THE MONEY MARKET.

SUNDAY, Feb. 20—P. M.

Although the value ($8,220,900) of merchandise imported into New-York for the week ended yesterday was $1,992,137 greater than for the preceding week, it was $1,052,100 less than for the same week of 1880. The exports from the port for the week ended Tuesday, February 15, valued at $7,399,102, were $903,130 less than the values for the preceding week, but $573,659 more than for the same week of last year. The total movement of merchandise at the port from January 1 to the dates named, compared with the same time of 1880, shows an increase of $6,219,243 in the value of the exports and a decrease of $14,348,452 in the value of the imports. The imports of specie last week amounted to $327,730, making a total of $5,149,006 since January 1, against $1,293,708 to the same date in 1880. The exports of specie to date this year amount to $1,726,510, against $1,159,227 for the same time last year. These changes show a comparative difference of $17,279,080 in favor of this port on the foreign movements, other than of securities, since January 1.

The weekly statement of the associated banks of the city which was issued yesterday reflects a continued absorption of the surplus funds, which heretofore has been the cause of such low rates for money. Afurther exhaustion of $3,668,200 in loans brings that item up to $320,807,300, the largest figures ever recorded except for the two weeks that ended November 6 and 13, 1880. The loss (average) of specie is reported at $1,951,000 or $500,000 more than the actual gain made by the Sub-Treasury, other than the $1,904,000 which it received by transfers from out of town, and the legal-tender average is reduced $658,000 despite an actual loss by the Sub-Treasury of $193,243 currency. The changes in loans and cash call for an increase of $1,100,000 in deposits, but instead of an increase the deposits are reduced $206,200, indicating a further absorption of about $1,300,000 of funds in the shape of National bank notes. Since the statement was made up at the close of business Friday, the total cash reserves have been reduced by deposits with the Sub-Treasury of $2,500,000 to retire bank-note circulation. As this operation does not affect the deposits, it follows that, assuming the average statements to approximate the actual condition Friday night, the surplus reserve since has been reduced to about $1,300,000, or about 4/10 per cent of the deposits. The movements of the week are in marked contrast with the movements of the same week last year, when the loans (total $290,091,200) were reduced $354,000, specie increased $5,140,700, legal-tenders decreased $1,180,500, deposits increased $4,472,900, and surplus reserve increased $2,841,975. The total average reserves for last week—specie and legal-tenders—are reported at $80,736,800, or $5,842,100 more than the amount held at the same date in 1880; but an increase of $30,716,100 in loans raises the deposits so that now the 25 per cent rule requires a reserve of $76,929,525 against $67,900,250, the sum required a year ago. The week's movement results in a loss of $2,558,250 to the surplus reserve, and leaves it at $3,807,275 against $7,492,450 at the same date of 1880. The following are the comparative totals of the statements of February 12 and February 19:

	Feb. 12.	Feb. 19.	Differences.	
Loans	$317,139,100	$320,807,300	Inc.	$3,668,200
Specie	67,890,600	65,849,600	Dec.	1,951,000
Legal-tenders	15,546,000	14,887,200	Dec.	658,800
Deposits	307,924,300	307,718,100	Dec.	206,200
Circulation	18,352,500	18,259,500	Dec.	92,800

The following shows the relation between the total reserve and the total deposit liabilities:

	Feb. 12.	Feb. 19.	Changes.
Specie	$67,890,600	$65,849,600	Dec. $1,951,000
Legal-tenders	15,546,000	14,887,200	Dec. 658,800
Total reserve	83,346,600	80,736,800	Dec. 2,609,800
Reserve required against dep'sits	76,981,075	76,929,525	Dec. 51,550
Surplus reserve	6,365,525	3,807,275	Dec. 2,558,250

Compared with that of the corresponding date of 1880, the present statement shows: Loans increased, $30,716,100; specie increased, $5,962,400; legal-tenders decreased, $618,300; deposits increased, $36,117,100; circulation decreased, $3,022,700. The total reserve ($80,736,800) now is 26.23 per cent of the total deposits, against 27.06 last week and 27.75 for February 21, 1880.

While last week was prolific of surprises in speculative circles, through the announcements of new and the least expected combinations and proposed consolidations of railroad and coal interests, the great surprise of the week and the event of chief importance to the financial and commercial world was the action of the United States Senate in passing the Refunding bill as it came from the House, with unimportant amendments. With the weight of the best of opinions—of those persons whose experience and daily observations of the money markets of the world entitle them to give advice—adverse to the practicability of a 3 per cent loan, the large majority of the Senators seems to have cast aside the personal experience, which many of them probably have had, that in borrowing money the lender is as important a person as is the borrower in establishing the rate of the loan, and has limited the rate for refunding the maturing 6 and 5 per cents at 3 per cent. While there perhaps are still a few persons capable of forming an opinion upon the subject who think a certain amount of 3 per cents may be floated at par, there has been so great a change in the financial position since the original 3 per cent bill was first introduced in the House that there are many who then favored a 3 per cent loan who now question the feasibility of even a 3½ per cent loan. However, the question of the loan proving a success may be a matter of opinion, but if it fails it will be another illustration of the unconquerable stupidity of the Democratic party. With every opportunity to throw the responsibility of a failure to refund the maturing bonds at lower rates of interest upon its opponents, it blindly accepts the probability, against the advice of its best men, of tying the hands of the Administration to an impossibility.

The obnoxious clause of the bill, however, is the fifth section, which compels National banks to replace the 6s and 5s only with 3 per cents, and limits the deposits for all new circulation, after July 1, 1881, to the 3 per cents. This is an attempt at a species of forced loan that is usually only submitted to under the exigencies of war, and is in violation of the original charter permitting banks to deposit any issues of the Government as security for circulation. The provision that banks may obtain possession of their deposited bonds only by the presentation of their own redeemed notes, instead of as now by a deposit of lawful money to the amount of the notes that were issued for the bonds withdrawn, may work incalculable mischief before the bill becomes a law. As stated in to-day's TRIBUNE, the movement to forestall the operations of this provision has already begun. And it may well be questioned if the directors of a bank have the right thus to lock up the capital of its stockholders without explicit consent for an indefinite time. It is easy to comprehend how slow will be the work of redeeming the deposited bonds with the banks' own circulation. Yet for many reasons it might be desirable to obtain the bonds to sell on a favorable market. Capital of the bank may be impaired; circulation for a bank in one locality may be unprofitable with the price of the bonds at certain figures, and profitable for a bank in another locality, or liquidation and retirement from business may be desired. In all these cases, not merely supposable, but of frequent occurrence, under the provision mentioned the bank's capital will be beyond the control of its directors and stockholders and subject to the fluctuation of market values, perhaps for years, before the desired object can be accomplished. Of course all banks that desire to avoid such possibilities will act promptly under the existing law, because if the bill passes and is approved that provision will be a law whether the 3 per cent bonds are successfully negotiated or not.

The money market worked fairly easily at 5 and 6 per cent, with on some days exceptional and late rates at 4 per cent. Yet the evidence of hardening rates is clearly apparent. The full effect of the absorption of the surplus funds which have so long been a drug in the money markets will be felt only when the last of it is about to disappear. A remaining surplus of $5,000,000 is as effective on rates as a greater surplus. The domestic exchanges have been less favorable to New-York, but only at times have the rates permitted of any withdrawals of funds from here. The foreign exchanges were more active and rates were advanced about 1 cent to the £.

At the Stock Exchange the week was notable for an immense speculation, which continued to advance with ascending values until late Friday afternoon. Government bonds were dull all the week until the action of the Senate on the Funding bill was foreshadowed by the rejection Thursday of all the Finance Committee's amendments. After that there was a spurt in the 4½s and 4s from 112⅜ to 113 and from 113⅛ to 114 respectively. But the movement evidently was engineered by interested persons, because it was adverse to the popular opinion of the Senate's action. Later the prices declined. The final bids for the 6s and 5s are unchanged from a week ago; for the 4½s they are ⅛ higher and for the 4s ½ higher. The total business amounted only to $571,600. State bonds attracted more than usual attention and were strong, notably the Louisiana consols, which rose from 54 to 64½, but closed with a reaction at 60½. Railroad bonds were not as active as they were previously, but Missouri, Kansas and Texas seconds established an advance of 1¾ per cent, New-Jersey Central incomes 3 per cent, Denver and Rio Grande firsts ¾ and consols 1¼, Kansas Pacific consols 1⅞, and Texas and Pacific incomes 3½ per cent. The features of the dealings for the preceding week—the incomes of Lake Erie and Western, Ohio Central, Peoria, Decatur and Evansville, etc.—were lower.

The dealings in stocks for the week are recorded at 3,477,332 shares. Probably the actual transactions exceeded 4,000,000 shares. The market was excited to a high pitch all the time, the difference in days being only in degree. While there was a general advance the special features of the week were the coal properties, led by New-Jersey Central with an advance from 99¾ to 112. There also were some handsome movements among the Southwestern list of railway shares. The upward movement continued almost without interruption until near the close of business of Friday, when, on the announcement that the Senate had passed the Funding bill, there was a sudden change in the temper of the speculation and the desire to sell was almost as great as had been the previous desire to buy. Prices tumbled without regard to fractions and the decline was only checked by the inexorable rule of the Stock Exchange forbidding transactions after 3 o'clock. What followed yesterday is so fresh in the memory of our readers that it is not necessary again to review it. The final result, however, is that in a majority of cases prices are lower than they were a week ago. A few such stocks as Jersey Central, Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis, Louisville and Nashville, Louisiana and Missouri, and the Northern Pacifics are notable exceptions, and, although some of them are materially lower than their best prices, show handsome final gains. The old stocks like Central and Hudson, Michigan Central, Lake Shore, Northwestern and St. Paul show the largest declines. In the last hour of business yesterday there was a sharp recovery from the extreme depression, but the week closed with the speculation feverish and unsettled.

WEEKLY RANGE OF PRICES.

Name.	For the week. Highest	Lowest	Closing. Feb. 19.	Feb. 12.	No. shares sold.
Alton and Ter. H.	52¾	47	47	51¼	5,325
Do. pref.	137½	125½	125½	135½	2,100
Boston Air Line	52½	50	50	52½	450
B. C. R. and North'n	75	75	75	75½	100
Cedar Falls	25½	23½	23½	24	2,710
Central Pacific	93¼	89¾	89¾	91½	4,765
Chic., St. L. and N. O.	65¼	58½	62½	66¼	16,060
Canada South'rn	89½	84¾	86¼	85½	72,295
C., C., C. and Ind.	91½	89	90½	89½	9,450
C., C. and ind. Central	27	25½	25¾	26¾	21,025
Ches. and Ohio	26¼	24	24¼	25¾	8,090
Ches. and Ohio 2d pf.	27¼	25¾	25¾	26½	3,207
Ches. and Ohio 1st pf.	37½	35	36	36¼	5,942
Chic., B. and Quincy	175½	17	173	173½	4,705
Chic., R. I. and P.	139½	135	136	138¾	4,779
Chicago and Alton	149	144	144	147	1,325
C. St P & M & O	50	46½	47	48½	15,810
Do. do pfd	107½	105	105½	106½	8,350
Chic. and N. Western	134½	127¾	130¾	134	98,800
Chic. and N. W. pref.	144½	141¼	142¼	144¼	4,860
Chic. Mil. and St P.	117½	112½	114	116½	102,500
Chic. Mil and St. P. pf	126½	125	125	125¾	1,300
Cin., San. & Cleve.	47	47	47	47	500
Dubuque & Sioux C.	82½	80	82½	82½	400
D. L. Lack. and West'n	128¾	124¾	126½	127	118746
Del. and Hudson Canal	114	109¾	111	110¼	56,926
Den. and Rio Gr'd	108¼	100½	105¼	100¾	86,555
Dan & Nor	78¾	75¾	76	77	800
Houston and Texas	74	70½	70¾	74	4,500
Hannibal and St. Jos.	60	54½	59¾	55	65,205
Han. and St. Jos. pref.	107½	104	105½	106¾	9,172
Harlem	200	200	200	200	125
Int. & Gt. Northern	71½	69	70	69	2,590
Illinois Central	135½	133	133	135½	14,355
Ind. Bloom. and West.	65	60	60	63	183
Keok & D Moines	19	19	19	23½	100
Do. pref	56	54	54	55	308
L & M River	37	37	37¼	23	24,639
Lake Erie and West'n	59½	55	56	58	21,180
Louisville and Nash	91¾	90½	91	89¾	11,095
Lonis. N. Alb. and C.	77	76	76	77	1,100
Lake Shore	133½	127¾	129¾	133½	140,760
Manhattan Railroad	46½	39	46½	45¾	173682
Manhat Beach	35	33	33	34	400
Mar. and Cin. 1s pf.	14	12½	12½	14	8,580
Mar. and Cin. 2d pf.	8¾	7½	7½	8½	600
Metropolitan	126	120	120¾	124	22,828
Michigan Central	122	116	117½	121¾	113,210
Mobile and Ohio	25	23	23¾	24	3,270
Mo. Kan. and Tex	50½	46½	48	47¾	99,040
Morris & Essex	124	121½	123	122¾	2,400
Nash., Chat. and St. L.	92½	78	92½	76½	151201
New-Jersey Central	112	100¾	107½	99¾	241434
N. York and N. Haven	180	180	180	183	25
N. Y. Cent. and Hud.	151¼	147¾	149	150½	50,517
New-York Elevated	130½	126¾	126¾	129¾	6,515
N.Y., L.E. and West'n	50½	48	49½	49¾	213832
N. Y., L. E. and W. pf	92½	88½	89¾	91¾	8,175
Northern Pacific	47¾	41¾	46¼	41¾	83,968
Northern Pacific p'd.	77½	69¾	74½	70¼	96,963
N. Y. Cent. and West.	42¾	40½		42¾	83,355
Do. pref	39½	36½	37¾		
Ohio Central	34½	33¼	32¾	34½	19,035
Oregon R. and Nav.	184	174	182	174	3,976
Ohio and Mississippi	46¼	43	44¼	46¾	41,800
Ohio and Miss. pref.	112½	106½	106½	112	2,400
P. P. C. and St. L.	133	132	132	132	510
Pit. Ft. & Buff.	41½	41	42	41½	1,500
Pullman Pal. Car Co.	142¾	141½	144½		300
Phila. and Rdg. R. R.	73¼	61½	72	64	139735
Peoria, Dec. and Ev.	44	38½	41	43¾	13,260
St. Paul. & Duluth	40	39	39	26	757
St. Paul M & M	93	90	92	89¾	900
St. L. and San Fran.	47½	46	46	48½	2,350
St. L. and San F. pref.	69½	67¾	67¾	69¾	1,145
St. L. and San F. 1st p'd	98	97¼	97¼	97	2,135
St. L., I. M. and S.	66½	61¾	63¾	61½	84,700
Texas Pacific	61¼	51¾	59	55	66,145
Union Pacific	124½	120	122½	123¾	16,080
Wabash, St. L. & Pac.	51¾	47¾	49	48¾	84,241
Do. preferred	92½	88	89¾	89¾	72,445
American Union	82½	78¾	79	81½	2,900
Am. Dist. Telegraph	74	70	71	73½	18,700
Atlantic and Pac. Tel.	48¼	46	46	48¼	3,835
Western Union Tel.	119½	115½	117	119¼	75,560
Adams Express	134½	130½	133	131	684
American Express	70	69¼	70	70¼	548
United States Exp'ss.	57½	56	56	57	430
Wells-Fargo Express	120	118	119	118½	80
Pacific Mail	62¼	54¾	60½	58¾	291010
Col. Coal & Iron	56½	50½	51½	55½	21,600
Consolidated Coal	42	41	41	41	800
Maryland Coal	31¾	30	30	32¾	700
New Central Coal	33¾	31½	31	33¾	850
Carbon Mining	3	3	3	3	1,000
Central Mining	7	5¾	5½	6½	5,125
Excelsior Mining	6	6	6	6	300
Homestake MinCo.	21¾	27½	27	26½	30
Little Pittsburg	7½	5	5	7¾	19,175
Mariposa	5	3¾	4	6¼	700
Silver Cliff	5¾	4½	5½	5½	2,500
Standard Mining Co.	27	25½	26½	26	2,180
Hermann	2½	2¼	2½	2	2,600
Sutro Tunnel	1¼	8	1¼	1¼	6,500
Quicksilver	17	15½	15½	17½	1,400
Quicksilver preferred	63	61¾	61¾	62¾	1,700
Total shares sold for the week					3,477,332

The receipts of flour and grain at the principal Atlantic ports on Saturday were:

	New-York.	Balt.	Phila.	Boston
Flour, bbls	17,856	1,080	2,525	5,369
Wheat, bush	36,900	56,270	11,500	4,400
Corn, bush	64,224	99,325	51,600	49,000
Oats, bush	72,250	4,650	4,000	12,550
Rye, bush	25,500	.....	.....	.....
Barley, bush	21,950	.....	.....	.....
Total bush	220,824	160,245	67,100	65,950

The following were the receipts and shipments at and from Chicago and Milwaukee Saturday:

	Receipts. Chicago.	Milwaukee.	Shipments. Chicago.	Milwaukee.
Flour, bbls	21,382	13,195	11,416	13,890
Wheat, bush	7,050	2,400	4,516	1,400
Corn, bush	70,929	5,400	82,530	.....
Oats, bush	5,964	8,250	52,403	2,250
Rye, bush	900	890	2,962	440
Barley, bush	10,200	7,920	7,557	6,000
Total bush	95,043	24,860	150,068	10,180

The total movements for the week ended February 25, 1881, and since January 1, for years 1880 and 1881, were as follows:

AT ATLANTIC PORTS. Receipts at—	New-York.	Balt.	Phila.	Boston
Flour, week '81 bbls	145,424	21,412	11,635	40,876
Since Jan. 1, '81, bbls	855,418	120,838	127,845	288,387
Flour, week '80 bbls	516,065	83,692	126,530	170,675
Since Jan. 1, '80, bbls	356,547	217,800	305,068	235,180
Wheat, bush	67,950	64,100	87,560	7,065
Corn, bush	270,937	8,100	489,093	1,425
Oats, bush	210,925	13,500	421,159	25,284
Rye, bush	11,493	4,840	13,012	5,648
Barley, bush	43,267	25,870	76,452	28,039
Week '81, bush	604,572	116,410	1,087,266	68,039
Week '80, bush	1,345,724	297,610	1,050,589	123,100
Since Jan. 1, '81, bush	3,464,580	1,987,202	7,510,310	866,013
Since Jan. 1, '80, bush	10,510,463	2,463,910	5,208,511	656,000

CLOSING PRICES OF BOSTON STOCKS.

	Friday.	Saturday.		Friday.	Saturday.
Water Power	13	12½	Lit. R'k & Fl. Smlts	64	63½
Boston Land	11¼	11¼	N. Y. & N. Eng.	57	57
A & Pon. 1st 7s	122	122	Ox. & L. Chan. pfd	30½	30½
Do. land grant 7s	120	120	Ox. & L. Chan. com	32¾	32½
Do. 5s	140	140	Old Colony	129½	129½
Atchison 6s	118½	118½	Pueb. & Ark. Val.	92	92
Bost. L. & Erie 7s	59	58¾	Rutland preferred	30	29
B. H. R. 3-4s new	95½	95½	Rutland common	5¾	5¾
E. R. R. 4½s	105¼	105¼	Atlantic M'fg Co.	4½	4
K.C. & Lawr'ce 4s	105	105	Cammet & Hecla	250	250
St. Jo. & C. Bluffs 7s	119¾	119¾	Catalina	2¾	2¾
Lit. R'k & Ft. S. 7s	113	113	Copper Falls	14½	14½
N. Y. & N. Eng. 7s	119	119	Duncan Silver	3½	3½
A. & Top. R. R.	138½	137½	Franklin	16¾	16
Bost. & A. R. R.	169	169	Hadson Cop'r Min.	1½	1½
Bost. & Me. R. R.	148½	148½	Iowa (new st'k)	21	21
Bur. & Mo. in Neb.	136½	136	Isabel	37	36½
Chic., Bur. & Q'cy	172½	171	Mass	6½	6½
Ch., Clin. & Sioux	81	81	Silver Lake	33	31½
Con. Pac. & Clevs	23	22	Wis. Cent. R. Recm	26¾	26½
Eastern Railroad	50¼	38½	Wis. Cent. R. R. pref	50¼	50¼
Flint & Pere Mar.	32½	32½			

THE MARKETS.

TOTAL RECEIPTS OF PRODUCE

Per North River, Vessels and Railroads.

NEW-YORK, Saturday, Feb. 19, 1881.

B. E. Peas, bags	100	Barley, bus.	19,250	Cut meats, pkgs	7,739
B. W. Flour, barrels	52	Oatmeal, barrels	11	Lard, tierces	5,637
Beans, bbls.	331	Flax seed, bags	200	Lard, kegs	3,215
B'swax, pgs	2	Grease, pgs.	204	Butter, pgs.	3,994
Cotton, bales	759	Grass Seed, bags	200	Cheese, pgs.	3,539
Cotton seed oil, bbls.	100	Hides, bles.	2	Dres'd hogs No.	983
Copper, bls.	40	Hops, bales	352	Oleomargarine, stks	85
Copper, cks.	190	Leath'r, sds.	1,275	Spelter, pcs	777
Eggs, pkgs.	854	Spts. Turp. bbls.	1,243	Starch, pgs.	750
Flour, bbls.	10,854	Rosin, bbls.	3,333	Stri'ne, pgs.	41
C'rn'l, bls.	125	Tar, bbls.	34	Tallow, pgs.	28
C'rn'l, bus.	350	Oil c'k, pkgs.	2,656	Tallow, bbls.	50
Wheat, bus.	36,450	Oil, lard, bls.	50	Tob. hhds.	142
Corn, bush.	61,500	Pork, pkgs.	1,311	Tob. pkgs.	102
Oats, bush.	73,950	Beef, pkgs.	124	Whisk'y, bls.	1,270
Rye, bush.	2,500				
Malt, bush.	1,400				

GENERAL MARKET REPORT.

NEW-YORK, Saturday, Feb. 19, 1881.

ASHES—Quiet at late prices.

COFFEE—Low grades were again very quiet, the only business being 500 bags ex Marina, private terms. Fair Cargoes quoted 12¼@12½c. Mild grades were very quiet, and all prices ruled quite nominal.

COTTON—"Spots" more active; particularly for export; sales, 2,776 bales, including 1,400 for export, 376 for spinning and 1,000 in transit; delivered on contract, 500 bales. Middling Uplands, 11⅛c. Receipts at the ports to-day, 17,869 bales, against 29,688 bales same day last week and 20,960 bales last year; since September 1, 4,398,971 bales, against 4,082,634 bales during same time last season. Futures closed barely steady at a decline of 6@8 points; sales, 71,100 bales. Prices paid—February, 11.35c; March, 11.40@11.43; April, 11.56@11.57; May, 11.70@11.78; June, 11.82@11.89; July, 11.92@11.96; August, 11.95@12.01; September, 11.52@11.57; October, 11.11@11.15. Prices for rings and margins—February, 11.33; March, 11.44; April, 11.60; May, 11.74; June, 11.86; July, 11.94; August, 11.99; September, 11.55; October, 11.11; November, 10.94; December, 10.95. Closing prices—February, 11.30@11.32; March, 11.40@11.41; April, 11.56@11.57; May, 11.70@11.71; June, 11.81@11.83; July, 11.90@11.92; August, 11.95@11.96; September, 11.52@11.53; October, 11.07@11.09; November, 10.90@10.93. Transferable orders, 11.55.

FLOUR AND MEAL—FLOUR—Market dull, prices generally without decided change; very light export and jobbing trade demand; sales, 12,000 bbls., including 1,400 bbls. City Mill Extra, for West Indies, $5 50@$5 55; 900 bbls. No. 2, $3@$3 60, latter for Choice Winter Wheat; 700 bbls. Superfine, $3 60@$4; including Good to Choice Winter Wheat, $3 75@$4; 1,200 bbls. Low Extra, $4 30@$4 50, mainly at $4 40, to arrive; 3,400 bbls. Winter Wheat Extra, $4 40@$5, latter for Very Choice Family; 4,300 bbls. Minnesota Extra, $4 30@$5 25, for the whole range. Of the sales 7,400 bbls. were for export. Quotations: No. 2, $3@$3 60, latter extreme; Superfine, $3 60@$4; Common to Fair Extra State, $4 30@$4 50; Good to Fancy do., $4 55@$6 50; Common to Good Extra Western, $4 30@$4 65; Good to Fancy do., $4 70@$8; Common to Good Extra Round Hoop Ohio, $4 40@$5; Good to Choice do., $5 05@$6 75; Common Extra Minnesota, $4 30@$4 60; Common clear, $4 65@$5; Rye Mixture, $5@$5 30; Bakers' Extra, $5 25@$6; Straight, $5 75@$6 75; Patent, $6 50@$8 25; St. Louis Common to Fair Extra, $4 40@$4 80; Good to Very Choice Family, $4 85@$7 50; Patent Winter Wheat, $5@$8. Rye flour dull: ..... SOUTHERN FLOUR quiet, steady; sales, 850 bbls. Common to Good Extra, $4 65@$5 20; Good to Choice, $5 25@$6 75, including 250 bbls. No. 2, $3 35..... RYE FLOUR unchanged; trade light; sales, 250 bbls. Superfine, $3 25@$3 60..... CORN MEAL quiet, steady; sales, 800 bbls., Yellow Western, $2 50@$3. Brandywine, $3 10@$3 15. Buckwheat Meal steady; coarse, $1 60; Fine Yellow, $1 10@$1 15; White, $1 15@$1 18..... BUCKWHEAT FLOUR selling at $1 90@$2 10.

GRAIN—WHEAT—Market ¼@¾c. lower; limited business for export and a fairly active trade on speculative account; closing quiet and about steady, with decline in the sales, 650,000 bush. future, 174,000 bush. cash, including 1,000 bush. Rejected Spring, 95c; 10,000 Ungraded Spring, $1 11; 28,000 bush. Ungraded Winter Red, $1 14@$1 20; mainly at $1 15@$1 19¾; 9,000 bush. No. 3 Red, $1 16; 31,000 bush. No. 2 Red, $1 17@$1 17¼; 1,500 bush. No. 1 Red, $1 20; 5,000 bush. Mixed Winter, $1 16; 33,000 bush. Ungraded White $1 14@$1 16¾, including 24,000 bush. in store, $1 15¼@$1 16¾; 1,500 bush. No. 2 White, $1 14; 1,000 bush. Steamer No. 1 White, $1 14; closing quiet and steady: No. 2 Spring, $1 15¾; inclose price offered Monday; No. 2 Red February, $1 17¾@$1 17¾; do March, $1 18@$1 18¼, closing $1 18¼; do. April, $1 19@$1 19¼, closing $1 19@$1 19¼; do. May, $1 18⅝@$1 18¾, closing $1 18¾; No. 1 White February, $1 15, closing $1 15@$1 15¼; do. March, $1 15¼@$1 15⅝, closing $1 15⅝@$1 15¾; do. April, $1 15¾@$1 16, closing $1 15¾@$1 16; No. 2 Mixed, $1 14¾@$1 15¼, closing $1 14¾@$1 15¼..... RYE quiet and steady; 98c.@$1 02, car lots and boat loads; sales, 3,000 bush. at 98c.@$1 02, latter for No. 1..... BARLEY and BARLEY MALT quiet and nominally unchanged..... CORN—Market slightly in buyers' favor, fair export, and light home trade demand; very moderate business on spot; sales, 168,000 bush. cash, 1,000 bush. future, 150,000 bush. cash, including Ungraded Western Mixed, 55½@57½c.; Inferior Southern Yellow, 54c.; No. 2, 56¼@57¼c.; Old No. 2, 50,000 bush., 56¾c. in store; Steamer Mixed, 55½@56c.; Steamer Yellow, 56@56¼c.; New-York Yellow, 56¾@57¾c.; Jersey Yellow, 57¼c.; No. 2 White, 63c.; White southern, 57@57c.; No. 2 Western, February, 57c@57¼c.; March, 56⅞@57c.; April, 57c@57¼c.; Steamer February, 55¾@56¼c.; No. 2 March, 55¾c., closing 55¾@55⅞c.; do. April, 55¾@55¾c., closing 55⅝@55¾c.; do. May, 54¾@54¾c., closing 54@54¼c..... OATS—Market lower, closing rather more steady; sales, 219,000 bush. including No. 3 at 43c. No. 2, 43½@43¾c.; No. 1, 43¾@44c.; No. 3 White, 43½@43¾c.; No. 2 White, 44@44½c.; No. 1, 46¼@47c.; Mixed Western, 43@44c.; White do. 43@47c.; White State, 46@47c., including 25,000 bush. No. 2, February, 43¼@43⅝c.; 35,000 bush. do. March, 43¾@44c.; 50,000 bush. do. April, 43⅝@43¾c.; 80,000 bush. do. May, 43c. ..... FEED steady; 40@40½c. ⅌ bu, $1 10@$1 20 ⅌ 100 lb, $1 05@$1 15.

HOPS—Were firm and a fair business was reported; late prices unchanged.

HAY AND STRAW—Hay in fair demand and firm. Straw scarce and strong: Hay, $1@$1 05; Medium to Prime Timothy, $1 10@$1 25; Clover, $0@$1 15. Straw—Long Rye, $1@$1 25; Short do, $0@90c.; Oat, 85@90c.

HIDES—In fair demand and steady.

MOLASSES—Was quiet and wholly nominal for Foreign; Cuba Refining, 50° test is quoted at 28@30c., though no sales have been effected since the beginning of the new year. New-Orleans sold to-day at 32c. for low grades; Choice, 52@55c.

OCEAN FREIGHTS—Berth room was more active and firmer. Charters were steady and in moderate demand. Liverpool steam, 16,000 bush. grain, 5½d.; 2,000 tcs. Lard, through, via Boston, 60c. per 100 ℔; 200 boxes Bacon, 30@32s. 6d.; 2,500 boxes Cheese, 35s.; 1,800 bales Cotton, through, ¾@⅞d.; 200 tons Flour, through, 2s. 6d.; 1,000 bbls. do. 2s. 6d.; Measurement Goods, 2s. 6d@2s. 6d.; cash, 1,000 bales Cotton, ⅝@⅞d. Liverpool steam, 48,000 bush. Grain, 6½d. and 28,000 do. do. at 5½d. Flour, 2s. 6d. per bbl. and 22s. 6d. per ton; Bacon; 308 s. 37s. 6d.; Cheese, 45s. 6d@45s. Tyne Dock, steam, 24,000 bush. Grain, 6¾d.; Glasgow, steam, Grain quoted 5¼@5½d., 2,000 bbls. Flour, 2s. 6d., and 500 tons do. through, 2s. 6d. Mid. steam, 100 boxes Bacon, 35s. Bristol, steam, 32,000 bush. Grain, 6½d. Havre steam, 16,00 bush. Grain, 14c.; 200 tons Measurement Goods, private terms, quoted $8. Antwerp, steam, 30,000 bush. Grain, private terms, quoted 7½d. Two barks to Cork for orders, 3,000 qrs. Grain, 4s. 9d.; British ship to United Kingdom or Continent, 1,000 qrs. do., private terms. British bark to Continent, excluding French ports and Bordeaux, 7,000 bbls. Refined Petroleum, 3s. 3d.; American bark to Yokohama, 3,200 cases do., $11,000; Norwegian bark (to arrive) to Cork, for orders, 4,000 bbls. Naphtha, 4s. 3d., 3d. off if direct port; two British ships (to arrive) to Bremen or Antwerp, each 1,000 bbls. Refined Petroleum, 3s. 6d.; Norwegian bark to the Baltic, direct, 3,500 bbls. do., 4s. 4½c.; another to Skinore, for orders, 3,000 do., 4s. 6d., 3d. off if direct; British ship, 1,332 tons, to Genoa, Leghorn or Naples, Kentucky Tobacco, 32s. 6d.

PETROLEUM—Was firm and rather quiet to-day for Refined; home trade jobs 70½c.; Crude Certificates easier. We quote: Crude in shipping bbls., 7⅞@8c.; Naphtha, 10½c.; Refined in bond, here, 9½c.; in Philadelphia or Baltimore, 9¼c.; cases, 11⅞@12c.; Crude Certificates opened at 82½c., sold at 80½c. and at 80¾c., closing 80½c. bid.

PROVISIONS—Pork—Mess 50@60c. per bbl., and closed weak, export trading very moderate, nearly all speculative inquiry; sales 4,500 bbls. Old Mess for export, $15 50; Old Mess for export quoted $15 25@$15 50; New do., $16 25@$16 50; City Family Mess, $16; March, $15 10@$15 25; April, $15 50@$15 75, and May, $16@$16 60..... BEEF at nominal bid, but very quiet. Plain Mess, $9@$9 50; Extra do, $10 50; City Extra India Mess, $20@$22; Packet, $11@$12..... BEEF HAMS unchanged and quiet; quoted $20 50@$21..... CUT MEATS rule quite firm, fair inquiry; sales, 15,000 ℔ Pickled Bellies, 12 ℔ average, 9¾c., 1,000 Pickled Hams, 17@12 ℔, 9¼@9⅝c., 500 Pickled Shoulders, 6½c., Pickled Shoulders, 6¾c., Pickled Hams, 9¼@9⅝c. Smoked Hams, 10¼@10¾c. Smoked Shoulders, 7c. ..... LARD—Market opened weak and closed strong, with a decided advance, and active throughout; fair speculative trading; sales, 380 tcs. Western Steam, spot, 10.55@10.72½c., closing 10.50