at about whatever figures they may choose to dictate, and call loans to-day were reported at 2@2½ per cent. Even at going figures, financial institutions and capitalists find much difficulty in placing their balances. There is good inquiry for merchant paper, and rates are quoted as follows:

CURRENCY PAPER.

	Sixty days.	Four months.
Double-named—		
First-class	3½@ 4	4 @ 4½
Good	4 @ 4½	4½@ 5
Single-named—		
First-class	4 @ 4½	4 @ 5
Good	5 @ 6	6 @ 7
Not so well known	7 @ 8	8 @ 9

GOLD PAPER.

Double-named—		
Prime	3½@ 4	4 @ 5
Single named—		
Good	4 @ 5	4½@ 5½

Time loans are not quoted. The following were the rates of exchange on New-York at the undermentioned cities to-day: Savannah, buying 3/16, selling 5/16; Charleston, easy, offering freely, 3/16@¼ premium; St. Louis, ⅛ premium; Cincinnati steady, buying par, selling 1/10; New-Orleans, commercial ¼, bank ⅜, and Chicago firm, 50 premium. The United States Treasurer at Washington received to-day $1,200,000 National bank notes for redemption. The customs receipts were $300,000, and internal revenue receipts $370,000. The following is the Clearing-house statement to-day: Currency exchanges, $60,584,909; Currency balances, $3,547,311; gold exchanges, $8,354,688; gold balances, $1,142,627.

Government bonds were quiet but firm, the 1865s and 1867s being in best inquiry at 111¾ and 114⅜ respectively, being regarded as further off from funding into lower bonds by the occurrences of the last few days. The 6 per cents are just now preferred at the difference by capitalists and fiduciary institutions to the new 4½ per cents. We annex latest street quotations:

	Bid.	Asked.		Bid.	Asked.
U. S. Cur. 6s	125¼	125¾	U. S. 6s, '68 Coup	115⅝	—
U. S. 6s '81, Reg	114⅝	114⅞	U. S. 10-40, Reg	112¾	112⅞
U. S. 6s '81, Coup	115½	115¾	U. S. 10-40, Coup	113½	113¾
U. S. 6s '65, N. R	111⅝	111⅞	U. S. 5s, '81, Reg	111½	112
U. S. 6s '65, Coup	111⅝	111⅞	U. S. 5s, '81, C	111¾	112
U. S. 6s '67, Reg	114¼	114½	U. S. 4½s, '91, Reg	107⅝	107¾
U. S. 6s '67, C	114¼	114½	U. S. 4½s, '91, C	108¾	108⅞
U. S. 6s '68, Reg	115¾	—			

In State bonds, Louisiana consols declined to 87, Missouri plain sixes being firm at 106⅞ and 107, and old North Carolinas at 21½, District of Columbia selling at 74⅜. Current quotations are:

	Offered.	Asked.		Offered.	Asked.
Alabama 5s, '85	39½	—	N. C., Ap. & Oct.	20½	21½
Alabama 5s, '86	39½	—	N. C., N.C.R.A.&O.	55	—
Alabama 8s, '86	39½	—	N.C.coupon J.&J.	51	—
Alabama 8s, '92	39½	—	N.C.coupon A.&O.	51	—
Alabama 8s, '92	20	—	N. C. F. Act, 1866	12	—
Alabama 8s, '93	20	—	N. C. F. Act, 1868	11¾	—
Ark. 6s, Funded	27½	—	N.C.N.Bds., J.&J.	11	—
Ark. 7s, M. & L.R.	8	10	N. C. N. B., A.&O.	10¾	—
Ark. 7s, M. O. & R.	—	8	N. C. S. T., class 1	2	—
Ark. 7s, Ark.C.R.	5	—	N. C., S. T., class 2	2	3
Georgia 6s	93	101	N. C., S. T., class 3	—	10
Georgia 7s, new b.	106½	108	Ohio 6s, 1881	107	—
Georgia 7s, old b.	104	—	Ohio 6s, 1886	114	—
Georgia 7s, G. & R.	107½	—	Rhode Island 6s	110	—
Ill. coup. 6s, '79	103	—	South Carolina 6s	42	47
Ill. War Loan	103	—	S. C. 6s, Jan. & July	40	—
Kentucky 6s	103	—	S. C. 6s, Act'd 1866	40	—
Louisiana 6s	44	—	S. C. F. Act 1866	40	—
La. 6s, new	44	—	S. C. 6s, '83, J.&J.	50	—
La. 7s, Penitentiary	44	—	S. C. 1, '83, A.&O.	40	—
La. 6s, Levee Bds.	44	—	S. C. 7s of 1868	40	—
La. 8s, L. R.	44	—	S. C. non-fund'g bds	2½	3½
La. 8s, L. R., 1875	44	—	Tenn. 6s, old	42	44¼
La. 7s, Consol	87	87¼	Tenn. 6s, n. bonds	43½	—
Mich. 6s, '72-'79	103	—	Tenn. 6s, new	43½	—
Mich. 8s, '93	105	—	Va. 6s, old	31	—
Michigan 7s, '90	111	—	Va. 6s, n. b., 1866	32	—
Missouri 6s, '77	102	—	Va. 6s, n. b., 1867	32	—
Missouri 6s, '78	102¾	—	Va. 6s, Con. bds	81½	—
Funding n. '94-5	107	—	Va. 6s, ex mat.	—	71
L. R. iss '82 to '90	106¾	106⅞	Va. 6s, Con. 2d ss.	41	—
H. & St. J. iss '87-'88	105	—	Va. 6s, Deferred bs	5½	6¼
D. C. 3-65s, Reg	97.100	106¾	Dist of C. 3-65s 1924	74⅝	74½
N. C. 6s, O. Reg	21	23	Dis. of C. Reg	74½	74⅝
N. C. 6s old, J.&J.	21	23			

In city bank stocks the only sales were of Fourth National 69⅞ at 99½ and Bank of Commerce (18) at 105. The following are the current quotations:

	Offered.	Asked.		Offered.	Asked.
America	133	136	Mech. Bank's Ass'n	61	75
American Ex.	105	107½	Mercantile	—	107
Bankers' & B. Ass.	74	—	Merchants'	117	—
Butcher's & Drov's'	—	120	Merchants' Ex.	—	91
Central National	—	101	Metropolitan	—	129
City	210	—	Nassau	—	95
Commerce	105	105¼	New-York	116	118
Continental	—	77	Nin'h National	—	67½
First National	200	—	North River	—	50
Fourth National	99¾	100	Park	107½	—
Gallatin National	110	120	Phenix	104	105
Hanover	96	—	Republic	96	98
Import. & Traders'	185	190	Shoe & Leather	120	125
Manhattan	135	138	State of N.Y., new	110	—
Manuf's & Merch's	90	100	Tradesmen's	120	—
Marine	—	90	Union	132	—

There was a large business in the railroad bonds, a feature being the demand for and advance in the bonds of the Pacific coast roads. Centrals rose to 110, the San Joaquin branch to 89, and California and Oregon to 90½@90¾. Westerns were up to 103⅛. Union firsts to 106, Land Grants to 101⅜@101⅝. Sinking Fund to 94. Firsts of Missouri Pacific stiffened up to 100⅛, seconds being 88½. Lehigh and Wilkesbarre coals declined to 26. Chicago, Burlington and Quincy consolidated 7s are well sustained at 116½. Rock Island 7s at 109½, and Chicago and North-Western gold bonds at 91. St. Paul firsts, La Crosse division, rising to 102¾@103. Michigan Central 7s were steady at 100½ and St. Louis and Iron Mountain firsts at 98¼. Toledo, Peoria and Warsaw firsts, eastern division, selling at 90, and Harlem firsts at 117¾. We annex current quotations:

	Offered.	Asked.		Offered.	Asked.
Alb. & Sus. 1st bds.	110¾	112	Cleve. & Tol. S. R.	106¾	107
Alb. & Sus. 2d bds.	92	—	Cleve. P. & A. O. R.	105¾	—
B., H. & Erie 1 M.	11	11½	Cleve. P. & A. 2d M.	105	—
B., H. & Erie 1 mort.	8	11¾	Buff. & Erie R. R.	106½	—
Buff. & Jam. 1st 6s	45	—	Buff. & State L. 7s	107½	—
Chesb. & O. 6s, M.	22½	—	Kal. and W. P. 1st	90	95
Chic. & Alt. 1 M.	115	—	Lake Shore Div. s	106¾	108
Chic. & Alton 1s	105½	—	Lake S. Coup. C. 1st	1 s	—
Joliet & Chi. 1 M.	110	—	Lake S. C. R. 1st	107½	107¾
L. and Mo. 1st, G.	85	—	Lake S. Con. C. 2d	100½	103
St. L., J. & C. 1st	103½	105	Lake S. C. R. 2d	—	100
C.B.&Q. S.F. 1st	116¼	—	Mich. C. 7s, 1st	100	—
C., R. I. & P. 1st	110½	110¾	N. Y. Cen. 6s, S.F.	112¼	112½
C. R. I. & P. 1 M. 7s	109¾	109¾	N. Y. Cen. 6s, '83	—	104
C. R. I. & P. S. F. 6s	100½	101	N. Y. Cen. 6s, '85	105	106¼
C. R. I. & P. L. G.	100½	—	N. Y. Cen. 6s, R. E.	110¼	—
C. R. I. & S. J. 1 M.	108½	109¾	N. Y. C. R. Sub	101¾	—
C. R. of N. J. 1 Con.	53	55¾	N. Y. C. & H. R. M.	112	—
C. R. of N. J., Conv.	51	52	N. Y. C. & H. R. S.	114	115½
L. & W. Consol. gu.	98	99	H. & D. 2d M.	93	114
Am. U. & W. 1st M.	40	40¼	Harlem L. M. 7s	117½	119
N. S. P. 1st M. P. D.	116	—	Har. gu. 1st M.	111¾	112½
H. & St. J. 2d M.	95	—	N. Missouri, 1st M.	100	101½
do. 7s	98½	98⅞	Ohio Miss. & S. P.	10½	—
do. 1 M. L. C. D.	102¾	102⅞	Ohio & Miss. Cons.	30	91
do. 1st M. I. & M. D.	87¾	88	Ohio Miss. 2d Cons.	50	55¾
do. 1st M. L. & D.	80	—	Cen. Pac. gold	109⅞	110
do. 1st M. C. & M.	99¾	99⅞	C. Pac. C. & O. 1st	90½	91
do. Consol. S. F.	81⅞	86¾	C. P. State Aid 8s	—	110
do. 2d M.	89½	—	West. Pac. Bonds	103	103½
Chic. & N.W. S.F.	109¾	—	U. P. 1st M. bds	105½	106
C. & N. W. 1st R.	103½	—	U. P. D. Grant 7s	101¾	—
Chic. & N.W. C.L.	106¾	—	U. P. Sinking fd	94	—
Chic. & N.W. R.R.	100	—	P.R. of Mo. 1st mge	99¾	100
Chic. & N.W. M.	106¾	107¾	P. R. of Mo. 2d M.	88	—
Chic. & N.W. C.G.R.	90¾	91	P. R. of Mo. 1st C. R.	—	70
Chic. & N.W. R.G.R.	90	—	P. F. W. & C. 1st 1 M.	—	122
Green & Chic. Ex.	107¾	108	P. Ft. W. & C. 2d M.	114	114
Pacific R.R. Cons.	107	—	P. Ft. W. & C. 3d M.	103½	105
Chic. & M. 1st M.	107½	109	C. & P. Gen. Sp. F.	110	112
Chic. & R. I. 1st M.	109½	70	C. & P. 1st M. S. F.	109½	107
Wis. & M. L. G. & M.	75	78	C. C. & I. 1st M.	98½	—
C.C.C.&I. 7s S.F.	106½	107	C., C., and I. 2d M.	3½	—
Ind., I. & W. 1st M.	103¾	104	Ill. W. & Ogden, C.	—	60
Mor. & Ess. 1st M.	114	—	A. & T. H. 1st M.	108	—
Morris & Ess. M.	108½	—	A. & T. H. 2 M. Pref.	—	89
Morris & Ess. Con.	82	—	Tol., P. & W., 1st M.	89	—
Morris & Ess. 7s '71	95¾	100	Tol., P. & W., 2d M.	88¾	89½
Morris & Ess. 7s '91	117	—	Tol. L. & I. M. 1st M.	98	—
Erie 2d M. 7s	103½	—	T., P. & W., Bur. D.	—	49
Erie 3d M. 7s	101¾	—	Tol. & W. I. M. Extension	103	105
Erie 1st R. E.	80	102	Tol. & W., ex coup.	89	90
Erie 2d R. E. 7s	88½	—	Tol. & W., 1 M. L.	74¾	74¾
Long Island 6s	110½	112	Tol. & W., 2d M.	66½	—
N. S. V. & H. L. R.	102	—	Tol. & W. Con. C.	35	—
Buf. & S. L. 1st M.	102¾	—	Han. & N. 1st M.	30	—
Han. & St. J. S. M.	79½	80¾	Gl. W. 1st M.	88	102
Dub. & Sioux C. 1 M.	103	—	Gl. West ex c.	89½	—
Dub. & S.C. 2d D.	104	—	Gl. W. 2d M., '93	65	70
Cedar F. & M. 1 M.	—	82	Quincy & T., 1 coup	70	75
L., B. & W. 1 M.	17	—	Han. & C. Mo., 1 M.	75	—
M. So. 7s c. 2d M.	101½	101¾	W. U. B., 1900, C.	101½	—
M. S. & N. I. S.F.	109	—			

The earnings of the Chicago, Milwaukee, and St. Paul, for the second week in May and since Jan. 1, were:

	1876.	1877.	Decrease.
Second week in May	$167,007	$144,060	$23,007
Since Jan. 1	2,599,936	2,153,460	446,476

BANKING AND FINANCIAL.

TO THE STOCKHOLDERS OF THE MICHIGAN CENTRAL RAILROAD.

I desire to express my thanks to the "*One of Them*," who has presented the contest now in progress for the future control of this road in its true light, viz., self-interest, on the part of those having a share in it. This is not a philanthropic period in our history. On the contrary, it is a veritable scramble on the part of every individual and interest, for safety and precedence. *Sauve qui peut*, to put it delicately, is the motto of all, which may be literally rendered into pure Anglo-Saxon as "The devil take the hindmost." Michigan Central is at present enjoying a very fair share of prosperity as times go. Its connections are most advantageous, giving it a virtual monopoly of the trade between Montreal and Chicago, which, for a portion of the year at all events, will compare favorably, all things considered, with the trade of any of the American trunk lines. It is thus a veritable portion of a great trunk line itself, which more than any other renders New-England independent in its through traffic of the more southern lines. To destroy the present satisfactory relations with the Great Western of Canada and the Grand Trunk, by making it a mere feeder of Canada Southern, and so of New-York Central, would be simply suicidal, in respect to the value of their property, on the part of Michigan Central stockholders. It would lower it from its present position as part of a trunk system reaching from New-England to Chicago to the condition of a branch, or mere connection of the Vanderbilt line. Both the opposition tickets offer this danger in their success. Whether it be Hatch and Gould or Vanderbilt and Sidney Dillon, what difference does it make, so long as both parties are identified with the Canada Southern, and have for their purpose the making of the Michigan Central a mere extension of the former to Chicago? The advertisement in the morning journals for proxies, offering a bonus of one-half of one per cent for their use, is in itself proof positive that the opposition is not seeking the welfare of the stockholders alone, but rather, having plans of their own to carry forward, such as are above pointed out, expect to gain authority by addressing themselves to the cupidity of some of the least informed of your body. *Did they really contemplate improving the value of the property, and so of the stock, they would have purchased that stock, but, as they know the success of their schemes will only depreciate it, they only seek the voting power*, quite content to let the ruined donor of the proxy satisfy himself as he best may with his one-half of one per cent. I would respectfully suggest to such of the stockholders as are dissatisfied with the present management that they heed the advice of the great Shakespeare, "'t is best to bear the ills we have than fly to others that we know not of," especially when the latter are identified in advance with such dangerous eventualities as belong to the influence of Canada Southern, Lake Shore, Rufus Hatch, Jay Gould, and men whose record in the roads they now manage is that of depreciated values and a forfeited credit as compared with the men of sterling character in the present direction.

A BONDHOLDER.

MICHIGAN CENTRAL RAILROAD CO.

PROXIES WANTED.

The undersigned will pay $2 per share and upwards for Proxies on the stock of the Michigan Central Railroad Co.

It is our desire and expectation to do with them much as those distinguished Railroad Directors, Messrs. Jay Gould and James Fisk, jr., did with the Erie Proxies which they purchased a few years since.

Stockholders desiring to aid us in our laudable undertaking will please call upon us at the lobby of the Windsor Hotel, 9 o'clock p. m. Make yourselves known as stockholders that desire to sell Proxies and we will trade with you.

QUIRK, GAMMON & SNAP,
Attorneys and Employes of Interested Parties.

OFFICE OF HOTCHKISS & BURNHAM,
Commission Stock Brokers, No. 30 Broad-st.,
NEW-YORK, May 16, 1877.

WANTED.—Proxies on Michigan Central Railroad Stock, to be used at the next annual election. We will pay for same one-half of one per cent.

HOTCHKISS & BURNHAM.

THE MARKETS.

[Carefully reported for THE TRIBUNE.]

TOTAL RECEIPTS OF PRODUCE

Per North River, Vessels, and Railroads.

THURSDAY, May 17, 1877.

Beans, bbls.	92	Grease, pkgs.	325
Cotton, bales	50	Grass S'd, bcs	5
Copper, bbls.	78	Hemp, bales.	16
Dd Fruit, pk.	44	Hides, No.	49
Eggs, pkgs.	2,394	Hides, bales.	634
Flour, bbls.	9,725	Horns, bales.	5
Corn M., bbls	1,050	Leather, sds.	9,003
Wheat, bush.	800	Molasses, bbls.	45
Corn, bush.	48,300	Oil, bbls.	7
Oats, bush.	62,764	Oilcake, pks.	325
Rye, bush.	1,712	Lard Oil, bbls	45
Malt, bush.	800	Pork, pkgs.	458
Barley, bush.	500	Beef, pkgs.	159
O. Meal, bbls	100	Cut M'ts, pks.	1,567
		Lard, tcs.	347
		Lard, kegs	549
		Butter, pkgs.	6,037
		Cheese, pkg.	16,851
		Tallow, pkgs.	641
		Starch, pkgs.	2,195
		Sperm, pkgs	53
		Tallow, pkgs.	414
		Tobacco, hds	85
		Tobacco, pks	51
		Whisky, bls	303
		Wool, bales.	132

GENERAL MARKET REPORT.

THURSDAY, May 17, 1877.

ASHES quiet and again unchanged at 4¾c. for Pots and 6¾c. for Pearls.

COFFEE—Rio was dull and weak, with unfavorable news from Rio Janeiro, where prices were an important item lower. A dispatch from there, dated May 16, stated: "Sales since this limit, 9,000 bags; shipments to Atlantic ports, 28,000 bags; to other ports, 4,000 bags; stock, 48,000 bags; average daily receipts, 9,000 bags. Trade dull, owing to unfavorable advices from consuming countries; price, 10,000; exchange, 21d." This is a decline of 400 reis within a week. Here 1,000 bags Rio, ex Ortive sold last evening on private terms, but no sales, either here or out of town, transpired to-day. The firm Robinson arrived here to-day with 3,000 bags Laguna. At Baltimore the ship Eagle has arrived with 6,000 bags, and the Adelaide with 7,400 bags. There is a wide difference in the views of buyers and sellers, and in the nature of business the quotations are nominal at 16½c. for old fair cargoes, 19½c. for fair, 19¾c. for good, and 20½@20¾c. for prime—all gold. The following shows the stock of Brazil here and at the outports, with comparisons:

	1877.	1876.	1875.	1874.
New-York, bags	86,159	102,949	46,477	86,630
Baltimore, bags	43,000	41,158	1,583	21,666
New-Orleans, bags	190	3,380	....	....
Galveston, bags	6,800	2,800	2,000	1,500
Savannah, bags	....	4,794	....	....
Mangalore, bags	....	9,100	5,000	....
Boston, bags	....	....	....	6,371
Total, bags	137,318	163,641	55,065	118,167

Mild grades dull and nominally unchanged; Jamaica quoted, 17½@21c., gold, with sales of 150 bags and 124 bbls. on private terms; Maracaibo and Laguayra nominally 19@21c., gold.

COTTON quiet at an advance of ⅛c. with more favorable advices from Liverpool; sales, 567 bales, of which 110 last evening, all for home consumption; 400 bales were delivered on contract. Advanced quotations were:

New Cotton.	Uplands.	Alabama.	N. Orl'ns.	Texas.
Ordinary	9⅞	9⅞	9⅞	9⅞
Strict Ordinary	10⅛	10⅛	10 1/16	10 1/16
Good Ordinary	10 11/16	10 11/16	10 13/16	10 13/16
Strict Good Ordinary	10 15/16	10 15/16	10 15/16	10 15/16
Low Middling	10⅞	10⅞	10⅞	10⅞
Strict Low Middling	10⅞	10⅞	10¾	10¾
Middling	10⅞	10⅞	11	11
Good Middling	11⅛	11⅛	11¼	11¼
Strict Good Middling	11⅜	11⅜	11½	11½
Middling Fair	11¾	11¾	11⅞	11⅞
Fair	12⅝	12⅝	12⅞	12⅞

STAINED

Good Ordinary	8⅞	Low Middling	9⅞
Strict Good Ordinary	9⅛	Middling	10¼

Futures were quiet at an advance of 7 to 10 points. Sales yesterday after 4 p. m. were: 200, 10.81; 1,300, 10.80; 600, 10.79; July, 600, 10.91; 1,300, 10.9; 500, 10.88; 400, 10.89; August, 400, 11.01; 1,500, 11; 400, 10.98; 200, 10.99; September, 200, 11.01; 100, 9.98; October, 100, 10.03; November, 200, 10.82; 100, 10.81; December, 300, 10.87; January, 100, 10.96; February, 100, 11.10; total, 9,000 bales. First call to-day—May, 100, 10.85; June, 200, 10.87; 100, 10.86; July, 300, 10.91; August, 100, 11.0; September, 100, 11.05; October, 100, 10.95; November, 200, 10.85; December, 300, 10.87; 100, 10.86; January, 100, 10.94; February, 100, 11.08; total, 2,500 bales. Second call—May, 100, 10.85; June, 200, 10.87; 100, 10.86; July, 300, 10.91; August, 100, 11.0; September, 100, 11.05; October, 200, 10.82; 100, 10.81; December, 300, 10.87; January, 100, 10.96; February, 100, 11.08; total, 2,000 bales. Third call—June, 200, 10.89; 200, 10.90; August, 100, 11.0; September, 100, 11.0; November, 100, 10.80; 2,000, 10.85; 100, 10.77; 1,000, 10.80; 1,000, 10.81; July, 1,400, 10.95; 800, 10.97; 1,000, 10.94; 100, 10.96; 1,100, 10.97; 500, 10.98; 200, 10.97; August, 1,900, 11.06; 100, 11.07; 2,000, 11.00; 100, 10.94; 100, 11.00; September, 500, 11.07; 800, 11.08; 700, 11.06; 200, 11.07; 500, 11.06; October, 200, 10.95; 100, 10.96; November, 100, 10.85; total, 24,300 bales; grand total, 37,000 bales. The market for future delivery showed firm.

	Bid.	Asked.		Bid.	Asked.
May	10.86	10.88	November	10.87	10.89
June	10.88	10.89	December	10.89	10.90
July	10.93	—	January	11.02	11.05
August	11.03	11.04	February	11.17	11.20
September	11.06	11.07	March	11.30	11.36
October	10.94	11.00			

Transferable orders will be issued at 11c.

RICE quiet and steady; sales, 300 tcs. Choice City, 10¾c.; 100 tcs. Prime Western, to arrive, 10½c.

SUGAR—Raw was quiet but steady at 10⅛@10⅜c. for Fair to Good Refining; 10½@10¾c. for Prime; and 10⅜@11⅜c. for Centrifugal; sales, 200 hhds. Low Grade Cuba Muscovado at 9⅞c., and 1,038 hhds. Muscovado on the basis of 10⅝c. for strict Fair. Refined was quiet at 12⅝c. for Crushed and Powdered; 12⅛c. for Granulated; 12⅜c. for Cut Loaf, and 11⅞@11⅞c. for "A." The following shows the total exports of Sugar and Molasses from Jan. 1 to May 12, compared with last year:

To.	Hhds. 1877.	Hhds. 1876.	Boxes. 1877.	Boxes. 1876.
United States	11,968	149,111	69,414	134,251
Great Britain	7,604	27,013	56,081	69,577
North Europe	....	....	....	7,567
South Europe	....	....	....	7,033
Africa	125	....	1,000	1,369
France	183	....	38,240	87,783
Other parts	302	106	2,167	4,197
Total	125,610	177,260	147,002	302,698

The exports this year, as above, show a decrease of 4,650 hhds. and 155,196 boxes compared with the same time in 1876, and a decrease of 29,308 hhds. and 320,770 boxes during the same period in 1875.

TALLOW—Market easier; sales, 425,000 ℔ Prime at 8⅛@8⅜c.; 250 ℔ Prime, to arrive, on private terms.

TEA—There was an auction sale of 5,101 pkgs., embracing 2,715 half-chests Moyunkum from 31 to 37c.; 371 pkgs. Congou at 29½@32c.; 1,015 pkgs. Japan at 19@31c., 3 pkgs. Congou at 17@52c., and 100 pkgs. Oolong at 21@23c.—three being steady prices throughout.

WHISKY—Market firmer, held at $1 11, with $1 10½ bid; sales, 10 bbls. at $1 11 per gallon.

LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

NEW-YORK, May 17.—BEEVES—Arrivals, 37 cars of 581 bullocks at Jersey City. Total since Saturday, 8,828, against 7,784 same time last week. The best element was stronger to-day, notwithstanding quite a sprinkling of bulls. The tone to the fresh arrivals this morning, there not about 100 cattle held over from yesterday, was firm upon that quality as every lot in market, and no restrictions were the wants of butchers. The market was an extremely tough one, taking into account the cost of stock bought in such a market at *The Chicago Live Stock Report* or of the 13th, speaks of, viz.:

"For healthy and numerous reasons, the present week will be remembered by the cattle market as a week of the season. In the outset, here as the month opened, there was a good deal of talk about the high prices, but not specially brilliant, inasmuch as Western advices all were the same, weaker and discouraging, pro and contrary they have seemed so steadily for some months past. But a light supply of cattle have to begin with, and a very moderate one to follow, seemed fairly sufficient to give some tone and confidence to buyers, and to give quite a fair chance for the better in Western markets. It was not, however, to last, for, besides a Chicago alone Eastern markets were indebted for their improved activity, inasmuch as weekend Eastern orders arrived here freely, and therefore enabled them to use to good advantage all the cattle received. To the small supply of cattle received here at the opening of last week we may largely attribute the reaction which occurred on Tuesday, and which when once established, seemed to be indeed to the close. The demand here generally was more than usually sluggish, owing to prolonged weakness and dullness which have prevailed for so many weeks past in the trade both East and West."

It is likely that when the accounts of some of the Chicago cattle sold here are made out, it will be found that they have lost about lost freight, and that butchers complain about being more than usually sharp on questions them—during the past week. Adding to the Western sifted list cattle, *The Live Stock Report* has the following:

"Calculated by the experiences of last week, Western shippers gave us more than double the number of cattle to take care of on Sunday and yesterday, that they did on the same days last week. As a result, buyers got at Rock Island, Iowa, and vicinity, and at Chicago, and Western points generally, the cattle they need, and the market ended the week in strength. In addition to the ordinary supplies of other grades, we also now receive a few Texas. It is reported that from 10,000 to 15,000 cattle have been feeding during the past season in Western states, for some little time past, and that the advance has been generally appreciated by feeders, and that they will let the cattle go off fairly, and with no brought forward during the present week."

There was very little business done here to-day, and that at a decrease of 5c. from yesterday. Our receipts were 8 ℔ more than the other day, and be just to that much poorer stock, for there were several lots of very rough cattle (many including some Texans—but sold. Among the better class of buyers at 10½c. per ℔ cost, 1,000 cattle at 10½c., 55 ℔; 50 at 10½c., 58 ℔; 40 at 10½c., 59 ℔; 40 at 10½c., 59 ℔; 20 at 10½c., 57 ℔; 42 at 11c., one third of them, 56 ℔; 14 at 11½c., 57 ℔. Average, 10½c. against 11c. yesterday on a much better class of cattle.

Wixsed & Alleton had 8 cars of the cattle; N. Morris, 12 cars; Reed & Swope, 8 cars; M. Kahn, 4 cars, with three for 2 year lots.

Chas. Laury & Culver sold for Walter A. Allerton, 15 Illinois, 976 ℔, at 9½c.; 21 of 1,237 ℔ at 10½c.; 15 of 1,311 ℔, 11c., 50 cents; 21 cows, 1,237 ℔, 11½c., 57 ℔.

N. Jackson, 18 of the Kingsley cattle, 73 Missouri, 1,114 ℔, at 10½c.

L. Rosenstein sold 26 Illinois, 1,071 ℔, at 10½c., less 50c. each; 10 Illinois cows, 1,000 ℔, each.

D. Wakefield sold 20 stillers of 1,346 ℔ at 10½c., 57 ℔, and 820 on the lot; 27 of 1,353 ℔ at 11c., with 4 coarse ones, 1,400 ℔, at 9½c.

S. O. Donnell for W. & A., 15 Illinois, 971 ℔, at 9½c.; 13 of 1,136 ℔ at 10½c., and 21 cows, 17 at 1,171 ℔, 10½c., less 25; 16 of 1,230 ℔ at 10½c., and 20 cows, all 57 ℔.

H. Tedley, for S. Morris, 17 Illinois stillers, 1,110 ℔, at 10½c., and 1,123 ℔ at 10½c., less $10; 11 of 1,271 ℔ at 10½c., 58 ℔, less $1.

C. Kahn sold 5 bulls, 1,520 ℔, at 4½c.; 8 very rough cattle, 1,230 ℔, at 4½c., 55 ℔; 3 of 1,050 ℔, cows, at 10c., 58 ℔; 30 steers, 1,263 ℔, 10½c., 58 ℔.

Dooley & Fox sold their 37 steers, 1,134 ℔, at 10½c., 56 ℔.

C. J. Hyman sold 15 Illinois, 1,071 ℔, at 10½c., 56 ℔.

Ryan & Martin sold 10 bulls, 1,037 ℔, at $3 50.

CALVES—Receipts, 1,180 at Skinnerhead, and 255 at Washington Market. Trade slow and prices weaker, especially before the close, some calves holding until late in the day. There were not enough of the Barod Island Cows and Jersey sold above 6½c. to quote, while very good ones would at 6c., and common to fair scale at 4@5½c.; buttermilks, 3½@4½c.

Jeffries Wright sold 20 buttermilks of 108 ℔ at 4½c.; 20 of 123 ℔, 4½c.; 22 of 131 ℔, 5c.; 12 of 136 ℔, 5½c.; 11 of 140 ℔, $5 00; 6 of 135 ℔, 5c.; 25 Jerseys at 6½@6½c., 10 c.

Hunt, Elliott & Co. sold 50 State calves, 127 ℔, at 5c.; 50 of 132 ℔, 5½c.; 15 of 124 ℔, 5½c.

Lucas Gillespie sold 76 of 130 ℔ at 4½c.; 18 of 123 ℔, 4½c.; 115 of 120 ℔, 4½c.; 81 of 124 ℔, 5c.; 41 of 129 ℔, 5½c.; 12 of 134 ℔, 5½c.; 10 of 140 ℔, 6c.; 10 of 148 ℔, 6½c.

J. Kirby sold 64 calves, 139 ℔, at 5½c.; 59 of 141 ℔, $5 31¼.

S. McGraw sold 42 buttermilks, 136 ℔, at $3 20; 44 of 112 ℔, 3½c.

Thompson & Moore sold 81, mostly Bucks County calves, at about 5c. average.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Arrivals, 20½ cars at Jersey City, 6 at Skinnerhead, and 2 cars bonds at Washington Market, making 5,364 head, and completing 21,140 since Saturday, against 14,462 same time last week. Sheep and lambs too, have hardly "broke loose" and come here with a rush which would bring but satisfactory to one or two, especially when sold under cost in Buffalo. Prices are about ½c. lower than yesterday, with a difficulty in selling, no matter where the figures are put. Going back 10 days, and we find a decline of 1c. ℔ lb. Most sales to-day were at 5@5½c. for sheep, with 2 cars common at 4½c., and a few prime 5½c.

Kane & Babcock sold at Jersey City 263 Ohio, 74 ℔, at 4½c.; 479 do., 86 ℔, 5c.; 414 of 91 ℔, at 5½c.; 98 of 91 ℔, 5½c.; 276 mixed do. common wood sheep, 85 ℔, poor, at 5½c.; 82 Virginia lambs, 49 ℔, 7c.; 142 Jersey, 50 ℔, 5c.; 6 do., 52 ℔, 10½c.

Judd & Brockingham sold 232 Ohio sheep, 81½ ℔, at 4½c.

Newton & Holmes sold 290 Ohio, 85½ ℔, at 5½c.

Hunt, Elliott & Co. sold 241 Ohio, 76 ℔, at 5½c.; 67 do., 97 ℔, 5½c.; 20 do., 84 ℔, 5½c.

Collins and 23 Jersey lambs, 46@50 ℔, at 10c.; 17 of 50 ℔, 10½c.; 13 of 51 ℔, at 11c.

Hoffman & Anderson sold 10 Jersey lambs, 48 ℔, at 10c.; 16 of 52 ℔, 11c.; 18 of 53 ℔, 11½c.

Quick & Reed sold 23 Jersey lambs, 50 ℔, at 10c., and 35 of 55 ℔ at 11c.

Thurston & Moore sold 36 of 48 ℔ at 8½c., common lambs.

Ege & Otis sold 16 lambs, 54 ℔, coarse, at 8c.; 5 of 53 ℔, 10c.

HOGS—Arrivals, 10 cars at Jersey City and 6 cars at Fortieth-st. Total since Saturday, 19,004, against 18,937 same time last week. There was no recovering the lost ground of yesterday, but a still further yielding under the pressure, dressed selling at 6⅝@6⅞c., with a portion of the 6⅝ at 6¾c. Ege & Otis sold a car Michigan refrigerator under 160 ℔