Commercial and Financial Matters.

The brig Anna Maria, from Rio de Janeiro, arrived here yesterday with 4368 bags of coffee.

The bark John Shepard cleared yesterday for New York with a cargo exclusively consisting of molasses—3313 barrels.

The steamboat Port Eads arrived here last night with 88,729 bushels of bulk corn, 550 bbls of flour, 1419 sacks of corn, 947 sacks oats, 998 bales hay and 505 packages of lard.

The importation of fruit continues to be large. Yesterday three vessels arrived here from the West Indies ports, with cargoes aggregating 5550 bunches of bananas, 12,800 cocoanuts and 11,000 bunches of plantains, with 50,000 oranges.

State Consols were weak at 51¾@52, against 51⅞@52⅜, ex coupon, on Saturday. Premium Bonds closed steady at 25⅜@25½, against 25@25⅛ on Saturday. The sales at the Stock Exchange footed up $68,000 of Consols and $44,000 of Premiums. On the street the sales amounted to $50,000 of Premiums at 25⅛@25⅜, and $50,000 of Consols at 51¾@52¼.

Messrs. Marks & Co. and Small & Co. favor us with the following telegram from Rio:

RIO DE JANEIRO, February 24, 1879.

	Bags.
Receipts coffee since preceding Saturday	80,000
Purchases for Europe same time	35,000
Purchases for United States same time	40,000
Price of P.G.F. or good average cargoes	8$500
Stock	50,000
Exchange	20⅞
Average daily receipts	11,400

The steamship Commander cleared yesterday with, besides 3672 bales of cotton, 17,001 bushels of bulk corn; and the bark Cerere, for Naples, with 33,869 bushels of bulk corn; and the bark Aspatogon, for Dunkirk, 51,428 bushels of corn in bulk, making the exportation in one day to amount to 112,399 bushels, all of which shows the facility and celerity with which one can send grain forward to Europe so fast as our Western friends chose to crowd us with it.

The Alabama Legislature, before adjourning, authorized the substitution of 6 per cent for the falling due 8 per cent State bonds. This will reduce the interest fund very considerably, as it is believed the sixes can be readily sold at par. An effort to reduce the tax rate of the State was beaten by one vote. A board of tax commissioners was appointed, with power to reduce the tax rate if, after all the assessments are in, it shall be found possible to do so. The chances are that a reduction will be made.

The bill to increase the pay of letter-carriers, which has passed both branches of ongress, provides that there shall be three asses of carriers, to be called first-class, cond-class, and auxiliary carriers. In cities f over 75,000 population first-class carriers hall receive $1000, the second-class $800, and uxiliaries $400. In cities of less than 75,000 here shall be one class, who shall receive 50. Appointments of carriers shall be made the class having the minimum rate of pay, d promotions from lower grades shall be ade to higher grades to fill vacancies, after e or more years' service, on a certificate of e postmaster to the efficiency and faithfulss of the candidate, but the number of carers in the first-class shall not be more than o-thirds of the whole number of carriers tually in service in the city in which they e employed.

The rules of the London Stock Exchange rohibit its members from advertising for usiness purposes, but, as a set-off to this, d in order that the public may know who e and who are not connected with it, the mmittee for general purposes of the Stock xchange publishes in the papers yearly, if t oftener, a list of those who possess the ght of membership. A list of this kind has ently been published, which goes to prove at the occupation of a stock broker has atctions which have drawn toward it reprentatives of some of the best English famis. Although the list dces not include the me of any peer, it does that of several who e peer's sons, and there is also in it a rinkling of baronets. But beyond the titled mbers there are a number of names which e associated in the mind with families that uld not obscure their patronymic with a e, and though a name may be shared by ers, and may, in this sense, be misleading, l certain combinations of given and deed terms lead one to believe that the Lonn Stock Exchange includes within its walls se who belong to the highest social class in e kingdom. The Exchange has at present rly 1000 members.

he good people of the California coast e always been fastidious in regard to the ey they handle. Till the present year greenbacks have been excluded from eral circulation, being bought and sold as on that side of the mountains. Lately ent silver coins have become so scarce it has been difficult to make change for thing less than a dime. As to pennies, the most ragged hoodlum would scorn ouch them. In the emergency the nickel ns to make its appearance on the streets, nearly all the papers are down on it. unciation and ridicule are heaped upon it out stint; but the *Call* takes this sensiview of the subject: "Our people must r overcome their aversion to the nickel cent piece, or consent to get along with a ity of that denomination of coin. They so accustomed to the handling of gold silver that the introduction of any base al as a medium of circulation strikes m as an offensive innovation. But this is judice. Five-cent pieces are not likely ccumulate to a large amount in any of branches of trade. If they do, the subsurer stands ready to redeem them in nbacks; and if there should be a slight eciation the difference will probably at time be greater than the premium now for silver five-cent pieces. It seems we make up our minds to the inevitable. to be the nickel or nothing."

e Chicago Commercial Bulletin gives ads from 105 principal pork packing points. m this we take the following extracts:

e packing of the West for the season will d that of last year in number about hogs. The number of hogs packed to is reported at 6,555,150, and the total estis for the season, 6,910,658. The total ing at these points last year, was 6,001,- giving an increase of 908,928 hogs for this on. The points from which we have no ns this year packed 503,716 hogs last . The increase at interior points (exclue of the new points) is about 10 per cent, making the same allowance for the ts not reported, would give them a total ing for this season of 554,087 hogs, which, d to the estimates for the 105 points, d give a total packing to the West for eason of 7,464,745 hogs. marked falling off in the average weights ted, and the impression prevails that the returns—when all the large cities have ed in detail—will show an average rem of ten pounds. This will make a marked difference in the aggregate production of product—equal to 300,000 hogs of last year's weight, and making the packing equal to 7,135,000 hogs of last year's average weight, or an increase of about 630,000 hogs of the quality of last year. The decrease is more marked at interior points than at the large packing centres. In regard to the yield of lard, it is almost impossible to make any calculation. The interior points generally report a reduction in the yield, yet in very many cases it is not in proportion to the falling off in the average weight. It is well known that packers in Chicago, Milwaukee, St. Louis and some other points have tanked an unusual number of sides, and the reports from these points may materially change the aspect presented by returns from the interior. The general impression is, however, that the aggregate returns will show a very little difference in the yield as compared with last year.

From the returns received it will be observed that the stocks on hand, with the exception of lard, are not unusually heavy, when the increase in the packing is taken into consideration. The total amount of product on hand at points which packed 6,083,000 hogs is about 490,000,000 pounds—equal to the product of about 2,575,000 hogs—showing that packers at these points have been able to dispose of about 660,000,000 pounds of product, or considerably more than they now have on hand. On the basis of the above caculation, it may be inferred that about 7,100,000 hogs have been packed to date in the West, making about 1,350,000,000 pounds of product, and, should the disposal of it have been at the above proportion, the total stock of hog products on hand in the West would not exceed at the present time 570,000,000 pounds. Of this, the mess pork and hams would have to be sold in our own markets, and possibly one-half the shoulders and sides would be needed to supply the wants of the domestic trade. What proportion of the lard will be needed for export is difficult to approximate, but it is evident, under the circumstances, that the amount of suitable meats on hand for export does not exceed 150,000,000 pounds—not in excess of the ordinary shipments for two months. The probabilities are that the increase in the foreign shipments from November 1 to March 1 will be nearly sufficient to offset the increase in the packing of 630,000 hogs of last year's weight, and that the stocks of all kinds of product on hand in the West at the close of the winter packing season will not exceed that of last year at the same date. The increase in the amount of product manufactured in the West during the season will be about 125,000,000 pounds, and the increase in the foreign exports since November 1 is about 96,000,000 pounds.

ALABAMA STATE BONDS.—The bonds of the State of Alabama have again been placed upon the regular list of securities at the New York Stock Exchange.

Under the terms of adjustment, the State has issued in lieu of her old debt, direct and contingent, the following description of bonds:

Bonds designated class A, not to exceed in the aggregate the sum of $7,000,000, in sums of $1000, $500 and $100, dated July 1, 1876, payable thirty years after date, bearing interest payable January 1 and July 1, at the rate of 2 per cent per annum for the first five years; 3 per cent for the second five years; 4 per cent for the next succeeding ten years; and thereafter 5 per cent till maturity. (Renewable at the pleasure of the State with interest at 5 per cent.) $1000, No. 1 to 5771; $5000, No. 6001 to 6643; $100, No. 8001 to 8525.

Bonds designated Class B, not to exceed $596,000, in sums of $1000, No. 1 to 514, same date and maturity, bearing interest payable January 1 and July 1, at the rate of 5 per cent per annum (renewable at same rate).

Bonds designated Class C, not to exceed $1,000,000, $1000, No. 1 to 459, dated January 1, 1876, thirty years, bearing interest payable January 1 and July 1, at the rate of 2 per cent per annum for the first five years and 4 per cent per annum thereafter (renewable at 5 per cent).

The debt of this State, including indorsements, was in 1876 about $23,000,000. For a portion of this (about $7,000,000) the act authorizes the issue of new bonds, class A, most of it dollar for dollar at a reduced rate of interest, ignoring the past due unpaid interest. For another portion ($1,192,000) new bonds, class B, are offered at one-half ($596,000.) For $5,300,000, indorsement of Alabama and Chattanooga Railroad bonds, new bonds, class C, for $1,000,000, are offered. For $2,000,000, issued to Alabama and Chattanooga Railroad, the State's lien on the lands of the railroad company are offered in settlement. Another portion of the old debt, $1,000,000, are receivable for taxes. For the remaining $6,000,000 and over no provision is made.—[Mobile Register, twenty-first instant.

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Admission to the Academy ball $2. Dancing commences at 9 p. m.

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St. Patrick's Hall will be the scene of much pleasure to-night. The Y. M. B. A. are never behind in anything they do.

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FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

MONETARY.

OFFICE NEW ORLEANS DEMOCRAT,
Monday Evening, February 24, 1879.

NEW ORLEANS CLEARING-HOUSE.

	Clearings.	Balances.
February 22	(Holiday.)	
February 24	$1,957,784 10	$245,077 33

We quote exceptional paper 6@7 ₱ cent; A1 do 7@—; second grade do —@—; loans on collaterals 6@8; A1 mortgage paper 8@—; second grade do —@— ₱ cent per annum.

Mexican dollars are now quoted at 84@85 and trade dollars at 90@95c. Halves and quarters (American) are quoted at 99@99½.

The sales of Foreign Exchange were small and rates are easier. Bank sterling rules at 4.85, and bill of lading and clear bills at 482@483.

French bills are weak and quiet. We quote bank francs —; commercial 5.22½@5.21⅞.

Bank sight bills opened easy and closed the same at par; commercial is quoted ⅛ ₱ cent discount.

State Consols weak at 51¾@52 ex-coupon.

Premium Bonds closed steady at 25⅜@25½.

Stocks are firm.

The sales on the street aggregated $50,000 Premiums at 25⅛@25⅜, and $50,000 States at 51¾@52½.

NOTE—On Friday last, at third call of the Stock Exchange, there was reported from the same a sale of 500 shares of Waterworks Company's stock at 25c; it should have been 500 shares of Louisiana Levee Company's stock, preferred, at 25c.

NEW ORLEANS STOCK EXCHANGE SALES.

FIRST CALL—10 A. M.

States 52@53; Premiums 25¼@25½.

INTERMEDIATE CALL—11 A. M.

States 52@52⅞; Premiums 25¼@25⅜.

SECOND CALL—12 M.

$5,000 State Consols	53
$10,000 State Consols	52¼
23,000 State Consols (S. 90)	52½
20,000 Premium Bonds	25⅜
2,000 Shares City Consolided (Crossman)	28½

States 52@52½; Premiums 25¼@25½.

INTERMEDIATE CALL—1 P. M.

$10,000 State Consols	52¼
5,000 State Consols	52⅛
5,000 State Consols (S. 30)	52

States 51¾@52⅛; Premiums 25⅜@25⅝.

THIRD CALL—2 P. M.

$20,000 Premium Bonds	25½
4,000 Premium Bonds	25⅜

States 51¾@52¼; Premiums 25¼@25½.

Exchange adjourned till Wednesday, Feb. 26, 10 a. m.

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COMMERCIAL.

OFFICE OF NEW ORLEANS DEMOCRAT,
Monday Evening, February 24, 1879.

COTTON—The market ruled quiet throughout the day, but a steady feeling prevailed in prices, with sales of 3500 bales.

The following is the closing of the Cotton Exchange:

	To-day.	Saturday.
Low Ordinary	8	8
Ordinary	8⅜	8⅜
Good Ordinary	8¾	8⅝
Low Middling	9	8⅞
Middling	9¼	9¼
Good Middling	10	10
Middling Fair	10⅞	10⅝

Sales to-day 3500 bales. Market steady.

LOCAL MOVEMENT.

	This Year	Last Year
Receipts since noon Saturday	15,391	10,488
Receipts same time last week	15,841	14,527
Receipts thus far this week	18,323	16,533
Receipts thus far last week	20,749	17,684
Receipts since September 1	967,295	1,136,433
Stock on hand	359,734	373,291
Exports to-day—		
To Great Britain	14,380	5,961
To France	....	8,097
To other continental ports	....	1,605
To coastwise ports	....	....

NET RECEIPTS AT UNITED STATES PORTS.

For three days this week	4,774
Same time last week	50,211
Same time last year	37,525
Receipts since September	....
Receipts same time last year	....

STOCKS AT UNITED STATES PORTS.

This day	....
Same time last week	826 272
Same time last year	885,228

The movement at ports from 12 m. Friday up to 12 m. to-day is given below:

	Received since Friday.	Same time last week.	Same time last year.
New Orleans	18,323	20,749	16,553
Galveston	7,073	8,076	3,430
Mobile	3,960	3,364	4,521
Savannah	2,508	5,496	3,919
Charleston	2,148	3,591	1,992
Wilmington	763	1,023	1,007
Norfolk	2,490	4,251	2,098
Baltimore	...	127	23
New York	1,647	1,592	2,865
Boston	2,176	1,571	923
Philadelphia	386	371	214
Various	....	....	....
Total	41,774	50,211	37,525

FUTURES.

The position of the market at New York may be seen from the following:

Middling.	Latest to-day.	Closing Saturday.
January	....	....
February	9.78	
March	9.78@ 9.79	
April	9.98	
May	10.08	
June	10.22	
July	10.32@10.33	Holiday.
August	10.41@10.42	
September	10.26@10.28	
October	10.03@10.05	
November	9.89@ 9.93	
December	....	

Tone of the market quiet and steady. Sales 36,000 bales.

OCEAN FREIGHTS FROM NEW ORLEANS.

Cotton.	Steam.	Sail.
Liverpool	⅜d asked.	5-16d
Havre	7-16c	⅝c
Bremen	7-16d	⅝c
Antwerp	⅞c	....d
Hamburg	....	⅝c
Rotterdam	....	⅞c
Revel and Cronstadt	....	⅞c
Genoa	½c	⅝c
New York	⅝c	....
Boston, Providence, Fall River and Philadelphia	⅝c via N. York	..

SUGAR—The demand for the local trade and shipment is good and prices are firm. We quote:

Inferior	3 @4 c
Common	4⅜@4⅝c
Good Common	5@5⅛c
Fair	—@5¼c
Good Fair	—@5½c
Fully Fair	—@5⅝c
Prime	—@5¾c
Strictly Prime	5⅞@6 c
Choice	6 @6⅛c
Seconds	5 @6¼c
Yellow Clarified	6⅞@7⅛c
Gray Clarified	6⅞@7⅜c
Off Whites	7½@7¾c
Choice Whites	8 @ —c

MOLASSES—Is strong and active. We quote:

Common per gallon	20@22c
Fair	24@25c
Centrifugal	20@26c
Prime	26@28c
Strictly Prime	29@31c
Choice	—@33c

COFFEE—Demand moderate and market steady, with an ample supply in dealers' hands.

QUOTATIONS FOR GOLD.

	Cargoes.	Job Lots.
Prime	16 @16¼	16½@16¾
Good	15 @15¼	15½@15¾
Fair	14 @14⅛	14½@14¾
Ordinary	11 @11¼	11½@11¾
Extreme range		8¼@17½

TOBACCO—Quiet. Stock on sale 750 hhds:

QUOTATIONS.

Low lugs	2¼@ 2
Medium	2½@ 3
Good to fine	3½@ 3¾
Low leaf	4 @ 5
Medium	5 @ 6½
Good	7 @ 7½
Fine	7½@ 8
Selections	10 @11

FLOUR—The only feature in the trade to-day of interest was the demand for export grades for the Havana trade. Including 500 bbls for Cuba, the business of the day covered 1400 bbls. as follows: 500 bbls. for export: 67 at $2 75; 100 and 120 at $3 90; 100 at $4 25; 50 at $4 70; 50 and 100 at $4 75; 100 at $4 85; 25 and 70 at $5; 25 at $5 25; 25 at $5 50; 50 at $5 75.

We quote: Fancy extras $5 62½@5 75; choice extras $5 25@5 50; treble extras $4 25@5; double extras $4; family $5@5 12½; single extras $3 75; superfine $3 50; common $2 75@3 ⅌ bbl. Dealers in their trade obtain an advance of 50c ⅌ bbl on these prices.

CORN MEAL—Firmer, with occasional sales at an advance. We quote lots on the landing at $2 10@2 20 for good to choice Western. Dealers obtain higher prices. Sales—25 and 75 bbls at $2 15; 50 at $2 20.

RYE FLOUR—Steady: $3 75@4 25.

HOMINY—$2 70@2 75, wholesale; $3 jobbing, ⅌ bbl.

GRITS—Ex landing, $2 90@3.

DRY SALT MEATS—Are generally held at an advance of ⅛c on Saturday's prices for shoulders, sides remaining dull and unchanged. We quote: Shoulders 3¾@3⅞c for loose and 4c for packed; clear rib sides 5⅜@5½c. Dealers obtain the usual advance on these prices. Sales—20 casks shoulders spot and 50 boxes do to arrive at 4c ⅌ lb.

PORK—Higher prices at the West are reported. Here the market is firmer, and holders generally ask an advance of 12½@25c on the rates current last Saturday. We quote $9 62½@9 75 for old, and $11@11 25 for new mess, dealers obtaining the usual advance on these prices.

BACON—The market showed considerable animation to-day, and values ruled with an upward tendency. The early sales were at old rates, but at the close holders claimed an improvement of ⅛c on sides. Old shoulders are still dull and easy at 3¼@3⅜c. New meats are firmer on sides and are quoted: Clear rib sides 6c, clear sides 6⅛@6¼c. Dealers obtain higher prices. Sales—10 boxes, 11 casks and 10 half casks clear rib sides at 5⅞c; 10 casks clear rib sides at 6⅛c.

HAMS—Choice qualities are strongly held at an advance of ⅛@¼c. We quote choice canvased at 8¼@9½c, as in size and quality; uncanvased goods are quoted at 6@7½c. Dealers obtain an advance of ½c on these prices for small lots. Sales—25 tierces at 9½c.

BREAKFAST BACON—Supply ample, demand light, and market dull and easy for choice goods at 5@7c; dealers are charging 7@8c for small lots.

LARD—The trade is apparently well supplied, and the movement is therefore light. We quote tierces 6¾@7¼c for refined, and 6¼@6¾c for packers' steam. Dealers' rates are ¼c higher.

PACKERS' HOG PRODUCTS—Dealers are selling on orders in the job trade at $6 ⅌ half bbl for pig pork; $9 for rump pork; $8@8 25 for prime pork; $9@9 25 for prime mess; $10 for family clear pork; pigs' feet $1 25 for kegs, $2 25 for firkins and $4 75 for bbls; pig tongues 3½c; spare ribs $6@ 6 25 for 300 lb tierces and $4 for bbls; side ribs $8 for 300 lb tierces and $5 for bbls.

CORN—Is in fair supply and moderate demand. White 44c, yellow 45@46c, mixed 43c ⅌ bushel. Sales—700 white, 44c; 300 white mixed, 43½c, and 200 yellow 45c ⅌ bushel.

OATS—Stock fair and prices firm at 34@35c ⅌ bushel. Sales—150 at 35c bushel.

BRAN—Stock fair and market quiet at 67½@70c.

HAY—Is in fair supply and prices are steady. Choice $17@18, prime $14@15 ⅌ ton.

WHISKY—Market quiet and easy. We quote choice Cincinnati $1 08@1 10, fair to good Western $1 07@1 08, Louisiana $1 05@1 07.

POTATOES—Supply large and market firm at $2@2 25 ⅌ bbl.

ONIONS—Light supply and firm at $3@3 50 ⅌ bbl.

CABBAGES—Firm at $3 25 ⅌ box.

APPLES—The supply is light and prices rule steady at $1 50@2 75 ⅌ bbl.

BUTTER—The market is over stocked and prices easy. New York creamery fine 24@25c, New York dairy fine 22@23c, New York dairy good 16@17c, Western fine 14@15c, Western dairy 15@16c ⅌ lb.

CHEESE—Steady. New York cream 8¾@9½c. Western cream 8@9c ⅌ lb. Western reserve factory 7@7½c.

STARCH—In fair demand at 3c in lots.

POULTRY—Old chickens $4; young $2 50; ducks $3; geese $4@5; turkeys $18@22 ⅌ dozen.

EGGS—Western 11@13c; Louisiana 12@15c ⅌ dozen.

RICE—Firm. Prime 6⅛c, good 6⅜@6¼c, fair 5⅞@6c, ordinary 5⅝@5¾c, common 5⅜@5½c, and No. 2 3¾@4c ⅌ lb.

SALT—We are under obligations to Messrs. Jackson & Manson for the following report of the market:

Fair demand. Imports heavy. Stock increasing. One cargo just arrived and sold to a dealer on private terms. We quote dealers' rates from warehouses at 92½@95c for coarse and $1 45@1 50 for fine. Turks' Island quiet and dull; quoted nominally 25@30c ⅌ bushel. Table salt in pockets 1¾@7c each, as in size.

FISH—From Messrs. C. H. Lawrence & Co. we get the following quotations:

	Barrels.	Halves.	Quarters.	Kitts.
Mackerel—				
No. 1	$10 50	$5 50	$2 75	$1 10
No. 2	6 00	3 25	2 00	85
No. 3 medium	4 00	2 50	1 50	75
No. 3 small	3 50	2 00	1 25	60

Scaled Herrings ⅌ box	32 @ —
No. 1 Herring ⅌ box	28 @ —
Codfish, quarter-boxes	1 00 @ —
Codfish, quarter-drum	5 @ —
Codfish, boneless, ⅌ box	4½@ —
Haddock, boneless, ⅌ box	3¾@ —
Haddock, quarter-boxes	90 @ —
Haddock, quarter-drum	4 @ —
Salmon, bbls	15 00 @ —
Salmon, half-bbls	7 50 @ —
Portland Herrings, bbls	6 00 @ —
Portland Herrings, half-bbls	3 50 @ —

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

By Atlantic and Pacific Telegraph Company.

Domestic.

CHICAGO, Feb 24, 9:25 a. m.—Dry salt meats—3.70, 5.15, 5.30. Pork—$10 30@10 37½ March, $10 50 April.

Union Stock Yards, 10 a. m.—Estimated receipts of hogs for forty-eight hours 13,000; official Saturday 8540; official shipments 7293; light grades $3 90@3 95, heavy $3 70@4 30 common to choice. Cattle—Estimated receipts 2000; market steady.

Closing—Wheat—93, February nominal, 93¾ bid March, 94¼ bid April. Corn—33⅛ bid March, 33⅝ bid April, 37⅝ June. Oats—22⅞ March, 23⅛ bid April, 25¾ May. Pork—$10 35 bid March, $10 50 asked April, $10 65 asked May, Lard—6.87½ bid March, 6.95 bid April, 7.05 asked May.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 24.—Wheat $1 01⅛ March bid, $1 02¾ April, $1 04 May. Corn 32⅞ March, 33½ April, 34¾ May, 35 June.

1:10 p. m.—Wheat $1 01⅛ March, $1 02¾ April, $1 03⅞ May. Corn 32⅝ March, 33⅞ April, 34⅛ May bid, 34¾ June.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24, 12:40 p. m.—Wheat—Spring $1 05@1 07, winter $1@1 13½. Corn—46¼, 43@44½. Pork—$9@10 75. Lard 7.12½. Coffee quiet. Refined sugar steady and in fair demand.

Foreign.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 24, 12:15 p. m.—Cotton—Fair business at previous prices; Middling Uplands 5⅝d, Middling Orleans 5¾d; sales 8000 bales, of which 1000 are for export and speculation.

Only strangers can get tickets to the grand fancy ball of the Y. M. B. A., at Grunewald Hall to-day.

WEATHER BULLETIN.

WAR DEPARTMENT,
Signal Service, United States Army.

Daily meteorological record for the eight hours ending at 3:43 p. m., Monday, February 24.

Observations taken at the same moment of time at all stations.]

Stations.	Bar.	Ther.	Wind.	Veloc'y Miles per hour.	Rain last 8 hours Inches
Cairo	29.66—	67	S	10	0
Chattanooga	29.81—F	65	SW	17	0
Cincinnati	29.72—	50	SW	4	0
Davenport	29.62—	34	SE	10	....
Dubuque	29.63—	31	SE	7	.12
Galveston	29.98—F	67	SE	7	0
Indianola	29.95—F.	71	S	26	0
Keokuk	29.51—	48	NE	5	....
Lacrosse	29.63—	31	SE	10	....
Leavenworth	29.45—	69	W	10	0
Louisville	29.69—F	56	W	4	....
Memphis	29.76—F	69	SW	12	0
Nashville	29.72—F	67	S	8	0
New Orleans	29.98—F	69	SW	9	0
Omaha	29.38—	58	NE	2	....
Pittsburg	29.86—	25	E	4	.03
Shreveport	29.81—F.	74	S	10	0
St. Louis	29.58—	63	S	7	0
St. Paul	29.58—	24	E	10	.01
Vicksburg	29.93—F.	69	SW	10	0
Yankton	29.51—	46	NW	29	0
Augusta	29.93—F	...	SW	7	0
Atlanta	29.85—F	61	SW	15	0
Corsicana	29.75—F	78	S	22	0
Key West	29.98—F	69	N	9	0
Mobile	30.02—F	61	S	12	0
Montgomery	30.96—F	67	SW	6	0
Savannah	30.02—F	61	S	8	0

R. indicates rising; F. indicates falling; S. indicates stationary.

By all means go to the Y. M. B. A. ball to-night. This is to be the greatest event of the season.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

CASSIDY'S HOTEL—Ben Gibson, Gem plantation; Thos Delahautz, Louisiana; A D Hoag, Detroit; W H Kerns, St Louis; W F Riely, Highland, La; S Balentin, Atlanta, Ga; R S Smith, J O V Wilson, Louisiana; R Albini, St Louis; E Laudner and wife, Miss Frances Serda, Miss Lily Laudner, W E Laudner, Biloxi, Miss; Leon Scharff, Plaquemine, La; John O'Neill, W R Manning, Louisiana; D Strauss, Cincinnati; A J Bulman, F M Bulman, St Charles, La; Chas Anderson, bark New Castle; Henry Diss, C W Price, J C Jones, Milliken's Bend, La; W O Lea and wife, Clinton, La; R S Allen, jr, T J Phillips, Vaiden, Miss; T H Cromer, L Young, Dick Allen, John Garner, Col Heggie, H Bird, J A Griffin, T B Lee, W J Sullivan, Egbert Bell, T J Nolan, Mississippi; L Bendart, Summit, Mississippi; C T Robert, Mississippi; John W Russ, Yazoo City; E B Smith, T Tarver, A M Dickson, Jas Conner, M B Gordy, E J Smith, H Campbell, G W Anderson J Brady, wife and children, Louisiana; H Kinderman and daughter, Monroe, La; R L Dobyns, B A Callen, A B Scott, Rodney Miss; W J Foster, Natchez; W T Jeffries, Madison parish; W M Moseby, J R Witherow, A J Denn, Milliken's Bend, La; Jas Wilkins Fla; H M Discon, John W Kent, R V Powers, Yazoo City, Miss; A Bayinsky, W G Kiger, Vicksburg, Miss; Gen D George, G Richardson and wife, Jackson, Miss; T B Warfield, Greenville, Miss; S E Packwood, H C Chappell, Magnolia Miss; A Ernstein, Summit, Miss; G H Ring, Louisiana; A J Alvis, T P Ware, Mississippi; Sam DeJoe and wife, Winnona, Miss; M F Smith, T R Hubbard, Houma, La; M Titus, lower coast; J Simon, Baton Rouge, La; E L Craig, St James, La; Miss Maggie Grun, Huntsville, Ala.

Try that celebrated Cream Beer at Miller & Dielmann's, 50, 52 and 54 South Peters street.

The Academy ball to-night. Great event of the season. Ladies' invitations at the box office. Gent's admission $2.

The grand dress and fancy ball, to come off to-night at St. Patrick's Hall, will be one of the great events of the season.

I'm weary of the food I have to eat. Try Shadines.

Reed's Gilt Edge Tonic is agreeable, wholesome and invigorating, and its purity is guaranteed.

NOTICE TO DRY GOODS BUYERS.

$40,000 WORTH

— OF —

WINTER DRY GOODS,

TO BE SOLD REGARDLESS OF COST.

— AT —

PEPIN & BROUSSARD'S,

158..........CANAL STREET..........158

White Building, corner of Baronne.

The early part of the winter having been unfavorable for Winter Goods, and having a stock too large on hand, we will commence a great Clearance Sale, on MONDAY, of

OUR ENTIRE STOCK OF
DRESS GOODS, BLANKETS,
COMFORTERS, SHAWLS,
CLOAKS, BALMORAL SKIRTS,
CASSIMERES, JEANS,
WHITE, RED AND CHECK FLANNELS,
WATERPROOFS,
BLACK AND COLORED SILKS, Etc.,
REGARDLESS OF COST.

— ALSO —

200 rolls White, Red Check and Fancy MATTINGS, CARPETS, RUGS, CRUMB CLOTHS etc.

We have also on hand a large stock of PLANTATION GOODS, which we are offering at manufacturers' prices. Orders from the country will receive our personal attention.

PEPIN & BROUSSARD,
oc6 158 Canal street.

INSURANCE.

SUN
MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY
OF NEW ORLEANS.

Paid up Capital .... $500,000.

TWENTY-THIRD ANNUAL STATEMENT.

Office Sun Mutual Insurance Company,
No. 52 Camp street,
New Orleans January 1, 1879.

In conformity with the requirements of its Charter the Company publishes the following statement for the year ending December 31, 1878:

AMOUNT OF PREMIUMS FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1878.

On fire risks	$212,422 68		
River risks	85,373 39		
Marine risks	49,841 90		
		$347,637 97	
Add—Unterminated risks, 1877		104,741 00	
			$452,37
Less—Unterminated risks, 1878	94,739 00		
Return premiums	19,457 39		114,196 39
Net earned premiums			$338,182 58
Losses, etc., paid during same period—			
On fire risks	$54,709 23		
River risks	37,367 98		
Marine risks	15,230 56		
	$107,307 77		
Unadjusted and unpaid losses	39,323 00		
		$146,630 77	
Add—Re-insurance	35,045 25		
Taxes	6,547 94		
Rent	2,000 00		
Board of Underwriters	6,593 20		
Expenses	34,482 91		
		84,669 30	
Reserve fund		10,000 00	
Dividend on capital stock	$49,568 29		
Less—Discount and interest	24,284 30		
		25,283 99	
			266,584
Actual net profits			$ 71,598 62

The Company has the following assets, estimated at their market values:

Stocks and bonds	$257,074 2
Loans on mortgage	13,800 00
Loans on pledge	60,665 31
Bills receivable	5,502 92
Real estate	25,000 00
Premiums in course of collection	58,051 83
Cash on hand	171,424 3
Total assets	$591,519 81

The foregoing statement is a just, true and correct transcript from the books of the Company.

JAMES I. DAY, President.

H. Carpenter, Secretary.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this twenty-second day of January, 1879.

A. INGRAHAM, Notary Public.

The Board of Directors, at a meeting held on the twenty-second day of January, 1879, after setting aside Ten Thousand Dollars to the reserve fund from the net earnings of the year, and paying the 10 per cent dividend to the stockholders, have resolved to pay A CASH DIVIDEND OF TWENTY PER CENT on the net earned participating premiums of the year ending December 31, 1878, said dividend payable on and after Monday, the twenty-seventh day of January, 1879.

DIRECTORY:

E. J. Hart,	J. Weis	Scott McGehee,
H. Renshaw,	B. W. Taylor,	D. Fatjo,
B. Biscoe,	J. C. Morris,	T. L. Airey,
A. Baldwin,	James I. Day,	R. E. Craig,
C. Macready,	L. C. Levy,	Sam'l L. Boyd,
W. E. Seymour,	Emory Clapp,	Jno. S. Groves,
Jno. G. Gaines,	D. A. Chaffraix,	J. A. Blanc,
Jesse S. Flower,	J. L. Harris,	H. Newman.

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ANNUAL STATEMENT

— OF THE —

NEW ORLEANS
Insurance Company,

UP TO DECEMBER 31, 1878.

1805...ESTABLISHED IN...1805

Fire premiums	$253,437 39	
Marine premiums	65,697 74	
River premiums	36,923 63	
Total premiums		$356,058 76
Deduct—		
Premiums on risks not terminated	$92,675 43	
Return premiums	10,416 15	
Reinsurances	20,506 98—	123,598 56
Net earned premiums		$232,460 20
Interest on investments		36,242 08
		$268,702 28
Deduct—		
Fire losses	$30,546 19	
Marine losses	26,924 70	
River losses	6,700 88	
	$64,171 77	
Rebate in lieu of participation	41,464 78	
General expenses, taxes, board of underwriters, charitable donations and cancellations	56,806 31—	162,442 86
Net profit		$106,259 42
Deduct—		
Dividend of June, 1878	$25,000 00	
Dividend of December, 1878	25 000 00	
Surplus, reserved fund	56,259 42	
		106,259

The Company has the following

ASSETS:

Cash in bank	$53,682 42
Premiums in course of collection	64,082 29
Premium notes	19,462 45
Due by agents	1,843 23
Real estate	143 236 42
First mortgage notes and pledge notes	170,877 06
United States gold bonds, New Orleans city railroads, Jackson and Great Northern railroad first mortgage bonds, Louisiana State consols, bank, insurance and waterworks stocks	227,272 07
Total assets	$685,455 84

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock	$500,000 00
Reinsurance reserve	92,675 43
Dividends unclaimed	9,520 99
Loss adjusted, not claimed	2,000 00
Dividend, semi-annual, December, 1878	25,000 00
Surplus, reserve fund	56,259 42
Total liabilities	$685,455 84

The above statement is a true and correct transcript from the books of the company.

J. TUYES, President.

J. W. Hincks, Secretary.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this fifteenth day of January, 1879.

TH. BUISSON,
Third Justice of the Peace.

Office of the New Orleans Insurance Co.,
Corner Camp and Canal Streets,
New Orleans, January 13, 1879.

At a meeting of the Board of Directors held on the eleventh day of January, 1879, it was resolved to pay, on demand, the semi-annual interest dividend of FIVE PER CENT on the capital stock to the stockholders or their legal representatives.

DIRECTORS.

C. T. DUGAZON,	H. GALLY,
CHS. LAFITTE.	W. A. BELL,
CHS. E. SCHMIDT,	ANT. CARRIERE,
CHS. J. LEEDS,	JULES ALDIGE,
D. FATJO,	PIERRE POUTZ,
A. SCHREIBER,	JULES TUYES.

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INSURANCE.

FACTORS AND TRADERS'
INSURANCE COMPANY,

27............Carondelet street............27

ASSETS APRIL 30, 1878, $1,288,316 14.

ED. A. PALFREY, President,
JOHN CHAFFE, Vice President,
THOS. F. WALKER, Secretary.

Trustees.

John I. Noble,	B. F. Eschelman,
John Chaffe,	W. C. Black,
Richard Milliken,	Charles Chaffe,
J. I. Warren,	L. C. Jurey,
Samuel Friedlander,	Wm. Hartwell,
A. A. Yates,	C. J. Leeds,
R. M. Walmesley,	A. T. Janin,
A. H. May,	Joseph Bowling,
T. Lytt. Lyon,	A. M. Bickham,
Samuel H. Boyd,	Henry Abraham
Joseph McElroy,	Louis Bush,
Wm. J. Behan,	A. Brittin,

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MERCHANTS'

Mutual Insurance Company
OF NEW ORLEANS.

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TWENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL STATEMENT.

In conformity with the requirements of their charter, the Company publish the following statement:

Premiums received during the year ending May 31, 1878, including unearned premiums of the previous year—		
On Fire Risks		$334,652 72
On Marine Risks		20,648 79
On River Risks		24,061 91
Total Premiums		$379,363 42
Less Unearned Premiums		117,851 00
Net Earned Premiums May 31, 1878		$261,512 42
Losses paid—		
On Fire Risks	$55,437 89	
On Marine Risks	13,465 68	
On River Risks	10,264 92	
Taxes and expenses, less interest	35,317 82	
Reinsurances and Returned Premiums	18,313 67—	$132,799 98
Profit		$128,712 76

The Company have the following assets:

Real Estate	$296,054 86
City Bonds and Mortgage Bonds	65,100 00
Bank, Waterworks and other Stocks	196,376 40
Notes secured by mortgage	186,501 06
Notes secured by pledge	69,870 60
Bills receivable	81,811 67
Premium in course of collection	42,467 12
Agricultural Fair Association	2,000 00
City Scrip	5,879 90
Cash on hand	81,561 56
Total	$1,027,619 50

The above statement is a just, true and correct transcript from the books of the Compan

PAUL FOURCHY, President.

G. W. Nott, Secretary.

STATE OF LOUISIANA,
Parish of Orleans, City of New Orleans.

Sworn to and subscribed before me the tenth day of June, 1878.

JAMES FAHEY,
Notary Public.

At a meeting of the Board of Directors, held on the tenth day of June, 1878, it was resolved to declare a cash dividend of twenty per cent on the net earned participating premiums for the year ending May 31, 1878, payable on the third Monday of July next.

Also, to pay to the Stockholders, on demand, interest at the rate of five per cent per annum on their stock.

DIRECTORS:

P. Maspero,	Edward Toby,
John Geddes,	D. Fatjo,
P. Fourchy,	M. W. Smith,
J. J. Fernandez,	D. A. Chaffraix,
Jno. B. Lallande,	Chas. Lafitte,

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TWENTY-NINTH

ANNUAL STATEMENT

— OF THE —

CRESCENT MUTUAL
Insurance Company.

New Orleans, May 22, 1878.

The Trustees, in conformity with amended charter, submit the following statement of affairs of the company on the thirtieth of April, 1878:

Fire premiums	$180,751 16		
Marine premiums	36,729 15		
River premiums	82,136 50		
			$299,616 81
Earned premiums, less reinsurance and return premiums			228,931 32
Losses paid and estimated, say:			
Fire losses	$44,424 27		
Marine losses	12,199 00		
River losses	40,635 96		
		$97,259 23	
Taxes, expenses discount in lieu of participation, etc	$59,291 28		
Less rents, salvage savings, etc	21,629 80		
		37,661 48—	134,920 71
Gross profits			$94,010 61

The company have the following assets:

Bills receivable	$39,988 67	
Loans on bond and mortgage	44,707 80	
		$84,696 47
Loans on call	$70,315 35	
Cash	63,126 62	
		133,441 97
City bonds		83,117 20
Bank and other stocks		59,186 63
Real estate		112,176 91
Premiums in course of collection and suspense account		33,992 19
		$506,611 37

The above statement is a true and correct transcript from the books of the Company.

THOS. A. ADAMS, President.

Henry V. Ogden, Secretary.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this twenty-second day of May, 1878.

ALFRED INGRAHAM,
Notary Public.

The Board of Trustees this day resolved that after paying the annual dividend of TEN PER CENT on Capital Stock of Company, that a dividend of TWENTY PER CENT in cash be aid on Monday, June 10, to those parties entitled to receive the same.

TRUSTEES.

Thos. A. Adams,	Jno. E. King,
Sam'l B. Newman,	Fred'k Camerden,
Sam'l H. Kennedy,	Joseph W. Stone,
John Phelps,	George Martin,
Adam Thomson,	Alfred Moulton,
Henry Abraham,	L. C. Jurey,
Victor Meyer,	Edward Nalle,
Joseph Bowling,	Geo. W. Sentell,
Edw'd J. Gay,	Paul E. Mortimer,
Simon Hernsheim	John V. Moore,
Simon Forcheimer,	W. B. Conger,
Jos. B. Wolfe,	Henry M. Preston,
R. B. Post,	J. J. Irby,
Edw'd Pilsbury,	Reuben G. Bush,

my23 Jno. M. Parker.