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NEW ORLEANS REPUBLICAN OFFICE, Monday Evening, February 10, 1868.

The money market exhibits a moderate degree of animation, without any material change in rates. Unexceptionable business paper or good paper secured by solid collateral can be readily discounted at the banks at bank rates. On the street similar paper are occasionally negotiated at 1@1½ per month. Mortgage paper is quoted 1@1½ per month, but some first-class has been done at 1%.

Gold opened at 141½ against 140¾@141 on Friday evening, and after selling up to 141¾ closed at 141@141¼. The sales included $1,000 at 141; $29,000 in several lots at 141@141½; $18,800 at 141; $12,000 $18,000 at 141; $10,000 and $35,000 at 141; $9000 at 141, and $30,000 in several lots at 141@141½. Gold checks on New York for $9000 and $30,000 were passed to sell at ¼ per cent premium, and the banks at ¼, at which we noticed checks for sale. The market was buoyant and active, the movement in it being stimulated by the advance at New York and more so by money matters. In silver we noticed $3000 in American half-dollars, in small sums, at 135. 2000 Mexican dollars sold, and 2000 at 2 per cent premium on American half dollars may be quoted 1@135.

Foreign exchange advanced under the rise in gold, but owing to the fluctuations in the latter and the high rates demanded the movement was on a moderate scale. A private amount of A1 bill of lading sterling sold at 154; $2000 at 154½; $2000 at 154, $2000 at 153½. The nominal rates may be set at 154@155 for A1, and 156@156½ for bank. 50,000 A1 commercial francs sold at 5.15. First class or private bankers' bills at 5.60.

Domestic exchange was rather weaker in most any quotable decline. The banks generally checked on New York at ¼ per cent discount, and the sales of commercial bills included $50,000 New York sight (under a previous arrangement) at ¼ discount; $50 at 11-16, and $18,000, $36,000, $55,000, $30,000, $75,000, and $60,000 taken by banks.

There was a fair inquiry in the stock market, and we heard of some sales, the particulars of which were not reported. At the close on Saturday evening 350 shares Jackson-road sold at 81; 10 Bank of New Orleans at $78 75, and 428 (128 and 300) at $79, 50 Bank of Louisiana (100, 100, and 50) at $7 75; 100 at $8; 100 at $8 12½, and 100 at $8 25. The speculative feeling appears to run mainly on the Bank of New Orleans and the Bank of Louisiana, in the hope from anticipations that the bank will find a profitable business in its new location, and in the latter the causes referred to in our last report.

The treasury notes were quiet and the bids rather weaker, as is noted at the opening of the week; $2000 large sold at 90 cent, and at the board on Saturday $7,000 at 121. Dealers paid 1 discount for the small and sold at 40@45. There were offered them at 5 than they were willing to take. State notes retailed at 51@52 cents. At the board on Saturday $300 Bank of Louisiana notes sold at 1 dollar.

COMMERCIAL.

Monday Evening, February 10, 1868.

COTTON—The sales to-day amounted to 6100 bales, with a fair advance during the morning and further advance of ⅛c. subsequently. The low quotes: Ordinary 14½@15c; ordinary 1½@15c; low middling 16½@16¾c; middling 16¾@16¾c, and strict middling 17@17½c.

Under the favorable accounts from Liverpool and New York the market opened with a good inquiry, and a moderate business was done partly at full prices, compared with Saturday's figures, and partly at a improvement of ⅛c.; but the subsequent bids being still more favorable, factors extended later in the day to realize an additional advance of ⅛c. The fresh news received by the steamer Java, predicting a further rise of ⅛@¼c. in the quotation for middling, with good staple, we regard as exceptional. For extra strict low middling, with good staple, we have quoted 17@17½c. Besides, however, the transactions there were sales at the above our outside figures, which put the bulk of the business done out of sight. The market was strengthened by the gold, as well as by the improvement in the New York and Liverpool markets.

The market has exhibited less feeling to-day, but pretty much all the sales since Saturday, comprising 400 bales, were sold at full prices. Inferior to good ordinary sold at 14½@15c; fully fair 16@16½c; prime 16½@16¾c; choice 16¾@16¾c; yellow clarified 16@16½c; white clarified 16@16½c; seconds 15@16c.

SUGAR—There was less demand to-day and prices were barely sustained. About all sales since Saturday were sold, however, comprising 600 bbls. at 7c, 7¾, and 8c. for good to prime, fermenting; 8½c. for prime, not fermenting, and 9c. for fancy.

RICE—There have not been any arrivals from the West since our review of Friday, with the exception of some 200 sacks, and they there are no supplies in Western points of importance to transport. The stocks in store are very light, and business is quiet in consequence. Supplies, as well of corn, flour and provisions, find a good demand at full prices for the South and for export.

MOLASSES—Have been received of tolerable shipments of superfine and prime lots, by the Jackson railroad, and have been in demand at full prices. For double extra and better above, the market is unchanged. To-day 1000 bbls. at the following prices: 40 fine and 80 choice extra on private terms; 100 superfine at $10 75@$10 50; 40 superfine at $10 25; 60 superfine at $10 25; 100 extra at $11; 50 choice extra at $11; 100 at $11; 100 at $11 25, and 200 double extra at $12 25; and 100 superfine at $10 25 the market closing very dull at $10, for small lots of superfine.

PORK—The supplies on the landing are for operations of much importance, and the sales for to-day are comparatively to 1000 bbls., of which 600 white at 22 and 400 white at $1 25; 250 prime at $21 75; and 250 yellow prime at $22 a barrel, making a total of 4000 bbls. for and to day of 5000 bbls.

BACON—Sides and shoulders are sold at 15 a 15½ c. per pound.

LARD—Is selling slowly at $1 85 per keg, with no offer from prime.

HAY—Is in fair demand, and we hear of sales of good prime timothy at $1 25 per bale.

CORN—The market is quiet and firm, with a fair demand. Sales to-day have been at $1 25 per bale, and at $1 10 per bushel, in the retailing way.

OATS—Are selling slowly at $1 85 per bushel for prime.

POTATOES—Are quiet and firm, with a fair demand. Sales to-day have been at $3 per bushel.

ONIONS—Are selling slowly at $1 85 per bushel for prime.

BUTTER—The market is quiet and firm, with a fair demand. Sales to-day have been at 50c. per pound for prime western and 40 to 45c. for common.

CHEESE—The market is steady and firm, with a fair demand. Sales to-day have been at 18c. per pound for prime western and 16 to 17c. for common.

LARD—The market is quiet and firm, with a fair demand. Sales to-day have been at 15c. per pound for prime western and 14c. for common.

HAMS—The market is quiet and firm, with a fair demand. Sales to-day have been at 15c. per pound for prime western and 14c. for common.

SHOULDERS—The market is quiet and firm, with a fair demand. Sales to-day have been at 14c. per pound for prime western and 13c. for common.

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