DIVIDEND-PAYING STANDS.

HIGH RENTS IN THE NEW MARKET.

FURTHER TESTIMONY BEFORE THE COMMISSIONERS OF ACCOUNTS—SOME HIEROGLYPHICS.

At the West Washington Market investigation before the Commissioners of Accounts yesterday, John Fleming, of No. 419 West Thirty-third-st., testified that although he had no stand in the old market he secured one in the new market. Alderman Sullivan had accompanied him in his visits to the Controller's office when he was trying to get the stand. Attached to the memoranda in the Controller's office referring to Mr. Fleming's stand appear the words: "Two stands on account of Colonel Mooney." Fleming said he did not know what the words meant, and said that James Mooney had never used his influence to help him get a stand. Daniel Mandel, of No. 250 East Fifty-first-st., said that he had held a stand in the old market for twenty-five years, but was unable to get one in the new market, and he had rented two stands from Philip Howell, for which he paid $26 a week; the city received $11 a week for the same stands.

Joseph W. Wenek, a dry-goods salesman, testified that he made an application for two stands in the new market for his mother, as his father, who is now dead, at one time held two stands in the old market. Mr. McAdam had refused to give him the stands, but Senator Cantor had interested himself in the matter and after the Senator had called upon the Controller the stands were allotted to him. Connected with the application for a stand, made by Levi Samuels, there was a memorandum which read: "Stand by Samuels; names in pocketbook." Mr. Samuels testified that he did not know what the memorandum meant.

Mr. Nicoll asked: "Are you the Mr. Samuels who carried around the subscription for Mr. Hewitt in the market?"

This question was objected to, but it was allowed, Commissioner Holahan remarking that he would have struck out the question and answer if Mr. Samuels had not said that he gave Mr. Kelso $502, the amount to be collected. Mr. Samuels said it was not for the Hewitt campaign fund, but it was a fund for general Democratic campaign purposes. He had given $50 toward it and David O'Brien gave $50. Other marketmen gave sums from $5 upward. Samuels got three stands, but he did not know whether all of the others who had contributed to the campaign fund had obtained desirable stands or not. Two of them he knew did not get any stands at all.

David Kearr testified that he had occupied a stand in the old market since 1859 and that he was in Fulton Market ten years before that. He could not get a stand in the new market, so he had bought two stands from McMaster & Van Cott, paying $2,500 for them. He said that he was the largest dealer in wild meats in the city. Controller Myers had made no objection to McMaster & Van Cott's transferring the two stands to him. Meyer Mandel testified that he had been in the old market for a number of years, but finding that he could not get any stands in the new market he had rented two from Buck & Steltjis, paying $120 a month for them. Buck & Steltjis pay the city $22 50 a month for the stands. Gaston Krieger, of No. 448 Fifth-st., did not have a stand in the old market, but wanted one in the new market, and Alderman Von Minden went with him to the Controller's office and made the application for him. He afterward called at the Controller's office with William P. Mitchell and received his permit for a stand without any trouble.

Charles Weber, jr., of the firm of Charles Weber & Co., said that his father, who was at the head of the firm, had lived in New-Jersey for twenty-five years, and witness had lived in this city since last July. He had no trouble in getting a stand in the new market, although it was not as good a one as he had in the old market. The hearing was adjourned until to-morrow morning.

THE COURTS.

HIS PERFIDY WILL COME HIGH.

A verdict of $4,500 was rendered in the City Court yesterday in favor of Miss Margaret Louise Williams in her suit for damages against David Kearr, who, according to her testimony, betrayed her while his wife, who was her sister, was living, and afterward broke a promise to marry her. Kearr, who is a butcher in Washington Market, is reported to be abundantly able to pay the damages. The case was on trial for several days before Judge McGown and a jury. The defendant confessed his intimacy with the plaintiff, but denied the promise to marry her. Ex-Judge William Fullerton and William F. Moore represented the plaintiff and A. H. Hummel appeared for the defendant.

BITS OF LEGAL NEWS.

In behalf of Dr. William M. Reynolds, on trial in the Court of Oyer and Terminer before Justice Lawrence and a jury on a charge of presenting fraudulent insurance claims, his wife, Mrs. Jessie Reynolds, continued her testimony yesterday. She said she was worth $200,000 and her husband at least $56,000. The trial goes on to-day.

A jury in the Supreme Court before Justice Patterson yesterday found that the allegations of infidelity made by Kate M. W. Pettit in her suit for an absolute divorce against Bertin W. Pettit were untrue. Mr. and Mrs. Pettit were married on July 4, 1886, and separated after living together in Harlem for two months and four days.

Marah Ellis Ryan is suing the Dewing Publishing Company in the City Court to compel the delivery to her of the manuscript of her story "Johanna Salome," which she says is wrongfully retained by them to secure the payment of $102 for illustrations which she never ordered.

It was agreed yesterday between John Delahunty, attorney for C. P. Flockton, and Colonel Robert G. Ingersoll and R. H. Griffin, attorneys for Louis Aldrich and the Edwin Forrest Lodge of the Actors' Order of Friendship, that no appeal should be taken from Judge Dugro's decision enjoining the Actors' Order from taking further proceedings in the matter of the exclusion of foreign companies.

COURT CALENDARS FOR TO-DAY.

SUPREME COURT—GENERAL TERM.—Before Van Brunt, P. J., Brady and Bartlett, J. J.—Nos. 49, 51, 101, 103, 69, 104.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS—Before O'Brien, J.—Motion calendar called at 11 o'clock.

SUPREME COURT—SPECIAL TERM—PART I.—Before Beach, J.—Nos. 1110, 766, 1198, 830, 1271, 1220, 1274, 1275.

SUPREME COURT—SPECIAL TERM—PART II.—Before Barrett, J.—Nos. 91, 1141, 1278, 66, 100, 910, 1289 to 1342 inclusive.

SUPREME COURT—CIRCUIT—PART I.—Before Lawrence, J.—Adjourned until February 18.

SUPREME COURT—CIRCUIT—PART II.—Before Andrews, J.—Case on. Rollins vs. Chicago Car Co. No day calendar.

SUPREME COURT—CIRCUIT—PART III.—Before Ingraham, J.—Nos. 1093, 2361, 2674, 1096, 456, 3059, 3040, 3041, 3042, 3043, 3044, 3045, 3046, 3048, 3051, 3054, 3064, 3065, 3067, 3068, 3069, 3070, 3071, 3073.

SUPREME COURT—CIRCUIT—PART IV.—Before Patterson, J.—Nos. 568, 2283, 2144, 2722, 2703, 2756, 2828, 2757, 507, 2915, 2926, 2137, 2788, 2356, 2685.

SURROGATE'S COURT—Before Ransom, S.—Wills of C. G. S. Keech, 10 a. m.; Motion calendar 10:30 a. m.; will of John B. Fowler, 12 m.

For probate—Wills of Catharine Bloodgood, Abraham Limburger, Mary E. Smith, Elbe F. Hey, 10 a. m.; P. F. Roussell, N. Currier and Catharine Depp, 10:30 a. m.

SUPERIOR COURT—GENERAL TERM—Before Sedgwick, C. J., Truax and Dugro, JJ.—Adjourned until March 4.

SUPERIOR COURT—SPECIAL TERM—Before Freedmann, J.—Motions.

SUPERIOR COURT—EQUITY TERM—Adjourned for the term.

SUPERIOR COURT—TRIAL TERM—PART I.—Adjourned for the term.

SUPERIOR COURT—TRIAL TERM—PART II.—Adjourned until February 18.

SUPERIOR COURT—TRIAL TERM—PART III.—Before O'Gorman, J.—Nos. 708, 907, 545, 1040, 1063, 1231.

COMMON PLEAS—GENERAL TERM—Adjourned until February 28.

COMMON PLEAS—SPECIAL TERM—Before Larremore, C. J.—Nos. 2, 10, 11.

COMMON PLEAS—EQUITY TERM—Before Van Hoesen, J.—Nos. 13, 15, 19, 20.

COMMON PLEAS—TRIAL TERM—PART I.—Before Daly, J.—Nos. 954, 1101, 1102, 914, 185, 1063, 798, 335, 851, 903, 1075, 844, 640, 373, 128.

COMMON PLEAS—TRIAL TERM—PART II.—Before Allen, J.—Nos. 971, 1018, 1047, 1010, 1024, 1015, 976, 460, 1007, 1098, 1108.

CITY COURT—SPECIAL TERM—Before Before Nehrbas, J.—Motions.

CITY COURT—TRIAL TERM—PART I.—Before McAdam, C. J.—Nos. 606, 882, 608.

CITY COURT—TRIAL TERM—PART II.—Before McGown, J.—Nos. 545, 1691, 635, 428, 510½, 1883, 592, 396, 477, 39, 648, 649, 656.

CITY COURT—TRIAL TERM—PART III.—Before Browne, J.—Nos. 497, 597, 598, 628, 3145, 643, 496, 992, 3218, 354, 1765, 501, 469, 512, 511, 452.

COURT OF OYER AND TERMINER—Before Lawrence, J. and Assistant District-Attorney Fitzgerald.—No. 1.

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS—PART I.—Before Cowing, J. and Assistant District-Attorney Goff—Nos. 1 to 25 inclusive.

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS—PART II.—Before Recorder Smyth and Assistant District-Attorney Davis—Nos. 1 to 13 inclusive.

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS—PART III.—Before Martine, J. and Assistant District-Attorney Jerome—Nos. 1 to 12 inclusive.

THE BUNCO MAN AND THE JANITOR.

From The Baltimore American.

The immunity from police interference which New-York bunco steerers enjoy is something beyond the comprehension of many people. It is only when one of our enterprising venders of green goods goes to work in Baltimore that he is brought to feel the stern penalty of law.

Next to Hungry Joe, whose face was known to almost every member of the detective and police forces of this city, Grand Central Pete is the conspicuous confidence man of the present time. Most every police officer knows that he is a crook, and yet he is allowed to operate unmolested in the shadow of the city postoffice.

To-day Grand Central Pete caught a victim, and he was one of the brightest looking victims that Pete ever met with. An old man who, if he had his hayseed in his hair, had a lot of Jersey mud on his trousers, came to town to attend to some real estate business in an office located in The Tribune Building. No sooner had reached City Hall Square than he found the acquaintance of the notorious bunco man. There they stood for some minutes in confidential confab, while another stood off and watched the fun. Before the countryman had reached The Tribune Building his friend's arm was locked in his own. On the steps of the building stood Janitor Murray, who knows the faces of most of the crooks who are allowed to fleece any verdant stranger that happens in the neighborhood of the postoffice. When the old man and his friend started to enter, Murray touched the verdant victim and asked:

"Do you know who your new friend is?"

The stranger was a little riled at the interference. "That fellow," said Murray, "is a robber and a thief, a bunco-steerer, and he is getting ready now to rob you."

Grand Central Pete saw that he had been dropped onto, as it were, and instead of resenting Murray's charges gracefully stole away, while the country-man made for the elevator two steps at a time. The janitor of the big Tribune Building tells this to show that the notorious crooks who infest the streets about the postoffice are little bothered by the police.

NEWSPAPER MEN ASSEMBLE.

ANNUAL CONVENTION OF PUBLISHERS.

MINGLING PLEASURE WITH BUSINESS—SOME OF THOSE IN ATTENDANCE.

The third annual convention of the American Newspaper Publishers' Association was opened in this city yesterday at the Hoffman House. This organization includes publishers in all parts of the country. Its officers are: President, W. M. Singerly, of "The Philadelphia Record"; vice-president, C. H. Jones, of "The St. Louis Republic"; secretary, I. L. Morgan, "The New-Haven Register"; treasurer, William C. Bryant, "The Brooklyn Times"; executive committee, S. H. Kauffman, "The Washington Star"; W. J. Richards, "The Indianapolis News"; J. W. Scott, "The Chicago Herald"; J. H. Farrell "The Albany Press and Knickerbocker."

At the morning session, W. W. Pasco, secretary of the Typothetae, read a paper on type-setting machines. His views were discussed at length by the members. During the afternoon session Major Richards, of "The Indianapolis News" read a paper on the relations of the advertisers and advertising agents to the newspaper. It was discussed at length, as was also the question of forming local associations of publishers.

The publishers will meet again this morning to elect officers. During the afternoon they will inspect the Mergenthaler and the Thorne type-setting machines. In the evening they will be entertained by the local members of the association at the Hoffman House. Mark Twain and Carl Schurz are expected to speak. The dinner, however, will probably be private. To-morrow the members will inspect other type-setting machines.

Among those attending the convention are Samuel Bowles, of "The Springfield Republican"; James H. Manning, of "The Albany Argus"; M. Rooker, "The Albany Press"; C. W. Edwards, "The Evening Journal," Wilmington; P. J. Trempler, "The Telegram," Providence; W. T. Kellogg, "The Boston Post"; Frank G. Bell, "The Savannah News"; Horace Dumont, "The Ohio State Journal"; E. W. Osborn, "The Cleveland Press"; C. M. Palmer, "The Minneapolis Tribune"; G. H. Baskette, "The Nashville Banner"; T. K. Musch, "The San Francisco Call"; R. A. Craig, "Omaha Herald"; Victor F. Lawson, "The Chicago Daily News"; E. A. K. Hackett, "The Indianapolis Sentinel," J. A. Butler, "The Buffalo News"; C. H. Jones, "The S. Louis Republic"; Edgar M. Hoopes, "The Philadelphia News"; "H. F. Gunnison, "The Brooklyn Eagle"; James W. Scott, "The Chicago Herald"; R. J. Campe, "The Chronicle and Telegraph," Pittsburg, and J. D. Lorentz, "The Galveston News."

BONDS ACCEPTED.

Washington, Feb. 13.—The Secretary of the Treasury this afternoon accepted the following bond offers: Registered 4 1-2s, $52,500, $4,000 and $1,000 at 109; $700,000, $36,000 and $30,000 at 109 1-8. 4 1-2 coupons, $2,000, and $8,000 at 109.

THE PETROLEUM MARKET.

NEWS FROM THE FIELD AND RANGE OF PRICES.

The crude oil market yesterday reached the stage where the holders of goods wondered whether they should sell or not, and the bear interest canvassed the question of making new short ventures on the rise. Between the controversies of the two interests there was an improvement from 89 1-8@88 5-8 cents to 90@89 5-8 cents. A decided increase in activity was recorded, but it was probably due to the taking of profits by the Stock Exchange element that were willing to buy the product around 85@86 cents, when many of the producers were loth to take a cheerful view of the situation. The fact that this speculative liquidation occurred without any greater impression on prices than was recorded in the slight reaction from 90 to 89 5-8 cents, is of importance in taking a far-reaching view of values. The people who rest their speculative views upon the general outlook of the oil trade are buyers upon every reaction, but they are not at the front in advising immediate purchases. The general situation is undeniably strong, and if an outside speculative interest could be developed, there would probably be a lively movement in certificates. It was not generally known at the close that refined oil had been advanced, although there was an expectation that it was coming. The market closed strong, and promised higher prices by its tone.

The range of prices and the total dealings were as follows:

	Stock Exchange.	Consolidated.
Opening	89	89⅛
Highest	89⅞	90
Lowest	88⅝	88⅝
Final	89⅝	89⅝
Sales, barrels	553,000	1,265,000

Refined oil was more active and the increased demand forced a late advance of 10 points to 7.10 cents per gallon in New-York and 7 cents in Philadelphia and Baltimore.

GRAIN AND PRODUCE MARKETS.

FEATURES OF NEW-YORK DEALINGS.

The wild speculation in wheat options at the West has failed to find support in the New-York market, and when the liquidation of long and short accounts in May is completed a quieter outlook is generally expected. Cash wheat dropped 2 cents yesterday, and there was no export trade. The options were decidedly less active, fewer than 6,000,000 bushels being traded in. May went to pieces from 81 01 3-4 @81 02 to 99 3-4 cents, and on the curb the best prices secured were 99 7-8@81 00 1-2@99 7-8 cents. The final official quotations were down 1 5-8 for February at 96 3-4, and 2 cents for the other months as follows: March, 97 3-4; April, 99; May, $1 00 1-4; June, $1 00 1-2; July, 96 3-4 cents. Corn on the spot was 1-4@1-2 cent easier with about 130,000 bushels taken by exporters. The speculative dealings run up to 1,800,000 bushels, an excellent record of trading. The variations were small and not indicative of weakness, although final prices were off 1-8@1-4 cent, as follows: March and April, 44; May, 43 1-8; June, 43 3-8 cents. There was no special feature in the oats situation, but prices for options were a shade higher at 31 for February, 31 1-8 for March, and 32 1-8 cents for May. A large business on the spot was done in lard, and the options were up 7 points for February at $7 17 and 9 for March at $6 99. The last months were off 9@11 points, as follows: April and May, $7; June, $7 81; July, $7 02; August, $7 03.

The receipts of grain and flour reported yesterday at New-York, Philadelphia, Baltimore and Boston were as follows: Wheat, 7,189 bushels; corn, 232,666 bushels; oats, 41,512 bushels; total grain, 281,667 bushels; flour, 20,444 packages. At Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Louis the arrivals were: Wheat, 42,864 bushels; corn, 606,715 bushels; oats, 203,355 bushels; total grain, 852,934 bushels; flour, 19,012 barrels.

THE TRADE IN CHICAGO.

Chicago, Feb. 13 (Special).—Wheat all day acted a little top-heavy. The May option opened at $1 09, sold between $1 09 3-4 and $1 07 1-4, and closed at $1 08. At about $1 07 1-2 there was some buying by Murray, Nelson & Co., which was unquestionably for Fairbank. It aggregated perhaps 250,000 bushels. This stopped the decline. There was considerable selling early by William Dunn & Co., Schwartz, Dupee & Co., W. R. Lin, McCormick & Co., Counselman & Co. and by Hamill. Hamill's sales were set down as for either A. P. Wright or for Lyon & Co, both prominent longs, and had for that reason considerable bear influence. There was a little failure in the pit, but as the unfortunate was a scalper, who really "went broke" Tuesday on the short side of July, the announcement had no influence at all in the market. It was the opinion at night that the low-priced shorts had got out, and that there had been a considerable amount of long wheat sold. The receipts of corn, 360 cars, were a good deal above the questions. February corn sold as low as 34c. May opened at 35 5-8, and closed at 35 3-8c. Oats kept all the session within a range of 1-8c. Provisions were very weak, the New-York crowd being long of pork here through Baldwin, selling all it could, and the packers selling ribs very freely.

Wheat on the curb was easier at $1 07 7-8 for May.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 13—3:30 p. m.—Beef—In poor demand. Pork—In poor demand. Hams—In fair demand. Bacon—In fair demand; shoulders easy at 35s. Cheese—In poor demand. Tallow—In good demand. Spirits of turpentine—In fair demand. Rosin—In poor demand. Lard—Spot and futures—In fair demand; prime Western spot steady at 35s 0d; February steady at 35s 0d; March and April steady at 35s 3d. Wheat—In fair demand. Flour—In fair demand. Corn—spot and futures—In fair demand; mixed Western, spot, dull at 4s 0½d; February dull at 4s 0½d; March dull at 4s 0d; April dull at 4s 0d. Hops at London—New-York State—In fair demand.

LONDON, Feb. 13—Calcutta linseed, 42s 3d per quarter; refined petroleum, 6 9-16@6 13-16d per gallon; spirits of turpentine, 35s 6d per cwt.

ANTWERP, Feb. 13.—Wheat closed at 95 francs 25 centimes per 100 kilos.

ANTWERP, Feb. 13.—Petroleum—Fine pale American 17 francs 12½ centimes paid and 17 francs 25 centimes sellers.

BREMEN, Feb. 13—Petroleum—6 marks 45 pfennigs.

OIL MARKETS.

OIL CITY, Feb. 13.—National Transit Certificates opened at 88⅞; highest, 89⅛; lowest, 88⅛; closed, 89⅛. Sales, 1,002,000 barrels; clearances, 1,774,000 barrels; charters, 84,000 barrels; shipments, 66,550 barrels; runs, 44,189 barrels.

PITTSBURG, Feb. 13.—Petroleum firm and active. National Transit Certificates opened at 88⅞; closed at 89⅛; highest, 89⅛; lowest, 88½.

BRADFORD, Penn., Feb. 13.—National Transit Certificates opened at 89; closed at 89⅛; highest, 89⅞; lowest, 88⅝. Clearances, 1,260,000 bbls.

TITUSVILLE, Penn., Feb. 13.—National Transit Certificates opened at 88⅞; highest, 89⅞; lowest, 88½; closed 89⅛.

WOOL MARKETS.

LONDON, Feb. 13—At the wool sales to-day there was a strong demand, English operators dominating. Some very fine selections, consisting of Victoria generally, were sold to home buyers. There were offered 15,100 bales. Following are the sales in detail:

Victoria—Sales, 3,000 bales; scoured, 1s 1d@1s 8½d; do. locks and pieces, 11d@1s 3d; greasy, 7½d@1s 3½d; do. locks and pieces, 6d@10½d. New South Wales—4,000 bales; scoured, 11½d@1s 5½d; do. locks and pieces, 9½d@1s 3½d; greasy, 7d@1s 0½d; do. locks and pieces, 5d@8d. Queensland—2,000 bales; scoured, 1s 1d@1s 7½d; do. locks and pieces, 1s 0d@1s 5d; greasy, 7½@11½d; do. locks and pieces, 5½@8½d. South Australia—800 bales: scoured, 1s 0d; do. locks and pieces, 11½d@1s 1d; greasy, 6½@11½d; do. locks and pieces, 5½@8½d. New-Zealand—53 bales; greasy, 8½d@9½d. Cape of Good Hope and Natal—3,900 bales; scoured, 7d@1s 6½d; greasy, 3½d@9d. Montevideo—Sales, 35 bales; greasy, 73d@8d.

THE MARKETS.

TOTAL RECEIPTS OF PRODUCE.

Per North River, Vessels and Railroads.

BW. Flour, pkgs	308	Wheat, bush	550	Tar, bbls	398
Beans, bbls	440	Corn, bush	19,800	Oil cake, pkg	200
Buckwheat bush	650	Oats, bush	36,000	Oleo stock, pkgs	200
Cotton, bales	3,023	Malt, bush	2,100	Pork, pkgs	100
Cotton seed oil, bbls	200	Barley, bush	650	Cutmeats, pk	3,118
Dried fruit, pkgs	151	Grass seed, bags	200	Lard, pkgs	1,516
Eggs, bbls	837	Hops, bales	75	Lard, kegs	1,746
Eggs, cases	3,439	Hides, bales	4	Cheese, pkgs	2,117
Flour, pkgs	9,308	Leather, sid's	5,765	Dressed hogs	69
C Meal, bbls	575	Spirits turp., bbls	1,145	No	55
C Meal, bags	2,071	Rosin, bbls	4,811	Rice, pkgs	162
				Tallow, pkgs	234
				Whiskey, bbl	1
				Wool, bales	

GENERAL MARKET REPORT.

COFFEE—Brazil grades on the spot ruled quiet and steady, prices showing no material change. Sales, 750 bags No. 9 Santos, 15.40c. Mild growths in fair demand and firm. Sales, 3,000 bags Maracaibo, private terms. Option trading was a little more active to-day, but the general market had a dull look. Weakness prevailed early, and opening sales indicated a decline of 10@20 points, due to lower cable advices; afterwards there was a slight recovery, closing steady. Havre broke 1 1-4@1 1-2 fr and Hamburg shows a loss of 1-2 pfg. Rio quoted firm. Exchange (private), 27 3-4; receipts, 12,000 bags; Rio clearances for U. S., nil; Rio clearances for Europe, 10,000 bags; total stock, 428,000 bags. Santos receipts, 12,000 bags. Sales here, 40,500 bags.

	Closing prices.	Highest.	Lowest.	Sales.
February	15.70@15.75	15.70	15.65	1,250
March	15.70@15.75	15.75	15.70	6,250
April	15.70@15.75	15.70	15.65	2,000
May	15.70@15.75	15.80	15.70	8,000
June	15.90@15.95	15.80	15.80	1,250
July	15.95@16.00	15.95	15.85	5,000
August	16.05@16.10	16.10	16.00	4,250
September	16.05@16.10	16.10	16.05	4,500
October	16.05@16.15	16.10	16.05	5,500
November	16.05@16.15	16.10	16.10	500
December	16.10@16.15	16.10	16.10	2,000

COTTON—The spot market declined 1-16c and closed steady, with a moderate stir to the demand. Sales, 468 bales for consumption. Port receipts, 20,567 bales, as against 16,209 bales last week, and 12,663 for the same time last year. Since September 1 the receipts of the ports have aggregated 4,669,244 bales, comparing with 4,718,074 bales for the corresponding time last season. Quotations are based on American standard of classification:

	Uplands.	Gulf.
Ordinary	6 7-8	7 1-8
Strict Ordinary	7 3-8	7 5-8
Good Ordinary	8 7-16	8 11-16
Strict Good Ordinary	8 15-16	9 3-16
Low Middling	9 1-2	9 3-4
Strict Low Middling	9 3-4	10
Middling	10	10 1-4
Good Middling	10 3-8	10 5-8
Strict Good Middling	10 5-8	10 7-8
Middling Fair	10 15-16	11 3-16
Fair	11 9-16	11 13-16

STAINED.

Good Ordinary	6 13-16	Low Middling	8 9-16
Strict Good Ordinary	7 1-2	Middling	9 7-16

There was no special activity in the speculative line, and prices fluctuated within the narrow range of 2@4 points, closing that much lower. Liverpool advices were depressed, and port receipts showed an increase, but the market taken altogether had a steady look.

	Closing prices.	Highest.	Lowest.	Sales.
February	9.72@ 9.74	9.78	9.73	600
March	9.77@ 9.78	9.78	9.76	14,600
April	9.85@ 9.86	9.88	9.85	8,600
May	9.93@ 9.94	9.96	9.93	9,400
June	10.01@10.02	10.05	10.01	11,000
July	10.07@10.08	10.09	10.06	5,000
August	10.13@10.14	10.15	10.13	14,100
September	9.73@ 9.74	9.74	9.73	3,000
October	9.53@ 9.54			
November	9.50@ 9.53			
December	9.50@ 9.53			
January	9.58@ 9.60			

FLOUR AND MEAL—FLOUR—There is no further change in prices, although the feeling continues quite firm, with light offerings. Exporters were freer buyers to-day, taking a few lines (largely the City Mill product); besides, the home trade demand continues fair. Sales, 26,700 bbls (8,900 for export), including 1,400 bbls Low Extra, $3 20@$3 65; 7,100 bbls City Mill, $5 05@$5 35 for $3 20@$3 65; 7,100 bbls City Mill, $5 05@$5 35 for Western Winter Wheat Extra, $3 20@$3 85; 9,100 bbls Minnesota Extra, $3 20@$3 85; Fancy, $3 90@$4 15; 6,500 bbls Winter Wheat Extra, $3 20@$6 10; 900 bbls Superfine, $2 60@$3 35; 1,100 bbls Fine, $2 15@$3. Quotations: City Mill Extras, for West Indies, $5 05@$5 35; Patents, $5 75@$7 10; Low Extra, $3 20@$3 35; Winter Wheat, low grades, $2 20@$3 65; Fair to Choice, $3 75@$5 35; Fancy, $5 45@$5 75; Patents, Poor to Choice, $5 15@$5 75; Very Choice to Very Fancy, $5 80@$6 50; Minnesota Spring Wheat, Low Extras, $3 20@$3 65; Clear, $4 35@$5 35; Rye Mixtures, $4 35@$5 25; Straights, Poor to Fancy, $4 90@$6 25; Patents, Ordinary to Very Choice, $5 85@$6 85; Patents, Fancy, $6 90@$7 15; Superfine, Spring and Winter, $2 60@$3 35; Fine, $2 15@$3. Market closed firm.....SOUTHERN FLOUR—Is well maintained in price on a continued fair demand. Sales, 1,500 bbls shipping at $3 25@$3 65; 700 bbls Fair to Fancy Extras, $3 75@$5 00; Patents, $5 35@$6 25.....BUCKWHEAT FLOUR—Quiet and easy. Quoted at $2@$2 10; Buckwheat grain quoted 50@52c.....RYE FLOUR—Steady and in moderate demand. Sales, 650 bbls Superfine, $3@$3 15; Fancy held higher.....CORN MEAL—Fairly active and steady. Yellow Western quoted at $2 50@$2 90, and Brandywine, $2 90. Sales, 950 bbls, including 400 bbls Brandywine.

WHEAT—WHEAT—Options suffered a sharp reaction to-day from the decided bearishness noted in our last, and the market at times was feverish and somewhat excited. The principal element of weakness was the heavy selling by "longs," which was inaugurated immediately after the opening, and continued throughout the entire day, with little or no cessation. Cable advices were less favorable, and to that may be attributed some of the depression. The West was also bearish, with freer selling on all around. The business done shows a marked falling off, and the major portion of interest was centered in two months, May and June. May opened at $1 01 3-4@$1 02, a decline of 1-4@1-2c. Subsequently there was a rise to $1 02 3-8 on some little covering by "shorts." The firmness, however, was only momentary. Prices steadily declined, May at length settling to 99 3-4c, other months suffering in a like manner, leaving off at 1-4@1-2c above the bottom. Cash grades declined 2c per bushel as affected by the break in options. Trading, however, was lifeless and prices entirely nominal.

The curb May sold at 99 7-8@$1 00 1-2, closing 94 7-8c. Sales, 5,872,000 bushels future, 800 bushels spot, including Ungraded Winter Red at $1; No. 2 Red, quoted 96 3-4@97 3-4c store and elevator, 98 1-4c afloat, and 97 3-4@99 1-4c f. o. b.; No. 2 February, closing at 96 3-4c; do March, closing at 97 3-4c; do April, closing at 99c; do May, 99 3-4@$1 02 3-8, closing at $1 00 1-4; do June, $1 01 1-8@$1 02 1-2, closing at $1 02; do July, 98 1-4@98 1-2c, closing at 98 1-2c; do December, 99 1-4@99 3-8c, closing at 98 5-8c.....RYE—Demand is unimportant, and prices remain nominal.....BARLEY—Has a light demand.....BARLEY MALT—Dull and nominally unchanged.....CORN—Also suffered a break in sympathy with the depression in wheat. Both grades are down 1-4@1-2c, with increased offerings and fair demand, shippers taking 144,000 bushels. Options were more active on an unsettled market. At one time prices showed an advance of 1-8@1-4c, but final figures represent a slight decline, leaving off firm. Sales, 1,896,000 bushels future, 188,000 bushels spot, including Ungraded Mixed, 40@45c; No. 3, 40 1-2@40 3-4c elevator, 41 1-2c delivered; Steamer Mixed, 41 3-8@41 5-8c elevator, 42 1-2@42 3-4c delivered; No. 2, 43 1-2@43 3-4c elevator, 45@45 5-8c afloat; Steamer White, 42 1-2c elevator; No. 2 February, closing nominal; do March, 44@44 3-8c, closing at 44c; do April, 43 3-4@44c, closing at 44c; do May, 43 1-8@43 1-2c, closing at 43 1-8c; do June, 43 3-8@43 5-8c, closing at 43 3-8c; Steamer March, 41 1-2@41 3-4c; do May, 40 1-2@40 7-8c.....OATS—On the spot ruled firm, with a moderate stir to the demand. Options advanced 1-8c, but the speculation was spiritless. Sales, 50,000 bushels future, 112,000 bushels spot, including No. 3, 30@30 1-4c; do White, 30 3-4@31c; No. 2, 30 3-4@31 1-4c; do White, 33 3-4@34c; No. 1 White, 36c; Mixed Western, 28 1-2@33c; White do, 25@30c; No. 2 February, 31c, closing at 31c; do March, 31 1-8, closing at 31 1-8; do May, 32 1-8, closing at 32 1-8c; do White February, closing at 33 3-4c; do March, closing at 33 3-4c.....FEED—Quoted, 40 lb, 70@75c; 100 lb, 65@70c; 100 lb, 85@90c; Sharps, 90@95c; Rye feed, 75@80c.

HAY AND STRAW—Hay—There is a trifle stronger market on lighter receipts, and fair demand. Straw rules dull and heavy. Hay—No. 1, large, 90@95c; small, 80@85c; No. 2, large, 75@80c; small, 70@75c; Clover, 50@55c; Light Mixed, 55@65c; Dark Mixed, 50@55c; Shipping, 60@65c. Straw—Long Rye, 80c; Short Rye, 55@60c; Oat, 50@55c.

HOPS—The market retains the firmness noted for a few days past, and the movement continues steady and fair, to-day's sales, 600 bales, in medium, 16@20c; do low, 15@17c; do 1887, 7@11c; do 1885, 4@6c; Pacific Coast, choice, new, 19@21c; medium, 17@18c; do low, 15@16c; do 1887, 8@9c; Eastern and Wisconsin, new, 18@20c; Foreign, new, 38@40c.

METALS—Tin quiet, but advancing; sales, 10 tons, spot, 21.30c. Copper dull, unchanged. Lead weak. Spelter nominal.

MOLASSES—In light demand, but steadily held. New crop New-Orleans, 30@40c, according to quality; 30 test, 20 1-2c.

NAVAL STORES—SPIRITS TURPENTINE—A trifle better, but rather quiet. Quoted at 47 1-4@47 1-2c.....ROSINS—Strained grades are strong, and the general market rules steady on a fair demand. Strained, $1 05; good do, $1 07 1-2@$1 10; N, $1 15; E, $1 17 1-2; G, $1 25; H, $1 30@$1 35; I, $1 45; K, $1 55@$1 60; M, $1 90@$1 95; N, $2 25@$2 30; W G, $2 90@$2 95; W W, $3 20@$3 25.

OILS—Lard oil is dull and offered lower, but otherwise the market rules steady and quiet. Cottonseed, crude, choice, 42c; summer yellow, 49c; do white, 49c; Cocoanut, Ceylon, 5 5-8c; Cochin, 6 1-4@6 1-2c; Cod, domestic, 35@36c; foreign, 38@39c; Linseed, raw, city, 58c; Western, 57c; foreign, 58c; Lard, prime, 63c; Menhaden, crude, Sound, 32@33c; light pressed, 36@37c; bleached winter, 38 1-2@39c; extra bleached, 40@41c; Sperm, crude, 75c; natural winter, 75@77c; bleached winter, 86@91c; bleached spring, 74@76c; Whale, crude, Southern, 43c; natural winter, 43@44c; bleached winter, 46c; extra bleached, 48@49c; Sea Elephant, bleached winter, 54@55c; Red Elain, 40@42c; Saponified, 5 1-2@6c; Olive, Italian, 09@70c; Palm, 6 1-4c; Neatsfoot, prime, 62 1-2@75c; Straits, 35@36c; Bank, 34@35c.

OCEAN FREIGHTS—The market has displayed no activity, business in all branches of freights having been unusually light to-day. Rates generally easier. BERTH ENGAGEMENTS—To Liverpool, 48,000 bushels grain, 4d.....PETROLEUM CHARTERS—British steamer Venice, Philadelphia to Bisceglia, 50,000 cases refined, 29c; British bark Landskrona, hence to Antwerp, 5,500 bbls refined, 2s.....MISCELLANEOUS—British steamer Newborough, a time charter, 11s 6d; German ship Geesteminde, St. John to the West of England, deals, 65s; British bark Ashlow, thence to Ireland, deals, 70s; schooner Nellie Woodbury, hence to Venezuela, general cargo; British ship McDougall (to arrive), Boston to Buenos Ayres, lumber, $15; British bark Harold, Portland to Buenos Ayres, lumber, $16; schooner Maynard Sumner, Jacksonville to St. Jago, lumber, private terms; British bark Avonmore, hence to Buenos Ayres, lumber, private terms; bark Hattie G. Dixon, Fernandina to New-York, lumber, $12; schooner Mary A. Crindy, the same, $3, both recently chartered for Aspinwall but cancelled; schooner Henry S. Woodruff, hence to Point a Pitre, general cargo; schooner Clifford, hence to Porto Rico, general cargo; schooner Herald, hence to Galveston, general cargo; Pensacola to Rosario, lumber, $23; schooner Heraldine, Port Spain to north of Hatteras, asphalt, $250 and discharge.

PROVISIONS—PORK—Suffered a decline to-day in sympathy with the West. Exporters were moderate buyers. Sales, 250 bbls Mess, private terms. Quoted $12@$12 50 old, $12 50@$12 75 new; Short Clear, $14@$16; Extra Prime, $12@$12 25; Prime Mess nominal; City Family Mess, $14 50@$15; Western do, $13 50.....BEEF—In moderate demand, and steadily held. City Extra India Mess, in tcs, $18@$19; Extra Mess, in bbls, $7; Plate, $8 75@$9; Packet, $8 50@$10 per bbl and $12@$13 in tcs; City Family Mess, $12@$15.....BEEF HAMS—Have a fair demand. Quoted here $18, and at the West, $12. Sales, 75 bbls at West, $12.....CUT MEATS—Have a light demand and prices rule barely steady. Sales, 3,000 ℔ Pickled Bellies, 11 ℔ average, 7 3-4c; 5,000