Commercial and Financial Matters.

The Cincinnati *Price Current* estimates the summer packing to date in the West at 2,430,000 hogs, against 2,160,000 hogs to date last year.

California expects to complete the construction of three hundred miles of railway during 1877, which will make an aggregate of 2146 miles for that State.

The importation of corn into Germany, France, and the United Kingdom, says an exchange, promises to increase largely, as of late years a general tendency to resort to it as food for stock, instead of oats and cut feed, has been manifest. It is found to be one-third cheaper in England than the material hitherto employed for that use. Germany's supply will, however, be drawn mainly from Hungary.

Uncle Sam "maintains a vigorous neutrality" in regard to the little misunderstanding between Turkey and Russia, and manufacturers of guns and ammunition are just willing to sell to one power as to the other. It is stated that the Russian contract, on which Smith & Wesson, Springfield, Mass., are at work, does not expire till January, and they hope to get another order then.

To show how rapid the transit of cotton from Shreveport to New York can be effected, we mention the fact that the steamer Col. A. P. Kounz left Shreveport on the night of October 26, having a cargo of which there were 800 bales of cotton with through bills of lading for the East. The Kounz reached here on Tuesday night, and the entire shipment was sent forward per steamship New York on Wednesday, and will, no doubt, reach its destination on Wednesday, the 7th inst., only twelve days out from its point of departure.

Enterprising Chicagoans have engaged all the spare tonnage of steamers that will sail from Boston to Liverpool in November, for shipments of grain to that port without the intervention of Eastern "middlemen." Steamers sailing to-day will also take out more than a hundred thousand bushels of wheat for Chicago parties. This new trade movement will, if successful, complete the emancipation of Chicago from her old-time dependence on the seaboard markets and Eastern agencies, and accelerate the inevitable transfer of the seat of commercial supremacy from the Atlantic coast to the shores of Lake Michigan.—[Chicago Times.

Tobacco by New Orleans to Liverpool.

We learn by our Louisville exchanges that Mr. M. B. Nash has led the way in shipping tobacco from that city to Liverpool, via New Orleans. He forwards twenty hogsheads via the L. and N. and Great Southern, and the cost through to Liverpool is about 7c ₱ 100 lb less than by the New York route at present rates.

Pork Packing Begun.

The Louisville *Courier-Journal*, of the 31st ult., says:

Messrs. Hughes, Taggart & Co. opened the winter packing season to-day, though the nominal initial date is November 1. The receipts of hogs are increasing of late, and packers have hopes that prices will decline to a scale that will justify them in operating to as large an extent as usual. They have no desire to buy high-priced hogs and sell low-priced product, as they have for three years, but if prices are satisfactory the list of packers will be about as large as last year.

The Foreign Exports of Provisions.

The following were the exports from Atlantic ports for the week ending October 27, with comparisons:

	1877.	1876.
Pork, bbls	4,050	5,342
Lard, lb	3,581,716	3,510,647
Bacon, lb	3,962,480	9,254,912

Total from November 1, 1876, to October 20, 1877—

Pork, bbls	286,653	240,704
Lard, lb	224,941,577	187,116,663
Bacon, lb	438,014,557	380,079,446

Foreign Trade Returns.

The merchandise imports of September were $34,651,380, against $32,054,472 in September, 1876. This gain of $2,597,000 is less than has been recorded in the previous six months, which have averaged $6,500,000 more imports each than the corresponding months of 1876. The exports increase substantially. They were $49,578,481 in September, 1877, against $45,251,017 in September, 1876. For the first nine months of this year the merchandise imports have increased $40,784,000 over last year, and the exports $16,963,000. The figures of the specie movement show that in nine months the exports of gold and silver were $42,816,000, and the imports $17,927,000. The net export, $24,889,000, is about $30,000,000 less than the average product, and the inference seems good, therefore, that a large addition has been made to the stock of the precious metals in the country.

Excitement in Louisville on Tobacco Rates of Freight.

The Louisville papers of the 31st ult. contain a very strong protest from the members of the leaf tobacco trade of that city, consisting of thirty-six prominent firms, against the recent advance in freights established by the Western agents of railroads leading to the Atlantic ports. They particularly complain that this advance was based upon an unjust and arbitrary transferrence of tobacco in hogsheads to the "special class" of freights from the fourth class, to which it had belonged, with a brief exception, for a number of years. The *Courier-Journal*, in commenting on this, says:

The effect of this class transfer is to raise the freight on leaf tobacco to New York from 38c to 48c per 100 lb. Three weeks ago the rate was 35c, consequently in that short period *the rate has been advanced 33⅓ per cent.* In this instance we have a conspicuous illustration of the proverbial follies of American railroad management. Within the last two years this article has been carried at the rates of 23c, 25c and 27c per 100 lb. The railroads, while carrying tobacco at about one-half the new rate, and other produce and merchandise at proportionate charges, declared their usual dividends (at less those roads which had previously been in the habit of doing so), and the tobacco men argue that so extreme and sudden a change is as illogical as it is arbitrary.

This argument possesses evident force when we consider the ready competition of river transportation. The route via the Mississippi river and the gulf is an old (and was formerly the favorite) route of leaf tobacco from Western markets to foreign countries. There is no disadvantage or inconvenience in any considerable respect accompanying shipments by the gulf at present except that the transit involves a greater loss of time in reaching tide water, and an inappreciable difference between the time from New Orleans and New York to foreign ports. By rail to New Orleans the two routes would be about equal. New Orleans, moreover, is an old and fully equipped tobacco market, and was for many years the tobacco emporium of the United States. This was prior to the development of the railroad system, indeed, and it can hardly be doubted that, so long as the railroads are governed by judicious counsels, its supremacy can never be recovered. By mismanagement, however, it obviously can be, and to that result the present policy obviously tends. The difference between river and railroad charges is a standing open bid in behalf of the former, and with high rail freights would so far underbid the railroads, ocean freights included, as to successfully divert the traffic. This would be a more probable result when tobacco, as at present, is extremely cheap; indeed, at as low a range of valuation as the market reaches in a quarter of a century. The railroads doubtless made a profit on tobacco freight at a 38 cent rate to New York, and by driving the Ohio river and Clarksville tobaccos down the river they will lose more than they will gain by further exactions.

The occasion of this advance is doubtless the discovery that the West has an immense crop of tobacco to ship. No consideration is given to the fact that its cheapness is inversely proportionate to its immensity, and that the producers are unable to afford heavy shipping expenses.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

MONETARY.

OFFICE NEW ORLEANS DEMOCRAT, Friday Evening, Nov. 2, 1877.

NEW ORLEANS CLEARING HOUSE.

	Clearings.	Balances.
October 27	$1,239,515 00	$154,002 39
October 29	1,459,342 90	121,487 29
October 30	1,609,322 82	141 194 92
October 31	1,276,118 67	93,986 86
November 1	1,331,239 99	191,852 49
November 2	1,179,485 92	134,149 86
Thus far this week	$8,095,025 30	$836,673 81
Total this week	8,379,508 33	808 096 87
Total week before	7,695,879 59	973,884 14

The Money market has been comparatively easier during the past week, but the aggregate of the offerings for discount has been liberal, both in bank and on the street, and has consisted mostly of sugar paper, which, owing to the lateness of the crop, has been in more ample supply. It is hoped, however, that a cold spell will soon improve the cane so as to enable planters to proceed vigorously with grinding, when liberal receipts are confidently expected, which, together with the cotton movement, will no doubt relieve the pressure and cause an easier market. Commercial paper and collateral loans are without quotable variation, and the few transactions in mortgages indicate no change in rates.

Gold and Foreign Exchange have exhibited little variation during the week, closing at a slight decline from last Friday's quotations. The movement in both has been moderate.

In New York sight the bank checking rate has continued steady, while commercial has been slightly irregular, closing to-day a fraction lower than last week.

Stocks remain quiet but remarkably well maintained at comparatively high rates for the season of the year, and, in fact, higher than for several years past. By glancing at the Stock Exchange quotations below it will be seen that some shares are being held near and others above their par value. The maintenance of our bank, insurance and other corporation shares at the figures they are now held is indicative of a renewal of confidence and stronger tone than has prevailed since the war.

State Consols and Premium Bonds have been less active and excited, and the former, though generally held with remarkable firmness, have been irregular and easier, closing at 85¾@86, against 86¼@86¾ last Friday, while the latter have been stronger, closing at 36⅞@36⅞, against 36⅜@36⅝ last week.

City Scrip and Half-paid City Coupons show little change from last week, while State Warrants are much higher.

We continue to quote exceptional commercial paper—@15 ₱ cent per annum discount; A1 do nominal; second grade do nominal; loans on collaterals 10@12; A1 mortgages 10@—, and second grade do nominal.

Gold opened at 102⅝@102⅞, against 102¾ at New York, and after a moderate business closed at the opening rates, against 102⅝ in that markets, where it touched 102½ during the interim. The sales summed up $31,000, embracing $10,000 at 102⅝@102¾, $5000 at 102¾, $4000 at 102⅞, and $12,000 at 103.

The sales of sterling were confined to £2000 bill of lading at 488@488½, and £8000 do at 488½@489½.

In francs we noticed sales of 335,000 commercial, embracing 85,000, 100,000 and 50,000 at —.

At the close sterling bills were quoted at 488@489 for bill of lading and A1 clear, and —@492½ for bank (bank counter rate —@493), and francs at 5.15@5.14¼ for commercial.

The movement in New York sight comprised $240,000, embracing $15,000 and $25,000 commercial, $40,000 private bankers' and $20,000 and $30,000 bank at ⅜ ₱ cent discount, $10,000 private bankers' at 11-32, and $100,000 do and bank at 5-16.

The banks continued to check on New York at ¼ ₱ cent discount, while commercial sight was still quoted at ⅜.

NEW ORLEANS STOCK EXCHANGE SALES.

BEFORE FIRST CALL.

21 shares N. O. City Railroad Co. at $139 50

BETWEEN FIRST AND SECOND CALLS.

39 shares N. O. City Railroad Co. at 140 00

SECOND CALL AT 12 M.

$32,600 State Consols	85¾
5,000 Premium Bonds	36⅞

BETWEEN SECOND AND THIRD CALLS.

20 shares Louisiana Oil Company 108 00

THIRD CALL AT 2 P. M.

5,000 Premium Bonds	36¾

CRESCENT CITY OPEN STOCK BOARD SALES.

BETWEEN SECOND AND THIRD CALLS.

10,000 State Consols	86¾
20,000 Premium Bonds	36⅞

AMERICAN AND FOREIGN COINS.

American gold	102⅝@102⅞
American silver, new issue	⅛ ₱ct dis@par
Mexican dollars, currency	95 @—96
Five-franc pieces, gold value	85 @—
Twenty-franc pieces, gold value	3 80 @—
Sovereigns, gold value	4 80 @—
Ten thaler pieces, gold value	— @ 7 80
Spanish doubloons, gold value	— @15 20
Patriot doubloons, gold value	— @15 00
Mexican doubloons, gold value	— @15 20
Mexican twenty pesos pieces	19 20 @19 25
South American gold, peso	85 @—
Prussian twenty marcs	4 60 @ 4 75
California gold	5 per c dis.
Light weight American gold	3 per c dis.
Mutilated American gold	3 per c dis.

STOCKS AND BONDS.

The following are the weekly quotations of the New Orleans Stock Exchange:

BANKS.	Bid.	Asked.
Canal, p v 100	96	97
Citizen's, p v 100	77½	80½
Citizens' Savings Bank, p v 100	—	111
Germania National, p v 100	—	117
Lafayette, p v 50	12	15
Louisiana National, p v 100	—	108
Mechanics and Traders' p v 20	9½	—
Mutual National, p v 100	88	95
New Orleans National, p v 100	80	—
Peoples,' p v 50	45	—
Southern, p v 50	38	44½
State National, p v 100	—	72
Union National, p v 100	78½	—
Workingmen's, p v 25	17½	18¼
INSURANCE COMPANIES.		
Crescent Mutual, p v 100	75½	—
Factors and Traders', p v 100	96	99
Germania, p v 100	—	60
Hibernia, p v 100	74½	—
Home p v 40	—	20½
Hope, p v 100	50	—
Lafayette, p v 70	17½	—
Merchants' Mutual, p v 100	40	44
New Orleans Ins. Ass'n, p v 30	27½	29
N. O. Ins. Company, p v 50	35	37
People's Ins. Company, p v 25	14	—
Sun Mutual, p v 100	97½	—
Teutonia, p v 100	68	—
Union, p v 100	39	40½
STREET RAILROADS.		
Carrollton, p v 100	113	—
Crescent City, p v 50	15	25
Canal and Claiborne, p v 50	—	6
New Orleans City, p v 100	139½	140½
Orleans, p v 50	23	25½
St. Charles Street, p v 50	76	78
MISCELLANEOUS STOCKS.		
Bienville Oil Works Co., p v 100	140	145
Crescent City Oil Co	115	—
Im. Bonded Warehouse, p v 100	29	—
Jeff. City Gas Light Co., p v 100	52½	65
Louisiana Ice Manufacturing Co., p v 50	9½	—
La. State Lottery Co., p v 100	—	80
Louisiana Oil Company, p v 100	112	120
Levee Steam Cotton Press, p v 100	33½	40
N. O. Gas Light Co., p v 100	103	104½
Sugar Shed Company, p v 60	65	80
STATE BONDS.		
New State Consolidated Seven Per Cents	85½	86
CITY BONDS.		
Premium issued 1875	36⅝	36⅞
Consolidated issued 1852	38½	42
MISCELLANEOUS BONDS.		
Canal and Claiborne street R. R. 1st mortgage 8 per cents	65	91
C. C. Slaughter-House 1st mortgage 8 per cents	96	—
Jackson R. R. 1st mortgage 8 per cents	102½	—
Jackson R. R. 2d mortgage coupons 8 per cents	90½	92½
Jackson R. R. 2d mortgage debt 8 per cents	75	—
Jackson R. R. Con. gold 7 per cents	27½	—
CERTIFICATES AND WARRANTS.		
City Scrip, 1874	31	33
City Scrip, 1875	45	47
City Scrip, 1876	31	33
Half paid Coupons	34	35
Legislative Warrants, 1877	93	95
POLICE CERTIFICATES.		
October, 1874	28	31
November, 1874	28	31
December, 1874	28	31
November, 1875	58	62
December, 1875	58	61
October, 1876	70	75
November, 1876	43	47
SCHOOL CERTIFICATES.		
October, 1874	26	29
November, 1874	26	29
December, 1874	26	29
October, 1875	26	29
November, 1875	26	29
December, 1875	26	29
October, 1876	53	58
November, 1876	25	30
December, 1876	25	30

COMMERCIAL.

OFFICE NEW ORLEANS DEMOCRAT, Friday Evening, Nov. 2, 1877.

COTTON—The sales to-day summed up 6850 bales at irregular and easier prices, requiring a reduction in our quotations of a partial ⅛c in some grades, and a full ⅛c in others. We give also the figures and report of the Cotton Exchange as below:

AMERICAN STANDARD OF CLASSIFICATION.

	General quotations.	Exchange quotations.
Inferior	7½@ 8	—
Low Ordinary	8½@ 8¾	—
Ordinary	9 @ 9¼	—
Strict Ordinary	9⅜@ 9½	—
Good Ordinary	9½@ 9¾	9¾
Strict Good Ordinary	9⅞@10	—
Low Middling	10 @10¼	10⅛
Strict Low Middling	10¼@10½	—
Middling	10½@10⅝	10⅝
Strict Middling	10¾@10⅞	—
Good Middling	10⅞@11⅛	11⅛
Middling Fair	11⅛@11¾	—
Fair	12 @12¼	—

The market appeared to be quiet at the opening with only a moderate inquiry, and mostly from buyers who claimed further concessions, which factors are unwilling to grant. The sales during the morning were consequently of limited extent, but later in the day parties came together more freely, and the movement became quite animated, resulting in sales to the comparatively liberal amount noted above. Prices exhibited considerable irregularity, some factors refusing to give way, and occasionally realizing previous rates, while in most cases, in view of a prospect of more liberal supplies, it was necessary to meet the demand more freely at figures in accordance with our quotations.

The sales reported included Low Middling at 10, 10 1-16, 10⅝ and 10¼c, the last for high style, Strict Low Middling at 10⅛c, Middling at 10⅜ and 10⅝, Strict Middling as low as 10 11-16, Good Middling at 10⅞ and 11, and Middling Fair at 11⅜. The dispatches reported Liverpool dull at a further decline of 1-16d in Uplands, which was quoted at 6¾d, while Orleans was still 6¾d, with sales of only 7000 bales and arrivals quiet. Manchester dull, Havre dull at a decline of 1 franc from Wednesday's quotations, and New York quiet and steady at yesterday's decline in spots, and stronger for futures, which closed at a net advance of 2-100@3-100c in Novembers and Decembers, 4-100@5-100c in Januarys to Mays, and 4-100@6-100c in Junes.

The sales of the past three days sum up 18,650 bales (6400 on Wednesday, 5400 yesterday and 6850 to-day), making an aggregate for the week of 31,300 bales, against 32,500 last week and 27,800 the week before.

Week's receipts 58,371 bales, embracing 7416 from other delivery ports (of which 4027 from Mobile and 3389 from Texas), and 50,955 proper, against 42,234 proper last week and 54,278 last year. Total proper since August 31, 163 083 bales, against 238,436 last year—decrease 75,353. The usual dispatches to the Exchange of the movement at all the ports failed.

The Exchange makes the amount on shipboard not cleared before to-day's exports 42,303 bales, embracing 14,096 for Liverpool, 14,491 for Havre, 10,014 for the North Sea, 2898 for Bremen, 130 for Spain, 416 for the Mediterranean, and 258 for coastwise ports, leaving in presses, agreeably to its account at 12 m., 68,051 bales, only a small part of which is on sale.

At noon to-day Middling was quoted at Galveston at 10⅜c, at Mobile at 10⅜c, at Savannah at 10½c, at Charleston at 10 9-16@10⅝c, at Wilmington at 10¼c, at Norfolk at 10¼@10⅜c, at Baltimore at 10¾c, at New York at 11⅛c, at Boston at —c, at Memphis at 10⅜c, at Augusta at —c, at Shreveport at 9⅞c, at Philadelphia at 11⅛c, at Cincinnati at 10⅝c, and at St. Louis at —c.

The Exchange reports, "Sales 5880 bales. Demand fair." Its quotations for Low Middling and Middling are reduced ⅛c, with no other change.

COTTON STATEMENT.

Stock on hand September 1, 1877		21,568
Arrived since last statement	7,883	
arrived previously	208,289—	216,172
		237,740
Cleared to-day	12,468	
Cleared previously	122,801—	135,269
Stock on hand and on shipboard not cleared		102,471
Stock same time last year		161,515

To-day's exports embrace 2360 bales to Liverpool 836 to Havre, 501 to Antwerp, 3244 to Bremen and 5527 to Revel. We have deducted from previous exports 204 bales for corrections of Custom-House clearances.

Receipts proper since last evening 6986 bales, against 7251 on last Friday, and 8095 last year.

For comparative totals for the past three days' exports and receipts, see above report.

The telegrams to the Exchange report the Bombay movement as follows:

	This Year. Great Britain.	This Year. Continent.	Last Year. Great Britain.	Last Year. Continent.
Shipments since Oct. 25	1,000	4,000	4,000	9,000
Previously	389,000	412,000	540,000	389,000
Totals	390,000	416,000	544,000	398,000

	1877.	1876.	1875.
Receipts week ending Nov. 1	5,000	7,000	9,000
Previously	1,010,000	1,026,000	1,214,000
Total to date	1,015,000	1,033,000	1,223,000
Afloat in Bombay harbor	2,000	4,000	9,000

Compared with last year the above shows a decrease in the shipments of 154,000 bales to Great Britain, and an increase of 18,000 to the Continent—net decrease 136,000—and a decrease in the receipts of 18,000; and compared with the year before a decrease in the shipments of 396,000, and in the receipts of 208,000.

TOBACCO—The sales to-day embraced 13 hhds, (5 and 8,) making a total for the week of 195 hhds. The amount on sale is estimated at 5200 hhds. We continue to quote as follows:

Inferior lugs 3@3¼c, low lugs 3½@3¾c medium 4@4½c, good to fine 4¾@5¼c, low leaf 5½@6½, medium 7@8c, good 9@10½, fine 11@11½c, and selections 12@12½.

TOBACCO STATEMENT.

Stock on hand September 1, 1877		8,584
Arrived past three days	6	
Arrived previously	729—	735
		9,319
Exported past three days	157	
Exported previously	3,075	
Broken up for baling, city consumption, etc	270—	3,502
Stock on hand, etc		5,817

FREIGHTS—The going rates on cotton are 15-16c for Havre and 15-32d for Liverpool. We continue to quote as follows:

By steam—Cotton to Liverpool 9-16@—d; to Revel ⅝d; to Bremen ⅝d; to Boston, Providence, Fall River, Philadelphia and Baltimore, via New York ⅝c; to New York ⅝c; grain to Liverpool 10½d.

By sail—Cotton to Liverpool 15-32d; to Havre 15-16c; to Bremen 1c; to Genoa 1c.

SUGAR—The stock under the sheds is 190 hhds, against 122 hhds last year. Received this morning 48 hhds. In the absence of receipts of desirable grades there is no movement of any consequence and the demand is moderate for the city trade. Prices are unsettled; 100 hhds sold at 6¾c for good common, 8⅜c for fully fair and 8¾@9⅛c for yellow clarified. Common is quoted at 6½c, seconds 8¾c, off whites 9c, pure whites 9⅛c ₱ lb.

MOLASSES—The stock under the sheds is 31 bbls, against 166 bbls and 62 half bbls last year. Received this morning 96 bbls. The market is dull and buyers were slow in purchasing. Prices are weak but there is no quotable change for prime, though a lot of strictly prime sold at 1c below yesterday's figures, 144 bbls sold, including part of to-day's and yesterday's late receipts, at 36c for common, 50@51c for fair, 53@55c for prime and 57c for strictly prime. The market is bare of choice; it would command 60c ₱ gallon.

FLOUR—Only 500 bbls came in this morning. The market is dull, but has shown more movement to-day in a job way at easier prices for buyers. We have heard of sales of several hundred barrels, particulars not transpired, but understood to be 25c ₱ bbl under our quotations. The reported sales to-day embrace 2770 bbls, of which 25 fine at $4 50; 25 and 100 double extra at $5 25; 50 low treble at $5 50; 100, 50, 25 and 100 good treble extra at $6; 100 choice treble at $6 45; 200 do. and 25 do. at $6 50; 100 and 100 do. at $6 62½; 65 at $6 65; 25, 25 and 50 choice extra at $6 75; 50 at $6 87½; 75 at $6 90; 25 and 50 at $7; 50 at $7; 50 fancy at $7 12½; 30 do. at $7 20; 25 at $7 25; 25 and 75 at $7 50; 500, 100, 300 and 400 bbls on private terms. Mail and wire advices to-day are very strong on Flour, and report a scarcity of wheat on sale, it having been bought up by speculators.

Common is quoted at $4; fine $4 50; superfine $5; double extra $5 25; low treble extra $5 50@5 75; good do $6@6 25; choice do $6 50@6 75; choice extra $6 75@7; fancy $7@7 25 ₱ bbl. A lot of 600 bbls was taken for export on private terms.

Dealers and grocers obtain 50c above these prices.

HOMINY—Scarce, and commands $3 87½@4 ₱ bbl.

CREAM AND PEARL MEAL—Is selling in lots on the landing at $3 25@3 50 ₱ bbl. It is jobbing in store at $3 75 ₱ bbl.

CORN MEAL—None received this morning, and the stock on hand is small, but the market is dull, though a little better to-day. Only 50 bbls sold at $2 60; 50 at $2 62½ and 25 and 100 at $2 65 ₱ bbl. Dealers are jobbing at $2 90 ₱ bbl.

PROVISIONS—A fair extent of business is doing in the job or order trade, but in a round way there is little or no demand, buyers holding off to await the influence of the opening of the regular packing season in the West.

PORK—Is dull, and 25c ₱ bbl lower to-day, and quoted at $14 75 ₱ bbl for mess. Dealers are jobbing at $15 50@16 ₱ bbl. 100 bbls mess sold on private terms, and 20 at $15 ₱ bbl.

DRY SALT MEAT—Is more unsettled to-day, under better supplies, and prices are ⅛c lower on shoulders. They are offering at 7c, boxed, without sales. Dealers are jobbing shoulders at 7¾c, clear rib sides 8¾c, clear sides 9c ₱ lb.

BACON—The stock is small and sides are scarce, but the demand is only in a job way in the order trade. Shoulders are quoted in first hands at 7⅞c; clear rib sides 9⅝c; clear sides 10⅛@10¼c ₱ lb. Only 10 casks clear rib sides sold at 9⅝c, and 32 boxes shoulders at 7⅞c ₱ lb. Dealers are jobbing shoulders at 8⅛c; clear rib sides 9¾c; clear sides 10½c ₱ lb.

HAMS—Choice sugar-cured, small size, desirable for the Cuban market, are in demand at 14½@14¾c ₱ lb., and we hear of sales of 50 tierces spot and 100 to arrive at these prices. Large size and medium average are quoted at 13@14c ₱ lb. Plain canvased and uncanvased 11½@12c ₱ lb. Dealers are jobbing at 1c above these prices.

BREAKFAST BACON—Is quoted at 9½@10c as in cut, size and quality, with sales at these prices. Dealers are jobbing at 1c above these prices. New York breakfast bacon is dull at 14½c ₱ lb.

LARD—Tierce is selling from first hands at 9@9⅛c for packers' and refined, keg at 9¾c and pail at 10½@11c ₱ lb. Dealers obtain ½c above these prices in their order trade. Some small lots of 5 and 10 tierces prime steam sold at 9¼c ₱ lb.

PACKERS' HOG PRODUCTS—Dealers are selling on orders in the job trade at $8 ₱ half bbl for pig pork, $12 50@13 ₱ bbl for prime mess pork, $10 for prime pork, and $11 50 for rump pork. Pickled pigs' feet are selling at $1 65 ₱ keg. Ham sausages are dull and quoted at 8½c ₱ lb. Family pork is jobbing at $13 50 ₱ bbl. Pickled pigs' tongues are quoted at 8c apiece. Pickled hands are offering at $10@11 ₱ tierce; fat $10@11 ₱ tierce, and jowls at $16 ₱ tierce. No spare ribs on hand.

CORN IN BULK—The market is bare of supplies on the spot, and all the supplies on the way have been taken up to arrive. The demand is for Great Britain and for the Continent (and in sacks for Cuba). The supplies are insufficient and the movement is retarded by the lack of ample river transportation. The market is strong at 55@56c ₱ bushel, spot and to arrive. Letters from Kansas say the disposition is to ship to this market in consequence of high rail freights North.

RYE—No. 2 is offered at 70c to arrive the latter part of the month, St. Louis inspection. Some round lots on the way here were taken up for export, and some is offering for future delivery.

CORN IN SACKS—The market is well supplied with yellow and mixed, while there is scarcely any white, and prices for it are well maintained. The demand for yellow and mixed is moderate. 1400 sacks sold, of which 600 and 500 choice yellow at 56c; 150 do at 57c, and 150 white at 62c ₱ bushel.

OATS—Large stocks offering, but there are orders in the market only for job lots and previous prices are asked. 450 sacks sold, of which 150 St. Louis at 36c, and 300 choice Galena at 37c ₱ bushel.

BRAN—The supply on the landing is held by one receiver and the demand is moderate, selling mostly in job lots. Only 75 sacks sold at 95c ₱ 100 lb.

HAY—On account of small receipts of choice and a continued good demand for it, the supply is about exhausted. Other grades are in ample supply, but neglected. Prime is quoted at $15; choice $16 50@17 ₱ ton; 60 bales choice sold at $16, and 100 do at $17 ₱ ton.

RICE—Trade has slackened and buyers are endeavoring to negotiate at lower prices, but holders will not accept their offers. We quote:

Rough, ₱ bbl	$4 50 @4 75
Louisiana clean, No. 2, ₱ lb	3¾@ 3⅞
Common	5 @ 5⅛
Ordinary	— @ 5⅛
Fair	5⅝@ 5¾
Good	— @ 6
Prime	6⅛@ 6¼

COFFEE—The market was extremely dull until to-day, when buyers became more desirous to purchasers, and 600 bags ex Lallande sold on private terms. We quote:

	Cargoes.	Job Lots.
Ordinary, gold	16½@16¾	16¾@17¼
Fair	18½@—	18¾@19
Good	19¼@19½	19¾@20
Prime	19¾@20	20¼@20½

BUTTER—Stocks on hand and receipts are large with a limited demand. As the month begins with cooler weather the demand will probably increase. We quote: New York creamery 30@31c; fine State 27@28c; prime State 24@25c; fair State 20@22c; Western fruit-house, strictly fine, 20@22c; good fruit-house 17@18c; good repacked 15@16c; medium repacked 13@14c, low grades 10@12c ₱ lb.

CHEESE—There is plenty offering and very little doing. We quote: Choice Western factory 13c; good do 12½@12¾c; skims 10@11c; English dairy 15@16c; New York cream 15@16c ₱ lb.

BAGGING—Large stocks and the market is quiet. Job lots are quoted at 12⅜@12¾c; round lots 22½c ₱ yard.

SALT—Demand improving, with a fair stock in dealers' hands. Since our last report there has been several cargoes arrived and sold. We quote cargo prices: 70@75c ₱ sack for all coarse afloat. Dealers' rates from warehouse 70@75c ₱ sack for coarse, 95@1 for fine. Turks' Island is neglected and nominal; 80@90c ₱ bag of two bushels. Table salt in pockets 1¾@7½c each, as in size.

RECEIPTS OF PRODUCE—Arrived since our review of yesterday: 500 bbls flour, 2 bbls whisky, 17 tierces hams, 50 tierces lard, 253 boxes bacon, 132 sacks oats, 78 bales hay, 48 hhds sugar, 96 bbls molasses, 15 bbls apples, 69,875 lb meat, 140 bbls onions and 327 bbls rice.

EXPORTS OF PRODUCE—Exports since our review of yesterday: 289 bbls flour, 6 bbls pork, 37 casks bacon, 9 tierces lard, 23 bbls whisky, 11 bbls corn meal, 28 sacks corn, 185 sacks oats, 9 sacks bran 15 bales hay, 20 hhds sugar, 56 bbls sugar, 52 bbls molasses, 394 bbls rice, 372 sacks coffee, 50 bbls apples, 56 kegs butter, 8 bbls onions, 9 bbls potatoes and 231 sacks salt.

RIVER NEWS.

OFFICE NEW ORLEANS DEMOCRAT, Saturday, Nov. 3, 1877.

Daily report of the stage of water, with changes in the twenty-four hours ending yesterday at 3 p. m.:

	Above low water. Feet.	Inches.	Change. Rise. Inches.	Fall. Inches.
Cairo	11	0	0	4
Cincinnati	7	7	0	6
Little Rock	10	0	20	0
Louisville	5	0	0	2
Memphis	8	6	3	0
*New Orleans	12	11	0	3
Pittsburg	2	1	0	1
Shreveport	18	4	11	0
St. Louis	11	4	0	5

*Below high water mark of 1874.

NELSON GOROM, Sergeant Signal Service, U. S. A.

Arrivals.

Eva, Blue Wing No. 3, John G. Fletcher, Bertha, Natchez, John W. Garrett and barges, Danube, Belle Albert, Alvin.

Departures.

Isabel, J. H. Hanna, Gov. Allen, Willie, Tensas, Stella Block, James Howard, Eva.

To Arrive.

Eva, Isabel, Martha, lower coast; Henry Tete, Mary Ida, upper coast; Lotus No. 4, Ohio river; Gov. Allen, Ouachita Belle, Bayou Sara; W. J. Behan, C. H. Durfee, Red river; Commonwealth, St. Louis; John Wilson, Ouachita; J. H. Hanna, Baton Rouge.

Cloudy and cool yesterday. Business very fair.

The Natchez arrived yesterday noon with 4012 bales cotton and 4061 sacks seed. She leaves again to-day on time.

The Danube, Lotus No. 4 and Commonwealth had not arrived when we left the landing, though they were hourly looked for. The Commonwealth is announced to leave for St. Louis to-day.

The J. G. Fletcher arrived from Bayou Teche and will lay up. Capt. Hennigen not being satisfied with the prospects of a return trip.

Nothing further from the Gleanoe yesterday.

The C. H. Durfee leaves for Grand Ecore to-day, the Bart Able not being ready. Capt. Sinnott, who arrived yesterday, has a special notice to that effect in another column.

The St. John, for Baton Rouge and the coast, leaves next Wednesday.

The Ouachita Belle for the coast to Bayou Sara to-day. She goes sure.

The new and elegant John Wilson for the Ouachita to-day, as far as Ouachita City.

The fleet Katie will arrive to-morrow, and leave Monday for Vicksburg and the bends to Arkapolis.

Capts. Kenison, Trousdale and Broad have formed a tri-weekly line to the Atchafalaya, to be composed of the steamers Lessie Taylor, Big Sunflower and Bertha, to leave as follows: The Taylor Tuesdays, Sunflower Thursdays and Bertha Saturdays, continuing regulary on these days throughout the season. The Bertha leaves to-day and the Taylor next Tuesday. The Taylor has just been extensively repaired, and her legion of friends in the Opelousas country will find her the same elegant passenger steamer as of yore. Capt. M. Kenison will command the Taylor, with those two well-known gentlemen, Capt. Eug. Quatrevaux and J. B. Schmidt, in the office.

Jack Slaymaker went out in charge of the Stella Block. Capt. Gabe Block goes up on the Wilson to-day.

Capt. George Wilkinson will open the season in the Lake Bistenau trade by starting the W. J. Behan there Tuesday next.

The Frank Wilard arrived at Shreveport Monday with a full load of cotton from upper Red river.

The new Golden Crown, one of the finest boats afloat, leaves for the Ohio to-day. Built expressly for the trade, we commend her to shippers for being a staunch and reliable boat, and to passengers for the attention they will receive from her officers, for her elegant and very comfortable cabin accommodations, and her cuisine, which is under the direction of the experienced Jos. Dodson, late steward of the Charles Morgan.

The Golden City will be the next arrival from the Ohio, followed by the Clara S. Donnally and Shannon, all en route.

Lon MacFarlin is Charlie Arthur's assistant on the Shannon.

The Warner and barges left yesterday.

There are rumors of a compromise among the Lower Coast packets, which, if effected, will change the present movements of those boats considerably.

We doubt if a better boat than the Maria Louise was ever built. She came to the landing yesterday, looking for all the world as she did the first day she landed here, both inside and out. In connection with steam boating there are two things that Capt. Brinker certainly knows—how to build a good steamboat, and how to take care of one.

The steamer John W. Garrett with two barges, from Cairo, arrived last evening. Her cargo consisted of 12,303 packages of freight, part of which was 1700 sacks oil cake, 4366 sacks oats, 1080 sacks bran and 2582 bbls meal.

The steamer Danube, from Shreveport, arrived on time last evening with a fine trip, say 823 bales cotton, 236 head cattle, 200 sacks oil cake, 58 sacks wool, 50 bbls oil and sundries.

After the Commonwealth, the H. C. Yaeger will be the next arrival from St. Louis.

The St. Francis Belle leaves daily at 7:30 a. m. from Bienville street for Westwego, running in connection with the New Orleans and Texas Railroad to Donaldsonville.

The M. L. upper coast daily line packet Mary Ida, J. A. Ruiz in command, leaves to-day at 10 a. m. going as high as Ben Turcaud's.

The lower coast packet Alvin, W. T. Scovell master, Henry Kouns and John Estopinal cl