BALTIMORE:

SATURDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 25, 1847.

LATEST DATES—From
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Mails and Travelling Facilities.

On the first page of this paper will be found the time of the Arrivals and Closing the Mails in different cities—Steamboat and Car regulations—Departures of Foreign Steamers, Packets, &c.

REVIEW OF THE

BALTIMORE MARKET,

(AND INCIDENTS CONNECTED THEREWITH,)

For the Week ending last evening.

REMARKS.—There has again been very little animation in the market during the week, which may be attributed to various causes. The weather, during the latter three or four days, has been too inclement for business when there was nothing "pressing" to require it: The steamer Hibernia, which was to have left Liverpool 4th inst., has been desirously expected for some days, and some contracts are contingent upon her advices: And, lastly, it is near the close of the year; before which the Christmas holidays will intervene, and all the available time during that period until the advent of a new year, will be necessary for business-men to complete their old year's work preparatory to the commencement of a new one. We might add also, but do not much like to complain of the "tightness of the money market," as that usually takes place shortly previous to the meeting of the legislature, and so continues until the Banks have made an exhibit of their condition—and then, the stringency being removed, "money is easier," business gets better, and from the middle to the end of January, assumes a new and interesting feature.

AMERICAN DRY GOODS.—The market remains quiet, as usual, for the season—for which, we are gratified to hear, that dealers are generally prepared.

BEESWAX.—There have been sales at 26 cts. per lb., cash, but buyers reluctantly pay over 25—and some holders refuse to sell at the first named price.

BREAD—Continues in brisk demand, and to a large extent for shipment to the British Provinces. Prices continue steady.

CANDLES.—Sperm, with a fair demand, continue to sell at 32*a*33 cts., and Adamantine at 28 cts. per lb. Mould Tallow have recently declined, and are now selling at 12 to 11½ cts. per lb., the latter for common brands.

COFFEE.—The sales of the week have been quite light, mainly from the very limited stock in importers' hands, which does not exceed about 500 bags Rio, and all of inferior quality, similar parcels of which have been selling at 7*a*7¼ cts. per lb., 6 mos.

COPPER.—There have been sales of a few thousand pounds old, at 17¾ cts. per lb., cash.

COTTON.—The receipts at all Southern points since Sept. to latest dates, have been as follow:

Of the crop of	1847——	1846.	
Gulph,	*bales*,355,963..	275,466..	Inc. 80,497
Upl. and S. I.	72,490	..227,623..	Dec.155,133
Total . . *bales*	428,453.	503,089.	Dec. 74,630

This market has improved, both in the demand and prices, and we have to note sales for the week of 267 bales Louisiana at 9*a*9½ cts. per lb.; 30 do. Texas, 9; 45 do. Upland, 9*a*9½; and 100 do. Mobile, to arrive, at 9½ cts. per lb., all 6 mos.

FEATHERS.—The market is only moderately supplied and qualities generally not strictly prime. Sales have been made at prices ranging from 33 to 36 cts. per lb., cash.

FISH.—The market for Dry Codfish is inactive, but there is no change in prices. Mackerel have sold to the extent of 300*a*400 brls., at rather lower rates than last week. We quote No. 1, 8 75*a*$9 per brl.; No. 2, 6.75*a*$7; and No. 3, 5.25*a*$5.50, all on time at these rates.

FLOUR AND MEAL.—The transactions in Flour have been light, those in Howard street not exceeding probably 3000 brls., taken early in the week at $6.25, in lots of 100 to 300 brls.; but subsequently, holders have generally refused to sell under $6.37½, and some demanded $6.50, while others, (and they are few) have sold at $6.31¼ per brl.—a parcel of 150 brls. at this latter rate on Thursday—but buyers could not meet with sellers yesterday at $6.37½. The market is very unsettled, and holders are "at a loss" how to act, until the steamer arrives. City Mills sold early in the week at $6.37½; but within the last 2 to 3 days, the market has assumed more firmness, although no sales have been effected over the rate noticed, and there are still sellers at the same; while others demand $6.50. The supply is quite light. No sales of Rye Flour reported. The sales of Corn Meal comprise nearly 1000 brls., including 200 Penna., at $3.37½, and a portion of the residue of City Mills at the same, closing recently with the sale of 300 brls. at $3.50 per brl. Inspected this week.

Corn Meal, 25 hhds, 1,218 brls., 60 hf. brls.—
Rye Flour, 259 brls.—
Howard street Flour, .. 7,287 brls., —- hf. brls.
City Mills ditto, ...6,040 " 436 "
Family ditto, ...715 " —- "
14,042 brls. 436 hf. brls.

Forming a total for the week of 14,260 brls. Wheat Flour. Exported within the same time to foreign ports, 6126 brls. Flour, and 30 hhds. and 475 brls. Corn Meal.

GRAIN.—The supply of good to prime red Wheat has fallen off somewhat since our last report, and prices have gradually advanced 2*a*3 cts. per bushel, the closing rates ranging from 1.33 to $1.37 per bushel, and inferior 1.25*a*$1.30, according to quality. A lot of Maryland white, suitable for Family Flour, has sold at $1.50. The receipts of Rye are very light but may be quoted 88*a*90, although a parcel sold on Thursday at 86 cts. per bushel. Corn has been in good supply all the week and yesterday was not so brisk, the range being 62*a*64 cts. for white, and 63*a*65 for yellow. Oats may be quoted 33*a*42 cts., as in quality, with sales at both prices, the latter for Virginia.

HEMP.—The market, as for some time past, with a limited supply of all descriptions, remains without animation.

HIDES.—All the stock in first hands, comprising we believe about 8500 Laguayra, has been taken to go East at 8½ cts. per lb., on the usual time.

HOPS—Are only in moderate request and sell at 8½*a*9 cts. for first sort of this years's crop.

INDIGO —We have no sales to report, and prices are almost nominal.

IRON.—The market is dull, generally; and nothing doing in Pig that we are advised of.

LATHS.—There have been sales of Eastern sawed 1½ inch at 1.62½*a*$2 per M., including Bangor at the latter.

LEAD.—There is only a small supply in market, but no buyers to any extent. It cannot be quoted over 4.12½*a*$4.37½ per 100 lbs., cash and 6 mos.

MOLASSES.—The market has been relatively quiet since our last weekly report, the transactions comprising about 200 brls. new crop New Orleans at 26 cts. per gallon, 4 mos. By auction yesterday 46 hhds. Porto Rico sold at 20⅞*a*22¾ cts. per gallon, 4 mos.

NAILS—Continue in fair request, and assorted Cut firm at 4½ cts. per lb. for 4d.

NAVAL STORES.—Without activity in the market prices for all denominations remain unchanged.

OILS.—Most descriptions of Sperm remain as for some time past, the high prices which the article, particularly Winter, has attained restrain operations except to subserve buyers' immediate purposes. Linseed is dull at 61*a*63 cts.

PLASTER PARIS.—There have been a few small cargoes sold during the week at 2.75*a*$2.87½, and $3 per ton.

POTATOES.—Sales of Eastern Mercers are making from vessel at 95 cts.*a*$1 per bushel, in large or small lots.

PROVISIONS.—This market has been inactive generally, and prices no better for sellers.

Beef.—Sales have been made of 300 brls., in lots of 20 to 60 brls. for export, including Prime at 7.50*a*$8; No. 1 at $9, and Mess at $12 per brl.

Pork.—There have been moderate sales of old Prime and Mess, the former at $10, the latter at $14 per brl., for a parcel of 70 brls., taken for export.

Bacon.—The old stock, although much reduced in quantity and to few hands, is still found by a few purchasers who have been paying last week's rates, viz: 6*a*6½ cts. for Shoulders; 6½*a*7 for Sides, and 9*a*10 for Hams. New city-smoked, which is in moderate supply, commands about ½ cent per lb. more than the highest quotations above.

Lard—Is not in active request, and the price less firm, sales of brls. having been made at 7½, and kegs at 8 cts. per lb., 4 mos.; or if in small lots, cash.

Butter.—Western continues to sell at 11*a*12 cts., but chiefly at 11*a*11½, and 15*a*16 for Glades, the transactions for the week being to a fair extent.

Cheese—Remains steady at 7¾*a*8 cts. per lb. for Western, and 8*a*10 for Eastern.

RICE.—The transactions comprise some 30*a*40 trcs. at 3.50*a*$3.62½ per 100 lbs., 4 mos., taken for export.

SALT.—A cargo of 3000 bushels Turks Island has sold at 25 cts. per bushel, 6 mos., which is an improvement.

SEEDS.—The market for Clover is rather dull, and the best parcels of new prime will not command over $4.50, and others of inferior 4.25*a*$4.37½ per bushel. Flax continues to sell moderately at $1.30.

SPIRITS.—The market for Foreign is without change, and the demand moderate. N. E. Rum is somewhat lower, selling at 33*a*34 cts. Whiskey is scarce, but the price is not settled; we quote, however, to approximate as nearly as possible the range of the market, 28*a*28½ cts. for hhds., and 28½*a*29 for brls., but our inside figures are the prevailing rates.

SUGARS.—There was a fair demand early in the week, and some 200*a*300 hhds. New Orleans new crop sold, including 100 hhds. at 5¼ cts. per lb.; but subsequently, and particularly since the public sale of Tuesday, noticed below, the demand has fallen off, and prices are less firm. By auction on Tuesday, 164 hhds. new crop New Orleans sold at 4.45*a*$5.50; and on Thursday, 107 do. do. do. at 4.65*a*$5.05; and yesterday 73 do. do. do. 3.90*a*$4.60 per 100 lbs., all 4 mos.

TALLOW.—We note sales of 15,000 lbs. rendered at 8¼*a*8⅜ cts. per lb., 3 mos., the larger portion at the latter, closing at the former rate.

TOBACCO.—Although there have been a few inconsiderable transactions in new crop Maryland at full prices, the market in the main has been without animation, but not unusually so for this period of the year. There have been some light shipping going forward, but after the coming week little or none will be put on ship-board, for the German market, until next spring. The inspections the present week have been as follow: Maryland, 467 hhds.; and Ohio, 80 do.—total, 547 hhds. Exported within the same to foreign ports, 435 hhds. Tobacco and 165 do. Stems; the latter, and 433 hhds. Tobacco, to Bremen—making the total of Maryland and Ohio denominations since Jan. 1, to date, as follow:

To Bremen,	*hhds.*	21,517
" Rotterdam,		8,468
" Havre,		4,018
" Antwerp,		1,680
" Amsterdam,		11,401
" Marseilles,		2,225
" Bordeaux,		1,377
" Emden,		235
" Venice		150
" England,		58

Stock on hand, and on shipboard not cleared 22d inst., 31,274 hhds.

WINES.—We note sales of Dry and Sweet Malaga at 45 cts. per gallon, on the usual time.

WOOL.—We have not a transaction to report worthy of particular attention; there being no lots coming forward at present to test the feeling of the market, and the supply already here is too small.

FREIGHTS.—The rates have undergone no variation, and we report our last week's quotations: To Liverpool, 3s. for Flour, and 10d. for Grain. To Ireland, 11d. for Grain. West India rates are 75*a*90 cts. per brl. for Flour. And the rate for Flour to Boston and Providence is 30 cts. and 8 cts. for Corn, and to New York, 25 for the former and 6 for for the latter. Corn, to Maine, 10*a*12 cts.

BEEF CATTLE.—The offerings at the drove yards last Monday amounted to only 950 head, showing a material falling off; in consequence of which prices advanced. The sales comprised 556, and the residue, except 38 which remained unsold, were driven Eastwardly. The prices paid ranged from 2 to $3.50, gross, equivalent to 4*a*$6.75 per 100 lbs., net. Live Hogs have been in free supply, and prices were lower early in the week, very inferior selling at $4.75; but at close, as the weather become cold, holders were enabled to obtain 5*a*$5.50. Sales of Slaughtered at 5.75*a*$6 per 100 lbs.

EXCHANGE.—The market has been quiet since our last week's report and the rates for all Foreign have remained unchanged, which we subjoin:

Bills on London £sterl'g 60 days,	9*a*10	per ct. prem.	
—— Paris,		5f.20 *a*	5f.22½
—— Hamburg		35⅞*a*	36
—— Bremen,		78¾*a*	79
—— Holland		40 *a*	40¼
Sight Bills on Boston	para ⅛	per ct. prem.	
—— New York City	para ⅛	do.	do.
—— Philadelphia	para ⅛	do.	do.
—— Richmond, Va.	¾*a*1	do.	dis.
—— Charleston, S. C.	1 *a*1¼	do.	do.
—— Mobile	½*a*1	do.	do.
—— New Orleans,	½*a*1	do.	do.
—— Louisville	1 *a*1½	do.	do.
—— St. Louis	1 *a*1½	do.	do.
—— Cincinnati	1 *a*1½	do.	do.
Treasury Notes, 6 per cents			par
Mexican Dollars	para ¾	do.	prem.
Spanish do	1 *a*—	do.	do.
American Gold	para—	do.	do.
Doubloons, Royal	16 80 *a*	— —	
Do. Patriot	15 55 *a*	15 60	

THE MARKETS.

For abstracts of the Markets generally, see next page: the following presents the only new features during three days subsequent to those dates:—

At *Boston:* The Patriot's correspondent under date of yesterday 2, P. M. says:—Up to this moment there are no tidings of the steamer Hibernia, now out 21 days. Serious apprehensions are entertained for her safety. Our markets exhibit no change. Dealers are generally awaiting the foreign advices. The evidences that Christmas is near at hand are unmistakeable. Old and young are preparing to observe the occasion with due regard. The weather is cold.

At *New York:* Cotton was firmly held, and is active.—The Flour market was firm at 6.37½*a*$6.50 for prime Genesee, the price having improved slightly as the Canal is now closed. Wheat was held above the views of purchasers. Corn was in good demand at 80 cts. for mixed and yellow, and 85*a*87 for white.—Ohio Pork was dull at lower rates, and also Whiskey, the latter 26½ cts.

At *Philadelphia:* The correspondent of the Patriot under date of yesterday afternoon, says.—Business of every description is pretty much at a stand. In the absence of news from Europe, all are engaged in preparing for the enjoyment of the coming holydays. Our city presents a cheerful and animated appearance.—The Flour market remains about as it was—very little disposition to operate. Holders ask 6.50*a*$6.62. Wheat scarce—prime red 1.40*a*$1.45; Corn unchanged.—Provisions and Groceries quiet.

At *New Orleans:* Correspondence of the American, Dec. 16, evening:—*Cotton*—Market unsettled, and has fallen ½ cent. *Sugar*—Firm. *Molasses*—18½*a*18½. *Flour* market firm; Ohio brands $5.40; St. Louis $5.75. About 800 sacks yellow Corn taken at 60 cents. *Freights*—Cotton to Liverpool 7-16ths.

At *Cincinnati*, Dec. 22. *Hogs* command $2.50, and the sales amount 7200. 25,000 have been packed this season. *Lard* sells at 5½; green hams brings 4¾. The Grocery market is dull and no change in prices.

PRICES CURRENT LETTER SHEETS.

☞As to-morrow will be Christmas day, and the next day Sunday, we shall not issue any Letter Sheet Prices Current until Wednesday morning—and then for the steamer of the 1st January.

BALTIMORE.—SHIP BUILDING IN 1847.

The following table presents the number, denomination, and names of the several vessels built at this port during the year 1847—amounting, as shown in the aggregate, to 12,868.06 tons, exceeding, by 1,669.47 tons, the tonnage of the year preceding. Among those of the larger classes are some of very handsome model; and while they are to a fair extent burthensome have proved themselves also fast sailers. The bark Oriole, a Brazilian freighter, and the bark Lyra, the latter built for a Philadelphia house, both come up to the standard last referred to;—and there are others which might be, or have been named, but which we cannot now call to mind. We must not, however, omit the ship *James Corner*, owned by Messrs. James Corner & Sons, and named in commemoration of the senior of the firm. This is an excellent, handsomely constructed, and substantially built vessel, and of the best materials; and, as she is intended for a packet as well as freighter, has all the improvements to recommend her; and among them is the arrangement of her state rooms with the berths withdrawn from the vessel's sides; and a capacious bathing room; saloon; social hall; and, more comfortable apartments than we have ever before observed, for the crew,—a consideration worthy of all praise, that "poor Jack" should be thus "cared for." A method is also provided by which the ship will be kept thoroughly ventilated by means of a current of air passing between portions of her inner and outward planking, and thus prevent the generating of those mephitic or *malaria* gases, which so very frequently endanger the health of passengers, and oftener that of the crew.—Messrs. William Wilson & Sons have also upon the stocks a ship and bark, the former will probably measure nearly 700, and the latter over 300 tons The ship is in good forwardness for being launched, as some of her masts are in. She too, is built of the best Maryland white oak, Carolina heart pine, and locust; and although she may not carry as large a cargo for her tonnage as some other freighters, she has all the marks of a fast sailer. The bark is not yet shut in, but will be ready to be launched in the spring.—We have never before seen, we think so large a number of vessels on the stocks, in the various ship yards in this city, at this corresponding season, as at present; probably their united tonnage cannot be much less than from 3000 to 4000 tons.

While we are thus treating upon the subject of the increase of our commercial marine by the *building of new* vessels, we are well aware that several *older* ones have been sold, and no longer belong to this port. But we much question if there have not been as many purchased, and are now owned here, which stand fully as high on underwriters' books, as those that have been disposed of. And there is probably not a better vessel in port than the *Damascus*, now owned by Messrs. W. Wilson & Sons, which was purchased by them last spring in Boston for a freighter, although she has very handsomely finished state rooms for passengers. She is a beautiful modeled ship, about 700 tons burthen, and carries 2600 bales New Orleans Cotton.

Date of Admeasurement.	*Name and Denomination.*	*Tons burthen.*
1847.—Jan. 13.	Sch. Thomas Corner,	93.35
Jan. 13.	Bark Cornelia L. Bevan,	330.68
" 23.	Brig George W. Russell,	197.85
" 26.	Sloop Lady Helen,	8.05
Feb. 5.	Sch. James & Augustus,	74.36
" "	Brig Zoe,	196.40
" 9.	Sch. Adeline,	85.26
" 11.	—— Ionic,	91.05
" 12.	Brig. Col. Howard,	332.62
" 16.	Sch. Lavinia Hopkins,	84.70
" 19.	—— Gazelle,	88.68
" 26.	Brig Bathurst,	161.53
Mar. 18.	Sch. St. Mary's,	153.76
" "	—— William E. Bartlett,	53.20
" 23.	—— Maryland,	68.74
" 27.	—— Chesapeake,	75.27
April 3.	—— Charles May,	55.11
" 6.	Brig Gen. Wool,	195.57
" 7.	Sch. Phila M. Scars,	69.52
" 8.	Brig Garland,	148.29
" "	Sch. Visiter,	76.05
" 20.	Brig Dos de Argoste,	124.73
" "	Sch. R. C. Waite,	84.60
" 30.	—— Sarah Bibby,	76.56
May 10.	—— Sonora,	106.61
" 15.	—— Susan E.,	86.96
" 21.	—— Richmond,	78.83
" 26.	—— Brilliant,	97.75
" 31.	—— Brig El Dorado,	152.35
June 1.	Sloop Capt. Walker,	11.59
" 8.	Brig Kingston,	213.63
" 16.	Sch. William Penn,	84.—
" 21.	Bark Oriole,	223.46
July 1.	Bark Elizabeth,	230.64
" 2.	Sch. Greek,	153.38
" 7.	Brig Falmouth,	208.62
" 13.	Sch. Talbot,	86.70
" 21.	—— Alvarado,	82.80
" 27.	Bark Ruth,	344.31
" 28.	Sch. Abigail,	139.04
" "	—— James B. Perry,	91.91
Aug. 5.	Bark Kirkland,	360.10
" "	Sch. Carolina,	225.—
" 12.	Bark Stella,	338.20
" 13.	Brig Chatsworth,	146.70
" 19.	Sch. Honolulu,	158.32
" "	—— Home,	71.61
" "	Buena Vista,	69.43
" 20.	Bark Mary Teresa,	252.41
" 25.	Sch. Southerner,	57.83
" 31.	Brig Fabius,	188.17
" "	Sch. Citizen,	53.28
Sept. 2.	Brig Kite,	193.31
" 11.	Bark Charter Oak,	274.60
" 18.	Sch. John Hardy,	51.83
" 22.	Bark Kirkwood,	343.53
" 30.	Brig Gen. Scott,	236.47
Oct. 5.	Sloop Gen. Taylor,	5.79
" 7.	Sch. Miranda,	85.45
" 12.	—— F. R. Haasler,	49.47
" 14.	—— Fulton,	193.27
" 22.	Bark Touro,	234.72
" "	—— W. H. D. C. Wright,	371.44
" 28.	—— Lyra,	217.27
Nov. 1.	Brig Ospray,	235.17
" "	Sch. John,	91.67
" 3.	Sloop Mary Jane,	44.92
" 4.	Bark Seneca,	371.81
" "	—— Rainbow,	341.42
" 8.	Sch. Malcolm,	66.20
" 11.	—— Gen. Worth,	92.62
" 17.	—— Georgiana,	42.61
" 23.	Brig Flora,	253.50
Dec. 1.	Sch. Edwin Farrar,	98.68
" "	—— Corinthian,	103.75
" 7.	—— Alice,	120 81
" 10.	—— Jane,	97.41
" "	Ship James Corner,	678.51
" 17.	Brig Nancy,	157.12
" 18.	—— Justitia,	179.45
Total of 80 vessels in 1847,	*tons*,	12,868.06
" 74 ditto	1846,	11,199.54
" 80 ditto	1845,	11,192.24
" 38 ditto	1844,	5,454.72
" 17 ditto	1843,	3,915.17

EXTRACT FROM THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE POSTMASTER GENERAL.

Post Office Department,
December 6, 1847.

Sir—On the 30th June last, the post routes in operation in the United States, were 153,815 miles in extent, and the annual transportation of the mails over them was 35,887,899 miles, as follows:

On rail roads	4,170,403 miles at a cost of		$597,475
On steamboats	3,914,519 "	"	246,740
In coaches,	15,209,005 "	"	912,462
By other modes of inferior grade,	15,593,972 "	"	650,166

The increase in the extent of the routes since the 1st of July, 1846, is 9878 miles, and of transportation 3,253,630 miles.

Since the 1st of July last, new routes have been put in operation 8239 miles in extent, at an additional cost of $42,943 per annum.

The number of mail contractors in the service during the last year, was 3659; of route agents, local agents, and mail messengers connected with the mail service on rail roads and steamboats, 186.

The number of post offices in the United States on the 1st of July last was 15,147, showing an increase since the 1st of July, 1845, of 963. The number established during the year was 829, and 254 discontinued.

The changes of postmasters during the year were 3450. Of this number, 2153 were appointed in consequence of the death or resignation of the former postmasters; 249 in consequence of changing the sites of the offices; 829 by the establishment of new offices; 216 were removed, and of three whose terms of service had expired, the commissions were not renewed.

From the best estimates which can be made, the number of letters and papers passing through the United States mail during the last year may be stated as follows:

Paid and unpaid single rates of 5 cents	36,152,556
Do " " " of 10 cents	12,551,532
Ship and steamboat letters at 6 cents	427,800
Ship and steamboat letters forwarded in the mails from foreign countries, 2 cents added to the regular postage,	850,980
Dropped letters,	865,308
Printed circular letters,	1,025,304
	52,173,480

The free letters sent by persons entitled to the franking privilege, and those sent free to the army, cannot be ascertained with any degree of accuracy, but it is believed would not fall short of 5,000,000.

The newspapers passing through the mails annually are estimated at 55,000,000; pamphlets and magazines at 200,000. The number of transient newspapers, paying 3 cents each, cannot be ascertained with any accuracy, as the postage is returned with that on letters. The dead letters passing through the offices, and returned to the department, as nearly as can be ascertained, number annually about 1,800,000; which, calculated at an intermediate point between the rates of postage, would make an annual loss to the department of $135,900. The newspapers, circulars, advertisements and other printed sheets sent to the offices, and not taken out nor returned to the department, will not probably fall short of the number of dead letters returned.

The revenues of the department for the year ending 30th of June last, including $65,555 55 due from the United States treasury for the postages of the government, appropriated by the 12th section of the act of the 3d of March, 1847, and not drawn from the treasury, amounted to $3,945,893 31; exceeding those of the preceding year by the sum of $458,693 96; being an increase of the last, over the preceding year, of 13.15 per cent., and falling short of the annual average revenues of the nine years preceding the 1st July, 1845, by the sum of $418,731 34. Of this sum, there was derived from letter postage, including the sum yet due from the treasury for the government postages, the sum of $3,254,512 98, which exceeds the amount of letter postage of the preceding year $372,815 21, making an increase of 12.93 per cent., whilst it falls short of the annual average revenues from the same source, for the nine years preceding the 1st of July, 1845, by the sum of $553,479 91. In the same time there was derived from the postages on newspapers, pamphlets, etc., $643,160 59; making an increase over the preceding year of $81,018 10, and an increase over the annual average of the nine preceding years of $114,181 61. This statement includes the sum of $53,609 24 paid by the British Government for the transportation of her closed mails from Boston to Canada, part of which properly belongs to the revenues of preceding years, but was not paid until within the last year.

The returns for the quarter ending the 30th September last have not been received and adjusted in the Auditor's office, so as to enable me to make a precise statement of its revenues. I estimate the probable increase of the present year at 6 per cent. If this increase is realised, that, together with the $200,000 appropriated by the twelfth section of the act of 3d of March, 1847, for the postages of the United States, will make the revenues of the current year amount to $4,313,157, which will exceed the annual average revenues of the nine years before the reduction of the postage $51,467 65, and only fall short of the annual average expenditures for the same period $186,436 85; and will exceed the expenditures of the last year $333,587. The expenditures for the year ending the 30th of June, 1847, amounted to $3,979,570 63—making only $33,677 32 more than the revenues.

The expenditures of the present year will exceed those of the last by the following sums:—

For the mail steamer Washington,	$100,000
For the steamer Hermann, for seven months,	58,333
For cost of the mail routes established by the act of 3d of March, 1847,	50,000
Add for contingencies,	20,000
	$228,333

From this sum may be deducted the savings which were made in the southern section at the lettings in the spring, amounting to $108,697.

The means of the department at the present year are estimated at	$4,313,157
Expenditures, estimated for the same time,	4,099,206
Leaving a surplus of	$213,951

BALTIMORE.—EXPORTS.

The following table exhibits the quantity and value of Exports from the port of Baltimore to foreign ports, for the 3d quarter, ending Sept. 30, 1847:

TOBACCO.	*Amer. vessels.*	*Value.*
To Holland, *hhds.*	2,594	$96,267
" Fr. Europ. ports on Atlantic	2,953	157,596
" ditto Mediter'n	722	37,341
" Belgium	934	28,398
" Liberia	56	3,084
" British West Indies,	22	1,460
" British Guiana,	19	1,520
" Venezuelan ports,	20	1,797
" Montevideo,	10	600
" Danish West Indies,	5	421
" Spanish ditto (not Cuba)	4	330
" Brazilian ports	3	195
Total in Amer. vessels.. *hhds.*	7,372	$328,991
Foreign vessels.		*Value.*
To Hanse Towns, *hhds.*	7,241	$245,074
" Holland,	6,735	210,348
" British West Indies,	7	491
Total in For. vessels, .*hhds.*	13,983	$455,913
Add American do	7,372	328,991
Total Exports for 3d qr. 1847, *hhds.*	21,355	$784,904
Same time 1846,	15,684	604,405
Same time 1845,	20,533	1,142,178
Same time 1844,	18,421	804,642
Same time 1843,	18,752	842,332

FLOUR.	*Amer. vessels.*	*Value.*
To England, *brls.*	21,313	$132,492
" Brazilian ports,	24,822	145,535
" British West Indies,	15,811	86,324
" British. N. Amer. Colonies,	7,686	43,371
" Montevideo,	6,960	40,032
" Danish West Indies,	5,412	32,477
" Venezuelan ports,	2,310	13,342
" British Guiana,	1,991	11,230
" Spanish W. Indies (not Cuba)	1,807	10,430
" French West Indies,	1,355	7,656
" Gibraltar,	1,166	6,880
" Swedish West Indies,	697	3,669
" China,	250	1,825
" Hayti,	100	681
" Cuba,	80	423
" Liberia,	26	151
Total in Amer. vessels, *brls.*	91,316	$536,783
	For. vessels.	*Value.*
To England, *brls.*	6,357	$43,444
" Hanse Towns,	2,071	12,937
" British N. Amer. Colonies	3,551	19,262
" British West Indies,	2,336	13,677
" Holland,	1,556	10,456
" Ireland,	1,709	10,850
" Scotland,	732	6,222
" Brazilian ports,	600	4,260
Total in For. vessels, ...*brls.*	19,492	$121,108
Add American do	91,316	536,783
Total Exports 3d qr. 1847, *brls.*	110,808	$657,891
Same time 1846,	92,455	386,635
Same time 1845,	63,812	305,234
Same time 1844,	82,167	346,153
Same time 1843,	93,059	461,902

DESTINATION AND VALUE OF EXPORTS.

	Amer. vess.	*For. vess.*	*Total.*
England,	$230,974	$43,504	$274,478
Ireland,		46,456	46,456
Scotland,	15,139		15,139
Total Exports United King'm,	$*105,099	$336,073	
Hanse Towns,	268,897		268,897
Holland,	97,342	228,816	326,158
Brazilian ports,	214,694	5,187	219,881
British West Indies,	172,570	29,558	202,428
Fr. Europ. pts. on Atl.	160,231		160,231
Fr. Europ. pts. on Med.	37,628		37,628
Montevideo,	57,719		57,719
Brit. N. Amer. Colonies	82,527	34,553	117,080
British Guiana,	37,183		37,183
Danish West Indies,	48,378		48,378
Span. W. Ind. (not Cuba)	37,401		37,401
Venezuelan ports,	35,971		35,971
Belgium,	29,018		29,018
China,	26,612		26,612
Liberia,	13,084		13,084
French West Indies,	12,651		12,651
Gibraltar,	9,153		9,153
Danish West Indies,	5,655		5,655
Hayti,	5,249		5,249
Malta,	3,075		3,075
Total Dom. Expts.			
3d quarter 1847	$1,312,166	$677,359	$1,989,525
Same time 1846,			$1,482,345
Same time 1845,			$1,902,107

* Of these there were as follow:

Flour, ..	*brls.* 30,102.	....	$192,918
Indian Meal,	4486	.....	17,322
Indian Corn,	*bus.* 25,276	.. ....	20,551

IMPORTATIONS AT BALTIMORE.

FOREIGN.

Liverpool—Br. Brig Egremont.
Salt 187 tons Common, Coal 10 do, S K George.

St. Johns, (P. R.)—Brig Water Witch.
Sugar 53 hhds, molasses 46 do, Kirkland, Chase & Co.

St. Martins—Bark Turquina.
Salt 4000 bushels, rum 6 puns, old copper a lot, J C Yates.

Nassau, (N. P.)—Br. sch. Thomas Pecrson.
Salt 3000 bushels, sponge 40 bales, conchshells 3500, fruit 97 brls, old copper, brass and composition a lot, specie 200 dollars, F T Montell.

Halifax, (N. S.)—Br. sch. Nancy.
Mackerel 559 brls, order.

COASTWISE.

Boston—Bark Maryland.
Rum 50 brls, figs 1500 drums, wine 6 hhds 100 qr csks, gunny bags 60 bales, boots and shoes 900 pkgs, mdze 1500 do, sundry consignees.

Boston—Bark Helen Maria.
Wine 180 qr csks, T R Matthews & Co; 40 pkgs do, corks 140 bales, raisins 500 bxs, figs 400 drums, mdze 500 pkgs, sundry persons.

Boston—Brig Samuel Brown.
Plaster 50 tons, domestics and other mdze 700 pkgs, order.

Boston—Brig Isabella Reed.
Raisins 450 bxs, gunny bags 22 bdls, hemp 150 bales, molasses 65 hhds, mdze 500 pkgs, sundry persons.

New York—Bark Ann Smith.
Cider 100 brls, S Hurlbut; starch 50, J Parkhurst, jr; soap 100 do, C F Pitt; hats 10 pkgs, J Taylor & Son; champagne 100 bskts, G S Oldfield & Co; hay 300 bales, order; mdze 173 pkgs, Moale & Metcalf.

New York—Sch. Vermillion.
Lead pipe 5 brls, E Pratt & Bro; starch 50 bxs, J Parkhurst, jr; cigars 9 bales, L Thomsen & Co; mdze 1 case, J Taylor & Son; 550 pkgs do, Rose, Merrill & Co.

New York—Sch. Hiram Gerard.
White lead 160 kegs, C F Pitt; mdze 10 bales, Townsend, Loney & Co; starch 42 cases, J Parkhurst, jr, & Co; copper 12 sheets, J McCullogh & Co; tobacco 61 bales, C D De Ford & Co; grapes 20 kegs, mdze 479 pkgs, Rose, Merrill & Co; grain 2300 bushels, order.

New York—Sch. Plato.
Cheese 116 bxs, Weld & Seaver; spikes 54 kegs, E Pratt & Bro; hides 100, lemons 22 bxs, mdze 201 pkgs, sundry persons.

New York—Sch. Henry A. Barling.
Hemp 200 bales, J Henderson & Co; hides 100, master.

Philadelphia—Sch. Catharine Martha.
Salt 200 sacks, loaf sugar 90 pkgs, tallow 6 hhds, oil 5 do, order; domestics 51 pkgs, J W Brown.

Charleston—Sch. Mary Ann.
Rice 105 trcs 16 hf do, cotton 96 bales, order.

MARINE LIST.

BALTIMORE.—*Arrived*
Dec. 17. Sch. Maria, Reed, ... Providence
Sch. Telegraph, Applegarth, ... Richmond
Dec. 18. Sch Vermillion, Seaman, ... New York
Dec. 20. Brig Samuel Brown, Thatcher, ... Boston
Br. sch. Thomas Pearson, Prudden, ... Nassau
Sch. Mary, Nickerson, ... Portland
—— Camelion, Gorham, ... Boston
—— Lucas, Rogers, ... Norwich, Con.
—— Hiram Gerard, Price, ... New York
—— Ovoca, Bush, ... ditto
—— Catharine Martha, Fields, ... Philadelphia
—— Chesapeake, Chapman, ... Alexandria
—— Alvarado, Travers, ... Richmond
—— Iowa, Applegarth, ... ditto
Dec. 21. Bark Helen Maria, Crosby, ... Boston
Bark Ann Smith, Bowen, ... New York
Brig Water Witch, Ennis, ... St. Johns, P. R.
Sch. Monticello, Holmes, ... Provincetown
—— Henry A. Barling, Wiley, ... New York
—— Plato, (new) Hammond, ... ditto
Dec. 22. Brig Isabella Reed, Rogers, ... Boston
Sch. E. H. Adams, Adams, ... New Bedford
Dec. 23. Bark Maryland, Patterson, ... Boston
Brig Tarquina, Molthrop, ... St. Martins
—— Harp, Kirwan, ... New York
Sch. Henry, Lowry, ... Fall River
—— Ellen, Baker, ... Providence
—— Michigan, Terry, ... New York