New Orleans Daily Crescent.

FRIDAY MORNING, AUGUST 17, 1866.

Arrivals at the Principal Hotels.

ST. CHARLES HOTEL.—W M McClelland, St Louis; S H Gilman, Galveston; W H Holland, N O; J Rudisse; J Puckett, La; J W Campbell, Tenn; W L Drane, A Drane, C Jones; A Provosty, Point Coupee; C C Welsh, Ala; J R Craig, H Florance, A C Addison; A Elliott, Starkville, Miss; Miss M Browning, Palestine, Tex; Mrs M H Elliot, Miss; Miss M A Johnston, Miss Lula Johnston, Tex; J G Atwill, U S A.

ST. JAMES HOTEL.—J F Johnston, Tex; N S Eaton, F J Lewis, P H Kenon, J Raymond, Galveston; E Mather, D P Shepherd, A Lewis, Tex; W J Hale, Independence, Tex; W A Spencer, Miss E Spencer, Marengo county, Ala; J K Price, Wm Hodges, Miss Tompkins, A J Ward, Galveston; J S Topay, M Veil, Houston; H D Patrick, Centreville, Texas; H P Hennessy, Galveston; J S Charancey, Houston; G S Sawyer, Galveston; Mr Davidson, Texas; S D Richardson, W A McLean, Miss; E W Toney, Union Springs, Ala; E R Adler, Ala; G K Ellison, Mobile; J F Hunt, Ga; S Goodwin, G W Kidd and wife, E McNair, M B Morrison, E M Morris and family, Mrs S Spackman, St Louis; J Converse and wife, Houston.

CITY HOTEL.—V Kirkpatrick, Galveston; C B McLellan, J J Kerr, P C Tolley, R Wulfing, S F Taylor, W Ayer, Texas; E Reynolds, P E Webb, G Gaskell, Monterey; W A Fort, J Pliver, W B Carett, V Reel, G F Rogers, J Alystre, J M Mindine, Galveston; W Foster, Ala; Mrs J E Cannon, Mobile; M Bausel, Washington, D C; C O Murray, Mobile; M B Davis and wife, S C; W P Welvy, G S Lampkin, M Wells, La; R C Dewey, San Antonio; E Franklin, La; E W Glenn, B Greenwood, Grimes county; J F Lyon, Miss; Felix S Fry, Covington, La; Dr E J W Cade, Dr B Jameson, J McKay, Fla; Mr Bainbridge, G H Patrick, Fla.

New Orleans Money Market.

CRESCENT OFFICE, NO. 94 CAMP STREET, Thursday Evening, August 16, 1866.

The Gold market has been considerably excited to-day by advices of a rapid advance in rates at New York, and holders have realized an improvement of fully 1 ⅌ cent, on yesterday's quotations, which, doubtless, would have been much larger had the 4 o'clock P. M. dispatch from New York reached here before the close of business. The supply of cash Gold was very light throughout, and the demand, as heretofore, was of a decidedly restricted character. In fact, so many of the Gold dealers in this city have had their fingers burnt in their operations of this year, that parties are now extremely shy in venturing on speculations in the field. The sales for the day have been limited to the following amounts, viz.: $3000 and $10,000 in the morning at 149, $3000 and $4500 at 149⅛, $1000 and $5000 at 149⅜, $1000 and $6000 at 150, $2000 at 150⅛, $3000 at 150⅜, $2000 and $7000 at 150½, and $1000 and $9000 at 151. Also, 1000 Mexican Doubloons at 148 on the customhouse rate of $15 47. Sales of Silver have been confined to driblets in American and Mexican coin, and we now quote Gold at 149½@150, American Silver coin at 138@140, and Mexican Dollars at 151@152.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE.—There has been no quotable alteration of any kind in the movement of Sterling and France since our last, and the market may be reported very quiet at previous quotations. The sales to-day were $4500 Sterling Clear Bills at 146⅞, $2000 and $6000 private do. at 157; 10,000f. private at 5.53¾f., and 116,000f. Commercial do. at 5.61¾f. The ruling figures this evening are 156@162 for Bank Sterling, 154@156 for Clear Bills; 5.52½@5.50f. for Bank France, and 5.57½@5.57½f. for outdoor France.

DOMESTIC EXCHANGE.—The movement under this heading rules precisely as for several days past. Offerings of commercial are very light, and the demand for remittance purposes continues restricted. The purchases by banks and bankers to-day have been confined to $150,000 bank sight, in three checks, sold to banks at ¼ ⅌ cent. discount, $40,000 private do. at 5-16 ⅌ cent. discount, and $45,000 do. at ⅜ ⅌ cent. discount; $5000 Boston one day's sight, payable at New York, at ½ ⅌ cent. discount, $25,000 do. at ½ ⅌ cent. discount; $30,000 New York sight, and $15,000 five days' do., at ½ ⅌ cent. discount; and $20,000 Boston twenty days' do. at ⅜ ⅌ cent. discount. The ruling quotations still continue at par and ⅛@¼ ⅌ cent. discount at bank, and ⅛@⅜ ⅌ cent. discount on the street for sight checks on the Northern cities.

UNCURRENT NOTES AND SECURITIES.—The movement in the former to-day has comprised $500 Louisiana State Notes at 88c.; $5000 and $10,000 U. S. 7-30's at 104½ and interest, and $16,250 do. at 134 and interest. Sales of Stocks have included 26 shares Union Bank at 61, and some trifling lots of other Securities within the range of our last quotations. A sale of $5000 Opelousas Railroad Construction Bonds has been reported on private terms, but we have much dislike to publish reports of which we can furnish no particulars.

BROKERS' BOARD.—The very diminutive movement of the Brokers' Board to-day will be found in the subjoined statement, which is an accurate transcript of the official record, viz.:

5 Shares Mechanics' and Traders' Bank Note Stock 87
$700 U. S. 7-30's 104
$1,000 do. do. 104

THE TAX ON SAVINGS BANKS.—The commissioner of internal revenue has written the following letter in relation to the tax on savings banks:

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, OFFICE OF INTERNAL REVENUE, Washington, August 4, 1866.

SIR—Your letter of the 31st ult. is received. Section nine of the act of the 14th ult., provides that every national banking association, State bank, or state banking association, shall pay a tax of ten per centum on the amount of notes of any person, State bank or State banking association, used for circulation, and paid out by them after the 1st day of August instant. You inquire if savings banks are subject to the tax thus imposed. Is the association in question a bank or a banking association? If it is, I see no reason why the tax does not lie. The purpose of the law as evidenced by the amount of tax, was unquestionably the suppression of State bank circulation; and as savings banks are not specially excluded, it is just and in fact necessary to presume that they are included among the banks liable to tax. Banks are fully defined in paragraph one of section seventy-nine of the law. It is there provided that every incorporated or other bank and every person, firm, or company, having a place of business where credits are opened, by the deposit or collection of money or currency subject to be paid or remitted upon draft, check or order, or where money is advanced or loaned on stocks, bonds, bullion, bills of exchange, or promissory notes, etc., shall be regarded as a bank or as a banker. It was necessary, it seems, in the opinion of Congress, that in the paragraph here cited savings banks should be specially exempted by name, in order to relieve them of the special tax which takes the place of license tax. But no exemption in their favor is made in the 9th section now in question. The grand provision of that section, therefore, must fall upon all banks, whether of issue or savings. Very respectfully,

E. A. ROLLINS, Commissioner.

JOHN MCDERMIT, Esq., Rochester, N. H.

The Bank of England returns for the week ending 23rd and 25th ultimo, are more satisfactory, but the improvement in itself not great, yet is so far important as showing a favorable change having commenced. The stock of bullion, is at £13,716,829, which is an increase of £10,354; and the reserve of notes is at £12,630,035, being an increase of £13 1,000. The other securities have decreased as much as £1,009,836. The government securities held by the bank have decreased by £200,000. The public deposits have increased £355,723. The private deposits have decreased £1,274,176. There is an increase in the rest of £28,353. The active circulation has decreased £158,200.

The Bank of France returns for the week ending 26th ult. show a further increase in the bullion of £712,000. There is a decrease in the bills discounted of £900,000; a decrease in advances of £55,000; a decrease in the notes in circulation of £299,000; a decrease in the private deposits of £400; an increase in the government deposits of £300,000.

The Bank of France has reduced its rate of discount from 4 to 3½ ⅌ cent., and the Bank of Prussia from 7 to 6 ⅌ cent. On some parts of the Continent the value of money is uncertain. The nearest rates in the leading cities are: Paris, 3@3½; Vienna, 5—6; Berlin, 7—8; Frankfort, 6—6; Amsterdam, 7—7; Turin, 8—9; Brussels, 6—6; Madrid, 9—10; Hamburg, 6—6; St. Petersburg, 5½—6½.

The Bankers' Magazine furnishes the returns of the circulation of the private and joint stock banks in Eng land and Wales for the four weeks ending the 23rd June. These returns, combined with the circul tion of the Scotch and Irish banks for the same period, and the average circulation of the bank of Eng land for the four weeks ending the 30th June, (the nearest dates furnished by the returns,) as compared with the month ending the 24th of June, 1866, show an increase of £3,940,233 in the circul tion of notes in England, and an increase of £2,48 ,873 in the circulation of the United Kingdom. On comparing the above with the fixed issues of the several banks, the following is the state of the circulation. The English private banks are below their fixed issue £1,445,531; and the English joint stock banks are below their fixed issue £985,832; thus making a total below fixed issue in England of £2,431,363.

The Scotch banks are above their fixed issue £1,801,253, and the Irish banks are below their fixed issue £1,042,484. The average stock of bullion held by the Bank of England in both departments, during the month ended the 20th of June, was £12,622,888, being an increase of £310,970, as compared with the previous month, and a decrease of £2,398,293 when compared with the same period last year. The following are the amounts of specie held by the Scotch and Irish banks during the month ended the 23d of June: gold and silver held by the Scotch banks, £2,573,603; gold and silver held by the Irish banks, £3,104,000; Total, £4,677,193, being a decrease of £18,965 as compared with the previous return, and an increase of £110,043 when compared with the corresponding period last year.

Commercial Intelligence.

CRESCENT OFFICE, NO. 94 CAMP STREET, Thursday Evening, August 16, 1866.

COTTON.—The market opened very firm this morning, under advices from Liverpool, which reported sales in that city yesterday of 13,000 bales at 13¾d. for middling uplands, which is an advance of ⅛d. since the 12th inst. Factors, of course, exacted higher figures, and buyers hesitated to go on at previously limited orders. Transactions, nevertheless, amounted to 1400 bales at rates steadily inclining to our last outside quotations, and the movement was precipitated in by seven brokers. The evening papers, however, published advices of this day's date from Europe, which intimated that the Bank of England discount rate would, during the present week be reduced to 8 per cent, instead of 10 per cent, which has been the ruling figure since the commencement of the English financial panic, and the intelligence very naturally prompted a further advance in the price of cotton, as to the stringency of the Bank of England discount rate, has justly been assigned the paucity in the demand for the leading staple and the reduced figures at which it has been sacrificed for several weeks past. No sales of any magnitude have transpired this afternoon, however, but should the latest intelligence from Europe be confirmed, it is hardly necessary to say that the next accounts should bring us reports of very heavy sales of Cotton at Liverpool, and a very considerable advance in prices. In fact, it cannot be denied, that the extreme rate of discount demanded by the governors of the Bank of England was a measure exclusively adopted for the suppression of speculation in Cotton, and for the purpose of diminishing importations. We can hardly alter our quotations this evening, in view of the unsettled condition of the market to-day, but in repeating previous figures we would remark that, as heretofore stated, the tendency throughout has been to the outside rates, viz: Ordinary 25@27c., good ordinary 29@30c., low middling 32@33c. and middling —.

STATEMENT OF COTTON.

Stock on hand Sept. 1st, 1865—bales		83,338
Received since yesterday	158	
Received previously	746,131—746,773	
		829,912
Exported since yesterday		
Exported previously	749,905—749,905	
Stock on hand and on shipboard not cleared		79,907

SUGAR AND MOLASSES.—There have been no receipts from the coast since yesterday. There has been some little inquiry to-day, and sales have been made of 30 hhds. of common Cuba Sugar at 12½c. and 300 hhds. of Muscovado Molasses on private terms. The retail trade for Sugar is quite limited at 16c., 16¼@16½c. for prime to choice, and 17@17½c. ⅌ lb. for white and yellow clarified. In Molasses there is quite a brisk trade at 55@56c. ⅌ gallon in hogsheads, and 56@57c. ⅌ gallon in barrels.

TOBACCO.—There were buyers for foreign and private account looking around, but we have heard of no sales, although negotiations were pending for several large lots. Holders are, however, still very firm in their views, but buyers do not seem willing to pay their prices, which are as follows, viz: 4@6c. for low refused, light, 5½@6c. for heavy do., 7@8c. for good do., 9@11c. for common leaf, 13@15c. for fair do., 15@17c. for good do, 17@19c. for fine do., and 20@22c. ⅌ lb. for choice selections.

FLOUR.—The stock is light and demand fair, while prices remain unchanged. The sales include 1200 bbls., of which 50 choice family at $15 50, 58 do. at $15, 60 choice extra at $14; 100 good extra $13 25, 100 do. at $13, 100 do. at $12 50, 250 fair extra at $11 75, 400 do. on private terms, and 100 and 54 superfine at $9 ⅌ bbl.

CORN.—The market continues very quiet, and prices are unchanged. The sales to-day are confined to 3800 sacks, in lots as follows: 200 white at 95c., 600 do. at 92½c., 200 ordinary white at 90c., 300 white mixed at 87½c., 500 do. at 92c., 500 yellow at 77@78c., 600 mixed at 77½c., 450 do. in store at 77c., and 200 do. at 75c. ⅌ bushel.

OATS.—Are very quiet, prices unchanged. There were sales to-day of 500, 300 and 250 sacks at 50c. ⅌ bushel.

BRAN.—Is in very limited supply, and prices remain firm at yesterday's closing rates, viz: $1 07½@$1 10 ⅌ 100 lbs. The transactions for the day include 600 sacks at $1 10 and 200 at $1 07½ ⅌ 100 lbs.

HAY.—We have no sales to report to-day, but quote it at $13@$15 for St. Louis; $24@$25 ⅌ ton for prime Ohio river.

PORK.—There has been a very good inquiry today for this article, and owing to an increased demand prices have advanced fully 25c. ⅌ bbl. since our last. The stock on hand is light, and dealers would become willing buyers at $35 50 or $35 75 ⅌ bbl., but holders are not anxious to sell at less than $36 ⅌ bbl. The sale to-day have been confined to 100 bbls. in two lots at $36 ⅌ bbl. There were sales yesterday of 500 bbls. in one lot at $35 75.

BACON—Is quite scarce and in good demand, and prices are decidedly firm, with an upward tendency. Sales to-day include 20 casks of clear sides at 23½c. Dealers are obtaining 19c. for shoulders, 21½c. for ribbed sides, 22½c. for clear ribbed, and 23½c. for clear sides. Sugar-cured Hams are in better request than for some time previous, and prices are stiffer. There were sales to-day, to arrive, of 50 and 30 tierces (fancy brand) at 27c. ⅌ lb.

LARD—Continues in fair retail demand at previous prices, viz: 22½c. for prime in tierces, and 24½c. ⅌ lb. for kegs. There were sales yesterday of 40 tierces prime at the above quotations.

WHISKY—Continues in moderate retail demand at $2@2 32 ⅌ gallon.

INDIA BAGGING—We have no change to note in this article. The demand is active, and prices are very firm. There were sales to arrive of 100 and 50 bales at 39c., 200 and 50 do. at 38½, and 50 do. at 40c. per yard. Dealers are supplying the demand for the country at 38c. for rolls and 40c. per yard for bales.

BALE ROPE—Is in fair demand at unchanged prices. The day's sales include 100 coils at 18½c. ⅌ lb. Dealers are furnishing the demand for the country at 19c. ⅌ lb.

GUNNY BAGS—Are scarce and in request. There have been no sales of any magnitude to-day, but holders are now asking 29@30c. a piece.

BALE TIES—Is in fair supply and demand, and prices are firm at $1 90@$2 for Liverpool coarse, and $2@$2 05 for fine, from store. It is held by the cargo at $1 75@$1 80.

NAVAL STORES—The stock of Rosin is light and demand fair, at $2 50 for common, $4 for No. 2, and $7 for No. 1. Pitch is selling at $3 ⅌ bbl., Tar at $2 50, and Spirits of Turpentine at 55@60c. ⅌ gallon. There were sales to-day of 350 bbls. of common and No. 1 Rosin at $2 25 for the common and $7 for No. 1.

SUNDRIES—Eggs are selling at 6@12c. ⅌ dozen, Potatoes at $2 75@$3 ⅌ bbl., Onions at $4@$4 50 ⅌ bbl., Apples at $5@$8 50 ⅌ bbl., and chickens at $12@$13 ⅌ dozen.

WOOL—Is in fair supply but dull at 14@17c. for berry, 18@20c. for inferior, and 25@35c. for washed.

HOPS—Are scarce and dull at 80@83c. for Bolgian, and 75c. ⅌ lb for American.

MALT—Is in limited supply, but dull at $1 80 for Western and $1 90@$2 for Canada.

BUTTER AND CHEESE—Butter is in fair supply, but dull, at 25@35c. for Western, and 42@46c. ⅌ lb for Northern Cheese, at 15@18c. for Western, and 21c. ⅌ lb for English dairy lots.

COFFEE—Continues in fair demand at 25½@28c. ⅌ lb for ordinary to prime Rio in currency.

FREIGHTS—The rate by steamer to Liverpool is ¾d. for cotton, at which figure the Fire Queen is now loading. Rate by sail to Liverpool is ¾d. ⅌ lb., and to Havre 1½c. ⅌ lb. for cotton. By steamer to New York and Boston it is ⅝@⅞c. ⅌ lb., and by sail ⅞@9-16c. ⅌ lb. for cotton. Two ships have within a few days been entered for Liverpool at our quotations.

TAX ON CIGARS.—The enclosed letter answers questions of interest to manufacturers of cigars, of which there are a good many in this city:

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, Washington, Aug. 4, 1866.

SIR—In answer to yours of the 5th inst., I have to say that the tax on cigars, etc., is to be assessed upon the price at which they are sold, if such price be established by a bona fide sale; if not, upon an appraised value, or the value at which cigars, etc., of like quality are selling in the market.

If the cigars are sold for $8 per M, the tax is $2 per M; if they are sold for $10 per M, the tax is $4 per M.

Cigars sold for more than $12 per M are liable to $4 more than one-fifth of the price they are sold for, as tax. Cigars, etc., sold for $18, $20, $24, $30, $40, $80 or $100 per M are liable to $7 50, $8, $8 80, $10, $14, $20 and $24 respectively of tax. The excise law does not recognize a "market value" or a "taxable value" which excludes the tax.

Yours, respectfully,

THOMAS HARLAND, Deputy Commissioner.

The Richmond tobacco market on Friday is reported as follows:

Forty-three hhds. and five boxes of tobacco were offered at the Tobacco Exchange to-day. Forty-three hhds. and five boxes were sold as follows:

One hhd. at $11 75, one at $15, one at $17 25, one at $17 75, one at $12 75, one at $8 25, one at $14 75, one at $18 75, one at $5 10, one at $7, one at $18 50, one at $5 70, one at $8 50, one at $16 25, one at $17, one at $14 50, one at $7 75, one at $29 50, one at $9 25, one at $6, one at $13 75, one at $15, one at $17 50, one at $12, one at $10 25, one at $18, one at $11 25, one at $6 50, three at $5, one at $12 25, one at $14, one at $13 75, one at $13, one at $7 50, one at $17, one at $13 25, one at $7 75, one at $5 30, one at $10 75, one at $5 80, one at $9 25, one at $12 75, one at $16 75; one box at $17 50, one at $35 50, two at $14 50, one at $6.

Cattle Market.

JEFFERSON CITY, August 17, 1866.

Arrived yesterday—136 Texas Beeves, 283 Calves and Yearlings and 14 Milch Cows. Sold—204 Texas Beeves, 127 Calves and Yearlings, 10 Hogs, 91 Sheep and 4 Milch Cows. Stock on sale—1222 Texas Beeves, 651 Calves and Yearlings, 161 Hogs, 3735 Sheep, 43 Milch Cows and 20 Texas Cows with Calves.

Western Beeves, choice, ⅌ lb net	— @ —	— —
Western Beeves, 2d quality, ⅌ lb	— @ —	— —
Texas Beeves, choice, ⅌ head	35 00@	40 00
Texas Cattle, 2d quality, ⅌ head	30 00@	35 00
Texas Cattle, 3d quality, ⅌ head	12 00@	20 00
Hogs, ⅌ lb gross	— 12@	— 13
Stock Hogs, ⅌ lb gross	— @ —	— —
Sheep, in lots, ⅌ head	3 25@	4 25
Cracks Sheep, ⅌ head	— @ —	— —
Texas Sheep, ⅌ head	3 25@	4 25
Choice Sheep, ⅌ head	6 00@	8 00
Milch Cows, choice, ⅌ head	80 00@	100 00
Milch Cows, ⅌ head	40 00@	50 00
Texas Cows with Calves	12 00@	20 00
Yearlings, ⅌ head	7 00@	12 00
Calves, ⅌ head	4 50@	8 00

River Intelligence.

CRESCENT OFFICE, NO. 94 CAMP STREET, Friday Morning, August 17, 1866.

Business on the levee yesterday was very dull. The departures were the Sonora for Lafourche, Carrie Poole for Red River, and W. R. Arthur for St. Louis.

The weather was, as usual, warm and uncomfortable; to those who could remain in the shade it was pleasant.

The Annie Wagley and Una, on account of finishing some few repairs, could not leave as announced. They are receiving, and leave tomorrow evening, positively, for Jefferson, Shreveport and intermediate landings.

We return our thanks for favors to the officers of steamers Live Oak, M. S. Mepham, Lady Gay and Nina Simmes.

The following steamers are due and will be in port to-day: Judge Fletcher, Fashion, Nick Longworth, National, Starlight and Cleona. They will leave again as advertised.

The superior passenger packet M. S. Mepham is now receiving at the head of Common street, and will depart this evening for Vicksburg, Memphis, Cairo and St. Louis. Capt E. Werr is in command, and the efficient Mr. O. G. Cates presides in the office.

The fast Lady Gay, U. S. mail packet, Captain John H. Burk in command, and Mr. John A. Tatum in the office, is receiving, and leaves to-morrow evening for Vicksburg, Memphis, Cairo and St. Louis.

CLIPPINGS FROM OUR EXCHANGES.

St. Louis, August 13.—Business on the wharf was very fair Saturday. The David White and Mississippi left for New Orleans with full trips; the White, in fact, was loaded to the guards. The upper river packets transacted about the usual amount of business. The travel between this city, Memphis and Vicksburg is rapidly increasing, and we have hopes that in a very short time we will announce at least a tri-weekly line; as it now we have now three steamers engaged, and the Memphis Packet Company propose placing two more in the trade. Rates of freight remain about as last reported, but as the river declines so must freights advance. We are sorry to learn that the late rains in Minnesota have materially damaged the crops. St. Paul papers, of the 8th instant, says:

The rain was very heavy, and continued a long time, overflowing all the streams. The Blue Earth and Lesseur rivers are on "a regular bender," and considerable damage has been done by the washing away of bridges, fences, etc. The Minnesota has also risen rapidly, washing away two ferry boats at Lesueur and one at Faxon.

The grain, through a large extent of country, has been considerably injured by being beaten down. Harvesting was progressing finely until interrupted by the storm.

At this point the steady decline in the river continues, say, at the rate of from two to three inches per twenty-four hours. Already we hear of steamers experiencing considerable trouble between this city and Cairo. As will be seen below, the upper Mississippi is rising finely, having risen as much as two feet at Dubuque up to Thursday night, and is still reported rising all the way down from St. Paul.

The Henry Ames, Southerner, Paragon, etc., will be here to-day.

The departures include the Mississippi, for New Orleans, drawing 7½ feet water; filling out at Cairo, and leaves after arrival of the cars—pilots, Delf Evalyn and Horace Bixby or Jole Douglas; Andy Fleming was called home by sickness in his family. Peter Balen, for Vicksburg, with 500 tons, drawing less than five feet—pilots, Miller and Gribsby. David White, for New Orleans, loaded to the guards.

The favorite and unrivaled passenger steamer Lonmary, Captain Bryant Packard, John Eckley, Esq., clerk, will leave for New Orleans this evening.

The Mississippi Valley Transportation company have chartered the splendid towboat Kellogg, Captain Lew Moon, an old and experienced boatman takes command.

Below—Rivers are more fair trade between Nashville and New Orleans. The James Johnson, Red Rover, Eastport and Ed. Howard were the regular packets in the above trade.

LOUISVILLE, Aug. 13.—The river is falling slowly and steadily, with three feet six inches water in the canal last evening by the mark.

During the previous twenty-four hours the decline had been only an inch at the head of the falls, and some three inches at Portland. The weather was pleasant Saturday, but yesterday it was as oppressively warm as at any time during the summer, the thermometer ranging at ninety and upwards all day.

On the falls there were but eighteen inches water in the pass down the Indian chute last evening, and that channel just now is too hard, intricate and tortuous for any steam craft to navigate.

The river at Pittsburg had swollen an inch or two by the late rise, in the head waters of the Allegheny, but it soon subsided again, as the rise had run off down some oil hole on the way, and was lost.

The Silver Cloud No. 2 came in from Cincinnati yesterday pretty well laden, and had two laden barges in tow, bound for New Orleans.

NEW MAIL BOAT—A Monster Clipper—Railroads to be Eclipsed.—The Cincinnati and Louisville mail line (the old line) have closed contracts in Cincinnati for the construction of a new mail boat that, in size, speed and accommodations, shall eclipse any and all their former efforts. The hull of the new boat is to be 310 feet in length, with about 44 feet beam. The machinery consists of two high-pressure engines, each 30 inches in diameter, with 10 feet length of stroke, and the steam is to be supplied from eight huge double-flued boilers. With a good model, that power ought to make her as fast as a locomotive. The boat is to be built in Cincinnati, the hull by Morton & Co., and machinery by Moore & Sons.

Bids for this new boat we've taken in this city, but as our builders charged some $5000 more than Cincinnati, the latter got the job.

The mail line packet for Cincinnati yesterday, the C. T. Dumont, left port at 10:30 A. M., instead of 12 M., as heretofore.

The People's Line packet for Cincinnati, the St. Charles, had previously changed her time of departure from 12 noon to 11 A. M., and she started punctually at the hour.

Both lines have now changed their time of departure from this port to different hours, and no fears of collisions or racing need be entertained, unless the People's Line boats should have the speed over the others and overtake them on the way. In that case we would suggest that they either agree to run on time between points, like railroad trains on the same track, or else swap places.

MEMPHIS, August 14.—Business yesterday was fair. Weather warm. The river here declined two feet in the past twenty-four hours. The Arkansas is stationary with thirty inches to Pine Bluff. The river at St. Louis continues to decline with seven feet to Cairo. The Belle Memphis reports nine feet on the bar at Osceola and Plum Point. White river is falling, with eight feet to Duvall's Bluff. The Ohio is falling, with three and a half feet in the canal and five and a half feet on the bars in the lower Ohio. The late heavy rains in the upper Ohio have not effected the river yet. The rise in the Allegheny will, perhaps, swell the river a few inches at Pittsburg.

Business on the landing yesterday was fair. The local packets are doing a fair business. The weather was extremely hot, the thermometer ranging up to ninety-four. At night it clouded over, with strong indications of rain.

The palatial passenger steamer Mississippi, Capt. Jesse T. Hurd, will leave the wharfboat, foot of Union street, this day at 5 P. M. for New Orleans and all way landings. The Mississippi has No. 1 passenger accommodations.

The palatial passenger steamer Ruth, Captain Duble, will leave the wharf-boat, foot of Union street, to-day at 2 P. M. for Cairo and St. Louis, making close connection with the railroads East and West.

The Nick Longworth passed down Sunday night with a fair trip.

The Pauline Carroll passed up Sunday morning with a fair trip.

The W. H. Osborn passed up last evening with a fair trip.

The splendid passenger steamer Clara Dolson, Captain Pegram, will leave the Star wharf-boat this-day at 5 P. M. for New Orleans and all way landings.

M. D. Condiff, clerk of the Mississippi, pays a visit to his home in New Albany, and we hear that either John Greenough or Capt. A. Hall will take his place for a trip—a friendly act we are sure either gentleman is ready to perform when they possibly can.

CINCINNATI, Aug. 13.—The weather was warm and cloudy yesterday. At Pittsburg the river is falling, with 3½ feet in the channel. The Kanawha is falling, with 20 inches in the channel. Here, the river has fallen 6 inches during the past twenty-four hours. There is 4½ feet between here and Louisville, with 3½ feet in the canal.

The remains of the late Alex. M. Davidson were interred in the Cumminsville Cemetery yesterday. Quite a number of steamboatmen were in attendance at the funeral.

Captain W. S. Foster, of the John Kilgour, and Captain J. A. Frazier, of the Nightingale, left for St. Louis in last night's train, to join their respective packets, laid up at that point.

The wreck of the ill-fated General Lytle arrived here yesterday, from Madison, in tow of the General Buell. It is one of the most complete wrecks we have overseen.

NINA SIMMES, EXPRESS PASSENGER PACKET FOR BAYOU SARA.—This fast and splendid passenger packet, in command of Capt. W. R. Greathouse, with Messrs. Troxler and Miller in the office, leaves at 10 A. M. to-day for the above and coast landings. Passengers for the coast will find the Simmes a most comfortable packet. Her table is always supplied with all that the market affords, and her officers are of the true stamp, besides being accommodating and attentive to all.

MARY FOR WATERING PLACES AND MOBILE.—The splendid new low pressure passenger packet Mary, Capt. A. L. Myers, commander, leaves as above from the lake end of the Pontchartrain railroad at 12 M. to-day. Agent—I. C. Harris, corner of Camp and Common streets.

M. S. MEPHAM.—*Merchants' and People's Line—For St. Louis.*—This evening, at 5 o'clock, the fine, large and commodious passenger steamer M. S. Mepham, Capt. E. Wood, in command, leave for the above and way landings, connecting at Memphis, Cairo and St. Louis with the railroads for all points East and West. No packet in the trade presents higher claims to the confidence and patronage of the traveling and shipping community. The arrangements for passengers are ample and complete, being all that is required for convenience and comfort. Mr. O. G. Cates officiates in the office.

LADY OF THE LAKE FOR WATERING PLACES.—This fine low pressure packet, in command of Capt. Joe Walker, Mr. Sam. F. Green, clerk, leaves to-day on the arrival of the 4 P. M. train of cars, from the lake end of the Pontchartrain railroad. Agent—I. C. Harris, corner of Camp and Common streets.

Marine Intelligence.

CRESCENT OFFICE, NO. 94 CAMP STREET, Friday, August 17, 1866.

Cleared Yesterday.

Steamship N P Banks, Pepper, for Pensacola, Hawes & Bowen
Steamship Florida, Blakesly, for Apalachicola, Post & Hobby
Steamer Sarah, Blakeslee, for Mobile, Master
Steamer W R Arthur, Carson, for St Louis, Hawes & Bowen
Steamer Blue Wing No 3, Little, for Mobile, Master
Bark Sandy Hook, Gibbs, for New York, Lovell & Bailey
Schr Aurora, Garland, for Brazos Santiago, Hawes & Bowen

Arrived Yesterday.

Steamship W G Hewes, Austin, from Indianola via Galveston, 1st District
Steamship Texas, Stanton, from Galveston, Hawes & Bowen—1st district

STEAMBOATS.

Lady Gay, Burke, from St Louis.
Live Oak, Bassett, from Fort Jackson.
Louise, Hopkins, from Mobile.
A G Brown, Quesnt, from Lower Coast.
M S Mepham, Wood, from St Louis.
Nina Simmes, Greathouse, from Bayou Sara.
Fashion, Pratt, from Vicksburg.

Below—Coming Up.

Ship Helen Clinton, Sprague, from Boston, to G A Fosdick—Cargo, 964 tons ice H McCloskey
Br bark Florence Chipman, Whalen, from Liverpool, to Ashbridge, Dean & Co

At Quarantine.

Bark Brunswick, Sylvester, from Havana, to J B Murison & co

Exports Yesterday.

APALACHICOLA—Steamship Florida—637 bbls flour 20 bbls pork 41 bbls potatoes 19 tcs hams 97 coils rope 22 cases bacon 1260 sks corn

PENSACOLA—Steamship N P Banks—800 sks corn 199 bbls flour and sundries

MOBILE—Steamer Sarah—1400 sks corn and sundries

ST LOUIS—Steamer W R Arther—Sundries

BRAZOS SANTIAGO—Schr Aurora—400 bbls flour 500 sks corn

NEW YORK—Bark Sandy Hook—104 bbls clay 489 pcs fustic 44 cska oil 36 bbls flour 36 crates of bottles

MOBILE—Steamer Blue Wing No 3—2 bbls of whisky 3 bbls molasses 1 bbls sugar and sundries

Imports Yesterday.

INDIANOLA AND GALVESTON—Steamship W G Hewes—$10,000 in gold City National Bank—$2000 do Bank of Commerce—$1750 do Riscoe & Simms—$1600 do Francke & Dameel—$450 currency Schneider & Zuberbier—$100 do Stern Bros 9 bales cotton to Maln & Weiss—4 bales wool to W H H Witherell—1 bal malt A D Grieff—216 head cattle McQuoid, Mehle &co—20 turtles to order—and sundries to J Mayer & Sons—W C Mitchell—Stark, Stauffer &co—Wallace &co

INDIANOLA AND GALVESTON—Steamship Texas—$100,000 specie to Custom-house—$6000 do Texas Express—$1300 do $1200 currency Huntington Bros—5 pkgs mdse S E Moore &co—3 do J B Preau—5 do Blancand & Guitet—6 do J M Gould 56 bxs mdse C E Spencer &co—4 coils rope to M Curren—sundries to order

MOBILE—Steamer Louise—12 tcs lard to S C Paton &co—sundries to order

Receipts of Produce Yesterday.

ST LOUIS—Steamer Lady Gay—120 bbls flour 4 cska bacon Fairchild, Verheert & Bingham—117 bbls flour Emley &co—100 bbls meal 2 bbls eggs 17 bbls whisky P S DuSouchet &co—168 bbls potatoes duo E Moore—94 do G W Byrne—50 do 20 bbls apples F C Maban—67 bbls potatoes to C F Lauman—150 do Bostock, Grace & Jones—32 do A Yerger—60 do M Drohan—70 do Pearson & Winslow—1 tcs lard 1 bxs eggs J F Douglas—2 bxs of cigars J F Arnold—1 chest to A J Buck &co—19 bales cotton J & G Crunwell—1 do G G Garner—6 do D R Carroll &co—7 bales mdse to Abraham & Goldsmith—200 kegs lard Hy Von Phul jr &co—13 bbls onions 4 bxs mdse 90 bbls flour Huntington Bros—30 bbls onions 10 bbls apples 6 cska bacon 68 sks potatoes 462 sks corn Stanard & Slayback—261 sks corn M Drohan—190 do Clarke &co—100 tcs lard 25 cska bacon 900 bbls flour Rogers & Caulfield—870 bbls flour S H Kennedy &co—40 do to I C Harris—187 do Grace, Davis &co—200 do to J H Oglesby &co—50 do E G Messenger &co—25 do O G Wayne—54 do 10 cska bacon Shropshire, Anderson &co—17 do Ethell & Thomas—7 bbls of eggs P G O'Brien—2 do 1 bbls apples King Bros—188 sks oats C F Boddecke—5 bxs mdse F J Herron—2 do T B Bodley &co—60 bbls potatoes 1 pkg mdse Tunstall, Chassaing &co—1240 bbls flour 1 bbls bacon to Horrell, Gayle &co—3 bxs mdse to H Fo'som &co—25 bxs candy to J W Goslee—15 bbls beer C Krost—12 half-bbls do to Newman & Gelbbach—30 bxs tobacco Mayer Bros—10 bale tobacco J I Adams &co—11 coops chickens to W Blanfelt—48 do 118 bbls potatoes 15 do onions 10 bbls apples 18 bxs eggs 2 cases tobacco Miller & Meyer—1235 sks corn 471 sks potatoes 201 bbls potatoes Geo Martin—135 hf-bbls beef Geo Eimer 6 cska bacon Jas Connoly &co—41 bbls flour 9 do onions 5 bbls apples 138 bbls potatoes Dorman & Bruno—81 do 54 bbls apples 14 bbls eggs 8 bbls onions 300 bbls flour F DeBlondio—2 cases saws Branch, Crookes &co—5 cases tobacco to S Herzsheim—8 bbls potatoes 7 bbls kront 6 half-bbls do 4 kegs butter Schneider & Zuberbier—3 plows A Henderson &co—5 bxs mdse Thiele, Seiler &co—3 do Katz & Barnett—2 do to Forchheimer Bros—79 pkgs mdse to Capt Gunnigle—sundries to order—Total 26 bales cotton

ST LOUIS—Steamer M S Mepham—463 bbls of flour Grace, Davis &co—195 do Griffin & Porch—200 do J H Pohlhaus—137 do Keller & Updike—400 do S H Kennedy &co—300 do 10 cska bacon to Keen & Caulfield—38 bxs cheese Barnes, Ward & co—79 bxs tobacco S Hernsheim—7 bbls tobacco Woods, Matthews &co—9 do Speed, Summers &co I do Ober, Atwater &co—30 bxs tobacco to B M Turnbull &co—5 kegs butter 900 sks corn and 250 bbls potatoes Dorman & Bruno—100 bbls potatoes F C Zahm—68 do Jno T Moore—199 do 6 tons of butter Ehrell & Thomas—6 cska bacon to West & Pelleton—10 sks bran 6 bbls flour F J W West—50 bbls flour 552 sks corn Hy Von Phul jr &co—15 bales hemp Stone & Murphy—300 sks oats 25 sks corn 30 bbls potatoes Geo Martin—12 do 46 bbls apples 8 do onions 1 crate cabbage Miller & Mey