of the public debt of Illinois is $418,000, which is about $100,000 larger than the payment last year. The dividend will probably be 25 or 30 ₱ cent.

Mr. Earl P. Mason has been made President of the Arcade Bank, of Providence, *vice* Mr. Hill, resigned. An arrangement has been made by which the Banks of Providence have taken the Bills Receivable of the Westminster Bank, and are redeeming its circulation. When the notes are all in, it will be then decided whether the Bank goes on or not. Under the General Law of Rhode Island every stockholder in a Bank is liable for its entire indebtedness, which gives the public great confidence in these institutions.

We hear to-day, and an officer of one of the ships is the authority, that Mr. Collins has sold the three remaining ships of his line, and that they are to pass into British hands. Our information from Washington of the unfavorable prospect for the continuance of the extra allowance to this line gives some probability to the story. It is understood that the ships will continue to run between New-York and Liverpool.

The Cotton market, in consequence of the small stock, is strong. There is not, probably, 1,000 bales in the market for sale, and in consequence of the difficulty of negotiating on New York at Charleston, Savannah, &c., the supplies coming forward are light. Flour has again advanced 12½@25c. Corn is very high—$1 ₱ bush., and the quantity taken for shipment is consequently limited. The foreign demand for Provisions for the armies in the East is large, and the English and French Governments are making large contracts for Beef and Pork. A vessel is loading at this port with Provisions for the Crimea direct. We shall have a good market this winter for all the Provisions we can spare. Pork and Lard pay a large profit, and on hogs bought at the West at present prices. The wants of France have induced the Government to give almost free trade in Provisions.

The decree of Oct. 5, 1854, is as follows: From this date, until it is other wise ordered, the duty on salt provisions is fixed at 50 centimes ₱ 100 killograms, a reduction from 33 francs ₱ 220 lb to 50 centimes, that is: from $6 30 ₱ 220 lb to 9 cents—50 centimes equal to 9 cents; 100 killogrames equal to 220 lb. The duty on Lard has been reduced from 30 francs to 10 francs ₱ 100 killogrames, or 220 lb.

The further advices from Charleston do not yet bring the tremendous developments *predicted* in the dispatches alluded to *yesterday*, but there is evidently a good *deal* of apprehension felt there that a *crisis* is at hand. One cotton failure, not of great importance, had taken place, and a leading house is talked of, but the report not generally believed. The Banks of Augusta were discrediting nearly all the Charleston Banks, and one of the Columbia Banks had suspended in consequence of its connection with Mr. Dulin, who failed in Charleston some days ago.

Another arrival from California is due. It is the Aspinwall boat, and will probably increase our stock of gold nearly a million and a half.

The suspended Joint Stock Bank at Buffalo has been sued as a foreign corporation, and injunctions issued, holding all the debts due the Bank for the benefit of the bill-holders. This attaches the assets of Hiram Johnson's banking-house.

We present this week one of the most inexplicable Bank-Statements which has been published since the weekly statements were made, and one which will disappoint every one. The specie reserve, it will be seen, notwithstanding the large disbursements from the Sub-Treasury and Assay Office, (some $2,600,000 since Saturday morning last, more than has been paid in,) and notwithstanding the cessation of specie shipments, shows an increase of only $15,000. The various estimates had been from half-a-million to a million-and-a-half. A portion of the missing gold—that belonging to the Savings Banks—instead of being deposited in some Bank, has, we ascertain, been locked up in the Savings vaults, where it does not count in the Bank-Statement; but this accounts for but a moderate amount. The amount sent to Boston, Philadelphia and Baltimore, must have been much larger than was estimated, and hoarding of gold by the public must be going on to a considerable extent. With all these suppositions, however, the result still seems incredible, that the absorption of specie has been such that the amount in Bank should show only an increase of $15,000. The comparative statement is as follows:

	Loans, &c.	Specie.	Circulation.	Deposits.
Dec. 18...	$80,946,664	$11,471,041	$7,261,111	$61,367,078
Dec. 25...	80,960,591	11,486,860	6,924,057	59,958,027
Decrease.....	$86,073	Inc. $15,039	Dec $336,444	Dec. $2,409,071

The circulation, it will be seen, continues to be forced in. The decrease since 1st Sept. last has been $1,370,000, and about $2,000,000 since this time last year. The loans are also a little lower. The contraction since 1st Sept. has reached $10,600,000. The decrease in Deposits *is only apparent*. The

Deposits for the week ending Dec. 18, were.....	$61,367,078
Average clearings.....	17,032,414
Actual deposits.....	$44,334,664
Deposits Dec. 25.....	$59,958,027
Average clearings (5 days).....	14,053,960
Actual deposits.....	$44,904,067
Increase.....	$569,403

but as part of Saturday's deposits are included in the Statement, but will not pass through the Clearing House until Tuesday, the true deposits cannot be shown. The statement of the Central Bank, not included either last week or this, is: Loans, $279,821; Specie, $7,124; Circulation, $95,834; Deposits, $106,873. The public and ourselves are indebted to Mr. G. D. Lyman, Manager of the Clearing House, for the publication of this Bank Statement in Monday instead of Wednesday morning's paper. The anxiety of the commercial public to see the Statement led him to make unusual efforts to obtain it in time for Monday's issue.

COMPARATIVE TABLE *of the Loans, Specie, Circulation and Deposits of the Banks of the City of New-York, for the weeks ending Saturday, Dec. 16, 1854, and Saturday, Dec. 23, 1854. To which is added the Capital of each Bank at the latter date.*

NAMES OF BANKS.	Amount of Capital Dec. 23.	Dec. 16. Average am'nt of Loans & Disc'nts	Dec. 16. Average amount of Specie.	Dec. 23. Average am'nt of Loans & Disc'nts	Dec. 23. Average amount of Specie.
	$	$	$	$	$
B. of New-York	1,500,000	3,041,879	329,526	3,016,555	375,398
Manhattan.....	2,050,000	3,041,562	310,140	3,057,209	458,270
Merchants'.....	1,400,000	3,172,891	1,203,527	3,249,570	897,895
Mechanics'.....	1,440,000	2,837,828	1,109,854	2,904,109	1,055,605
Union.....	1,500,000	2,188,563	493,146	2,229,524	467,141
Bk. of America	2,000,000	3,538,947	1,229,701	3,674,900	1,105,508
Phenix.....	1,200,000	2,040,963	176,469	2,019,456	307,331
City.....	1,000,000	1,974,756	193,470	1,961,935	157,331
North River...	650,000	978,029	41,874	965,218	56,357
Tradesmen's...	400,000	1,227,500	57,592	1,218,555	115,259
Fulton.....	500,000	1,299,869	107,378	1,292,654	142,179
Chemical.....	300,000	1,104,137	569,138	1,152,294	391,700
Merch. Exch'ge	1,255,000	2,426,248	169,300	2,434,530	196,311
National.....	750,000	1,443,043	177,741	1,372,653	199,412
Butchers & Dro.	600,000	1,204,326	92,094	1,237,901	113,813
Mech. & Tradrs.	200,000	369,843	57,412	361,716	60,917
Greenwich.....	200,000	403,429	29,935	435,871	42,021
Leather Manuf.	600,000	1,472,678	256,334	1,357,650	297,400
Seventh Ward.	500,000	972,927	142,782	935,757	171,718
Bk. State N. Y..	2,000,000	3,411,978	578,943	3,479,136	450,239
Amr. Exchange.	2,500,000	4,567,629	655,426	4,667,784	510,371
Mech. Bk'g Ass'n.	832,000	1,612,777	56,221	1,609,959	50,833
Commerce.....	5,000,000	7,475,267	747,833	7,767,848	1,024,643
Bowery.....	358,650	848,430	35,904	882,405	40,343
Broadway.....	300,000	1,127,431	168,968	1,092,033	166,347
Ocean.....	1,000,000	1,651,766	107,631	1,666,238	96,285
Mercantile.....	500,000	1,195,073	200,545	1,241,315	205,414
Pacific.....	422,700	697,240	61,821	677,255	62,016
Bk. of Republic	1,500,000	2,618,373	364,991	2,562,899	411,971
Chatham.....	450,000	402,461	25,622	476,075	48,300
People's.....	412,000	610,347	46,675	614,4[illegible]	71,010
North America	1,000,000	1,591,344	151,567	1,419,601	160,288
Hanover.....	1,000,000	1,258,290	101,772	1,215,650	96,700
Irving.....	300,000	463,837	25,462	455,212	34,849
Metropolitan....	2,000,000	2,926,941	357,771	2,913,693	357,599
Citizens'.....	300,000	693,655	84,433	667,179	69,177
Grocers'.....	300,000	502,968	56,294	553,811	64,127
Empire City*...	300,000	410,188	3,509	410,188	3,509
Nassau.....	500,000	937,444	43,371	874,645	42,179
East River.....	413,650	456,290	41,893	446,779	39,439
Market.....	650,000	944,618	70,826	937,029	100,271
St. Nicholas....	500,000	508,029	24,711	509,352	21,328
Shoe and Lea'r	600,000	655,416	50,581	657,559	61,392
Corn Exchange.	1,000,000	1,371,689	164,125	1,361,571	125,586
Central.....	300,000	———	———	———	———
Continental....	1,500,000	2,453,199	276,264	2,333,119	299,767
Commonwealth	750,000	1,027,113	70,724	1,011,302	90,279
Oriental.....	300,000	425,754	30,776	408,432	34,662
Marine.....	500,000	567,534	49,724	556,637	83,166
Atlantic*.....	400,000	454,844	61,726	433,547	52,818
Knickerbocker..	400,000	———	———	———	———
Bk. of the Union	300,000	———	———	———	———
Island City.....	300,000	265,438	26,339	290,563	26,878
N. Y. Dry Dock.	200,000	417,546	16,051	407,745	17,235
N. Y. Exchange.	150,000	158,022	10,886	148,158	11,172
Bull's Head.....	200,000	183,442	14,077	149,144	13,072

FOOTINGS.—Total amount of Capital, Dec. 23, $47,844,900. Total average amount of Loans and Discounts, Dec. 16, $80,946,664. Total average amount of Specie, Dec. 16, $11,471,041. Total average amount of Loans and Discounts, Dec. 23, $80,960,591. Total average amount of Specie, Dec. 23, $11,486,860.

NAMES OF BANKS.	Amount of Capital Dec. 23.	Dec. 16. Average amount of Circulation.	Dec. 16. Average amount of Deposits.	Dec. 23. Average amount of Circulation.	Dec. 23. Average amount of Deposits.
	$	$	$	$	$
Bk of New-York.	1,500,000	241,629	2,313,116	235,349	2,223,693
Manhattan.....	2,050,000	312,038	2,411,470	297,143	2,274,379
Merchants'.....	1,400,000	186,451	3,398,504	186,910	3,450,741
Mechanics'.....	1,440,000	361,925	3,067,553	321,403	3,072,976
Union.....	1,500,000	171,017	1,210,256	173,307	1,196,970
America.....	2,000,000	59,203	3,673,312	71,217	3,672,503
Phenix.....	1,200,000	141,694	1,501,488	123,029	1,532,525
City.....	1,000,000	71,831	1,149,286	68,945	1,094,717
North River.....	655,000	186,582	702,264	186,413	741,962
Tradesmen's.....	400,000	213,803	628,380	204,985	674,381
Fulton.....	600,000	147,536	931,606	122,273	931,797
Chemical.....	300,000	261,147	995,805	297,752	1,010,97
Merch. Exch'ge.	1,255,000	125,918	1,740,893	129,351	1,754,480
National.....	750,000	152,634	824,794	145,541	759,715
Butchers' & Dro.	600,000	47,929	724,714	56,414	740,314
Mech. & Trad'rs.	200,000	104,763	426,354	109,628	411,535
Greenwich.....	200,000	163,073	274,232	151,565	277,727
Leath'r Manuf'r.	600,000	165,296	1,179,274	165,379	1,211,359
Seventh Ward....	500,000	158,200	851,793	143,965	851,277
Bk. State N. Y..	2,000,000	552,468	2,446,549	516,272	2,071,741
Amer. Exchange.	2,500,000	268,517	3,693,450	268,207	3,304,810
Mech. Bk'g Ass'n.	832,000	190,110	763,131	193,945	638,024
Commerce.....	5,000,000	2,575	4,559,538	2,575	4,199,096
Bowery.....	358,650	139,179	809,909	185,971	691,199
Broadway.....	300,000	197,867	917,094	185,213	960,811
Ocean.....	1,000,000	46,903	479,574	75,326	450,014
Mercantile.....	500,000	97,314	1,331,424	97,691	1,301,850
Pacific.....	422,700	26,731	439,096	97,583	408,496
Bk. of Republic..	1,500,000	90,962	2,452,717	84,227	2,315,819
Chatham.....	450,000	71,256	183,635	64,181	175,293
People's.....	412,000	103,499	582,531	99,794	489,651
North America..	1,000,000	74,566	1,147,343	62,908	1,059,509
Hanover.....	1,000,000	50,729	630,574	101,229	592,225
Irving.....	300,000	122,834	338,947	105,969	319,441
Metropolitan.....	2,000,000	80,523	3,542,200	72,843	3,527,203
Citizens'.....	300,000	150,499	464,222	152,429	437,807
Grocers'.....	300,000	85,124	497,905	91,764	433,220
Empire City*....	300,000	105,635	133,126	105,635	133,126
Nassau.....	500,000	101,327	691,961	98,249	676,592
East River.....	413,050	92,050	160,721	83,578	162,033
Market.....	650,000	115,909	647,098	112,451	615,013
St. Nicholas.....	500,000	77,473	548,313	71,978	546,715
Shoe & Leather..	600,000	97,441	319,015	97,416	316,147
Corn Exchange...	1,000,000	90,871	1,108,929	85,690	1,059,066
Central.....	300,000	———	———	———	———
Continental.....	1,500,000	73,170	1,593,168	76,813	1,418,717
Commonwealth..	750,000	83,122	829,003	79,473	814,177
Oriental.....	300,000	77,069	243,765	71,045	233,151
Marine.....	500,000	94,104	352,973	92,848	327,775
Atlantic*.....	400,000	49,165	185,969	82,588	154,764
Knickerbocker...	400,000	———	———	———	———
Bk. of the Union	300,000	———	———	———	———
Island City.....	300,000	95,821	91,521	85,525	100,217
N. Y. Dry Dock..	200,000	59,179	141,951	55,918	141,179
N. Y. Exchange..	150,000	83,013	79,612	78,993	80,004
Bull's Head.....	———	56,932	72,755	79,836	61,314

FOOTINGS—Total amount of Capital Dec. 23, $47,844,900. Total average amount of Circulation, Dec. 16, $7,261,111. Total average amount of Deposits, Dec. 16, $61,367,078. Total average amount of Circulation, Dec. 23, $6,924,057. Total average amount of Deposits, Dec. 23, $59,958,027.

* No report. The same as last week.

Exchanges for week ending Dec. 18.....	$102,194,499
Exchanges for five days ending Dec. 23.....	70,209,903
Balance for week ending Dec. 18.....	$5,965,029
Balance for five days ending Dec. 23...	3,337,434

Thompson's Reporter says:

"The Bridgeport City Bank, of Bridgeport, Conn., has just completed arrangements to have its notes redeemed in this City. We therefore quote the bills *at par*, and they will be received on deposit by all the City banks. This is a good move, and we hope it will be followed by the other Connecticut banks."

The Washington's advices are rather favorable commercially. Consols had advanced in consequence of the alliance of Austria with the Western Powers. The quotation from Halifax by the America is 93¾, which shows an improvement of 2 ₱ cent. Cotton and Breadstuffs were not much changed. *The Times* of the 6th says:

"The English funds have again been extremely firm to-day, and the market has closed with a buoyant appearance. The importance attached to the Austrian alliance, as indicated by the great rise on the Paris Bourse, has had an effect on this side, and the belief that it has produced a great sensation at all the Courts of Europe has tended, at the same time, to lessen the anticipations previously entertained, that its terms, whenever they shall transpire, will be found vague and unsatisfactory. Notwithstanding these considerations, however, it is still far from popular, the dread lest the terrible cost by which the allies have at length gained an impregnable footing in the Crimea should be met by the acceptance of unworthy concessions to the power that has thus come in when the worst is past, being still very prevalent. Consols for money, which left off yesterday at 93¾ to ⅞, were first quoted 94¼ to ⅛, whence, owing to an increased demand for money on the Stock Exchange, they temporarily receded to 93¾. On the publication of the correspondence from Paris, describing the opinions expressed by the organs of the French Government regarding the guarantee furnished by the present combination that the war will now involve no European complications, the market again presented signs of animation, and the last official quotation was 93¾ to ⅞. Subsequently, transactions took place at a further improvement of an eighth, while, for the 10th of January, the final price was 93⅞ to 93, which will be equal to 91⅞ to ⅞, ex dividend."

The News of the 6th says:

"Since the confirmation of the Austrian alliance the Stock market has continued to rise. Prices closed to-day ¼ ₱ cent. higher than yesterday. In the morning some weakness was apparent, owing to the progress of the monthly settlement in Consols showing a good supply of stock, which caused the 'contango' to January to rise to ¼ to ½ ₱ cent. As we have before explained, however, this supply is rather due to the loans of stock made by bankers and others than to any *bona fide* superabundance of it in the market. Considerable disposition is evinced to operate for higher prices during the January account, it being considered that the European anti-Russian combination now established removes—so far as human foresight can discern—the most alarming apprehensions hitherto entertained of the war. It must also not be overlooked that the dividend will in two or three days be taken off Consols, which would make the closing quotation of this afternoon equal to, say, 91¼ to 91¼ ex div., a range considerably lower than that at which Consols were maintained for many months when no immediate hope was entertained of securing the support of Central Europe. The anticipation of a favorable Bank return also tended to strengthen the market in the afternoon."

The discount market continues easy, a full supply of Money being on offer. In the Stock Exchange Money was in more demand, and worth 4 ₱ cent on Government securities.

The demand for gold for France was very languid, but a portion of the gold brought by the America from New-York had been taken for the Spanish Peninsula. Some parcels of gold had been sent into the Bank. This would also probably be the destination of the bulk of the £168,000 in gold dust received per the Ocean Chief from Australia.

The Phanician had arrived also with £21,800 in gold, and the Cœsus was daily expected with £232,000. The receipts of Specie for the week ending 2d, were £750,000, and the exports about £300,000.

The English Mint coined in gold, from March, 1851, till June, 1854, £28,000,000. For a similar period of time the coinage during the last century has never exceeded £3,000,000.

The Coal tunnage on the Reading Railroad for the week ending on Thursday, was 28,231 tuns; making for the present fiscal year, 71,369 tuns, against 89,510 tuns to the same time last year.

The Baltimore Patriot states that the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company has already paid over to the city of Baltimore the interest due on the 1st of January on that portion of the $5,000,000 loan which has been used—say about $2,000,000.

At Baltimore money is in active demand at 1½@2 per cent. per month. At Philadelphia negotiations are more readily effected, without any change in rates. First-class paper 15@18 per cent., and second-class 21@24. At Boston the best names go at 18 per cent, but the feeling is improving, as the Banks are receiving coin from New-York.

Markets..CAREFULLY REPORTED FOR THE TRIBUNE.

SATURDAY, Dec. 23, 1854.

ASHES—The market is steady but quiet for both kinds. Sales of Pots at $6 50@$6 62½; Pearls at $7 25@$7 37½. Sales of the last week are about 150 bbls. Pots and 50 bbls. Pearls.

BRICK—Of Hard North River there is little here and prices are firm at $5 ₱ M.

BEESWAX—1,000 lb. Southern Yellow sold at 22c., cash.

COTTON—There is a fair export and home demand, and prices are very firm at the advance, with a much reduced stock; sales for the week are estimated at 4,500 bales, closing buoyant at the annexed quotation:

NEW-YORK CLASSIFICATION

	Upland.	Florida.	Mobile.	N.O. & Texas.
Ordinary.....	7	7	7	7
Middling.....	8¼	8¼	8¼	8¼
Middling Fair ..	9	9	9	9
Fair.....	9¾	9¾	9¾	10¼

COFFEE—The market is more active for Rio, and prices have improved for the better grades; sales 700 bags Rio at 10@10½c., the latter price for a very handsome parcel; 100 bags St. Domingo at 9c.

FLOUR AND MEAL—Our market for the low grades of State and Western Flour is 12½@25c. better, with a fair home and eastern demand. The arrivals are limited and the tendency is still upward. There is little inquiry for export, the advanced prices restricting the demand. The better grades are held with much firmness and are more active. Sales of Western Canal are 6,000 bbls. at $8 62½@$9 for common to good State; $9 12½@$9 50 for mixed to good brands Upper Lake, Michigan, Indiana, and common to good Ohio; and $10 75@$12 for extra Genesee. Canadian Flour is quite firm and in fair request for the home trade; sales of 600 bbls. at $10 12½@$10 50 duty paid. Southern Flour is 12½c. better, particularly the low grades; the demand is fair for the home trade and the East; the sales are 2,300 bbls. at $9@$9 75 for mixed to good brands Baltimore, Alexandria and Georgetown, $9 37½@$10 for favorite brands, and $10 12½@$10 75 for fancy and extra brands. Rye Flour is in fair request and is firm at $6 75@$7 75 for fine and superfine. Corn Meal is quiet at $4 25@$4 37½ for Jersey. Buckwheat Flour is better; sales at $1 87½@$2 50—the latter price for Pratt's extra.

GRAIN—The market for Wheat is buoyant; the demand is fair for milling; the only sale we have to notice is 6,000 bush. prime White Genesee at $2 40@$2 42—half at each price. Rye is inactive; small sales of Long Island at $1 10, and River at $1 44. Barley is quiet at $1 30@$1 37½ for prime Malt in store at ... Oats are very firm, but not active; sales of State and Western at 55@56c., and Jersey at 59@60c. Corn opened rather irregular, but closed firmer, with fair offerings; sales of 20,000 bush. at 97c. for Southern Yellow; $1 56 for new do.; 99c. @$1 for Southern White and Western mixed, and $1@$1 02 for old round yellow.

HIDES—The market is dull, and the sales only in small lots, at yesterday's prices. The stock is 71,000, consisting of 5,100 Dry Buenos Ayres and Montevideo, 2,500 Dry Rio Grande, 45,000 Dry Orinoco, 2,400 Dry African, (including some from East Coast,) 1,250 Dry Porto Cabello, 3,100 Salted Maracaibo, 3,000 Dry Southern and Texas, 2,500 Dry St. Domingo, 1,200 Dry Tenerife, 1,100 Salted Buenos Ayres. Mr. Hull says: The arrival of Hides this week have been very large, and as there is but little animation evinced by the trade, some parcels have been offered and sold at a considerable decline from our last quotations. Sales have been made only to supply Tanners' orders, which are very limited, and as there appears to be no disposition on the part of dealers to purchase in anticipation of their wants, importers will be utilized to store the most of their receipts, or submit to a still greater decline. The receipts from Orinoco have been very large, comprising 52,000 Hides, a large portion of which will probably be stored—only 7,000 have been sold. I notice the loss of big Orinoco, from Angostura, with 11,000 hides; the vessel sunk in the mouth of Orinoco River.

SHOTS are in moderate request at 33c.@38c. for Eastern and Western; sales 50 bbls. at ...

HONEY—Within a few days sales have been made of 31 tcs., 100 bbls. and 2 kegs Cuba, for export, at 48c @49c. cash, in bond.

LIME—We learn of no sales; the demand is light, and prices nominal at 85c for Common and $1 12½ for Lump.

LAST—Eastern are dull and heavy; sales at $1 50, cash, and $1 75, time.

LEATHER—Our market is quite inactive to-day, and prices remain unsettled. Mr. Hull remarks: The demand continues light, with a slightly increased stock and dealers are generally firm in price. A parcel of 1,800 sides heavy weights has been shipped to England, and further orders may be expected by the next steamer. Light and middle weights Oak are dull, and have a downward tendency; while heavy are in fair demand.

MOLASSES—The market is heavy and dull; sales of 190 bbls. New Orleans, new crop, at 26c; 150 hhds. and 20 bbls. Porto Rico at 26c.

NAVAL STORES—For Spirits Turpentine there is a fair demand for export and distilling; sales of 650 bbls. at 46@47c. cash, the latter price in shipping order. A lot is reported sold at 45c., cash. Crude of prime quality is held firmly at $4 25 for Wilmington, and $4 37½ for North County. Common Resin is firm with a fair demand for shipment; the supply is moderate; sales 1,450 bbls. Wilmington at $1 87½@$1 90 ₱ 310 lb. delivered; of No. 2, 300 bbls sold at $1 60. Extra Pale is scarce. Tar, of slow sale. Camphene, 53@55c.

OILS—The market for English Linseed is quite firm, and the demand fair, with sales, in whole lots, at 80c., cash, and in small lots at 81@82c. Crude Whale is quiet, holders remaining unshaken in their views; no sales. Refined is in moderate request at 75@77c for Winter Bleached. Crude Sperm is scarce, and prices are buoyant at $1 75@$1 79, cash. Manufactured is very firmly held in consequence; sales of Winter bleached at $1 95. Of Western Lard small sales are making at 72c., cash, and 80c., time, and of red at 66c., cash, and 68c., 90 days. Tallow is firm at 10½c., cash.

SUGARS continue dull and heavy; sales 60 hhds. New Orleans at 4¾@5c.; 30 Cuba Muscovado at 5c., and 150 boxes Havana at 5¼@5½c. At auction, 96 hhds. New Orleans at $1 ... @$5 ...

Philadelphia Markets.... SATURDAY, Dec 23.

There is rather a better feeling in the COTTON market today, and about 300 bales have been sold at steady prices. FLOUR is firmly held, with a very slight stock to operate in, and 500 barrels standard superfine sold at $9 25; some holders ask more, and the market closes with an upward tendency. Prices for home use range at $9 25@$10 75 for common to extra and fancy family brands. RYE FLOUR is inactive, and is generally held at $6 75 per barrel. CORN MEAL—Further sales of 400@500 barrels have been made at $4 for Pennsylvania, and $4 50 per barrel for Brandywine, mostly at the latter rate. OF WHEAT there is rather more offering to-day, and buyers are holding off; sales reach about 3,000 bushels in lots, $2 10@$2 14 for fair to prime Red, and $2 22@$2 25 for White, as to quality.

CORN is scarce and wanted at 88@90c. for new and old yellow; some small lots in store brought more. RYE meets with ready sale at $1 23@$1 25. OATS in fair demand, at 54@55c. for Pennsylvania. The market for GROCERIES is rather quiet to-day; further sales of Rio COFFEE have been made at 9½c., on time; SUGAR and MOLASSES are scarce, and, if here, would command fully former prices. The PROVISION trade continues inactive, with but little PORK or LARD coming into market, and prices are nominally unchanged. SEEDS—No change to note, and CLOVER SEED is very scarce at $6 25@$6 50 ₱ bush. WHISKY sells slowly at 40c. for both hhds. and bbls.

Markets,.....*Reported by Telegraph.*

NEW-ORLEANS, Dec. 22—Our COTTON market has undergone no change to-day. The business amounted to 4,500 bales. The sales during the past week foot up 34,000 bales, and the receipts for the same period have been 37,000 bales, leaving a stock on hand of 189,000 bales. The receipts at all the Southern ports are now 40,000 bales in excess of the same time last year. The sales of COFFEE during the week have been 9,900 bags, at 8½@9c. for Rio. The stock now on hand is 57,000 bags.

PROVIDENCE, Dec. 23—The COTTON market for the week has been dull. Prices are unchanged. In WOOL, the market has been rather dull, with sales of 27,100 pieces. The market for PRINTING CLOTHS has been quiet. Prices are without change; sales 23,100 pieces.

Receipts of Produce.....Dec. 23.

By the Erie Railroad—500 bbls. Flour, 35 pkgs Ashes, 162 do. Whisky, 700 do. Lard, 2,100 Hogs, 825 pkgs Provisions, 7,600 sides Leather, 1,300 pkgs. Butter, 490 do. Cheese.

Passengers Arrived

In steamship America, at Halifax, from Liverpool—Messrs. Hasten, Snow, Light, Hughes, Robbins, Appleton and Harper and their ladies, Rear-Admiral Bruce, Lieut. J. R. Alexander, R. N., Capt. Stewart, R. N., Mrs Williams, Mrs. Ullmann and infant, Dr. Guion, Capts. J. B. and J. Jordin, Rev. Mr. Gardner, Rev. Mr. Ryerson, Rev. Mr. Falley, Dr. Butterfield, Mrs. Bedward, Miss Sands, Mrs Hewes, Capt. Skinner, Dr. Cooper, Rev. Mr. Cooper, Mrs. Dartnell, Miss Nourse, Admiral Bruce's servant, Mrs Sibson, Dr. Sibbin, Miss Yule, Miss Terrey, Messrs Ullmann, Robb, Moore, Ross and friend, Gordon, Vives, Grazemann, Cruger, Robson, Lamont, Serate, Budding and son, Clarke, Gulet, Hendricks, Edwards, Glezan, Lumley, Littlejohn, Blackburn, Ferguson, Wilson, Kreuzer, Wilson, Marsh, Angelle, Azzaras, Grindley, Badaux, Sillen, Hall, Ludewing, Hughes, Davis, Kendall, Bestzer, Bennett, Leary, Mason, Hoffman, Buckley, Kaltman, Schulenburg, Gross, Ehrenstien, Gooding, Valette, Malfait, Steinfour, Todd, Galway, Field, Tweedie, Dunford, Fifth, Smith, Fernical, Barzea, Dupont, Bulkley, Van Dorey, Smallfield, Wallace, Morris, Mrs. Wilkinson.

In steamship Washington from Havre and Southampton—Messrs. Barensteff, Charles G. Hermann, Carl Bruno, R. Pagenstecher, O. Brehme, S. Schulhofer and lady, W. H. Vitz, Friedrich Striker, F. L. Solferth, G. Fahren, Ulrich Carl, Jos. Beichner, G. and A. Nolte, Elme Geodes, Franz Galer, Philipp Zelle, Capt. Joseph McMurray, Messrs. Conrad Schmidt, J. Behrens, H. Kestner, J. and H. Donner, Martin Scherer, G. Tonhoff, Georg Hintze, Ludwig Ochsnder, Miss Adelheid Herlitz, Messrs. Hanemann and Kuhn, Julius Heyn and son, Miss Johanne A. D. Lapfgeen, Messrs Johann Fast, Siegmund Tolfen, Mrs Thos. Taylor, Dr. Valentine Krehbiel, Mrs. Marie Krehbiel, Miss Marie Krehbiel and seven children, Messrs. Adolf Truchses, Robert Derbyshire, L. and J. Tuslien, Mr. and Mrs Joseph Jansen, the Rev. H. Foot lady and child, Mrs Paulee and daughter, Messrs Christian Weinrich, S. and F. Wagner, J. A. and Baptiste Visconte, Nicholas and John E. Calyo, Georg Beck, L. A. Standinger, T. de Revercony, John Unbestetter, John V. Bauer, Lambert Wahl, S. Virnberg, F. Matheys, Conrad Strobel and daughter, Mrs Lane and child, Miss Jane Barringer, Mrs. M. A. Ford, Messrs. W. T. and W. Ford, Martin Jelus, W. G. Burgess, Goodchild, James Hamilton, Antoine Foulet, W. Cheyne, David Gardner, Henry Cordua. Total, 96.

In brig Reindeer, from Ambriz, S. Africa—Mrs Fanny Moulton, P. Cunningham.

MINIATURE ALMANAC.....THIS DAY

SUN—Rises.....7 22 | Sets.....4 38 | MOON—Sets...11 37a

HIGH WATER.....THIS DAY

Sandy Hook...11 22 | Gov. Island... 0 12 | Hell Gate..... 1 53

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Cleared.

Steamships—Roanoke, Skinner, Norfolk, Ludlam & Pleasants; James Adger, Turner, Charleston, Spofford, Tileston & Co.; Knoxville, Ludlow, Savannah, S. L. Mitchell.

Ships—President Fillmore, Nelson, London, Cook, Grinnell; Estabrin Tustis, New Orleans N. H. Bingham; Niobe, Evans Calcutta, W. A. Sale, Jr.; Prince Regent, (Br.) Martin, London, H. & F. W. Meyer; Sir Robert Peel, Gifford, London, C. Grinnell; J. A. Westervelt, Austin, Liverpool, Taylor & Rich; New Hampshire, Chase, Liverpool, Grinnell, Minturn & Co.; F. A. Palmer, (new) Richardson, Havre, Post & Riveran; Tropic, Smith, Sydney, R. W. Cameron; Windward, Smith, Melbourne, R. W. Cameron; Audubon, Arthur, Valparaiso, W. R. Rodman; Hemisphere, Harris, Key West, master, J. Norton, Jr.; Columbia, Mowry, Charleston, Thos. Wardle.

Barks—Garland, Martin, Marseilles, J. B. Gager & Co.; Zorgvliet, (Dutch) Groot, Amsterdam, W. F. Schmidt & Co.; J. S. Lancaster, Somers, Brest, J. W. Elwell & Co.; Rolla, Hayes, Sagua la Grande, Peck & Church; Almira, Hallock, Nassau, Bacon & Sargent.

Brigs—Mary Hamilton, Briggs, Galveston, Wakeman & Dixon; Sea Bird, Frost, Bermuda, H. D. Wakeman & Co.; Volons, Lockhart, St. Marys, Brett, Sea & ... o.; St. Agnes, (Br.) Putnam, Norfolk, J. S. Whitney & Co.

Schooners—G. H. Townsend, Hutchinson, Gambia, M. M. Freeman & Co.; Sea Maria, Mitchell, Baltimore, T. S. Merrill; Brig Townsend, Larkin, Inhoe & Slight; Montrose, Wise, Blue Hill, Maine, Brodie & Peters; Ralph Post, Conklin, Apalachicola, R. Post, D. B. Wagner, Hennure, Charleston, McCready, Mott & Co.; L. P. Smith, Dorticseen, Wilmington, Dollner & Potter; Fairfax, Mott, Alexandria, Abbott, Dodge & Co.; F. A. Hawkins, Cobb, Philadelphia, J. W. McKeon; St. Stephen, Randall, Eastport, DeWolf, Starr & Co.; Chieftain, Brewster, Portland, Brown & Haviland; Wolcott, Hallett, Boston, Dayton & Sprague; S. Nash, Allen, Boston, S. W. Lewis.

Sloop—E. Sprague, Fish, Wareham, master.

Steamers—Jackson, Layfield, Baltimore, H. Cromwell; Piedmont, Post, Baltimore, H. B. Cromwell.

Arrived.

U. S. M. steamship Marion, Foster, Charleston, 55 hrs., mdse. and 2 pass. to Spofford, Tile