.45¼	.44⅝	.44⅝ A
Old Dec.	.50	.50	.49	.49 A
May	.44½	.44⅝	.44	.44½
July	.44½	.44½	.44⅜	.44⅜
OATS.				
Dec.	.30½	.30⅝	.30⅝	.30⅝ A
May	.31⅝	.31⅝	.31⅝	.31⅝
July	.30½	.30½	.30⅜	.30⅜
MESS PORK.				
Jan.	13.45	13.52	13.45	13.47 A
May	13.60	13.67	13.60	13.60
LARD.				
Jan.	7.40	7.45	7.35	7.37 A
May	7.42	7.45	7.37	7.37
July	7.50	7.52	7.47	7.47 A
SHORT RIBS.				
Jan.	7.07	7.10	7.02	7.02
May	7.22	7.27	7.22	7.22
July	7.35	7.35	7.35	7.35

PRIMARY GRAIN MOVEMENT.

Chicago, Dec. 22.—Primary receipts:

	Today Bush.	Year Ago Bush.
Wheat	1,023,000	729,000
Corn	888,000	598,000
Shipments:		
Wheat	221,000	215,000
Corn	346,000	516,000

Clearances: Wheat, 212,000 bushels; flour, 25,000 barrels; corn, 384,000 bushels; oats, 296,000 bushels.

SAN FRANCISCO GRAIN MARKET.

San Francisco, Dec. 22.—Official morning prices:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
WHEAT.				
May	$1.41	$1.41½	$1.41	$1.41¼
BARLEY.				
May	1.23	1.23	1.23	1.23

LIVERPOOL GRAIN MARKET.

Liverpool, Dec. 22.—Official prices:

	Open.	Close.	Loss.
WHEAT.			
December	6s 10½d	6s 10¼d	¼d
March	6s 11½d	6s 11⅜d	⅛d
May	6s 10¼d	6s 10¼d	¼d
CORN.			
January	4s 3 d	4s 3 d	...
March	4s 3 d	4s 3 d	...

CHICAGO CASH WHEAT.

Chicago, Dec. 22.—Cash wheat:

	Friday Bid.	Friday Ask.	Thur. Bid
No. 2 red	$ .87⅝	$ .89	$ .87½N
No. 3 red	.87	.88	.86
No. 2 hard	.81½	.84½	.82½
No. 3 hard	.78	.82	.78
No. 1 northern	.86½	.89	.86½
No. 2 northern	.83	.87	.82
No. 3 spring	.80	.85	.....

CHICAGO GRAIN CAR LOTS.

Chicago, Dec. 22.—Grain car lots:

	Cars	Grade	Est.
Wheat	34	4	23
Corn	359	12	351
Oats	225	32	231

Wheat cars today: Minneapolis 106, Duluth 78. Year ago: Minneapolis 151, Duluth 452, Chicago 28.

ARGENTINE GRAIN SHIPMENTS.

Chicago, Dec. 22.—Argentine shipments:

	Today Bush.	Year Ago Bush.
Wheat	696,000	982,000
Corn	919,000	2,914,000

COTTON FUTURES ARE TWO TO SIX ADVANCED

New York, Dec. 22.—Cotton futures closed 2 to 6 points higher.

Official quotations by Overbeck, Starr & Cooke company:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
January	1153	1156	1148	1155@56
February	1165	1170	1165	1170@72
March	1187	1189	1178	1187@88
April	.....	.....	.....	1192@94
May	1202	1205	1193	1201@02
June	.....	.....	.....	1203@05
July	1210	1210	1202	1207@09
August	1190	1190	1189	1189@91
October	1105	1105	1095	1103@05
December	1145	1154	1145	1153@54

Liverpool Cotton Higher.

Liverpool, Dec. 22.—Cotton futures closed quiet, 4 to 5 points higher.

NEW YORK COFFEE MARKET.

New York, Dec. 22.—Coffee futures closed unchanged. Official prices:

	Bid.	Ask.		Bid.	Ask.
January	$6.30	$6.35	July	$6.75	$6.75
February	6.45	6.50	August	6.75	6.80
March	6.45	6.50	September	6.85	6.90
April	6.50	6.55	October	6.95	7.00
May	6.60	6.65	November	7.00	7.05
June	6.65	6.70	December	6.30	6.35

New York Cash Coffee.

New York, Dec. 22.—Cash coffee: No. 7 Rio, 7¼c; No. 4 Santos, 8¾c.

BOSTON COPPER MARKET.

Boston, Dec. 22.—Official close:

	Bid.		Bid.
Adventure	$ 6.50	North Butte	$ 80.50
Allouez	37.00	Old Dominion	22.25
Arcadian	4.87½	Osceola	105.50
Atlantic	23.00	Parrot	31.75
British Col.	25.37½	Phoenix	1.25
Bingham	34.25	Quincy	107.00
Calumet	705.00	Royal	23.00
Continental	27.50	Santa Fe	2.37½
Copper Range	78.25	Tamarack	117.00
Daly West	17.00	Trinity	10.12½
Elm River	2.75	Tenn. Copper	48.50
Franklin	16.50	United Copper	60.00
Greene Con.	29.37½	Utah	53.75
Granby	9.75	Victoria	6.25
Mass	15.75	Winona	8.00
Mohawk	61.50	Wolverine	129.00
Nevada Con.	11.87½		

HARRIMAN STOCKS ARE LEADERS

Both Union and Southern Pacific Issues Have a Good Movement on 'Change Today.

HAS BELMONT BOUGHT METROPOLITAN L?

Rumor of Its Purchase by Big Financier Adds to the Strength—Steels Are Bought Heavily — Tennessee Coal Loses.

ADVANCES.

Atchison	⅝	North American	1
do preferred	½	Norfolk	⅝
Sugar	1⅝	Ontario & Western	½
Smelter	½	Pennsylvania	1¼
Car & Foundry	⅝	Pacific Mail	1
do preferred	½	People's Gas	⅝
Brooklyn	2⅝	Pressed Steel Car	¼
Baltimore	1⅛	Reading	1
Colorado Fuel	1¼	Republic Steel	¼
St. Paul	⅝	Rock Island	⅝
C. & N. W.	2½	S. F., 2d pfd	⅝
Chesapeake	½	Southern Ry	⅝
Canadian	1⅝	Wis. Cent. pfd	1⅝
Colorado Southern	⅝	Virginia Chemical	2⅝
do 2d pfd	⅝	Southern Pacific	1¼
Locomotive	1⅝	Toledo, pfd	2½
Erie	½	Union Pacific	2½
do 1st pfd	⅝	U. S. Rubber	½
Louisville	¼	U. S. Steel	½
Manhattan	2	do preferred	⅝
Metropolitan	2⅝	Wabash	¼
Mexican Central	¼	Milwaukee St Ry	4
Missouri Pacific	½		

LOSSES.

Anaconda	1¼	Katy	¼
Illinois Central	2	N. Y. Central	⅝
Rock Island, pfd	¼	Tenn. Coal	1½
Western Union	¼		

Wall Street, New York, Dec. 22.—Trading on the stock market showed much of a professional character today. Some of the specialties had good movements, with the general market showing a fair advance. The Harriman stocks, Union and Southern Pacific were among the strongest features of the day, there being considerable talk of a fight for the control of both roads. The net rise in Southern Pacific today was 1¼ points, while Union Pacific rose 2½ points. The traction issues were again in the front. There was a report that August Belmont has purchased all the bonds and stocks of the Metropolitan Street Railway company and control of the Metropolitan company. An official statement will be issued from the office of August Belmont late this afternoon. Among the other bullish features of today's market were Virginia Chemical, which gained 2⅝ points, and Milwaukee Street railway, which rose 3 points. Steels were heavily bought and advanced sharply. Tennessee Coal was dull and lost rapidly.

Official quotations by Overbeck, Starr & Cooke company:

DESCRIPTION.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Chgs. Bid.
Anaconda Mining Co.	191⅝	193	191	192½	.....
Amal. Copper Co.	98½	99	98	98⅞	.....
Atchison, com	88½	88⅝	88½	88⅝	.....
do preferred	104	105	104	104	.....
Am. Car & Foundry, c.	39	39⅝	39	39¼	.....
do preferred	99	99½	99	99½	.....
Am. Sugar, com	150⅝	152	150⅝	151⅝	.....
Am. Smelt., com	160	162	160⅝	160⅞	.....
do preferred	126	128	127½	127½	.....
Baltimore & Ohio, com.	111½	111½	111½	111⅞	.....
Brooklyn Rapid Transit.	90	91⅝	89⅞	90⅞	.....
Canadian Pacific, com.	173	174⅝	172½	174⅝	.....
Chicago & Alton, com.	.....	.....	.....	30	.....
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	72	.....
C. & G. W., com	20⅞	21	20⅞	20⅞	.....
Chi., Mil. & St. P.	180½	181⅝	180½	180½	.....
C. & N. W., com	220	222	220	220½	.....
Chesapeake & Ohio	54⅝	55¼	54½	54⅝	.....
Colo. Fuel & Iron, com.	54⅝	56⅝	53⅝	55⅝	.....
Colo. Southern, com	28	28¼	28	28	.....
do second preferred	47½	47⅝	47	47	.....
Delaware & Hudson	222	223	222	222	.....
D. & R. G., com	.....	.....	.....	36⅝	.....
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	89½	.....
Erie, com	47½	47⅝	46⅝	47	.....
do second preferred	72	72⅝	71⅞	72½	.....
do 1st preferred	79⅝	80	79⅝	79⅝	.....
Illinois Central	176	176	173½	174	.....
Louisville & Nashville	151	151⅝	150⅝	151	.....
Met. St. Ry.	126	130½	126	127⅝	.....
Manhattan Ry	163½	164	162½	163⅝	.....
Mexican Central Ry.	25½	25½	25	25½	.....
Minn., St. P. & Ste. M.	140	140	138½	140	.....
Missouri Pacific	102½	102½	102	102⅝	.....
M. K. & T., com	37⅝	37⅝	37½	37½	.....
do preferred	71	71	70½	70½	.....
New York Central	151½	151⅝	150½	151	.....
Northern Pacific	204⅝	205	204	204½	.....
Am. Locomotive	67	68⅝	67	68⅝	.....
do preferred	116⅝	116⅝	116⅝	115	.....
Norfolk & Western, com.	83⅝	86½	83⅝	83⅝	.....
North American	98½	99⅝	98½	99½	.....
N. Y., Ont. & West	51	51½	51	51½	.....
Pennsylvania Ry	141⅝	142⅝	141¼	142⅝	.....
P. G., L. & C. Co.	99⅝	100½	99⅝	100	.....
Pressed Steel Car, com.	54½	54½	54½	54½	.....
Pacific Mail Steam. Co.	48½	48½	48	48½	.....
Reading, com	136⅝	138¼	136⅝	137½	.....
do 2d preferred	96	96	95½	95½	.....
do 1st preferred	92	92	91⅝	90⅝	.....
Rep. Iron & Steel, com.	32½	33	32½	32⅝	.....
do preferred	102½	103	102½	102⅝	.....
Rock Island, com	23½	23¼	23	23¼	.....
do preferred	62	62	62	62	.....
Southern Ry., com	34⅝	35⅝	34⅝	35¼	.....
Southern Pacific	65½	66⅝	65½	66⅝	.....
St. L. & S. F., 2d pfd.	50½	50½	49⅝	47½	.....
St. L. & S. W., com.	22	22½	22	22	.....
do preferred	58	58	58	58	.....
Texas & Pacific	.....	.....	.....	33¼	.....
Tennessee Coal & Iron	138½	139¼	136½	136½	.....
T., St. L. & W., com.	36	36½	36	36	.....
do preferred	57½	57⅝	57½	57½	.....
Union Pacific, com	147	149⅝	146⅝	149	.....
Central Leather, com.	45½	45½	44⅝	44⅝	.....
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	103	.....
U. S. Rubber, com	53½	53½	52½	52⅝	.....
U. S. Steel Co., com	37⅝	38½	37⅝	38⅝	.....
do preferred	104½	105⅝	104½	104⅝	.....
Wisconsin Central, com.	29	29	28½	28⅝	.....
do preferred	60½	60½	59	59½	.....
Western Union Tele.	92⅝	92⅝	92¼	92	.....
Wabash, com	20	20¼	20	20¼	.....
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	40½	.....

Southern Pacific, preferred, ex-dividend of 3½ per cent.

Total sales for day, 1,351,000 shares.

Call money closed 6 per cent.

TONOPAH MINING STOCKS.

San Francisco, Dec. 22.—Official morning closing:

	Bid.		Bid.
Montana	$2.35½	Mohawk	$ .29
Midway	1.50	Dixie	.05
McNamara	.55	Kendall	.89
Belmont	2.17½	Columbia Mt.	.11
North Star	.50	Jumbo Extension	.17
Rescue	.07	Black Butte	.23
Gold Mountain	.08	Silver Pick	.10
Jim Butler	.70	Golden Anchor	.82
Nevada	15.37½	Ohio Tonopah	.25
Ton. Extension	5.50	O. Bull Frog	.18
Red Top	3.17½	Diamondfield	.38
Goldfield	.63	Lone Star	.09
Sandstorm	.64	Homestake	.19
Sandstorm Ex.	.09A	Cash Boy	.14
Adams	.05		

COMSTOCK MINING STOCKS.

San Francisco, Dec. 22.—Official morning closing:

	Bid.		Bid.
Bullion	$ .20	Savage	$ .51
Belcher	.22	Potosi	.08
Con. Cal.-Va.	1.20	Union Con.	.50
Ophir	5.87½	Yellow Jacket	.12
Caledonia	.50	Exchequer	.41
Mexican	1.35	Hale & Norcross	1.10
Andes	.19	Scorpion	.12

GOVERNMENT BONDS.

New York, Dec. 22.—Government bonds:

	Date.	Bid.	Ask.
No. 2 regular	1930	102⅝	103¼
do coupon	1930	103¼	103⅝
No. 3 regular	1908	102⅝	102⅞
do coupon	1908	102⅝	103⅝
No. 3 small bonds	.....	102⅝	.....
No. 4 regular	1907	102⅝	103¼
do coupon	1907	103⅝	104¼
No. 4 regular	1925	130¼	131¼
do coupon	1925	130¼	131¼
District of Columbia 3-65s	.....	115	.....
Philippine 4s	.....	109⅛