COMMERCIAL.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19, 1867.

Our San Francisco date by the *Comet* are to September 24. There is no change noticable in their market for island produce, though there was a general impression that the present prices of sugar could not be maintained over thirty or at the most sixty days, from September 26. The market was bare of rice at the latest advices. The *Commercial Herald* says:

We know of no Rice in first hands. The supply of all descriptions quite exhausted. Even the refineries have run out, than their usual working stock. The market for Crushed and other Refined is, however, well supplied, and, what is somewhat remarkable, the jobbers are indifferent, buyers at the current market rate of 18c for Crushed. We quote No. 1 Hawaiian, 12@12½c @ lb. We quote Common to good Brown, 9@10½; Government assayed, 50,000 lbs Muscovado, at $12.45 @ 100 lbs. There is now stamps two cents @ lb difference between No. 1 Brown and the price of best Crushed, so that the silver was in type, the *Robin Hood* has arrived from New York with 750 bbls Crushed, the first importation of a like character in months. Also the brig *Woodland* from Honolulu with 9,000 bags and bags of Rice, about one-half of which is for refining purposes, and the balance grocery grades.

The *Mercantile Gazette* says:

Both raw and refined continue in good demand. Grocery grades of Hawaiian, which were about exhausted from first hands have received timely supplies by the arrival of the brig *Woodland*, with liberal supplies. We report sales of 500 bf bbls, in lots, Hawaiian, ex *Chena Parlet*, at 12@12½c, and 150 bbls Eastern crushed, private.

The San Francisco *Times* of the 19th has the following:

The San Francisco & Pacific Sugar Refinery Co's public offering of 500 bbls and 1000 bf bbls Yellow "C" Sugar, was a success despite the magnitude of southern Pacifiers; only two-thirds of the invoice was disposed of notwithstanding the liberal terms offered by Jones & Bendiere—say 45 days credit from the time of delivery. The conditions gave notice that but one-half of the Sugar offered was ready for immediate delivery, the balance was in process of manufacture, requiring eight days or thereabouts, and yet the jobbers stood aloof; so it was the parcels added were taken in driblets, thus showing that the Growers had no confidence in the market at present. It did not appear quite clear to us why this offering was made. The Refining Company have had no Sugar of this grade to sell for a long time (they have been rather short of stock, and now forseeth so soon as they have a cargo of Rices in hand from Honolulu, and 750 bbls Crushed are on the market, out comes this offering at public auction. Possibly the understanding of the California Refinery Co. may have influenced this offering, the result of which is to demoralize the market and throw distrust upon the business just at the moment when the Fall trade ought to be the most active. Whether, if so, it is wise, we leave the consumers, versus the boards of *cheaper prices*. It was only yesterday that round sales of Hawaiian Sugar were made, ex ship, at 13c.

Messrs. Aldrich, Merrill & Co., sold the cargo of the *Woodland* on the 25th, with the following result:

AT AUCTION, by Aldrich, Merrill & Co., Sept. 25.—Terms, under $100, cash; over $100 and under $1,000, payable October 1st; over $1,000, payable November 18th; 733 bbl Hawaiian, Jas. Makee, 12½@12½ c @ lb; 100 do Waimea, 12 12½; 600 do Kaneohe, 12 9@12 12½; 46 do M M Gower, 12 12½; 300 do T H H, 12 9@12 12½; 300 do East Maui, 12 7½@12 12½; 95 do Koloa, 12 9@12 12½; 149 do Kaiwiki, 12 7½@12 12½; 60 do W S H, 12 6@12 12½; 100 do, 12 6@12 12½; 5 do N George, 9 37½.

SUGAR—Sale of 750 bbls Eastern crushed, ex *Robin Hood*, private at 12½c; 500 bags Manilla, 12 12½c; and 1,000 bags do at 9@9½c. Of Sandwich Islands sugar there is no more in first hands.

The *Bulletin* reports a new enterprise to manufacture ice, which, if successful, must cheapen the article very much:

CHEAP ICE PROMISED.—We are credibly informed that a number of citizens are about organizing an incorporated company for supplying ice (made by an artificial process) to consumers at reduced rates. Some parties have purchased an ice making machine, which was exhibited at the *Mechanic Fair*, at Paris, at T H H, 12 9@12 12½; and