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Monetary and Commercial Review.

BALTIMORE, December 11, 1858.

There was a fair degree of activity to-day in Stocks the sales at the board amounting in value to nearly $65,000, all of which, with the exception of a few Bank stocks, was in Railroad shares and bonds. For both Northern Central, and Baltimore and Ohio Railroad the market was weaker, and the former fell off ¼, and the latter ½ per cent. Of Northern Central there were 1,300 shares sold, at $21¾ seller 60 days, $21¾@21½ buyer 60 days, and $21¾ buyer 3 days, and the sales of Baltimore and Ohio add up 475 shares at $56¾@56½ seller 60 days, $56⅝@56½ buyer 60 days, and 56½ regular way. The former stock left off at $21¼ bid, $21½ asked, and the latter at $56½ bid, $56⅝ asked regular way. Northern Central Railway 1885 bonds advanced to-day ½, and Northwestern Virginia endorsed third mortgage do. 1 per cent. There were sales of $8,000 of the former bonds at 75, and of $1,000 of the latter at 68½. Other railroad bonds were firm, as were also State and City 6's, but no further sales were made. The sales of Bank stock include 14 shares Farmers' and Merchants' at $40¾, an advance of ¼, 40 shares Marine at $29½, and 11 shares Franklin at $11¾.

The New York *Post* of Saturday says:

The dealings in stocks to-day showed considerable firmness until Michigan Southern Guranteed was called, when a decided decline taking place in the stock, produced a general heaviness on the whole share list, and the closing prices are about ¾ per cent. lower than the opening figures.

The fall in guaranteed Michigan Southern is occasioned, we understand, by the question of redeeming the dividend scrip recently issued by the management. It appears that the company think that they have a profit from the year's business of $100,000, several directors say $135,000, while the other members of the direction are opposed to the disbursement of a dividend, not being sure that such a net result has been attained. The inference from this disagreement is, that no dividend has been earned, or there would be but little doubt about it. A committee has been appointed to ascertain whether the surplus warrants the payment of a dividend. It is quite probable then that no dividend will be paid at present. The disbursement of a dividend when there is a question whether it can legitimately be done, is calculated, in our opinion, to better a stock more than if the same was paid without investigation. The policy of floating on the market fresh obligations in the shape of dividends, before it was known whether the revenue will meet them, is, in any view, questionable.

Hudson River, Illinois Central, Panama and Pacific Mail were the steadiest on the list. Galena and Rock Island were offered at a decline of ¾ per cent. Michigan Southern common fell to 20¾; for New York Central 84 was bid at the close.

All descriptions of railroad bonds and State stocks were firmly held, and in some instances an advance was paid.

The course of the Stock Market during the early part of the week was in favor of the Bear interest, who seized upon the publication of the President's Message as the opportunity for increasing their already heavy short lines New York Central, Pacific Mail and Missouri Sixes have been the principal objects of attack. Pacific Mail shares have fluctuated considerably, being very sensitive to the various rumors respecting opposition routes, &c., which were from day to day set afloat. Within a few days it has been observed that the public are more disposed to purchase and hold railway shares, with respect to New York Central this is quite marked, and the cash stock has become scarcer. We know of one house that has 2,200 shares certificates loaned out without interest. The further demand for Illinois Central and Rock Island is prompted by the belief that the next turn in their traffic will be a decided improvement. It has probably been overlooked by some that very many thousand acres of land were seriously interfered with business on all the far Western roads, and it is fair to presume that the lines that are untrammelled by embarrassments, and well conducted, will, upon an improvement in the traffic of that section, became more deserving of the confidence of the public.

The Bank statement making up to-day will probably show a loss in specie of about $500,000, and a rise in loans.

The Arago for Southampton to-day took $612,487 in specie, which is rather larger than was looked for. Sterling Exchange closed firm at 109½@109¾ per cent. Southern and city bills ¼ Francs were more freely offered —sales at 5 17½@5.13¾.

The New York *Tribune* of Saturday says:

A list was made up on Friday to take a reissue of a million of Treasury Notes at par, the notes bearing 4½ per cent interest. The Secretary has accepted the proposal, the bid having invited the proposal. The market for Treasury Notes has been rather more active within a day or two past. We notice sales of one hundred thousand yesterday at 1 per cent. premium, offer for 4½ per cents and 1 10 per cent premium for 4¾ per cents. The Government Loan is in fair demand at 4¾ premium; the asking price is 4¾ premium.

The Directors of New York and Michigan Southern Road have been in session at New York for several days. The question of the dividend on the Preferred Stock, has been discussed, but no decision has been arrived at. It appears that the Road has earned during the last six months about 8 per cent. on the Preferred Stock, provided the traffic of that period be only charged with the legitimate disbursements belonging to it. It is positively stated in Directors circles that the Road will under financial embarrassments, will not deem it proper to declare any dividend, but the resulting profit, whatever it may be, will probably be carried to the credit of the dividend fund belonging to the Preferred Stock, and which will be paid out in some manner at a proper time hereafter.

The following is a comparative statement of the imports of foreign dry goods at New York for the week and since Jan. 1:

	1858.	1857.	1858.
For the Week.			
Entered at the port	$1,700,338	$727,772	$480,191
Thrown on market	1,155,488	448,141	500,779

Messrs. Thompson Bros., bankers, New York, say:

In Land Warrants there is an improvement in some sizes. The market, however, has been unusually quiet during the week both supply and demand being equally light. We quote to-day as follows:

	Buying.		Selling.
40 acre	$1 00	40 acre	$1 10
80 acre	84	80 acre	87
120 acre	78	120 acre	82
160 acre	73	160 acre	86

The following are the statistics of the New York Bonded Warehouse:

Total value of goods in bond Nov. 1, 1858	$9,554,562
Entered for consumption from foreign ports in Nov.	1,725,318
Received in bond from other domestic ports	42,723
Total	$11,322,603
Withdrawn for consumption	$2,124,655
Re-shipped to foreign ports	463,559
Transported to other domestic ports	170,151
Leaves stock in warehouse Dec. 1, 1858	8,564,238
Leaves stock in warehouse Dec. 1, 1857	27,374,885
Leaves stock in warehouse Dec. 1, 1856	13,445,197
Leaves stock in warehouse Dec. 1, 1855	10,062,558

The New York *Independent* says of Dry Goods:

"There is a moderate business doing in Dry Goods, especially in those descriptions which is likely to be kept up through the Winter, the moderate purchases of many dealers leading necessarily to more frequent renewals. The purchasers, however, are limited, in seasonable goods, to immediate wants, and to the Spring trade to distant markets or to clothiers for making up Spring garments. The Fall business is not generally complained of. Many houses have sold more goods than they ever did, but the business has been more scattered, and has been transacted by a fewer number of dealers. The troubles of last year have weeded the market, and the existing houses are mostly of ample capital. The demand for staple kinds ours steady in price. Merrimac and Woollen Plaids are in moderate stock. Ribbons are in large supply, and can be bought at very low prices. The business in Shawls is nearly over. There is more firmness in Cotton Textile Goods, with a steady though moderate demand. The manufacturers are now steadily at work, and anticipate a large consumption both at home and abroad. An increase in the foreign demand for Cotton goods recently is especially calculated on. In Prints and Delaines there still remains some degree of activity, and prices are steady. In Woollens there is not much doing. Cassimers sell the best, as the clothiers are making up purchases. In Satinets there has been a speculative demand, at low prices, which has reduced the stock in open market considerably."

The anthracite coal tonnage of the Lehigh and Schuylkill regions for the week, amounts to 104,183 tons, against 95,708 for the corresponding period last year, being an increase of 8,675. The two canal lines show an increase of 5,754 tons on the Schuylkill, and 3,371 on the Lehigh, while the two railway lines show a decrease of 2,870 on the Reading, and 2,499 on the Lehigh Valley. For the season, the coal tonnage of the four lines amounts to 4,277,426, against 4,369,622 last year—a decrease of 92,517. All the lines show an increase on the season, except the Reading, whose falling off is 188,246 tons. The coal tonnage of the Schuylkill Navigation has increased 1,000 tons.

The Cincinnati *Commercial* states that the City Councils of Chicago have granted to P. Ft. W. & C. Company the right to place its tracks along Canal street, as far down as Randolph, and they have already purchased from property holders the necessary ground to make a connection with the C. St. P. & F. Du Lac and Chicago and Milwaukie Roads.

When this road is completed it will connect its tracks with the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy, Chicago, Alton & St. Louis; Chicago & Rock Island; Galena & Chicago; Union; Illinois Central; Chicago, St. Paul & Fon-du-Lac, and Chicago & Milwaukie Railroads. It is probable that the remaining six miles to the city, and the improvements within the same, will be completed within the next four weeks, at farthest.

The managers of the Williamsport and Elmira Railroad company, at a meeting held on the 9th, unanimously decided to pay the coupons on the 1st mortgage bonds, at the commencement of the new year.

There has been much more than a sufficient number of shares of stock of the Bank of Phenixville, Pa., sold by the commissioners to put this institution in operation, which will be done immediately.

The Phila. *Ledger* understands the Chester Valley Railroad company, on Saturday executed a lease of its road to the Reading Railroad company, on the terms previously agreed on; which, is something like this: 40 per cent on a business of $30,000; 42 per cent. on $40,000; 44 per cent. on $50,000; 46 per cent. on $60 000; 48 per cent. on $70,000; 50 per cent. on $80,000; or, instead of this sliding scale, will run the road at 60 cts. per mile, at the option of the Chester Valley Railroad. There are some qualifications in the terms above enumerated, but the arrangement is considered much better than that for the past year, and, in effecting it, the president of the company has been sustained by the directors throughout.

The total receipts of the Mississippi and Tennessee Railroad for the month ending November, are $25,659 57, being $13,175 56 more than the previous month. Total receipts for the two months, $47,143.78.

The Cincinnati *Gazette* of Thursday says: Freights consigned to Baltimore, and there to be shipped by an independent water line, are carried to Boston five cents per 100 lbs. less than the through rates between Cincinnati and that city. This causes a good deal of grumbling on the part of all rail lines, but the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company say that they can do no more than charge regular rates to the terminus of their own line. At the latter point, private enterprise steps in, to the advantage of shippers. A "Convention" should be called to settle this matter. A monopoly to be successful should be complete, and to be complete it must extend itself over land and sea, rivers and canals, streets and turnpikes. We suppose the Baltimore and Ohio managers will be called upon to decline all shipments consigned to the Baltimore and Boston Steamship Company.

The State of Minnesota has provided for the interest on its valid par cent. bonds, due in January, and in fact a part of the June interest, as well as the contribution to the sinking fund, is already in the hands of the Treasurer. The payment of interest and the maintenance of the sinking fund are provided for by a five mill tax which is levied for that purpose, and the amount is now sufficient to pay the interest and twenty seven thousand dollars of the principal, in the shape of a sinking fund annually, which will liquidate the loan before maturity.

We learn that the city of St. Paul, Minnesota, has negotiated in Boston part of $100,000, 12 per cent bonds, at 97½ per cent. These bonds were issued to the Bridge Company, and the city holds as security a first mortgage on the Bridge.

The Lowell *Citizen* says that of the $2,500,000 capital stock of the Merrimac Mills, $261,000 is owned in that city; much of it by overseers, operatives, &c., who own from one to five shares. The shares at par are $1,000, but are now selling at $1,200, being the only manufacturing stock in New England (except the Lowell Bleachery) that is at par. The Merrimac makes 380 000 yards of cotton cloth a week, and prints or bleaches 540,000.

The Suffolk Bank (Boston), has discharged about thirty of its foreign money clerks, but continues their pay for the next two months, provided they obtain no employment in the meantime. This liberal and wise policy on the part of the Suffolk, redounds to the credit of the managers of that institution. There are still thirty clerks employed in the foreign money department of the Suffolk Bank. The amount of foreign money received daily at the Suffolk averages $650,000. This sum comes from a large proportion of the banks in New England, which have not transferred their business to any other banking corporation.

The Washington Star of Saturday says:

As the season advances business upon the canal gradually decreases. During the week only 49 boats have arrived—36 of them from Cumberland with coal, and the remainder from other points, with flour, grain, wood, &c. The receipts for tolls at the Georgetown Collector's office for the same period amounts to $2,518.79 as follows: Ascending grade $211.73 and descending $5,407.06.

The Orange Crop of Louisiana this season is very large, but the crop is selling from plantations at from six to eight dollars per thousand. Last year a planter below Baton Rouge was offered for $1500 a small tract of land, adjoining his, and which was planted with orange trees of full growth. He refused it, and this season the owner of the tract in question has sold his orange crop for $3,000.—*N. O. Picayune, 4th.*

The Worcester, Mass., *Spy* states the indications of a revival of manufacturing business in that city are very decisive. A number of the establishments located there have found it necessary to increase the number of employees in order to accomplish the business on their hands.

The changes in the St. Louis Bank statement for the week ending Dec. 6, are as shown below:

	Exch'ge Mat'g	Circulation.	Coin.
Merchants' Bk	$59,817 dec.	$52,480 inc.	$25,836 dec.
Bk. of St. Louis	21,670 inc.	17,235 inc.	1,528 inc.
Southern Bank	4,078 inc.	18,220 inc.	21,281 dec.
Mechanics' Bk	61,388 inc.	43,815 dec.	5,207 inc.
Exchange Bank	20,016 dec.	9,850 inc.	1,169 dec.
State Bank	81,781 dec.	5,850 dec.	2,075 dec.

The aggregates are as follows:

	Dec. 4.	Nov. 27.	Increase.	Dec.
Ex. maturing	$2,922,073	$2,682,160	$239,913	——
Circulation	2,083,275	1,973,025	110,250	——
Coin	1,731,598	1,732,015	——	40,617

The Cincinnati *Gazette* of Monday says:

The firmness in the market for Eastern Exchange noticed yesterday, was more general to-day, and several of the heavy dealers, were free buyers at ¼ prem. for New York, and par for Boston, Philadelphia and Baltimore.—With some houses the supply was ample, but with others it was not equal to the demand. The market on the whole may be reported close, and although an immediate advance in rates is not spoken of, the tendency is in that direction. One house has resumed the assorting business, not with the expectation of realizing a profit, but from necessity, being unable, in any other way, to keep its customers supplied with exchange. New Orleans sold to day at 1 premium for bankers' checks. Private drafts would sell to dealers at ½ premium. The grocery houses take about all the paper that is made. We quote:

	BUYING.		SELLING.
New York Sight	⅛ prem.		¼ prem.
Boston	par		⅛@¼ prem.
Philadelphia	par		⅛@¼ prem.
Baltimore	par		¼ prem.
New Orleans	½ prem.		¾@1 prem.
American Gold	par		1-16@¼ prem.
New York 60 days	1@1¾ dis.		
New Orleans, "	½@1½ "		

SALES AT THE BALTIMORE STOCK BOARD.

SATURDAY, December 11, 1858.

$8000 N.C RR bds.	'85...75	200 shs N.C.RR.	b30..21¾
10 do N. Va. RR. bds.	70	"	b60..21¾
5 do ex'div & G R	68¾	100 "	83..21¾
14 shs Far & Mer Bk	40¾	300 " B. & O. RR.	..56¾
40 " Marine Bank	29¾	50 "	s60af 10..56¾
11 " Franklin Bk	11¾	25 "	b60..56⅞
100 " N.C.RR.	s30..21¾	50 "	b60..56⅞
200 "	b60..21¾	50 "	s60..56½

Prices and sales of Stocks in New York.

BY TELEGRAPH.

Through WM. FISHER & SON, Stock and Bill Brokers. No. 22 SOUTH STREET.

	1st Board.	2d Board.
Virginia 6's	00	00
Missouri 6's	89⅞	89¾
Illinois bonds	00	00
Canton Company	00	00
Erie Railroad	17⅞	17¾
New York Central Railroad	84¼	84
Reading Railroad	52	51¾
Panama Railroad	00	00
Celeveland & Toledo R. R.	31⅞	00
Rock Island	00	00
Michigan Central R. R.	21	00
Cumberland Coal	00	00
Harlem	00	00
Galena & Chicago	00	73
La Crosse & Milwaukie	00	00
Milwaukie & Miss	00	00
	Market heavy.	steady.

BALTIMORE MARKETS.

SATURDAY, December 11.

COFFEE.—There has been but little done to-day in Coffee, the only sales we have heard of being one of 175 bags good Rio at 11¾ cts. and about 50 bags Laguayra at 12 cts. Their is a fair inquiry for Coffee, but the sales are restricted by the very light stock. The cargo of the Antelope is not yet on the market. Below will be found the usual weekly report of Messrs. White & Elder, Coffee brokers:

WEEKLY COFFEE REPORT.

Stock of Rio Coffee, December 4, 1858	6,600 bags
Received since, per bark Antelope	3,026 "
	9,626 "
Taken for consumption	4,526 "
Stock of Rio this day	4,500 "

SALES.

3,000 bags per May Queen, at 11¼ cts.; 426 bags in lots, at 11 to 11¾ cts.; 1,100 bags at 10½ cts —Total 4,526 bags.

REMARKS.

The market remains steady and firm—demand fair, without change in prices. We quote prime Rio at 11¾ to 12 cts.; fair to good fair 11 to 11¼ cts.; medium 10 to 10¾ cts.; Laguayra 12 to 13 cts.; Java 14½ to 15½ cts.

WHITE & ELDER, Coffee Brokers.

Baltimore, December 11, 1858.

FLOUR.—There has been quite an active movement to-day in Flour, especially in City Mills, and for this description the market is decidedly firmer in tone. Recent advices from Southern ports indicate that there is growing in favor there again, and all the sales of City Mills made to-day were for export to that point. The sales to-day add up about 600 bbls., in parcels of from 100 to 200 bbls. Ohio Super at $5, 250 bbls. do. at $5.12½, 500 bbls. Howard Street do. at $5.12½, 500 bbls. City Mills do. at $5.2 000 bbls. City Mills Extra at $6, and 2,500 bbls do. at $6.25 per bbl., Howard Street and Ohio Super continued steady at $5 12½ for good brands, and for standard City Mills do. holders were generally asking $5, but for some choice brands $5.12½ and $5.25 per bbl. was demanded. We quote Extra to-day at $5.37½@5.50 for Ohio, $5.50@5.75 for Howard Street, and $6@6 25 per bbl. for regular ships pung brands of City Mills. Rye Flour is steady at $3.87½@$4 per bbl., and we quote Buckwheat do. as ranging from $2 to $3 per 100 lbs. Corn Meal is selling at $4 for Baltimore, and $4.25 per bbl. for Brandywine.

FAMILY FLOUR.—We have no change to note in the rates for family Flour. It is still selling in lots to the trade at $7.50 for Baltimore ground, $7 for Old Dominion, and $7.75 per bbl. for Welch's.

GRAIN.—Grain was in brisk demand this morning, and for all varieties market was firm. The offers of Wheat reached 13,000 bu., most of which was sold at 120@125c. for good to strictly prime red, 115@118 cts. for inferior white, 125@130 cts. for medium to fair do., 135@140 cts for good to prime do., 145@150 cts. for fancy lots do., and the market closed steady at these figures. Corn was in active demand, and the market for it was firm at yesterday's rates. There were about 15,000 bushels, mostly new, offered, nearly all of which changed hands at from 65 to 65 cts. for white and 64@68 cts. for yellow. A small lot of old white sold at 67 cts. We quote Rye firm at 72 cts. for Maryland, 75@81 cts. for Pennsylvania, and Western at 42@45 cts. for Virginia and Maryland, and 45@46 cts. for Pennsylvania. There were some 1,200 bushels Rye, and about 4,500 bushels Oats received to-day.

PROVISIONS.—Business continues in fair supply, and we quote them steady at yesterday's rates, viz: $6.50 for light and $6.87½@7 per 100 lbs. net for prime heavy lots. Sales to a moderate extent are making at these figures.

MOLASSES.—No crop New Orleans Molasses continues in demand, and we have reported to-day sales of 60 bbls. at 37½ cts. which is a further decline. There is no demand for foreign Molasses We quote Cuba nominal at 25@24 cts. for clayed, 26@28 cts. for Muscovado; English Island at 26@28 cts. and Porto Rico at 28@32 cts.

PROVISIONS.—The Provision market to-day has been quiet, and there is hardly as much buoyancy of feeling in it as there was a day or two since. There is some inquiry for Bulk meat and we have reported sales late yesterday and to-day of 62,000 lbs. Shoulders at 6¼ cts. and 5¾ cts. We note also sales of some 30 to 40 hhds. Bacon at 7¾ cts. for Shoulder and 9¾ cts. for Sides, and of 20 bbls. Mess Pork at $17.25 per bbl. We quote Mess Pork to-day steady at $17.25 per bbl. for City Mess, and $15 for Prime. Lard still inquired for but we hear of no sales being made to-day. We quote it at 10¾ cts for Butchers, and 11@11¾ cts. for City and Western Leaf in bbls., Lard in kegs may be quoted at 12@12½ cts. Tallow is steady at 12 for No. 1, and $15 per bbl. for Mess. Butter and Cheese are in moderate demand at unchanged rates.

RICE.—There is some little inquiry for Rice, and we note sales to-day of 90 tierces common to good at 3¾@3¾ cts. Prime is held at 3¾ cts. There is a large stock of Rice here, some 800 tierces having been received here within the last few days.

SUGARS.—There is a fair inquiry for New Orleans, but there is nothing whatever doing in foreign Sugars. We have reported to-day sales of 35 hhds. good fair to good new crop New Orleans at 5¾@5¾c. Refined may be quoted to-day at the following rates, viz: $6.50@6.75 for refining grades Cuba and English Island; $7.25@8 for grocers' styles Cuba; $7.50@8.50 for fair to prime Porto Rico; and $7.50@8.62½ for fair to choice new crop New Orleans.

SEEDS.—The demand for Cloverseed continues brisk, and the market for it is quite firm. There were sales this morning at Change of about 50 bushels at $5.50 for fair, and $5.62½@5 75 per bushel for good to prime lots. Timothy seed is steady at $2@2.12½, and we quote Flaxseed at $1.20@1 40 per bushel.

SALT.—Liverpool Salt is in good demand, and we quote it firm at 85 cts. for Ground Alum; 130 cts. for Marshall's and Jeffrey & Darcy's fine; and 140 cts. per sack for Ashton's do. Turks Island salt continues quoted at 65@67 cts. per bushel. Some sales have been made within the last day or two at these figures.

WHISKEY.—Whiskey may be quoted from to-day at 25½ c. for Ohio and 26 cts. for Ohio. We have reported sales of 250 bbls. of the former, and 250 bbls. of the latter at the above figures.

We publish below the agreement entered into by the Importers of Coffee in this city, in relation to discontinuing the allowance, now made, of 2 per cent. tare.

The undersigned, Importers of Coffee in the cities of Baltimore, have been long impressed with the unreasonableness of the old usage of allowing two per cent. tare on sales of Coffee. The Coffee bag is valuable and important to the purchaser of the Coffee; it costs the purchaser (the Rio bag for illustration,) 55 cts. each; it weighs about one pound, while we, by our old usage—that should have been discarded long since—deduct for the bag 2 1-5th, or, when Coffee is sold by the bag, allow the bag, thus valuing it free of charge, a bag costing 55 cts., and also deducting therefor, in excess of tare allowed over the actual weight of the bag, 25 cts. more, making the cost of the bag to the Importer, which he has to charge, and the purchaser, 80 cts; we do not propose for the correction of this wrong, to charge the purchaser with the entire cost of the bag, but, for the abatement of the evil, we recommend that the allowance of tare on Coffee sales should cease, whenever the purchaser will be charged with the actual weight of the bag, or about one pound equal to eleven cts., being less than one-half its value to him.

For the reasons above stated and considerations, we do hereby agree and pledge ourselves to each other, that on and after the 1st January, 1859, or as soon as the Importers of New York and Philadelphia will adopt like determination, we will, in no case whatever, allow any tare on Coffee, but to secure full and liberal weight to the purchaser will continue to allow the scalage of one-quarter per cent.

F. W. Brune & Sons, Thos. W. Levering & Sons,
Oelrichs & Lurman, John M. Bandel.
F. L. Brauns & Co., Lambert Gittings,
Thomas Pierce, Jas. Cormeny,
Spence & Reid, Dunnock & Weatherly,
Thos. Whitridge & Co., James A. Hooper,
Kirkland, Chase & Co., Robert W. Allen,
Hugh Jenkins & Co., M. Dunnigan & Son,
Jas. Cheston & Son, Jas. I. Fisher & Sons,
Jas. Hooper & Sons, Stirling & Ahrens,
Wm. H. D. C. Wright.

We give below a statement of the amount of Grain inspected, and fees received, in accordance with the provisions of the law passed at the last session of the Maryland Legislature providing for the inspection and weighing of Grain, from the 24 of May to the 31st of October, compared with the entire receipts here for that period. The law, it will be recollected, leaves it optional with parties sending Grain to market to have it inspected or not, and it will be seen that but a small part of the receipts have been sold subject to the provisions o the law.

MONTHS.	Wheat received. bushels.	Other Grain received. bushels.	Wheat inspected. bushels.	Other Grain inspected. bushels.	Amount of fees.
May	153,127	452,730	13,623	45,294	$562,70
June	119,775	461,778	16,588	70,472	518,24
July	171,183	283,557	38,025	34,771	551,11
August	380,026	588,129	67,019	61,653	978,76
September	416,264	273,302	57,647	38,422	768,58
October	235,281	209,831	25,019	28,686	573,62
Total	1,470,555	2,446,087	215,951	279,298	$3,556,01

	WHEAT. bush.	OTHER GRAIN. bush.
Total received	1,470,555	2,446,087
Total inspected	215,951	279,298
Not inspected	1,254,614	2,166,789

DOMESTIC MARKETS.

NEW YORK MARKETS, Dec. 11.—ASHES—The demand for both kinds is fair, at $5.50 for Pots and $5.75 for Pearls.

COFFEE—The market has again lapsed into a quiet state, but stocks generally are light, that of Rio, which composes the bulk (except Java) being only 16,000 bags; prices rule steady—small sales of Rio at 10¾@11¼ cts. for good to prime—choice is firm at 12@12¼ cts.

COTTON—A good demand prevails this morning from spinners and others, and prices have advanced. We hear of sales of 2,500 bales at our revised quotations:

NEW YORK CLASSIFICATION.	Upland.	Florida.	Mobile.	N. O. & Tex.
Ordinary	10¼	10¼	10¼	10½
Middling	12	12¼	12¼	12¾
Middling fair	12½	12¾	12¾	13
Fair	—	—	—	—

FISH.—There are no cargoes on the market, consequently no sales to report. The market however is very firm, and if our dealers want fish, it is evident from the prices current at the East they must bid still higher rates.

FLOUR, &c.—The demand for Western Canal Flour is fair for the close of the week, good Superfine and State is firmer and not plenty; Extra do. is in demand at improving rates.

The sales are 10,000 bbls. at $4 25@4.45 for superfine State; $4.50 for choice do.; $4.90@5.10 for Extra do., the latter an extreme; $4.90@5.10 for low grades of Western Extra; $5.30@7.75 for Extra Genesee, and $5.60@8.50 for St. Louis brands. Canadian Flour is held with greater firmness, and is in small stock; sales of 300 bbls. at $5.15@6 25.

Southern Flour is in moderate demand; the sales are light and holders are steady; sales of 900 bbls. at $4.75@5 40 for mixed to good brands Baltimore, &c., and $5.55@7.40 for Fancy and Extra brands. Rye Flour and Corn Meal are quiet.

GRAIN.—The Wheat market is firm but not active; the arrivals are light; sales of 16,400 bush. at $1.12½@1.16 for red Southern; $1.25 for common white do.; and $1.16 for mixed Illinois, in store. Rye is firm at 77@78 cts. Barley is unchanged, but quiet at 75@95 cts.

Oats are buoyant and in active demand—sales of 17,000 bush. at 54@56 cts. for Western and Canadian, and 48@51 for State. Corn is better and in fair request, mainly speculative, and confined to mixed in store.

Sales of 72 000 bush. part last evening, at 78½@78½ for western mixed in store and delivered; 76@77 for new white Southern; 86 for old do. and 87@88 for old yellow do.

LEATHER—Is fairly active, and prices are well sustained. We quote light and middle Buenos Ayres and Orinoco hemlock at 22½@26 cts. and do. oak at 27@30 cts. Upper in rough is scarce and in request. The movement for the week has been as follows:

	Hemlock.	Oak.
Receipts	7,500	9,600
Sales	67,800	11,850
Stock	5 ,900	11,800

MOLASSES.—New Orleans is in large supply, and prices have further declined; sales of some 600 bbls. are reported yesterday afternoon at 33@36c.—chiefly the inside rate. We hear of small sales, 40 bbls. this morning at 35c.

NAVAL STORES.—Spirits turpentine is quite unsettled and the market is dull, owing to the firmness of holders. Sales of 50 bbls. in shipping order at 49c. cash full price. Crude is still quiet but prices are unchanged. Common rosin continues inquired; sales of some 1100 bbls. in lots afloat at $1 50 per 310 lbs. delivered alongside vessel. The low grades are more active, sales of some 500 bbls. strained at 1 60 per 310 lbs. in yard, and 350 bbls. No. 2 at 1 95 per 310 lbs. in yard, and 700 do. low No. 1 at 2 50@2 75 per. 310 and 280 lbs. In fine qualities we note sales of some 400 bbls. white and extra pale at 5 50@6 50 per. 380 lbs. Tar is still dull and heavy; sales of 40 bbls. Washington as it runs at 2 18¾ in order in yard.

OILS—Generally are active and prices unchanged, if we except linseed which continues in demand with further sales of 15,000 gallons American at 63@64c. for immediate delivery.

PROVISIONS.—The demand for pork is less active, and the market is lower and unsettled. Sales of 2,700 bbls. at $17.65 for old mess. New do. is nominal at $18.12½@18.20; and prime at $14@14.25. Closing with sellers at $14, included in the sales are 1,060 bbls. old mess at $17.68; 1,500 bbls. for January, February and March, at $18.—Beef is moderate demand and place—sales of 1700 bbls. at $6@6.50 for country prime; $7.62½@10.50 for do. mess; $8.62½@10.50 for repacked mess, and $10.75@11.62½ for extra do.

Prime mess is dull and nominal. Beef hams are dull and heavy at $13@14.76. Bacon is inactive at 8⅜@10 cts. Cut meats are firmer—sales of 25 hhds. at 6½ for shoulders and 9½@9¾ for hams. Lard is steady at 10¾@11 cts. for prime, and 11¼@11½. Butter is in fair demand at 14@24 for State and 12@18 for Ohio. Cheese is saleable at 8@9½.

SUGARS—Continue dull and drooping, but a large number of buyers, attracted to the auction sale, are now looking around, and the chances are that a good business will be done this afternoon. We hear of sales of 25 hhds. New Orleans at 7@7¾ cts., and 200 do. do prime, by auction, at $6.50@7.56 per 100 lbs.

CINCINNATI MARKET, Dec. 9.—FLOUR.—The market was rather quiet to-day, and very little was done. Prices remain at $4.50@4.60 for choice to low extra, and $4.75@5 for extra; the latter from white Wheat. Receipts moderate.

WHISKEY.—The demand is moderate, but hardly equal to the supply, and the market continues dull. Sales of 880 bbls. at 22¾ cts. including wagon.

HOGS.—The market opened very heavy to-day, and prices further receded. The sales add up 2,800 head at $6 75@7 for heavy, and $6.50 and downward for light. The receipts during the last 24 hours comprise 9,000 head.

PROVISIONS.—We cannot perceive material change in the market, the speculative feeling was still less manifest today, and a good deal of tameness prevailed. The sales were 1,000 bbls. Mess Pork, to be delivered in the month of next March, at $18; and 1,000 do. on the spot at $17.50; 110 hhds. old Bacon, at Madison, Ind., at 7 and 9 cts. for Shoulders and Sides; and 6,000 pieces Green Meats at 7¼ cts. for Sides, and 8 cts. for Hams. We heard of no sales of Bulk Meats.

HOGS.—The Louisville *Courier* of Friday says: The market continues firm, with, however, no transactions in hogs, but we hear of considerable sales of Pork and Bacon, including mess pork at $17.75 to $18.25. The receipts are beginning to fall off very fast, and two of the packing houses have closed their killing for the season, with the exception of one lot of hogs to come in. The slaughter yesterday, together with the total killed and the hogs in pens amount to 256,809.

The Cincinnati *Gazette* same day says:

There was an easier feeling in the market for hogs to-day, and the turn of prices was in favor of buyers, but there was a pretty good demand with sales of 3,000 head within the following range:

120 to 130 lbs. average	$6.00@6 10
140 to 150 lbs. "	6 25@6.40
175 to 200 lbs. "	6.50@6 75
210 to 250 lbs. "	6.75@7.00

It required well fatted, extra heavy to bring $7, and towards the close the lower grades sold with difficulty at quotations. The receipts during the preceding 24 hours were 9,000 head, making the total for the season, to date, 247,000 head Cincinnati and Louisville together have now received 500,000 head. The weather continues quite favorable for packing.

In Provisions the tone of the market lost somewhat in firmness, but there was a fair demand for Mess Pork at $17.50 f. r immediate delivery and 1000 bbls. for March brought $18. Lard continues to be quoted at 6¾@7 cts., but compared with yesterday's movements sellers were more free, and buyers less disposed to operate Bulk meats were dull at 5¾@5¾ for shoulders and sides. Green meats may be quoted at 5¾, 7¼@8, for shoulders, sides and hams. A sale of 100 hhds. bacon (old) deliverable at Madison, at 7 and 9c. for shoulders and sides.

We noticed yesterday a sale of 500 bags, deliverable in November, 1859, at 9c. To-day 1000 head, same delivery, sold at $6.25.

BOSTON BOOT AND SHOE MARKET—For the Week Ending, Dec. 10.—The Boot and Shoe trade the past week has been rather quiet, although the business doing for the season is fully up to any previous year. We do not look for an active market until the opening of the spring trade, which, in a general belief, will not come on commence early in January. Prices of all kinds are firm, particularly heavy work, the demand for a month or two past having kept this kind of work sold up pretty close.

Manufacturers are fully at work on Spring goods and it is generally believed that all the good work we can turn out will be wanted. Prices of stock continue to advance and the cost of manufacturing has been increased the past week by a further advance in Hides and Leather in good demand. We quote:

Kip skins	225@250
Calf skins	225@250
Hides	9@9½
Upper Leather	30@35
Sole Leather	32@36

ARRIVAL OF THE MOSES TAYLOR.

FURTHER FROM CALIFORNIA.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—The steamer Moses Taylor from Aspinwall has arrived, having left there on the 4th inst.

The prominent points in her advices from California, which are to the 20th ult., have already been received.

The Moses Taylor brings 350 passengers and nearly $1,200,000 in gold. The principal consignees are as follows:—Wells, Fargo & Co. $325,000; American Exchange Bank $175,000; Houland & Aspinwall $110,000; Taffe, McCabill & Co. $100,000; Freeman & Co. $82,000.

The overland mail of Oct. 25th, arrived at San Francisco, Nov. 19th. It had no passengers, but the advices had been anticipated by the Tehuantepec route.

It appeared upon investigation, that $90,000 worth of California State warrants had been issued, which were not recorded on the books.

The European advices of the 16th of October reached San Francisco, *via* Tehuantepec, on the 14th ult.

The San Francisco markets had been unsettled, but signs of improvement began to appear by the close of the last fortnight.

Money was unchanged in rates and plentiful.

The receipts of gold dust from the interior were about as usual at this season, and the accounts from the mining regions was encouraging. An unusual number of diggers were employed at higher wages.

Up to the 4th, 140 of the Washington's passengers had succeeded in getting passage on board the steamer Sonora, bound for San Francisco.

The Panama *Herald* says that the action of the British officers in boarding the steamer Washington had been remonstrated against by Commander McIntosh of the American squadron, who stated that he would not permit any more such visits.

Arrival of the Steamer Washington from Nicaragua—Passengers not Permitted to Land and returned to New York.

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—The steamer Washington has arrived from San Juan. She reached that port on the 18th ult., and found the United States frigate Savannah and sloop-of-war Jamestown, and the British ships Leopard and Valorous in port.—Sir Wm. Gore Ouseley was on board of the latter.

Nothing had been heard of the steamer Hermann.

Nicaragua refused permission to land the passengers, alleging that they were filibusters. The steamer Catharine