THE CITY ORDERED TO P[illegible]AN OLD DEBT.

JUSTICE JOHN A. STEMMLER'S HEIRS SECURE A JUDGMENT FOR HIS SALARY WHILE HE WAS WRONGFULLY KEPT OUT OF OFFICE.

A judgment for $85,000 against the city was ordered entered yesterday by Justice Davy in the Supreme Court in favor of Theodore W. and Franklin A. Stemmler. In the election held in this county in the autumn of 1869 John A. Stemmler and Joseph McGuire were opposing candidates for Justice of the Supreme Court. The election was close. It was decided in favor of Stemmler, but, as the courts afterward declared, McGuire unlawfully usurped the office and served from January 1, 1870, to October 15, 1873. The Supreme Court decided on that date that McGuire held the place unlawfully and by usurpation, Stemmler having fought the case to a decision.

During the period of his unlawful judgeship McGuire had drawn something over $85,000 in salary. Stemmler sued McGuire for this money, but the defendant, after judgment was obtained, was found to be insolvent. Justice Stemmler died on March 28, 1875. After twenty years of waiting the heirs of the Justice took up the case and tried to get the back salary out of the city. In May, 1894, the Legislature passed an act directing the city of New-York to pay to the heirs the amount of the salary claimed, together with interest. The Board of Estimate fixed the amount of interest due, but the Controller refused to pay the amount, the Board having made no appropriation from which he could pay it.

Theodore W. Stemmler and his brother, Franklin A. Stemmler, brought an action, on the advice of the Controller, on March 9, 1896, to compel the Controller to pay the money out of the judgment fund. Assistant Corporation Counsel Farley has had charge of the case since the first of this year.

DOUBLE TAXES MAY BE LEVIED.

PROSPECT BEFORE CITIZENS OF BROOKLYN, QUEENS AND RICHMOND NEXT YEAR.

Thomas L. Feitner, president of the Tax Department, yesterday confirmed the statement of Controller Coler that there would be no special tax levy this year in Brooklyn, Queens and Richmond. When asked how the deficiency would be made up he replied: "A levy in addition to the regular one could be made next year if a special levy could be made at all."

"Wouldn't that be impracticable on account of the added burden on the taxpayer?" President Feitner was asked.

"Oh, I don't think so," he replied. "The amount that they would have to pay would be little more than they paid last year, after the lowering of Brooklyn taxes in the process of equalizing assessments throughout the whole city. Of course I am speaking offhand, and I may not be exact. But over in Brooklyn they paid a higher rate than we did last year, and when things are equalized even an added special levy wouldn't be much more than they paid last year. Then, too, they will be better prepared to pay even an added tax, because they will have paid no taxes for this year."

THE MARKETS.

TOTAL DOMESTIC RECEIPTS TO-DAY.

New-York, March 15, 1898.			
Beeswax, pkgs	2	Onions, bbls	454
Beans, white, bbls	1,417	Dressed poultry, pkgs	790
Flour, bbls	13,123	Live do, coops	53
Flour, sacks	29,884	Cal. honey, cases	643
Cornmeal, bbls	350	Cal. hops	100
Cornmeal, bags	1,835	Oil cake, pkgs	1,586
Oatmeal, bbls	698	Oilmeal, bags	1,570
Wheat, bush	115,625	Oleo stock, pkgs	1,547
Corn, bush	69,450	Pecans, pkgs	488
Oats, bush	12,000	Pork, bbls	427
Rye, bush	6,825	Tongues, bbls	40
Buckwheat, bush	7,800	Beef, tcs	789
Barley, bush	33,150	Hams, pkgs	3,270
Malt, bush	7,800	Bacon, pkgs	501
Flaxseed, bush	9,000	Dressed hogs, No	7,315
Cotton, bales	8,718	Lard, tcs	3,996
Cottonseed oil, bbls	830	Lard, kegs	10
Copper, bars	184	Tallow, pkgs	130
Hay, tons	1,540	Grease, pkgs	6,209
Straw, tons	50	Butter, pkgs	348
Millfeed, tons	20	Cheese, pkgs	12,621
Hides, bales	320	Eggs, cases	120
Hides, bundles	2,108	Quicksilver, flasks	765
Hops, bales	592	Rice, pkgs	625
Istle, bales	345	Rice chaff, bags	270
Leather, sides	1,150	Grass seed, bags	2,511
Lead, pigs	1,136	Raisins, Cal., boxes	350
Molasses, bbls	50	Skins, bales	10,255
Rosin, bbls	6,000	Tobacco, hhds	220
Sp. turpentine, bbls	678	Tobacco, tcs	14
Whiskey, bbls	35	Tobacco, pkgs	283
Gunpthus, bbls	32	Whiskey, bbls	320
Rosin oil, bbls	50	Wool, bales	46
Apples, bbls	6,988	Coal, bbls	385
Potatoes, bbls	1,876	Wine, cal., pkgs	

CASH QUOTATIONS.

Iron No No 1 fndy	$11 75	Flour, Minn patents	$5 35
do No 2 soft	10 15	Cotton, middling	6⅛
Steel rails	18 00	Coffee, No 7 Rio	5¾
Pig iron warrants	6 80	Sugar, granulated	5⅛
Lake copper ingot	11 50	Molasses, 0 K prime	30
Tin	21 50	Beef, family	11 50
Lead	3 70	Beef, hams	22 75
Tenasser	4 20	Tallow, prime	3 11-16
Wheat, No 2 red	1 09¼	Pork, mess	10 00
Corn, No 2 mixed	37⅛	Hogs, dressed, 160 lb.	3½
Oats, No 2 mixed	31	Lard, prime	5 32½

EXPORTS TO-DAY.

Wheat, bush	238,257	Pitch, bbls	29
Corn, bush	87,707	Tar, bbls	49
Oats, bush	80,046	Refined pet., gals	2,591,785
Rye, bush	17,025	Benzine, gals	1,350
Peas, bush	3,843	Gasoline, gals	440
Beans, bush	3,227	Cottonseed oil, gals	11,530
Flour, bbls	1,262	Lubricating oil, gals	320,540
Flour, sacks	22,721	Pork, bbls	878
Cornmeal, bbls	3,433	Beef, bbls	429
Oatmeal, pkgs	240	Beef, tcs	481
Cornmeal, pkgs	3,000	Bacon, lb	2,290,375
Beef, lb	126,013	Hams, lb	286,500
Grass seed, bags	1,068	Lard, lb	3,186,070
Hay, bales	4,976	Lard, oil, gals	1,400
Hops, bales	633	Stearine, lb	75,200
Alcohol, gals	58,000	Tallow, lb	1,272,500
Whiskey, gals	1,250	Grease, lb	257,200
Glucose, lb	1,118,190	Butter, lb	16,100
Spirits turp., gals	3,010	Cheese, lb	1,920
Rosin, bbls	644		

COUNTRY PRODUCE MARKETS.

For week ending Tuesday, March 15, 1898.

BEANS AND PEAS—Receipts for week: Beans, 7,047 bbls; peas, 1,193 bbls. Exports for week: Beans, 4,467 pkgs; peas, 625 bbls. Choice marrow beans have held pretty steadily all the week, but the volume of trade has been comparatively light. Toward the close exporters are showing just a little interest and have paid $1 40 for fancy stock in large size barrels; fine quality in the usual size packages can still be bought at $1 37½. Medium and pea have had slow sale and values have weakened, the former selling at 1[illegible]c and the latter at $1 30; some holders are reluctant to accept these figures, but are unable to do business at any higher price. Red kidney are held a shade steadier at the close, though the demand from exports has not developed much force as yet; shippers have filled a few orders this week at $1 67½@$1 70, but only for fancy large barrels; the average run of best stock can be bought easily at $1 67½, and some fine goods have been sold to dealers for less. Yellow eyes are not plenty and well sustained. Turtle soup have settled to $1 50, and even that price is somewhat nominal. Yellow eye very slow. California lima in light demand and weaker; easier to buy than to sell the best goods at $1 50. Exporters have very but few orders for green peas and jobbing trade is very slow; prices were showing some weakness toward the close. We quote: Beans, marrow, choice, per bush, $1 27½@$1 40; do do fair to good, $1 10@$1 25; do medium, choice, $1 12½; do pea, choice, $1 10; do fair to good, $1 02½@$1 07½; do red kidney, choice, $1 67½; do fair to good, $1 30@$1 60; do white kidney, $1 50; do black turtle soup, $1 50; do yellow eye, $1 30; do lima, California, $1 50; green peas, blue, 82½c; do bags, 75@77½c; do Scotch, bbls, 62½c; do bags, 57½c.

BUTTER—Receipts for the week, 29,582 pkgs; exports, 4,271 pkgs. Most of the last week trade has been very slow, and, notwithstanding the fact of a slight shrinkage in the receipts, prices have declined somewhat on nearly all grades. The weather throughout has been very mild, and this has had a decided depressing influence. Buyers have felt that stuff might pass very near at hand, and they had refused to operate beyond the immediate requirements of their trade. Sellers have been averse to quoting off of their trade. Sellers have been averse to seeing any stock accumulate in their stores, and the little surplus that was carried over from day to day caused the weakness, which developed into the decline of Friday and Saturday. To-day business showed no improvement, buyers showed more interest and stock moved out more freely than it has for the last two weeks, this led to a more steady feeling, but without change in the line of values. For strictly fancy fresh creamery 19c is now the ruling price, and there is a narrower range of values, current rate, and there is a fair demand for the fresh goods going below 19c. Exporters are taking a few hundred tubs of good firsts at 18@18½c, and this tends to give support to the market. State creameries are not opening very generally as yet, but those that have been running all winter are receiving more new milk and the quality is improved somewhat, the best lots commanding 18½@19c. Storage creamery in small compass and having quiet sale at 14@17c, latter full high for the best remaining lots. New-York dairy in fair demand and feeling steady for desirable butter, not at all plenty and feeling steady for desirable lots from best sections. Imitation creamery has eased off for a little, very few sales making above 16½c. Fresh factory in light supply, but shippers are unwilling to draw orders above 14½c, and that figure is now seldom exceeded. Medium and low grades are relatively scarce and hold quite firm. We quote: New-York Creamery, Western, extras, per lb, 19c; do, firsts, 18@18½c; do, thirds to seconds, 15@17c; do, State, finest, 18½c; do, seconds to firsts, 15@18c; State dairy, half-firkin tubs, fancy, 18c; do, Welsh tubs, finest, 17@17½c; do, dairy tubs, seconds to firsts, 14½@16½c; imitation creamery, extras, 16½@17c; do, seconds to firsts, 13½@15c; do, factory, extras, 14½@15½c; do, seconds to firsts, 12½@14½c; do, low grades, 12@13c; rolls, choice, 14½c; do, fair to prime, 11½@13½c. Old butter—Creamery, poor to prime, 11½@13½c. Old butter—Creamery, extras, summer make, finest, 17c; do, common to prime, 14@16c; State dairy, tubs or firkins, finest, 16½@17c; do, poor to prime, 13@16c; Western, factory, 11@14c.

CHEESE—Receipts for the week, 10,536 pkgs; exports, 9,784 boxes. The general demand from the home trade the last week has continued moderate and little more than of a peddling character. Occasional exceptionally fancy lots of both large and small sizes have work out to very particular buyers at a premium over quotations, but as all our dealers are full high, with, in fact, most business done between low quotations than possible higher. Foreign advices continue discouraging, and only a few exporters enquired to do anything. Two or three such buyers, however, continue on the market looking for good value cheese, obtainable from 10@11c down, but the movement here has been rather moderate, buyers finding increasing difficulty in locating stock within their limits. Exports, however, show up fairly, including some good-sized lots purchased in the country. Skims generally quiet; fall made are in light request, remaining stock and desirable grades held steadily. Winter made skims in fair supply, but quality generally undesirable and selling slowly at irregular prices. Liverpool cable, 38s 6d. We quote: State, full cream, large, fancy, September, 9c; do large, choice, 7½@7¾c; do fair to good, 7@7½c; do common, 6@6½c; do colored or white, small, 7¾@8c; do large, choice, 7¾@8c; do small, choice, 7¾@8c; do common to good, 6@7c; light skims, small, choice, 6@6½c; do large, choice, 6c; part skims, small, choice, 6c; do large, 5¾c; do good to prime, 4½@5c; do common to fair, 3½@4c; full skims, 2@3c.

EGGS—Receipts for week, 37,460 cases. Market has made some further decline during the week, but closes fairly firm. Demand is quite active, and seems to be about sufficient to take the quantity of stock arriving. Toward the close 19½c is the ruling price for prime Western and 19½c for the best Southern, at which the feeling closes fairly firm. Duck eggs have made some decline under more liberal offerings. We quote: Jersey and nearby fancy, per dozen, 19c; Western, 19c; Pennsylvania, 19½c; Western, 19½c; Kentucky, 19½c; Southern, 19½@20c; Canada, 19@20c.

FRUITS—FRESH—Receipts of apples for week, 10,250 bbls. Stock has come forward quite freely and there is considerable pressure to sell; prices have shown little change, but the tone of the market is still weak, particularly on medium and lower grades; occasional lots of extra fancy would exceed quotations. Cranberries have ruled very firm and there is still a fair demand at the full prices quoted. California oranges have moved a little better. Florida strawberries have sold readily when of choice quality, but the receipts are quite irregular in size, color and values. We quote: Apples, Winesap and Johnson's winter, per bbl, $3@$3 50; Ben Davis, $3@$3 50; do Greening, $3@$3 50; do Baldwin, $3@$3 25; Spy, $2 75@$3; poor to fair grades, $2@$2 50; cranberries, Cape Cod, per bbl, $10@$12 50; Jersey, per bbl, $8@$10; do per crate, $2 50@$3 25; oranges, California, per box, $1 25@$3; strawberries, Florida, per qt, 20@40c.

FRUITS—DRIED—Receipts for week, 2,401 cases of evaporated apples and 8,109 pkgs other dried fruits. Exports, 6,385 cases evaporated apples and 14,882 pkgs other fruits. Trade has been little more quiet this week, but with moderate offerings desirable stock has been well sustained in price. Not much doing in small fruits and raspberries are lower. Cherries in few hands and generally held above quotations. California fruit continues active, especially the cheaper grades, with tone firm. We quote: Apples, evaporated, fancy, 9¾@10c; do choice, 8¾@9c; do prime, 8¾@8¾c; do common to good, 8½@8¾c; sun-dried, quarters, 2½@4½c; do Southern sliced, 3@4½c; do coarse-cut, 3½c; do chopped, per lb, 3¼@3¾c; do cores and skins, 2¼@2¾c; cherries, 15c; blackberries, 4@4½c; huckleberries, 6@7c; raspberries, evaporated, 10c; do sun-dried, 8@9c; apricots, California, Moorpark, 8@11c; do Royal, 5½@6c; peaches, California, peeled, 10@16c; do unpeeled, 5@9c; pears, California, 5@10c; prunes, California, 3@8c.

HOPS—Receipts for the week, 867 bales. Exports, 827 bales. The market is ruling dull for all classes of stock. Brewers are working from small lots bought some time ago, and seem inclined to hold off and await developments. Exporters have had less encouragement of late, and they are not making any new purchases. Possibly a little weaker feeling has developed on fine goods, in sympathy with the decline in lower qualities. Some of the poor mouldy Oregon lots can be bought as low as 8½@9c, and this is being used as a handle by some buyers to depress the market for the better qualities. Strictly choice hops, however, are in very small compass, and when wanted bring almost as much as at any time during the last month. The country markets are a little easier. The latest mail advices from London are also weaker. "The London Grocer" says: "The market remains in much the same condition noticed last week, being rather inactive than otherwise, and where California hops of any desirable quality have been pressed for sale somewhat lower prices have been established. We quote: State, 1897, choice, per lb, 18@18½c; do good to prime, 16@17c; do common to fair, 11@13c; Pacific Coast, 1897, choice, 18@18½c; do good to prime, 16@17c; do common to fair, 9@15c; State and Pacific Coast, 1896, prime, 8@8½c; do common to good, 5@7c; old olds, 3@4½c.

HAY AND STRAW—HAY—Receipts were again large, but the tone of prices was somewhat steadier than it was yesterday. Buyers are in want of good quality hay and perhaps an enlarged attendance is attributable to the possibility of finding in the free receipts some sound parcels of the grades they are in quest of. While there is no force in present quotations for anything below a full rating of large bales of No. 1, a good disposition is shown by the general run of distributors to pay rates near and up to the extreme quoted for useful, straight Nos 2 and 3. When the latter grade is in question inspection is rather severe as its following grades, or lack of grade, are frequently and tediously pressed for sale with recommendation that does not belong to them. The surplus of common hay is becoming uncomfortably bulky, but early farm work may check supplies. We quote: Large bales, prime, per 100 lb, 75c; No 1, per 100 lb, 70@72½c; No 2, per 100 lb, 60@62½c; No 3, per 100 lb, 42½@45c; grades, per 100 lb, 20@32½c; clover, per 100 lb, 32½@37½c; clover in lined, per 100 lb, 45@47½c; salt meadow, 45½@52c. STRAW—Supplies are full for current wants. Quality does not improve with the advanced season, few bright lots now appear in any of the consignments, and 45c is likely to be the top price for some time to come. We quote: Long rye straw, No 1, per 100 lb, 45c; straw, No 2, per 100 lb, 30@35c; oat straw, per 100 lb, 35@40c. The receipts of hay and straw reported in tons at noon to-day at the Produce Exchange were: 1,240 tons of hay and 50 of straw.

POULTRY—ALIVE—Receipts for week, 42 carloads. The moderate offerings have met a very good demand, and the market rules steady at the close. Fowls declined first of this week to 9½c, and that figure has covered sales since then. Chickens are scarce and firm. Roosters steady. Turkeys in light supply and wanted. Ducks and geese dragging, especially the latter. Pigeons more plenty and lower. We quote: Fowls, per lb, 9½c; chickens, 50@60c; roosters, 5½c; turkeys, 10@11c; ducks, per pair, 50@75c; geese, $1@$1 50; pigeons, 20@25c.

DRESSED—Receipts for the week, 7,611 pkgs. While receipts of fresh-dressed poultry have not been specially heavy, still demand has been slow and, with quality generally undesirable, with many lots in condition requiring immediate handling, has caused a weaker and unsettled market for average grades. Fresh-killed turkeys have continued in light supply, but nearly all lots running too large, coarse and fleshy, and average grades selling slowly at irregular prices; buyers in want of fancy turkeys are compelled to use frozen. Western fowls have shown irregular quality, most of the dry-picked stock arriving more or less out of condition, while the iced stock has also shown up poorly, and prices have declined to 9c for average finest lots, either iced or dry, while many lots are running heavier than usually the case for so early in the season, and such grades are impossible to sell above 8c. Chickens from all sections are sluggy and undesirable and of uncertain value. Fancy Philadelphia broilers in moderate supply and held at about steady prices, though demand limited. Old roosters in moderate supply, but prices a shade easier, in sympathy with fowl. Fresh capons have fallen off materially in the receipts, and choice large birds held firmly. Ducks and geese have generally been of poor quality, and selling very slowly at irregular and irregular prices. Squabs fairly plenty and $2 50 the extreme for choice large white. In frozen poultry there has been a moderate inquiry for fancy turkeys, and such grades held firmly. Fancy soft-meated roasting chickens and fancy dry-picked broilers in moderate demand and steady, but frozen fowls, ducks and geese greatly neglected and weak. We quote: Fresh killed turkeys, Western, straight hens, per lb, 12c; do mixed, young hens and toms, 10½@11c; young toms, prime, 10c; young and old toms, heavy, 9½c; broilers, Philadelphia, 3 to 3½ lb to pair, per lb, 28@28c; do 4 to 5 lb, 16@20c; chickens, Philadelphia, choice, per lb, 14@15c; do fair to good, 10@12c; do Jersey, prime, 10@11c; do State and Pennsylvania, good to prime, 8@9c; do Western, dry-picked and scalded, average best, 8@8½c; do fair to good, 7@7½c; chickens and fowls, mixed, Western, average best, 8½c; do fair to good, 7½@8c; fowls, State and Pennsylvania, good to prime, 8½c; do Western, prime, 8½c; do fair to good, 7@7½c; old cocks, Western, 5@5½c; capons, Philadelphia, fancy, per lb, 2[illegible]c; do, medium sizes, 17@18c; do small and slips, 10@12c; do, Western, choice, 8 lb and over, each, per lb, 13@14c; do medium sizes, 12@12½c; do small and slips, 10@11c; ducks, Western, average best, 8c; do fair to good, 6@7c; geese, Western, average best, 7c; do fair to good, 5@6c; squabs, choice large white, per dozen, $2 50; do small and poor, $1 25@$1 50. Frozen—Turkeys, selected, No 1, 12@13½c; do locally frozen, average best, 12@13c; do No 2, 9@10c; chickens, fancy, soft-meated, 10@11c; do average, No 1, 9@9½c; do No 2, 6@8c; fowls, No 1, 8½c; do No 2, 7@8c; broilers, Western, dry-picked, 14@16c; do scalded, 12@14c; ducks, No 1, 10c; do No 2, 7@8c; geese, No 1, 9c; do No 2, 7@8c.

GAME—Grouse continue in light supply, and with a good demand prices are held higher and firmly. Quail sell readily when prime at firm prices. Wild ducks in fair supply, quality irregular and selling slowly at a wide range. Very few rabbits coming or wanted. Venison neglected and nominal. We quote: Grouse, prime, dark, undrawn, per pair, $1 25@$1 40; do pin-tails, $1 20@$1 25; do inferior, 50c@$1; quail, Western, per dozen, prime, $1 75@$2; do Northern, $1 50@$1 60; wild ducks, canvas, per pair $1@$2; do redhead, 75c@$1 25; do mallard, 60@80c; do black, 60@80c; do ruddy, 37@50c; do teal, blue-wing, 40@50c; do greenwing, 25@40c; do common, 25c; rabbits, prime, per pair, 12@15c; venison, saddles, per lb, 12@15c.

POTATOES AND VEGETABLES—Receipts for week, 30,551 bbls. Round potatoes have continued in moderate supply, and with strong interior advices and a fair demand market ruled steady at full late price. Sweet potatoes in only moderate supply and selling well at about former range of prices. The continued warm weather has caused many tons to sprout, and with holders urging sales at every opportunity prices have steadily declined, with outside figures extreme at the close. Charleston asparagus commencing to arrive and selling well. Beets firm for choice, but poor stock drags. Carrots steady. California cauliflowers irregular in quality and selling very slow. Onions more plenty and generally lower. Old cabbages dragging, and Florida now also moving slowly. Chicory, escarol and other New-Orleans vegetables sell well when of attractive quality. Kale and spinach have arrived very freely, and with stock often heated and out of condition prices have ruled low. Lettuce in good demand when fancy, but few such, and ordinary marketing dragging at rather low figures. Okra and peppers in good demand when fancy. String beans have shown increased supply, and prices have declined almost daily. Tomatoes have advanced sharply under light offerings, and an improved demand. Squash, turnips and other vegetables show no material change. We quote: Potatoes, Bermuda, per bbl, $3 50@$7; do State and Western, per 180 lb, $2@$2 62; do per sack, $2@$2 40; do Jersey, per bbl, $2@$2 75; do per sack, $2@$2 37; sweet potatoes, Southern, per bbl, $2 50@$4 50; Southern yams, per bbl, $1 25@$1 75; onions, Eastern, white, per bbl, $1@$3; do red, $1@$1 50; do yellow, $1@$1 75; do State and Western, white, per flat-hoop bbl, 75c@$1 50; do red, 75c@$1 50; do yellow, $1@$1 37; do Orange County, white, per bag, 75c@$1 50; do red, 50c@$1 12; do yellow, 75c@$1 25; cabbages, per 100, $1 50@$3; do, per bbl, 75c@$1; do Florida, per crate, $1@$1 25; asparagus, Charleston, per bunch, 50@75c; do Florida, per bbl, 75c@$1; do Charleston, per bbl-crate, $1@$3; do per bushel-crate, $1@$1 25; do Charleston, per 100 bunches, $2@$3; carrots, Charleston, per 100 bunches, $2@$3; do local, per bbl, $1@$1 25; cauliflowers, California, per case, $2@$4; celery, per dozen, 20@75c; chicory, New-Orleans, per bbl, $4@$7; escarol, New-Orleans, per bbl, $3@$5; kale, Norfolk, per bbl, 25@50c; parsley, Florida, per bushel, $1@$2 75; do Charleston, 50c@$1; okra, Florida, per carrier, 25@75c; peas, Florida, per crate, $2@$3; peppers, Florida, per carrier, $1@$4; parsnips, local, per bbl, 50@75c; string beans, Florida, express, per crate, $1 50@$2 25; do steamer, $1 25@$1 75; spinach, Norfolk, per bbl, 50c@$1 50; squash, per bbl, $1 50@$2 50; tomatoes, Florida, per carrier, $2@$5; turnips, Russia, per bbl, 60@75c; do white, 40@60c; egg-plants, Florida, per bbl, $5@$8.

MILK AND CREAM—The daily average receipts of milk and cream at the different railroad distributing points in and near the city for the week have been as follows:

	Condensed Milk.	milk.	Cream.
Erie	3,970	78	121
Susquehanna	2,000	—	75
Lackawanna	1,200	—	49
New-York, Central and Harlem	2,220	35	28
New-York and Northern	515	—	—
New-Haven and Hartford	1,475	—	105
Ontario and Western	3,430	—	44
West Shore	1,985	52	15
New-Jersey Central	265	—	60
Short routes	1,600	—	440
Total daily supply	23,601	165	

The Exchange price is 2½ cents net to the shipper.

SUNDRIES—Beeswax in light supply and held steady at 26@27c per lb for pure. Ginseng rules steady at $2 25@$3 50 per lb. Honey steady for extracted, but some dragging. We quote: State, clover, comb, per lb, 8@10c; do buckwheat, 6@8½c; do clover, extracted, 5@6c; do buckwheat, 4@4½c; California comb, per lb, 8@10c; do extracted, 5@5½c; Southern, per gallon, 30@32c. Nuts—Peanuts held firmly, but rather quiet; fancy hand-picked quoted generally at 4c, with occasional jobbing sales at 4½c. Virginia No. 1 shelled, 3@3½c; Spanish, 3¼@3½c. Hickory nuts scarce at $1 50@$2 per bush. Bull nuts, 75c. Maple sugar dull and nominal for old at 5@6c per lb; old syrup, 40@60c per gal. Some new sugar arriving; season opening about two weeks earlier than usual; some stock held at 10c, but not enough sale to establish quotations. New syrup jobbing in a small way at 60@75c per gallon.

GENERAL MARKET REPORT.

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COFFEE—The general situation was without important change to-day, and the net results showed no decided tendency in either direction. Considering the indifferent feeling in European markets and weak undertone of Brazilian markets our market exhibited a fair degree of steadiness. The first call developed a small market, with prices unchanged to 5 points lower. Later in the forenoon the near months improved slightly on local buying, but in the afternoon the market was more active, with "switching" a feature of transactions. The close was quiet at net unchanged prices to 5 points lower. The bear crowd received encouragement from the fact that Brazilian receipts show a tendency to increase rather than to decrease, while deliveries in this country continue fair to moderate, with consumers taking supplies in a small scale, with consumers taking supplies in a hand-to-mouth fashion. The visible supply still hovers around the 1,200,000 bag mark, and in view of the unsettled political outlook outside speculative interests results to come in transactions on a well distributed line through the list, sales for the day of 20,250 bags, including 3,750 bags on the first call. The market for spot guided 3,750 bags on the first call. The market for spot Brazilian coffee was dull, weak and nominal, with quotations unchanged on the basis of 5¾c for fair to good, 6¼c for good to prime, and 6¾c for choice. The closing Rio cable was dull for hedging lots of No 7 Rio. The closing Rio cable with 1,000 bags cleared Hitha cleared 32,000 bags. The business done in to-day's market in futures and spot coffees the high grades being chiefly dealt in. Included in sales were 500 bags Maracaibo and 30 [illegible] bags Central American. We quote: Maracaibo, 6¼@10½c; Jamaica, 7@14c; La Guayra, 6¾@10c; Mexican, 7¼@17½c; Costa Rica, 8¼@15½c; coffee, in parchment, 23@24½c; Savanilla, 7¼@17½c; Mocha, 18@18½c; Padang, interior, 23@24½c; [illegible]ncies, 28@31c.

The range of contract prices in the local market to-day was as follows:

	Opening.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yesterday.
March	5.10	5.13	5.05	5.05@5.10	5.05
April	5.15	5.15	5.15	5.10@5.15	5.10
May	5.20	5.20	5.20	5.15@5.20	5.15
June	5.25	5.25	5.25	5.20@5.25	5.25
July	5.30	5.30	5.30	5.25@5.30	5.30
August	—	—	—	5.35@5.40	5.35
September	5.45	5.50	5.45	5.45@5.50	5.45
October	—	—	—	5.50@5.55	5.50
November	—	—	—	5.55@5.60	5.55
December	5.65	5.65	5.60	5.60@5.65	5.60
January	—	—	—	5.65@5.70	5.65
February	—	—	—	5.70@5.75	5.70

Foreign coffee markets: Santos—Coffee market weak; good average Santos, 8$300; receipts (two days), 20,000 bags; stock, 766,000 bags. Hamburg—Market opened unchanged, at 2:30 p. m., unchanged to ¼ pfg net higher; sales, 13,000 bags. Havre—Coffee market opened quiet and unchanged; at 12 m., unchanged; at 3 p. m. steady and unchanged; closed ¼ franc net higher; total sales, 15,000 bags.

January	36.50	July	35.25
February	36.10	August	35.25
March	34.75	September	35.75
April	35.00	October	35.75
May	35.00	November	36.00
June	35.00	December	36.25

Rio—Coffee market dull; No 7 Rio, 7$975; Exchange, 6 9-32d; receipts (two days), 19,000 bags; cleared for the United States, 7,000 bags; cleared for Europe, 3,000 bags; stock, 292,000 bags.

The statistical position of Brazil coffee is as follows:

	To-day.	Yesterday.	Last week.
New-York deliveries	8,266	6,369	6,607
Baltimore deliveries	318	217	243
New-Orleans deliveries	886	953	940
Total deliveries	9,730	2,563	7,190
New-York stock	655,867	672,233	653,416
Baltimore stock	65,141	65,719	62,738
New-Orleans stock	54,443	55,329	59,852
Stock at all ports	785,351	793,281	776,006
Afloat	391,000	398,000	398,000
Visible supply	1,186,351	1,186,281	1,169,006
Same time 1897	754,178	782,438	754,494
Same time 1896	517,674	507,274	488,174

COTTON—The cotton market showed a healthier undertone to-day on a generally better class of news. Speculation, however, was very light, except during the first hour, due largely to the unpromising Spanish-American outlook. The first call developed a steady market, with prices unchanged to 1 point higher. Soon after the call prices moved up 4@5 points in active buying led by Liverpool representatives. This was started by favorable late English cables, indications that port receipts would fall below early estimates, a more confident feeling in London and local stock markets and a marked scarcity of offerings. Business fell off sharply after the first hour, and for the balance of the session were very narrow, with the professional element in control. New ventures were checked by the conflicting character of news from Washington and abroad relating to the Spanish question and the great activity in Government circles to the end of putting this country on a war footing as soon as possible. Rumors were circulated that the Powers in Europe were prepared to interfere before open hostilities set in, but this failed to reassure smaller investors who closed out accounts whenever possible. While it is believed that in the long run legitimate influences will prevail, even the stronger bulls and bears showed little disposition to pile up further obligations. One of the chief supports of the market continues to be the firmness with which spot cotton is held throughout the South. Exporters were said to be buying cotton wherever possible at yesterday's figures, but business was seriously checked by the conservative views of holders.

The market closed very steady at a net gain of 4@8 points, with total sales of 102,500 bales. Spot cotton closed quiet at unchanged prices; middling uplands quoted at 6¼c; middling Gulf, 6⅜c, against 7¼c and 7½c respectively last year. Sales included 342 bales to spinners and 300 bales for delivery on contract. Southern spot cotton markets, middling quoted as follows: New-Orleans steadier, 5 9-16c, sales 4,000 bales; Mobile steady, 5¾c, sales 500 bales; Savannah quiet, 5 9-16c, sales 420 bales; Wilmington firm, 5¾c; Norfolk steady, 5 13-16c, 1-16c lower, sales 470 bales; Baltimore nominal, 6⅛c; Augusta quiet, 5 15-16c, sales 188 bales; St. Louis quiet, 5 11-16c; Charleston quiet, 5 9-16c.

The export movement this season has been as follows:

	Great Britain. Bales.	France. Bales.	Continent. Bales.
Total to-day	11,286	—	14,437
Thus far this week	63,009	—	29,313
Totals since Sept. 1	2,735,178	715,339	2,284,610

Receipts at New-Orleans officially estimated for to-morrow at 5,000 to 6,000 bales, against 12,063 bales last week, 3,700 bales last year and 6,555 bales in 1894-'95. To-morrow's receipts at Houston are estimated at 1,000 to 1,200 bales, against 2,418 bales last week, 1,629 bales last year and 2,216 bales in 1894-'95.

Advices from Texas claim that there has been more foreign business done at Galveston and other ports in that State during the six months and ten days beginning with September 1, 1897, than was done in the entire season of twelve months of 1896-'97. At Galveston there were 290 steamers of 541,744 net tons, with 1,293,492 bales of cotton, cleared for foreign ports thus far this season. The total number of steamers which have arrived at that port thus far reaches 301, as compared with 291 for the entire season of last year.

Cotton Exchange special Liverpool cables: Spot cotton in moderate demand; sales, 8,000 bales; speculation and export, 500 bales; American, 7,000 bales; receipts, 28,000 bales; American, 24,000 bales; middling uplands, 3 11-32d. Futures opened steady; 1-64d decline. Closed steady; net 1-64d to 1 1-64d advance. December-January, 3 18@3 19d; March, 317½b; March-April, 317½b; April-May, 318c; May-June, 318½s; June-July, 319s; July-August, 319s; August-September, 319s; September-October, 319s; October-November, 318½b; November-December, 318½b. Manchester—Yarns quiet and steady. Cloth—Some business at low prices.

The range of contract prices in the local market to-day was as follows:

	Opening.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yesterday.
March	5.90	5.95	5.90	5.95@5.96	5.87
April	5.87	5.87	5.87	5.95@5.96	5.88
May	5.93	6.00	5.92	5.99@6.00	5.92
June	5.94	6.00	5.94	6.00@6.01	5.93
July	5.93	6.04	5.96	6.03@6.04	5.96
August	6.01	6.07	6.00	6.06@6.07	6.00
September	5.99	6.02	5.99	6.02@6.05	5.98
October	5.98	6.03	5.98	6.02@6.03	5.97
November	5.99	5.99	5.99	6.02@6.04	5.98
December	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.03@6.06	6.00
January	6.05	6.05	6.04	6.07@6.08	6.02

Receipts at the ports and interior points to-day, compared with the same day last week, last year and 1894-1895.

	To-day.	Last week.	Last year.	1894-'95.	Present stock.
Galveston	2,616	6,403	4,285	2,108	137,708
New-Orleans	5,555	12,397	6,240	7,282	479,542
Mobile	1,051	423	439	66	31,829
Savannah	3,246	3,811	1,741	3,900	73,542
Charleston	57	261	357	692	27,927
Wilmington	302	284	43	611	17,049
Norfolk	1,433	612	1,187	1,027	61,400
Baltimore	—	—	—	—	33,192
New-York	552	525	803	1,216	183,805
Boston	691	156	199	919	—
Philadelphia	229	108	352	1,124	14,549
Various	10,394	—	—	1,801	1,100
Totals	26,100	24,805	15,547	20,845