THE MARKETS.

TOTAL DOMESTIC RECEIPTS TO-DAY.

Various	—	—	4,081	216	2,109
Totals	7,776	8,147	8,498	11,106	697,088
Interior:					
Augusta	467	196	669	34	38,802
Memphis	761	194	116	118	77,000
St. Louis	170	8	254	6	37,051
Cincinnati	1,448	608	197	1,556	10,839
Houston	748	2,153	346	804	23,836

New-York, April 21, 1898.

Beeswax, pkgs	1	Oilmeal, bags			790
Flour, bbls	4,158	Oil, lard, bbls			56
Flour, sacks	10,076	Oleo stock, pkgs			1,055
Cornmeal, bbls	100	Pork, bbls			294
Cornmeal, bags	1,118	Hams, pkgs			618
Wheat, bush	63,450	Bacon, pkgs			1,367
Corn, bush	211,800	Beef, tcs			41
Oats, bush	39,000	Tongues, pkgs			55
Rye, bush	48,750	Lard, tcs			2,003
Buckwheat, bush	1,050	Lard, kegs			1,025
Barley, bush	975	Lard, cases			225
Malt, bush	10,800	Tallow, pkgs			413
Cotton, bales	592	Grease, pkgs			24
Cottonseed oil, bbls	1,028	Butter, pkgs			2,713
Copper, bars	2,195	Cheese, pkgs			2,314
Hay, tons	1,130	Eggs, cases			8,238
Straw, tons	89	Rice, pkgs			93
Milfeed, tons	78	Rice chaff, bags			235
Hemp, bales	500	Grass seed, bags			470
Hops, bales	86	Starch, pkgs			200
Leather, sides	2,000	Tobacco, hhds			44
Lead, pigs	5,000	Tobacco, tcs			72
Resin, bbls	669	Tobacco, pkgs			556
Resin, kegs	500	Whiskey, bbls			342
Spirits turp, bbls	1,093	Glucose, bbls			251
Apples, bbls	911	Dressed poultry, pkgs			706
Potatoes, bbls	2,012	Live poultry, coops			21
Onions, bbls	233				

EXPORTS TO-DAY.

Wheat, bush	107,940	Spirits turp, gals	320
Corn, bush	245,705	Resin, bbls	150
Oats, bush	543,821	Pitch, bbls	10
Rye, bush	21,710	Tar, bbls	20
Peas, bush	1,693	Refined, pet, gals	1,190,750
Beans, bush	575	Cottonseed oil, gals	199,770
Flour, bbls	7,700	Lubricating oil, gals	227,350
Flour, sacks	25,223	Pork, bbls	1,488
Cornmeal, bbls	2,103	Beef, bbls	510
Feed, lb	900	Beef, tcs	100
Oatmeal, pkgs	1,990	Bacon, lb	3,014,025
Bran, lb	10,100	Hams, lb	36,200
Grass seed, bags	1,549	Lard, lb	1,476,900
Hay, bales	213	Lard oil, gals	10,150
Alcohol, gals	80,327	Tallow, lb	8,000
Whiskey, gals	1,980	Grease, lb	12,000
Oilmeal, lb	21,250	Butter, lb	22,750
Oilcake, lb	2,204,600	Cheese, lb	172,920

CASH QUOTATIONS.

Iron, Nor. No 1 (dry)	$11 75	Flour, Minn. patents	$5 60
Iron, No. No 2 soft	10 13	Cotton, middling	6 7-16
Steel rails	18 00	Coffee, No 7 Rio	6¾
Pig-iron warrants	9 65	Sugar, granulated	5¼
Lake copper ingot	12 15	Molasses, G K prime	20
Tin	14 45	Beef, family	11 50
Lead	3 60	Beef hams	22 50
Spelter	4 20	Tallow, prime	3½
Wheat, No 2 red	1 12	Pork, mess	9 50
Corn, No 2 mixed	38⅝	Hogs, dressed, 160 lb.	5⅝
Oats, No 2 mixed	31⅛	Lard, prime	5 80

GENERAL MARKET REPORT.

New-York, April 21, 1898.

COFFEE—The coffee market to-day was narrow and uninteresting, with the tendency of prices steadily downward under lack of speculative support and light offerings by the more confident bears. The first call developed a steady undertone, with opening bids unchanged to 5 points above the closing prices of yesterday. By midday the market was dull and easy, with quotations of net unchanged to 5 points lower. Late in the day business was rather more active, but lacked particular significance, with the close quiet at unchanged prices to 10 points lower. Total sales, 11,500 bags. There was little in European news to influence local sentiment. Havre ruling extremely dull all day and closing exactly at last night's prices, while Hamburg was inactive, with prices unchanged to ⅛ pfennig higher. News from Brazilian markets was slightly better, indicating an improvement in quotations at both Rio and Santos, as the result of a falling off in receipts. While deliveries from United States warehouses were liberal, this fact had been more or less discounted, and cut but little figure as an influence. Owing to continued liberal clearances from the Brazilian ports for this country, the American visible supply continues well over the 1,000,000-bag mark, despite the heavy withdrawals from warehouses. Yesterday the steamer Herschel, with 10,000 bags, and steamer Asti, with 50,000 bags, cleared Rio, and the steamer Ballust, with 45,000 bags, from Santos. The steamer Capua was reported as having arrived at New-York, with 38,114 bags Rio.

The market for spot Brazilian coffee was rather unsettled, in sympathy with the indifferent feeling in futures and a lack of demand from consumers. Quotations at the close were more or less nominal, on the basis of 6¾c for invoice lots of No 7 Rio.

The market for the mild grades of spot coffee was about steady, with a fair business doing, chiefly in small lots of the Maracaibo and Central American styles. Quotation were without important change.

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

	Opening.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yester-day.
April	—	—	—	5.85@5.95	5.95
May	5.80	5.80	5.80	5.75@5.80	5.80
June	—	—	—	5.60@5.65	5.60
July	5.60	5.65	5.60	5.60@5.65	5.60
August	—	—	—	5.60@5.65	5.60
September	5.75	5.75	5.70	5.65@5.70	5.65
October	—	—	—	5.65@5.70	5.65
November	—	—	—	5.65@5.70	5.65
December	5.75	5.75	5.75	5.70@5.75	5.70
January	—	—	—	5.75@5.80	5.80
February	—	—	—	5.80@5.85	5.80
March	—	—	—	5.85@5.90	5.85

Foreign coffee markets—Santos—Coffee market firm; good average Santos, 9a300; receipts, 2,000 bags; stock, 421,000 bags. Hamburg—Coffee market opened ¼ pfenning higher; at 2:30 p. m. steady at a net gain of ¼@⅛ pfenning; sales, 15,000 bags. Havre—Coffee market opened steady and unchanged; at 12 m. quiet and unchanged; at 3 p. m. quiet and unchanged; closed net, unchanged; total sales, 9,000 bags.

January	36.75	July	35.50
February	37.00	August	35.75
March	37.25	September	36.00
April	37.25	October	36.00
May	37.25	November	36.25
June	35.25	December	36.50

Rio—Coffee market quiet; No 7 Rio, 9¾@250; exchange, 5¼d; receipts, 9,000 bags, cleared for the United States, 12,000 bags, cleared for Europe, 9,000 bags; stock, 117,000 bags.

The statistical position of Brazil coffee is as follows:

	To-day.	Yesterday.	Last week.
New-York deliveries	36,164	23,907	22,439
Baltimore deliveries	1,033	1,029	671
New-Orleans deliveries	1,564	1,362	881
Total deliveries	38,761	26,295	23,991
New-York stock	507,513	505,593	601,087
Baltimore stock	79,779	80,812	75,398
New-Orleans stock	46,312	47,876	54,077
Stock at all ports	633,604	634,281	730,537
Afloat	431,000	388,000	324,000
Visible supply	1,064,604	1,022,281	1,054,537
Same time 1897	692,587	703,025	704,841
Same time 1896	370,442	383,339	414,578

COTTON—After a sharp advance early in the forenoon the market turned a sharp corner and became weak under active liquidation. At the start shorts were almost demoralized by an advance of 5@6¾c points in futures and 1-32d in spot cotton at Liverpool, also an advance of 1-16@⅛c in the price of spot cotton at the South. Covering became general, with the market further supported by liberal buying orders from abroad. Although firm in tone the market showed some irregularity on the first call, April and May advancing 4 and 2 points respectively, July and August declining 1 point, while the balance of the list were 2@4 points up on the first sales. Immediately after the opening the trading basis was 7@8 points over the final figures of yesterday. Indications at the end of the first hour pointed to an elimination of the short interest. The bull element became apprehensive of a slump and began to unload. By 12 m the early improvement had been reduced to a matter of 1@2 points, with the market very feverish. Still later several large blocks of long stuff were forced on the market, and prices further gave way under this pressure. At the close the prevailing feeling was very steady at a net advance of 1 point to an advance of 4 points. Total sales of futures reached 254,500 bales, including 17,200 bales on the opening call. The bears were predicting a sensational break to-morrow morning in the event of a weak opening at Liverpool, as the local market during the last week or two has derived its strength almost entirely from the English market. Yesterday's sales at that point were the largest in many months, aggregating 20,000 bales, at 3-32@3-32d for middling, an advance of 1-32d from yesterday, and a net gain of 7-16d within the last week. Private cables from both Liverpool and Manchester were to the effect that the English trade were anticipating a continued active demand for spot cotton, inasmuch as trade conditions in Europe were exceptionally good. Supplies of raw material abroad are comparatively light, but with spinners at present all points much oversold in yarns and cloths. Apprehension of a curtailment in production in this section, owing to the now believed to be inevitable war, is expressed on all sides, and conditions daily become more alarmed. Spot cotton at New-York closed dull, with quotations unchanged, on the basis of 6 7-16c for middling uplands, and 6 11-16c for middling Gulf. Sales included 300 bales for export, direct shipment, and 35 bales to spinners. Southern spot markets, middling quoted, were as follows: New-Orleans firm, 6 5-16c; sales, 4,000 bales. Mobile steady, 5¾c; ⅛c higher; sales, 600 bales. Savannah firm, 5 13-16c; sales, 215 bales. Charleston firm, 6c. Norfolk firm, 6 3-16c; 1-16c higher; sales, 340 bales. Baltimore nominal, 6⅝c; ⅛c higher. Augusta steady, 6 5-16@6⅜c; 1-16@⅛c higher; sales, 262 bales. St Louis steady, 5¾c; 1-16c higher.

The export movement thus far this season has been as follows:

	Great Britain.	France.	Continent.
Total to-day	11,011	1,597	2,991
Thus far this week	32,204	6,807	17,359
Total since September 1	3,080,489	750,206	2,651,583

Receipts at New-Orleans to-morrow were officially estimated to be 1,500 to 2,000 bales, against 5,411 last week, 1,229 last year and 5,087 in 1895. To-morrow's receipts at Houston are estimated at 800 to 900 bales, against 1,082 last week, 497 last year and 1,270 in 1895.

Cotton Exchange special Liverpool cables: Spot cotton active; sales 20,000 bales; speculation and export, 1,000; American, 19,000; receipts, 8,000; American, 4,000; middling uplands, 3 21-32d. Futures opened irregular, 4-64@5-64d advance; closed steady, 4½@4½-64d net advance. December-January, 3.35½b; January-February, 3.35½b; April, 3.37½b; April-May, 3.37½b; May-June, 3.37½b; June-July, 3.38½; July-August, 3.38½; August-September, 3.37½b; September-October, 3.37½; October-November, 3.36½; November-December, 3.35½; Manchester—Yarns quiet and firm. Cloths—A fair business doing.

The statistical position of cotton as made up by Price, McCormick & Co. follows: "Total European stocks, all kinds, at the present time now aggregate only about 2,050,000 bales. According to Ellison's figures the European consumption of cotton is 148,000 bales. Hence it is but a matter of simple calculation to determine that European visible supplies are now only sufficient for about fourteen weeks' consumption. It is therefore only natural that foreign consumers should become thoroughly alarmed over the possibility of difficulty in the procurement of further supplies of cotton from this country, owing to an outbreak of hostilities. Should exports be seriously restricted the value of the remaining stocks in Europe would be greatly enhanced. The total world's visible supply at the present time is 3,734,000 bales. This supply will meet the European consumption alone for only about twenty-five weeks. It seems, therefore, quite likely that surplus supplies at the end of the current season will be reduced to a very low ebb. Consequently, any developments foreshadowing a curtailed production next year will be of more than ordinary significance."

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

	Opening.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yester-day.
April	6.30	6.30	6.28	6.28@6.27	6.26
May	6.30	6.35	6.23	6.28@6.29	6.28
June	6.32	6.36	6.27	6.32@6.33	6.31
July	6.35	6.43	6.31	6.33@6.37	6.36
August	6.36	6.45	6.32	6.37@6.38	6.37
September	6.42	6.42	6.33	6.37@6.38	6.38
October	6.38	6.43	6.32	6.38@6.39	6.38
November	6.44	6.45	6.33	6.39@6.40	6.38
December	6.42	6.45	6.41	6.42@6.43	6.28
January	6.46	6.47	6.39	6.43@6.47	6.41

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

Ports.	To-day.	Last week.	Last Year.	1895.	Present stock.
Galveston	1,316	2,146	891	1,948	61,014
New-Orleans	2,401	3,152	1,874	4,370	283,563
Mobile	349	173	275	119	19,712
Savannah	1,187	1,053	1,078	1,866	47,653
Charleston	21	326	96	352	11,366
Wilmington	459	157	19	52	8,004
Norfolk	785	1,090	161	185	44,398
Baltimore	—	—	—	—	24,891
New-York	67	—	28	693	185,376
Boston	1,149	417	25	199	—
Philadelphia	80	44	—	100	8,530
Total	8,314	8,558	4,447	9,884	694,507
Florida	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Total	9,314	9,558	5,447	10,884	695,507

FLOUR AND MEAL—The feature in flour circles today was a strong movement in spring wheat grades, based on sharp wheat advances at Minneapolis and Duluth. Other flour grades were strengthened in sympathy, and the entire market closed firm. Spring patents, $5 40@$5 75; winter straights, $4 65@$4 75; winter patents, $4 90@$5 25; extra No 1 winter, $3 90@$4; extra No 2 winter, $3 60@$3 80; no grade, $1 60@$1 65; spring clears, $4 25@$4 50.....RYE FLOUR—Firm; sales, 600 bbls, $3@$4 30.....CORNMEAL—Firm. Quoted: Kiln-dried, $2@$2 10, as to brand.....BAG MEAL—Firm; fine white, 80@85c; fine yellow, 80c; coarse, 71@72c.....FEED—Firm; 40, 60 and 80 lb winter, in bulk, 77½@80c; spring bulk, 72½@80c; middling bulk, 80@85c; rye feed, 65@70c; city feed, 80@85c; hominy chcp, 65c; oilmeal, $23@$23 50; screenings, 50@80c in bulk.

GRAIN—WHEAT—Sensational and more or less conflicting news regarding war prospects kept the wheat market in a state of unrest throughout the entire day. Starting out with a bearish sentiment among traders, based on excellent crop news, disappointing cables and lack of activity among exporters, the market gradually worked around into bull shape, being forced up very sharply in the last hour on active covering. This was brought about in part by rumors that the Flying Squadron had been ordered to Cuba and equally warlike reports regarding Minister Woodford's departure from Madrid. Had it not been that the scalping element overtook in the morning hours, however, it is doubtful if the late war news would have proved so effective as the trade is again inclining sceptical as to the bullish significance of actual hostilities. The war news was supplemented by extraordinary strength in Northwestern markets, with rumors that Leiter was buying again in large quantities. St. Louis was also credited with liberal buying orders at Chicago. Highest prices of the day here were reached in the last half hour, close being practically top on all positions. No. 2 hard winter, for instance, being imported, showed only ⅛c net advance, against 1⅛@1⅜c advance on July and later deliveries. Liverpool was the weakest of foreign markets, closing partially ¼d net lower. Paris markets opened dull and without change, but closed firmer at 10@25 points advance on wheat and 50 points rise on flour. Spot wheat at Liverpool was not a week of futures. Export transactions at all ports were figured at 50 loads. Interior receipts for the week show this for 200,000 bushels increase, but wheat and flour clearances just about equal those shipped during four days last week. "The Price Current" was moderately bearish. Trade on the curb was quiet, with July at 94⅝c. Quotations of cash wheat, f o b, afloat, basis, were as follows: No 2 red, $1 12; N 1 Northern, No 1 Northern, No 2 Northern Duluth, $1 12.....CORN—Efforts to take out profits on recent purchases called a halt in the advancing tendency of corn this morning, but did not prove permanent benefit to the bears. The afternoon market turned very strong, recovered all the early loss, and closed ⅝@⅞c above last night. Receipts at Chicago have increased somewhat, but the heavy export demand is fast reducing the visible supply, and much of the grain arriving there will soon find its way to the seaboard for shipment. To-day's export transactions, owing to scarcity of freight room and a little easier feeling abroad, were slightly smaller, although in ordinary times would have seemed large enough. About 120 loads were worked altogether at the various ports. Seaboard clearances were a shade larger, but for the week thus far showed something like 1,500,000 decrease from the previous week. No 2 corn closed at 38⅝c in the afternoon.....OATS—Assisted by the strength in other markets, oats made a net gain of ⅝c to-day, with shorts fair buyers. Export trade, however, was not up to the mark, sales of only 250,000 bushels being reported. No 2 oats closed at 31⅛c, against 30⅞c Saturday, 31⅛c a week ago, 32⅝@32⅞c a year ago, and 25⅛c two years ago. No 2 white, 33⅛c; No 3 white, 32⅝@32⅞c; track white, 32¾@33c; track white, 32¾@33½c.....RYE—Market firmer; No 2 Western, 62½c, nominal, f o b, afloat; State rye, 60@62½c, f o b, afloat; 59@59½c, c i f, track.....BARLEY—Market firm; feeding quoted at 38½c, c i f, Buffalo.

NEW-YORK PRICES.

Wheat:	Opening.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yesterday.
May	$1 00⅝	$1 10⅛	$1 03⅝	$1 10	$1 10⅛
July	94⅝	94⅞	93	94⅛	93
September	86⅞	87⅝	85⅝	87⅝	86⅝
Corn:					
May	36⅝	36⅞	36⅛	36⅞	36⅝
July	37⅝	37⅞	37⅛	37⅞	37⅛
Oats:					
May	30⅝	31	30⅝	31	30⅝
Lard:					
May	—	—	—	5 90	5 65

CHICAGO PRICES.

Wheat:	Opening.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yesterday.
May	$1 11⅛	$1 12	$1 10⅛	$1 12	$1 10⅛
July	88⅛	89⅛	87⅝	89	87⅝
September	81⅛	82⅛	80⅛	82	80⅛
Corn:					
May	31⅝	32	31 3-16	32	31⅛
July	32⅝	33 1-16	32 3-16	33	32⅛
September	33⅝	34	33 3-16	34	33⅛
Oats:					
May	26⅝	27⅛	26 9-16	27⅛	26⅛
July	23⅝	24⅛	23⅛	24⅛	23⅛
September	22⅛	22⅝	22 5-16	22⅝	22⅛
Lard:					
May	5 35	5 35	5 32½	5 35	5 30
July	5 45	5 65	5 42½	5 65	5 37½
Ribs:					
May	5 35	5 37½	5 32½	5 37½	5 27½
July	5 45	5 67½	5 40	5 67½	5 37½
Pork:					
May	10 55	11 07½	10 50	11 07½	10 40
July	10 90	11 27½	10 67½	11 27½	10 60

Receipts of breadstuffs at interior points in thousands, last three ciphers (000) omitted, flour bbls, grain bush, as follows:

	Flour.	Wheat.	Corn.	Oats.	Rye.	Barley.
Chicago	12	154	287	296	6	23
Milwaukee	6	121	6	21	4	15
Minneapolis	—	22	1	32	3	2
Duluth	3	13	58	26	—	—
St. Louis	—	27	81	7	—	—
Kansas City	—	54	19	6	1	—
Toledo	—	56	4	4	—	—
Detroit	—	6	8	11	—	—
Peoria	—	9	43	71	—	—
Totals	21	412	465	491	17	42
Shipments from these points:						
Chicago	6	20	910	373	1	92
Milwaukee	6	1	1	1	1	2
Minneapolis	37	25	1	14	1	1
Duluth	—	—	131	3	137	108
St. Louis	6	113	117	14	—	—
Kansas City	—	29	23	2	—	—
Toledo	—	4	11	3	—	—
Detroit	—	2	4	—	—	—
Peoria	—	—	81	28	—	—
Totals	51	224	1,279	437	140	203
Receipts at Atlantic ports:						
New-York	21	69	242	40	49	1
*Boston	3	1	41	15	—	—
Philadelphia	10	8	54	13	—	—
Baltimore	2	13	155	42	16	—
Newport News	11	56	—	—	—	—
New-Orleans	1	23	49	6	—	—
Galveston	—	—	—	1	—	—
Totals	38	170	535	117	65	1

*Boston figures are for two days.

Exports from Atlantic ports:						
New-York	33	108	246	344	22	—
Boston	—	153	17	—	—	—
Philadelphia	7	3	274	15	—	—
Baltimore	—	—	257	—	—	—
Newport News	11	56	—	—	—	—
New-Orleans	—	80	39	75	—	—
Galveston	—	—	9	—	—	—
Totals	51	400	833	434	22	—

METALS—Firmness continued as a feature of the copper market and was also noted in spot tin. The situation otherwise was dull and about steady, without particular change. Spot to May iron warrants closed at $6 6@$6 70. Copper, spot to May, closed at $12@$12 25, electrolytic, $11 87½, and casting copper, $11 62½. Spot and May spelter closed at $4 20@$4 25. Spot and April tin closed at $14 40@$14 50. May and June, $14 30@$14 40. Lead, spot to May, $3 57½@$3 62½. The following closing prices from London were received at the Metal Exchange to-day: Copper, spot, 152; futures, 152 10s; spelter, £18 12s 6d; tin, spot, 104 13s 9d, and futures, 105 5s 6d. Spanish lead, £12 17s 6d. Glasgow Scotch iron warrants closed at 46s. and Middlesbro, No 3 foundry, 39s 10½d.

MOLASSES AND SYRUPS—Developments in the market to-day lacked particular significance. Business was restricted chiefly to jobbing parcels. Sellers were as firm in their views as ever and disposed to advance asking rates in the event of war. New-Orleans centrifugal, common, 9@11½c; fair, 13@16c; good, 17@20c; prime, 22@25c; New-Orleans centrifugal, common, 25@26c; fair, 27@28c; good, 28@29c; prime, 30@32c; choice, 32@34c; Porto Rico, 20@30c. Syrups—Common, 10@12c; fair, 13@15c; good, 16@17c; prime, 18@20c; fancy, 21@25c.

NAVAL STORES—Stock: Rosin, 33,132 bbls; spirits turpentine, 297 bbls; tar, 1,952 bbls. There was a quiet and unchanged market for naval stores. Rosin and tar showed a fair amount of steadiness, but spirits turpentine ruled irregular, despite the steady stocks at this point. We quote: Tar, regulars, $1 60; oil bbls, $2 50; pitch, $1 85. Spirits turpentine, regulars and machines, 29½@29¾c. Rosin, common to good strained, $1 42½@$1 45; E, $1 47½@$1 50; F, $1 55@$1 60; G, $1 70; H, $1 80; I, $1 90; K, $1 95; M, $2; N, $2 10; W G, $2 20; W W, $2 25@$2 30.

OCEAN FREIGHTS—The market for berth freights was firm, but quieter at the following quotations: Liverpool, 3¾@4d; London, 4½d; Glasgow, 4d; Bristol, 4½d; Cork, 5s; Hull, 5d; Newcastle, 5d; Antwerp, 5d; Hamburg, 75 pfennings; Rotterdam, 11c; Amsterdam, 11c; Cork for orders, 4s 1½d; direct ports, large tonnage, 3s 6d@3s 9d; cotton to Liverpool, per 100 lb, 26c; London, extra, 28 15d.

FREIGHTS AND CHARTERS—The call tonnage market continues quiet in all departments, though vessels are wanted for several West India and South American trades and full rates are bid. In steamer tonnage business is restricted by the scarcity of available tonnage, there being an active demand for both grain and tonnage, and rates are strong and buoyant.....CHARTERS—British steamer, 1,618 tons, transatlantic trade, six months, 7s 4½d, delivery and re-delivery, Europe. May 31, Norwegian steamer (new), — tons, transatlantic trade, six months, 7s 6d, delivery and re-delivery, Europe. British steamer, 2,094 tons, transatlantic trade, six months, 11,250 per month, delivery and re-delivery, Europe. British steamer, — tons, ore, Rio de Janeiro to Philadelphia, private terms. British steamer, 2,114 tons, coal, Philadelphia to Havana, private terms; British steamer, 1,575 tons, coal, Philadelphia to Matanzas, private terms; Norwegian steamer, 859 tons, hence to Cuba and back, at or about 10s; Italian bark, 29,000 cases petroleum, hence to Gibraltar, 13½c; British bark, 1,798 tons, grain, San Francisco to Cork for orders, to the United Kingdom, Havre, Antwerp or Dunkirk, 25s option Havre or west coast of South America, 17s; British bark, 619 tons, and bark, 563 tons, coal, Rio de Janeiro to Philadelphia, 16s; British bark, 219 tons, general cargo, hence to Port au Plata and Sanchez, $1,200 and back from Monte Christi, with logwood, $4, vessel paying tonnage dues; British schooner, 210 tons, wood, San Domingo to New-York, $4 50 and port charges; British schooner, 182 tons, coal, Edgewater to Moncton, $3; schooner, 161 tons, rails, hence to Calais, $1 50; schooner, 229 tons, coal, Weehawken to Calais, 75c and towage; schooner, 133 tons, coal, Edgewater to Newburyport, 80c; British steamer, 18,000 quarters grain, Atlantic range to Cork for orders, 4s. May; British bark (to arrive), 95,000 cases petroleum, hence to Japan, 22½@23½c.

OILS—While the market was firmly held, the absence of buyers prevented any noteworthy response being made to the active advance in hog products. Linseed oil continued steady at unchanged prices. We quote: Prime crude, 19½@20c; nominal; prime crude, f o b mills, 17@17½c; prime summer yellow, 22½@23c; off summer, 14½@16½c; prime summer yellow, 22@22½c; prime winter yellow, 22@22½c; butter grades, 25@26½c; prime winter yellow, 27½@28½c; linseed, American, 42@43c; prime winter yellow, 27½@28½c; linseed, American raw, 39@40c; Calcutta raw, 54c; lard oil, choice, 43@45c.

PROVISIONS—Remarkable strength was shown in hog products to-day, notably pork. There was heavy buying from all sources, both speculative and for consumption. The market closed very strong at top prices.....PORK—Quoted: Mess, $10 25@$10 50; family, $11 75. Strong.....BEEF—Quoted: short clear, $10 50@$12 75.....BEEF HAMS—Firm, Mess, $20@$21 75; family, $11@$11 75.....BEEF HAMS—Firm, extra India mess, $19 50@$17.....DRESSED HOGS—Firm, $2@$2½.....DRESSED BOGS, 100 lbs, 5¾c; pigs, 5¾@5¾c.....CUT MEATS—Pickled bellies, quiet; smoking bellies, 6¼@6½c; 10 lbs, 6c; 12 lbs, 5¾c; 14 lbs, 5¾c. Pickled shoulders, dull. Quoted: 4¾c. Pickled hams steady. Quoted: 7¼@7¾c; Western green, 16 lbs, 6¾c; Western, smoked: 7¼@7¾c; Western green, 16 lbs, 6¾c.....LARD—Steady. City, 3¼@3⅜c; S. P., 6¾@6⅞c.....TALLOW—Steady. City, 3⅛@3⅜c; country, 3⅛c.....LARD—Strong; quoted at $5 40@$5 50. Refined strong; lard strong; quoted at $5 60; Continent, $6 25; Brazil, quoted: South American, $6 50; Continent, $6 25; Brazil, kegs, $7 00.....Compound firm; quoted: City, 4¼@4⅜c; Western, 4¼@4⅜c.....STEARINE — Steady; quoted: Oleo, 4 9-16c; city lard stearine, 6¾c; oleo stearine, 6 9-16c.....RICE—Pronounced strength prevailed throughout the day, with sellers extremely arbitrary in their views owing to the fact that war with Spain appeared at hand, with supplies very light. Prices were somewhat nominal, with bid quotations in some instances positively refused. Prices at the close were as follows: Domestic, common to low fair, 4¼@4¾c; fair to good, 4¾@5¼c; prime to choice, 5¼@6¼c; head, 6¾c; Patna, 5½@6c; Patna in bond, 3⅝@3¾c; Japan, 5¾@6c; Java, 4¾@5c; Rangoon in bond, 2¼@2¾c.

SUGAR—Quotations of both raw and refined sugar were advanced to-day, and at the close the feeling was very strong, with the tendency decidedly upward. Refiners succeeded in securing a block of 450 tons Muscovado 89 test at 3⅝c. Importers were generally refusing to part with further lots on this basis, demanding 1-16@⅛c higher prices. Quotations were about on the basis of 4 4-32@4 3-16c for 96 test centrifugal, 3⅝@3 11-16c for 89 test Muscovado and 3⅝@3 7-16c for 89 test molasses sugar. A much larger trade was also noted in the English market. Beet was firm and higher on an increasing demand. April closed 1-16 and May at 2¾d. Cane was firmer in tone, but not quotably higher. Java was quoted at 11s 3d, and fair refining at 9s 1d. The local market for refined sugar was active, with grades No 1 to 9 and No 16 1-16c higher. Refiners were looking forward to a marked increase in demand in case of war, and prices are expected to advance 1-16c in consequence. We quote: Powdered, 5¼c; Domingo, cut loaf, 5¾c; crushed, 5¾c; powdered and coarse powdered, 5⅛c; granulated and fine granulated, 5⅛c; coarse granulated and extra fine granulated, 5⅛c; confectioners' granulated and cubes, 5⅛c; XXXX powdered, 5 9-16c; mould A, 5⅝c; diamond A, 5⅛c; confectioners' A, 5⅛c; Columbia A, Ridgewood A and Winsor A, 5⅛c; Phenix A and Empire A, 4⅞c; No 6, 4⅞c; No 7, 4¾c; No 8, 4⅝c; No 9, 4½c; No 10, 4⅜c; No 11 and No 12, 4⅜c; No 13, 4 3-16c; No 14, No 15 and No 16, 4 1-16c.

THE WOOL EXCHANGE REPORT.

The Wool Exchange gives the following résumé of the market: The market for wool continues quiet and irregular. As the uncertainties of current influences are cleared away decided anticipate very little improvement in the demand. Business for the week has been chiefly confined to a few small parcels of foreign wools which have changed hands, among these being a quantity of Australian growths which, however, did not pass into the hands of consumers (this was simply a transfer of holdings, as dealers are not buying the wool from the market). Both wool dealers and consumers are fortifying themselves against any future contingency that may arise from the present political aspect, and prefer to strengthen their resources rather than invest in wool. A dull, sagging market is only the natural result. The goods market has accordingly failed to impart any strength to the tone, and while concessions are fewer there is no disposition to advance prices of any kind. The business done has been almost all. Fine and fine medium are quoted, clean, at about only the cheapest drinking 45c, which would seem to indicate that Territory wools are easiest to dispose of. California and foreign wools do not figure in the week's sales to any extent. Prices are nominally unchanged on the basis of those ruling a week previous. In scoured and pulled wools transactions have been insignificant in amount, with little doing. In the foreign wool division, Australian wools figured the most prominently. Manufacturers have come into the market, and their takings in the aggregate have been quite large. Sales have made up of about 40,000 lb of good combing, 50,000 lb of fine Tasmania, and the balance in choice clothing Australian. The Tasmania wools brought about 37½c, while the clothing wools are believed to have sold at a price under the market, the terms of this not being made public. Cape wools have ruled quiet, while in carpet wools demand is dull and nominally unchanged in price. We quote:

Quotations for pulled wools, based on Wool Exchange official classification, are as follows:

	Cents.		Cents.
Fine A	46@52	California fineat	52@53
A supers	40@42	California recond	—@51
B supers	40@42	Western extra	46@47
C supers	32@35	Western super	40@44