THE MARKETS.

TOTAL DOMESTIC RECEIPTS TO-DAY.

New-York, May 18, 1898.

Beeswax, pkgs	1	Oranges, boxes	6,626
Beans, white, bbls	239	Tar, bbls	570
Flour, bbls	7,160	Oilcake, pkgs	808
Flour, sacks	10,845	Oleo stock, pkgs	200
Cornmeal, bbls	500	Peanuts, bags	40
Cornmeal, bags	3,766	Pork, bbls	181
Oatmeal, bbls	180	Hams, pkgs	988
Wheat, bush	215,525	Bacon, pkgs	2,473
Corn, bush	351,000	Beef, tcs	86
Oats, bush	136,300	Dressed hogs, No	28
Rye, bush	120,900	Lard, tcs	2,533
Peas, bbls	616	Lard, kegs	8,950
Barley, bush	975	Lard, cases	125
Malt, bush	4,800	Tallow, pkgs	66
Cotton, bales	1,166	Grease, pkgs	109
Hay, tons	950	Butter, pkgs	7,059
Straw, tons	50	Cheese, pkgs	1,325
Millfeed, tons	813	Eggs, cases	13,035
Hops, bales	162	Rice, pkgs	22
Leather, sides	2,700	Grass seed, bags	200
Rosin, bbls	1,716	Tobacco, hhds	11
Spirits turp, bbls	651	Tobacco, pkgs	64
Pitch, bbls	45	Whiskey, bbls	843
Apples, bbls	1,032	Whiskey, cases	518
Potatoes, bbls	9,503	Dressed poultry, pkgs	831
Onions, bbls	1,393	Live poultry, coops	341

CASH QUOTATIONS.

Iron Nor No 1 F'dry	$11 75	Flour, Minn. patents	$7 10
Iron So, No 2 soft	10 15	Cotton, middling	6 7-16
Steel rails	18 00	Coffee, No 7 Rio, rcpt	6¾
Pig iron warrants	9 00	Sugar, granulated	5 7-16
Lake copper ingot	12 05	Molasses, O K prime	30
Tin	14 50	Beef, family	12 75
Lead	3 02½	Beef, hams	23 25
Spelter	4 25	Tallow, prime	4
Wheat, No 2 red	1 51½	Pork, mess	12 00
Corn, No 2 mixed	41½	Hogs, dressed, 160 lb	6
Oats, No 2 mixed	84½	Lard, prime	6 95

EXPORTS TO-DAY.

Wheat, bush	101,512	Refined pet. gals	1,653,480
Corn, bush	132,799	Benzine, gals	250
Oats, bush	258,556	Cottonseed oil, gals	124,850
Rye, bush	85,202	Lubricating oil, gals	398,000
Peas, bush	1,200	Pork, bbls	126
Beans, bush	300	Beef, bbls	325
Flour, bbls	100	Beef, tcs	140
Flour, sacks	7,401	Bacon, lb	1,454,250
Cornmeal, bbls	3	Lard, lb	600,170
Bran, lb	19,500	Stearine, lb	100,000
Hay, bales	180	Tallow, lb	385,000
Oleoska, lb	238,800	Grease, lb	70,000
Spirits turp, gals	5,700	Butter, lb	3,200
Rosin, bbls	23	Cheese, lb	600

GENERAL MARKET REPORT.

New-York, May 18, 1898.

COFFEE—Business in coffee futures continued on the hand-to-mouth basis at the Coffee Exchange here, and was also dull at other points of accumulation in this country and in Europe as well. Havre and Hamburg sent very bearish cables. The Brazilian cables were also unsatisfactory, heavy receipts at Rio and Santos were reported. Warehouse deliveries in the United States were of disappointing proportions. Our market had little or no speculative support. Another element of weakness was the indisposition of spot buyers to anticipate wants. Our market opened barely steady at a decline of 5@10 points, and for the rest of the session ruled inactive, with a weak undertone, the heavy American visible supply being a menace in connection with the prevailing opinion that the growing Rio and Santos crops are to furnish heavy additions. Sales on the call to-day, 2,000 bags, sales up to 12 m. 6,500 bags, and for the entire session, 12,750 bags, with the market finally steady at a net decline of 5@10 points. The Havre and Hamburg markets will be closed to-morrow on account of a church holiday. It is expected that the Rio and Santos markets will also be closed for same reason. Steamer Roman Prince cleared Santos yesterday with 29,000 bags. Arrived in New-York, steamer Herschel with 28,354 bags, including 10,000 bags from Rio and 18,354 bags Victoria; also steamer Palatia with 2,000 bags. Spot Brazilian coffee ruled inactive, and closed dull and nominal, with a weak undertone at unchanged prices; No 7 Rio, invoice lots, 6¾c; jobbing parcels, 6¾c. The range of contract prices in the local market to-day was as follows:

	Opening.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yesterday.
May	5.70	5.75	5.70	5.70@5.75	5.75
June	5.55	5.55	5.55	5.50@5.55	5.60
July	—	—	—	5.55@5.60	5.65
August	—	—	—	5.60@5.65	5.70
September	5.65	5.65	5.65	5.65@5.70	5.70
October	—	—	—	5.70@5.75	5.75
November	—	—	—	5.70@5.75	5.75
December	5.75	5.75	5.75	5.75@5.80	5.80
January	—	—	—	5.80@5.90	5.90
February	—	—	—	5.80@5.90	5.90
March	5.85	5.90	5.85	5.85@5.90	5.90
April	5.95	5.95	5.95	5.90@5.95	5.95

Foreign coffee markets: Santos—Coffee market quiet; good average Santos, 10@200, receipts, 14,000 bags; stock, 302,000 bags. Hamburg—Coffee market opened unchanged; at 2:30 p m, ¼@⅜ pfg lower; sales, 7,000 bags. Havre—Coffee market opened quiet, ¼ franc lower; at 12 m, quiet, ⅛ franc lower; at 3 p m, steady and unchanged, closed ⅛ franc net lower; total sales, 10,000 bags.

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

Rio—Coffee market quiet; No 7 Rio, 9@875; Exchange, 5 13-16d; receipts, 7,000 bags; cleared for the United States, 7,000 bags; stock, 161,000 bags.

The statistical position of Brazil coffee is as follows:

	To-day.	Yesterday.	Last week.
New-York deliveries	12,989	15,209	23,183
Baltimore deliveries	563	712	846
New-Orleans deliveries	2,500	1,185	982
Total deliveries	16,043	17,457	25,011
New-York stock	457,469	439,895	373,512
Baltimore stock	62,795	63,358	67,272
New-Orleans stock	65,298	67,798	43,221
Stock at all ports	585,562	571,051	484,005
Afloat	474,000	478,000	602,000
Visible supply	1,059,562	1,049,051	1,086,005
Same time 1897	719,585	735,722	713,013
Same time 1896	346,753	341,726	369,194

COTTON—The news from the English cotton market at the opening of business here this morning was not altogether satisfactory, although the sales of 10,000 bales spot cotton in the Liverpool market were commented upon as a favorable feature. Later cables became a positive factor of firmness, with the English market finally showing a net gain of ⅛@1-64d. Our market opened quiet and firm, with prices unchanged to 3 points higher. There was a further advance of 4@7 points, the firmness of the market being stimulated by Liverpool orders, which in turn developed considerable demand from local shorts. Crop accounts, while still conflicting, were in the main still unfavorable, indicating too much cool weather for the proper development of the plant, already more or less backward, in some cases fully two weeks behind a normal growth. Yesterday there were indications of manipulation, with talk of an August round-up in contemplation, with talk of an August round-up in contemplation. To-day's market gave little evidence of any such intention on the part of the several houses that were openly charged yesterday with working with that end in view. Our market, after showing an increased volume of trading, closed steady at a net gain of 5@6 points. Total sales, 127,500 bales. Spot cotton closed dull, an advance of 1-16c; middling uplands, 6 7-16c, middling Gulf, 6 11-16c, against 7⅛c and 8c, respectively, last year; sales were 1,675 bales export, direct shipment—20 bales to spinners and 100 bales on contract. Southern spot markets, middling quoted, were as follows: New-Orleans firm, 5⅞c. Mobile quiet, 5⅝c; sales, 200 bales. Savannah 5⅝c. Mobile quiet, 5⅝c; sales, 22 bales. Wilmington quiet and steady, 5 11-16c; sales, 245 bales. Baltimore firm, 6c. Norfolk firm, 6⅛c; sales, 245 bales. Baltimore nominal, 6⅛c, ⅛c higher. Augusta steady, 6 3-16c, 1-16c higher; sales, 8 bales. St. Louis quiet, 5⅞c.

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

	Great Britain.	France.	Continent.
Total to-day	13,509	100	2,300
Thus far this week	28,875	7,005	22,359
Total since September 1	3,234,278	781,047	2,761,414

The Liverpool cotton market will be closed from Thursday night, May 26, till Tuesday morning, May 31, in observance of the Whitsuntide holidays.

Cotton Exchange special Liverpool cables: Spot cotton in moderate demand; sales, 10,000 bales; speculation and export, 500; American, 9,000; receipts, 8,000; American, 7,000; middling uplands, 3 17-32d. Futures opened steady, partially 1-64d advance. Closed steady, ⅛@1-64d net advance. December-January, 329b. January-February, 329b; February-March, 329c; May, 330@331; May-June, 330@331; June-July, 331; July-August, 331½b; August-September, 331½b; September-October, 329½b; October-November, 328b; November-December, 326b. Manchester quiet and steady.

—Yarns move slowly. Cloths quiet and unchanged.

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

	Opening.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yesterday.
May	6.31	6.34	6.29	6.32@6.34	6.27
June	6.29	6.34	6.29	6.33@6.34	6.28
July	6.34	6.39	6.34	6.38@6.40	6.33
August	6.40	6.44	6.38	6.43@6.44	6.37
September	6.24	6.31	6.24	6.30@6.31	6.24
October	6.26	6.30	6.25	6.29@6.30	6.24
November	6.25	6.31	6.25	6.30@6.31	6.27
December	6.28	6.32	6.27	6.32@6.33	6.27
January	6.29	6.35	6.29	6.34@6.35	6.29

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

Ports.	To-day.	Last week.	Last year.	Present stock.
Galveston	177	188	349	42,644
New-Orleans	1,276	1,411	317	206,354
Mobile	12	9	56	14,097
Savannah	1,622	615	328	21,145
Charleston	52	129	282	9,614
Wilmington	57	331	17	13,294
Norfolk	1,404	450	127	39,520
Baltimore	—	—	—	14,298
New-York	65	260	30	169,273
Boston	476	1,224	257	—
Philadelphia	413	25	49	10,400
Various	—	—	—	3,614
Totals	5,554	4,672	1,813	545,102
Interior:				
Augusta	42	153	23	29,919
Memphis	224	251	258	50,759
St. Louis	18	418	12	48,395
Cincinnati	383	527	43	8,589
Houston	218	226	65	16,383

FLOUR AND MEAL—The decline in wheat had a bad effect on flour prices, all of the well-known choice grades being lowered anywhere from 10c to 20c. At the same time demand was again restricted to the smallest figure, in anticipation of further recessions in wheat. Spring patents, $6.90@$7.25; winter straights, $6.25@$6.40; winter patents, $6.50@$7; spring clears, $5.50@$5.80; extra No 1 winter, $3@$3.25; extra No 2 winter, $4.60@$4.85. Rye flour quiet, $3@$3.25. CORNMEAL—Easy. Quoted: Kiln-dried, $2.40@$2.90, as to brand. BAG MEAL—Quiet. Fine white, 85c; fine yellow, 90c; coarse, 80@81c.

FEED—Easy; 40, 60 and 80 lb winter, in bulk, spot, 80@90c; spring, bulk, spot, 80@90c; to arrive, 75@80c; middling, bulk, 90@95c; rye feed, 80c; city feed, $1; hominy chop, 77½@80c; oatmeal, $20@$28; screenings, 80@75c.

GRAIN—WHEAT—Crop estimates have already begun to play an important part in determining the course of wheat prices. To-day several were put in circulation, ranging all the way from 600,000,000 to 900,000,000 bush. The latter estimate, sent out by Inglis, a Western authority, although having some effect in the afternoon, was accepted by all conservative traders as little short of ridiculous. The deductions which could produce such an estimate as this were not apparent to the average operator on "Change, in view of the California unfavorable prospects, and the fact that spring wheat, although supposed to indicate a 10 per cent increase over last year, is barely out of the ground, making crop predictions at this time mere guess work. "The Chicago Trade Bulletin" put out a preliminary estimate of 600,000,000 to 650,000,000 bush, which would seem to be more in accord with present conditions than the one noted above. These reports, supplemented by continued splendid crop indications, and a bearish set of cable advices, served to keep the market on a weak and heavy basis throughout the entire day, relieved only by occasional brief rallies on covering. Foreign houses both bought and sold futures here and there were some reports of acceptances. News from Liverpool, however, stated that a prominent Continental house was selling heavily. Furthermore, crop reports from all parts of Europe were quite as favorable as those received yesterday. The decline at Liverpool amounted to 2@2¾d for the day, while Paris wheat sold off 35@35 points, and flour 50@65 points. Antwerp showed similar weakness, with a net decline of ¼@½ franc. The decline here was again most noticeable in May and July, with some liquidation, but also fair short selling by traders who had been made a little reckless by the apparent ease with which prices were depressed. The interior movement for the week shows a good increase, but has been about offset by heavy clearances, which thus far show about half a million increase over last week. In export circles here and at outports there was more inquiry, resulting in sales of about 20 loads. On the curb July sold back to $1 13¾. No 2 red closed at $1 51½ nominal, f o b afloat, export grade. CORN—Moderate early strength, secured on continued wet weather West and bad reports from Kansas, was succeeded in the afternoon by a sharp reaction following the decline in wheat and reported resales by exporters. The movement so far this week has failed to keep pace with that of last, being to-day about a million bushels behind. Crop and weather news will be an important factor for some time and is being closely watched. Prices at Liverpool declined ¼@¾d for the day. Sales of about 31 loads were reported to exporters. No 2 corn closed at 41½c, f o b afloat. OATS—The market was again neglected and nominal, with prices at the close ⅛c net higher. Export transactions of 150,000 bush were reported at all ports. No 2 oats, 34½c; No 3 oats, 34c; No 2 white, 37½c; No 2 white clips, 37½c; track mixed, 34@36c; track white, 37@41c; No 3 white, 37c. RYE—Market dull; No 2 Western, 72c, f o b afloat; State rye, 68½@69c, f o b afloat; 64@65c, c i f track. BARLEY—Market dull; feeding, 51c, c i f New-York.

NEW-YORK PRICES.

Wheat:	Opening.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yesterday.
May	$1 54	$1 54	$1 53	$1 53	$1 57½
July	1 15⅝	1 15⅝	1 12⅝	1 12⅞	1 16½
September	93⅝	94⅛	92⅝	92⅞	95⅛
Corn:					
May	40⅝	40⅝	39⅝	39⅝	40½
July	41⅛	41⅛	40⅝	40⅝	41½
September	42	42	41⅛	41⅛	41⅝
Oats:					
May	—	—	—	35	34⅝
Lard:					
May	—	—	—	7 02	6 97

CHICAGO PRICES.

Wheat:	Opening.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yesterday.
May	$1 49	$1 50	$1 40	$1 40	$1 49½
July	1 07	1 07½	1 05	1 05¼	1 08
September	89¼	89⅝	88	88⅛	89⅝
Corn:					
May	36	36	35	35	35⅝
July	35⅝	36¼	35¼	35¼	36
September	36⅝	37⅛	36	36	36⅞
Oats:					
May	29 15-16	30	29⅞	30	29½
July	26¼	26¼	26	26	26¼
September	23⅝	23 15-16	23⅝	23⅝	23⅝
Lard:					
July	6 62½	6 67½	6 60	6 65	6 62½
September	6 67½	6 75	6 67½	6 72½	6 70
Ribs:					
July	6 20	6 42½	6 30	6 40	6 35
September	6 35	6 50	6 35	6 47½	6 42½
Pork:					
July	12 00	12 32½	12 00	12 27½	12 17½
September	12 30	12 42½	12 30	12 40	12 30

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	19	291	790	499	13	46
Milwaukee	25	21	47	25	3	26
Minneapolis	—	193	4	30	9	1
Duluth	—	223	1	22	13	2
St. Louis	5	15	49	50	—	—
Kansas City	—	43	43	26	—	—
Toledo	—	180	31	7	3	—
Detroit	1	13	3	1	—	—
Peoria	—	3	62	23	—	—
Totals	50	986	1,030	663	41	75

Shipments from these points:

Chicago	12	274	824	507	—	6
Milwaukee	11	2	1	8	3	3
Minneapolis	48	45	1	21	3	1
Duluth	—	134	—	249	9	—
St. Louis	4	20	152	13	—	—
Kansas City	—	17	41	14	—	—
Toledo	—	90	120	14	1	—
Detroit	1	—	3	—	—	—
Peoria	—	—	40	48	—	—
Totals	76	582	1,162	665	16	10

Receipts at Atlantic ports:

New-York	15	216	351	137	121	20
Boston	6	50	19	61	—	—
Philadelphia	6	5	378	29	—	—
Baltimore	7	49	290	70	3	—
New-Orleans	3	16	24	—	—	—
Galveston	—	1	—	1	—	—
Totals	37	342	1,062	298	124	20

Exports from Atlantic ports:

New-York	5	102	133	259	85	—
Boston	1	40	52	—	—	—
Philadelphia	14	2	189	74	—	—
Baltimore	8	—	300	20	—	—
New-Orleans	—	—	61	—	—	—
Totals	28	144	726	353	85	—

METALS—Although the metal market in general exhibits a fairly steady undertone, business hases fire. This may be attributed, perhaps, more to the arbitrary views entertained by holders than to an absence of buyers. At the close to-day pig iron warrants were unchanged, with spot to June quoted at $6 75@$7; copper was quiet, with spot to June quoted at $12@$12 10. Tin ruled dull, with spot quoted at $14 50@$14 55, and May and June delivery at $14 45@$14 50. Lead was easy, with spot quoted at $3 60@$3 65. May and June at $3 60@$3 62½. Spelter developed pronounced strength and closed firm, with spot to July quoted at $4 25@$4 30. Special cables to the local Exchange from the London metal market, gave the closing figure at that point as follows: Spot copper, £51 3s 9d, and futures copper, £51 10s, spot tin, £66 3s 9d, and futures tin, £66 15s; spot Spanish lead, £13 19s 3d, and soft English lead, £14; spelter, £19 5s; tin plates f o b Wales, 10s. No 3 foundry iron at Middlesboro closed at 40s 9d, and Scotch iron warrants at Glasgow at 47s 1d.

MOLASSES AND SYRUPS—The market was quiet but firm, with no new features noted. Sellers were indifferent, in view of the firm reports from other markets and the small supply available at this point. Quotations follow: New-Orleans, centrifugal, common, 19@12c; fair, 13@15c; good, 16@19c; prime, 20@22c. New-Orleans, open kettle, common, 27@28c; fair, 29@29c; good, 29@30c; prime, 31@32c; choice, 33@35c; Porto Rico, 29@35c; extra. Common, 10@12c; fair, 13@14c; good, 15@16c; prime, 17@18c; fancy, 19@20c.

OCEAN FREIGHTS—The market for berth freights was dull and nominal at the following quotations: Liverpool, 4½d; London, 4@4½d; Glasgow, 4½@5d; Bristol, 5d; Leith, 5@5½d; Hull, 5d; Newcastle, 5½d; Antwerp, 5@5½d; Hamburg, 85 pfgs; Rotterdam, 12c; Amsterdam, 12c. Cork for orders, 4s, direct ports, large tonnage, 3s 9d; cotton, to Liverpool, per 100 lb, 25c; London, oats, 2s 6d. FREIGHTS AND CHARTERS—A fair amount of business was completed in the sail-tonnage market, considering the difficulty experienced by shippers of obtaining suitable vessels. Rates continue firm in all off-shore departments. Lumber vessels from Southern ports continue in moderate demand, with rates ruling steady. Steamer freights were quiet, the inquiry for vessels being light, and rates have a decidedly weaker tendency. CHARTERS—British steamer, 2,161 tons, grain, Pensacola to Delfzijl, private terms. May; British steamer, 3,000 quarters grain, hence to Nantes, 4s. May; British steamer, 15,000 quarters grain, hence to Cork for orders, 8s 10½d. May; British steamer, 929 tons, ore, Huelva to Charleston, 14s; British steamer, 1,700 tons (previously), coal, Baltimore to Vera Cruz, $5; British steamer, 716 tons, and German steamer, 701 tons, West India trade and round trip, private terms; British ship, 2,193 tons (p. l. a.), grain, San Francisco to Cork for orders, to the United Kingdom, Havre, Antwerp or Dunkirk, 27s 6d; British bark, 471 tons, deals, Apple River to a French port, 55s; British brig, 344 tons, deals, Alma, N B, to the United Kingdom, private terms; British brig, 285 tons, general cargo, hence to Rio Grande do Sul, $1 30; British ship, 1,874 tons, lumber, Saugatuck to Buenos Ayres, $10; British schooner, 199 tons, ice, Bangor to Curacao, private terms; schooner, 709 tons, ice and lumber, Wiscasset and Portland to Port Spain, private terms; schooner, 253 tons, ties, Ship Island to a Mexican port, private terms; British schooner, 299 tons, salt, Turks Island to New-York, $1 50; brig, 462 tons, lumber, St Simons to New-York, $5 25; bark, 406 tons, ties, St Simons to New-York, $5 25; schooner, 587 tons, lumber, St Simons to New-York, $5 12½; schooner, 292 tons, lumber, Jacksonville to New-York, $5 75; schooner, 299 tons, lumber, Brunswick to Philadelphia, private terms; schooner, 265 tons, coal, Philadelphia to Key West, $2 and discharged; schooner, 263 tons, coal, Philadelphia to Savannah, private terms; schooner, 266 tons, coal, Philadelphia to Halifax, private terms; schooner, 146 tons, coal, Hoboken to Newport, 55c.

OILS—Trade was again indifferent to-day, holders, although still pretty firm in their views, finding little opportunity to place oil under existing conditions except at concessions, which they were unwilling to admit. Linseed oil was steady. We quote: Prime crude, 21c; prime crude, 25c; off-crude, 17@17½c; prime summer yellow, 24½@25c; off-summer yellow, 24½@25c; butter grades, 27@28½c; prime white, 29@30c; prime winter yellow, 29@30c; linseed, American raw, 44@45c; American boiled, 46@47c; Calcutta raw, 54c; lard oil, choice, 50@52c.

PROVISIONS—The arrival of large quantities of hogs this morning influenced an opening decline, upon which packers bought liberally and turned the market. Irregular conditions prevailed for the balance of the session, with the close about weak. PORK—Quiet. Quoted: Mess, $11 75@$12 25; family, $13 50@$14; short clear, $12@$14. BEEF—Firm. Quoted: Mess, $10 50@$11; family, $12 50@$13; packet, $11 50@$12; extra India mess, $18@$19. BEEF HAMS—Quiet, $23@$23 50. TIERCED BEEF—Quiet. Quoted: Ragons, 55c; 100 lb, 57c; 100 lb, 60c; pigs, 6c. CUT MEATS—Pickled bellies steady. Smoking bellies, 7@7¼c; 18 lb, 7c; 14 lb, 6¾@6¾c. Pickled shoulders steady; quoted at 4¾@5c. Pickled hams firm; quoted at 7¾@8c. Western green, 7¼c; 16 lb, 7¼c. Western ff, 7½c. TALLOW—Steady; city, 4c; country, 3¾@4¼c. LARD—Steady; quoted at 6.95c. City lard steady; quoted at 6.50c. Refined quiet. Quoted: South America, 7.05c; Continent, 7.20c; Brazil kegs, 8.75c. Compound firm. Quoted: City, 4¾@5c; Western, 5@5¼c. STEARINE—Firm. Quoted: Oleo, 6¼c; city lard stearine, 7¾c nominal.

RICE—The chief characteristics of the rice market are pronounced strength and activity. Demand continues general, although business is chiefly in the medium and lower grades, the more desirable lots of both foreign and domestic having been well cleaned up and sold ahead for several weeks. Cables from abroad and dispatches from Southern markets were again favorable, and tended to make sellers arbitrary. Quotations follow: Domestic, common to low fair, 4½@5c; fair to good, 5¼@5¾c; prime to choice, 5¾@6¼c; head, 7@7¼c; Patna, 5¼@6c; do in bond, 3¾@4¼c; Japan, 6@6¼c; Java, 4¾@5¼c; Rangoon in bond, 2½@2¾c.

WOOL EXCHANGE REPORT—Current quotations of domestic wools (scoured), based on Wool Exchange official classification, are as follows:

TEXAS.	Cents.		Cents.
Fine 12 mos	49@50	Southern, 12 mos	45@47
Fine medium, 12 mos	46@48	Southern, 6 to 8 mos	41@43
Medium, 12 mos	44@46	Fall, free	40@42
Coarse, 12 mos	40@43	Fall, defective	36@38
Fine spring, 6 to 8 mos	45@46	OREGON.	
Fine medium spring, 6 to 8 mos	44@45	Eastern No 1	47@48
Medium spring, 6 to 8 mos	43	Eastern No 2	44@45
Fine and fine medium fall	40	Valley No 1	44@45
Medium fall	38	Valley No 2	41@42
CALIFORNIA.		Valley No 3	38@39
Northern, spring, free, 8 to 12 mos	48@50	TERRITORY STAPLE.	
Northern spring, free, 6 to 8 mos	45@47	Fine	51@52
		Fine medium	49@50
		Medium	46@47
		TERRITORY ORDINARY.	
		Fine	46@48
		Fine medium	44@45
		Medium	42@43

Wool Exchange daily Custom House report of wool withdrawn for consumption May 17, 1898:

By—	From—	Bales.	Pounds.
Cymric	Liverpool	10	3,520
Ohio	Hull	9	2,536
Mohawk	London	3	687
		22	6,743

Totals

SUGAR—Importers continue to take a rosy view of the situation and to-day were generally refusing to accept bids of 4⅛c for 96 test centrifugal, 3¾c for 89 test Muscovado and 3⅜c for 89 test molasses sugar. While English cables were again of disappointing average, stocks of raw material at this point were comparatively small and demands of jobbers for refined sugar daily becoming more urgent. Asking prices were fully 1-16c above the quotations given, with refiners disposed to meet the views of sellers. Cane at London was reported quiet but firm at 12s 3d for Java and 10s 9d for fair refining. The market for beet sugar was barely steady and irregular, with May delivery ¼d lower to 9s 6d and June delivery unchanged at 9s 6¼d. In the market for refined sugar an increased demand pretty much all through the list exhibited pronounced strength. The market looked for by a portion of the trade was noted. We quote: Dominos, 5⅞c; granulated and higher prices were looked for before the end of the week. We quote: Dominos, 5⅞c; cut loaf, 5¾c; crushed, 5¾c; powdered, 5⅝c; fine granulated, 5⅝c; coarse granulated, 5¼c; X fine granulated, 5⅛c; confectioners' granulated, 5⅛c; cubes, 5⅛c; XXXX powdered, 5.05c; mould A, 5¾c; diamond A, 5¾c; confectioners' A, 5¼c; Nos 1 and 2, 5.05c; No 3, 5c; No 4 and 5, 4.95c; No 6, 4¾c; No 7, 4.81c; No 8, 4¾c; No 9, 4.69c; Nos 10 and 11, 4⅝c; No 12, 4½c; No 13, 4.44c; No 14, 4⅜c; No 15, 4.31c; No 16, 4¼c.

NAVAL STORES.

The price of spirits of turpentine was a shade lower under quite liberal offerings and scarcity of buyers. The feeling was steady, however, owing to the light stocks carried. Other departments were inactive, but steady on the basis of old quotations. We quote:

TAR—Regulars, $1 75; tar, oil bbls, $3.

PITCH—$1 75.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Regulars, 29½c; machines, 29½c.

ROSIN—Common to good strained, $1 42½@$1 45; E, $1 50; F, $1 62½@$1 67½; G, $1 37½@$1 72½; H, $1 77½@$1 82½; I, $1 87½@$1 90; K, $1 95; M, $2 02½; N, $2 07½@$2 10; W G, $2 15; W W, $2 20.

STOCK ON HAND.

Rosin	27,405 bbls.
Spirits turpentine	578 bbls.
Tar	1,884 bbls.

Savannah, May 18.—Spirits turpentine firm, 26½c; sales, 226 bbls; receipts, 2,105; stock, 10,555. Rosin firm, unchanged; sales, 1,782 bbls; receipts, 2,052; stock, 137,387.

Charleston, May 18.—Turpentine—Market firm at 26c; sales none. Rosin firm; A, B, C, D, E and F, $1 10; G, $1 20; H, $1 35; I, $1 40; K, $1 40; M, $1 45; N, $1 55; W G, $1 60; W W, $1 70; sales none.

Wilmington, May 18.—Spirits turpentine steady, 26@26½c; receipts, 91 bbls. Rosin dull, 95c@$1; receipts, 120 bbls. Crude turpentine steady, $1 25, $1 80 and $1 90; receipts, 8 bbls. Tar steady, $1 10.

Liverpool, May 18, 4 p. m.—Turpentine—Spirits, 26s 9d. Rosin—Common firm, 5s 7½d.

London, May 18.—Turpentine—Spirits, 25s.

COUNTRY PRODUCE MARKETS.

New-York, May 18, 1898.

BEANS AND PEAS—There are no new features. The trade passing is light, but supplies are coming forward moderately, and this enables sellers to hold values up, especially on small white beans, which have had the most demand of late. Red kidney are dragging and show slight weakness. Quite a good many California lima are coming back from Europe, and this is tending to make an easy feeling. Green peas slow. We quote: Beans, marrow, choice, per bush, $1 72½@$1 75; do medium, choice, $1 40@$1 42½; do pea, $1 37½@$1 40; do red kidney, $2 05@$2 10; do white kidney, $1 90; do black turtle soup, $1 65@$1 70; do yellow eye, $1 45@$1 50; do lima, California, $2 15; green peas, bbls, $2½c; do bags, 80@82½c; do Scotch, bbls, 92½c; do bags, 90@92½c.

BUTTER—Supplies are running quite liberal, but prices are now so low that sellers feel reasonably safe, and there is a pretty good trading in nearly all classes of stock. Fancy creamery is steady at 15c. Imports are critical about quality, however, and where defects are at all pronounced the price has to be shaded ½@1c. Occasional inquiries from exporters are giving support to the market. State dairy is slow and in somewhat larger supply. Imitation creamery shows no further change, but inquiries from exporters are giving support to the market. State dairy is slow and in somewhat larger supply. Imitation creamery shows no further change, but inquiries from exporters are giving support to the market. We quote: Creamery, Western, extras, per lb, 15c; do firsts, 14½c; do thirds to seconds, 13@14c; do State, extras, 15c; do do thirds to firsts, 13@14½c; State dairy, half-firkin tubs, fancy, 14½c; do Welsh tubs, fancy, 14@14½c; dairy tubs, thirds to firsts, 12@13½c; imitation creamery, extras, 13½c; do seconds to firsts, 12@13c; factory, best, 12½c; do lower grades, 11@12c.

CHEESE—The supply of large size full cream cheese is not large, but exporters had very few orders in hand, and the market developed further weakness. Choice large colored settled to-day, and the figure was shaded ¼@⅛c on small lots of white. Quite a good deal of the stock was faulty, and such goods ranged from 7½c down to 6½c. Small size are quiet, but jobbers are still paying 7½c for 40 lb, and 7¾c for 20 lb. Skims continue quiet and nominal. We quote: New cheese—State, full cream, large, colored, choice, 7½c; do white, 7¾@7½c; do good to prime, 7@7¼c; do small, colored, choice, 7¾@7½c; do white, choice, 7¾c; do good to prime, 6¾@7c; do common to fair, 6@6½c; light skims, small, choice, 6@6½c; part skims, small, choice, 5¼@6c; do large, choice, 4@5½c; do good to prime, 4¼@5c; do common to fair, 3@4c; full skims, 2@2½c. Old cheese—State, full cream, large, fancy, 8¼@9c; do large, prime to choice, 8@8½c; do common to good, 6¼@7½c; do small cream, small, fancy, 8¾@9c; do prime to choice, 8@8½c; do common to good, 6¼@7½c.

EGGS—Arrivals of eggs so far this week show some decrease compared with last week and the tone of the market is steady to firm on desirable grades. Prices show no further change. Inferior qualities are dragging heavily unless offered low enough to attract the cheap trade. Dirties and checks are still pressed for sale and moving slowly at weaker prices, although an occasional lot of exceptionally fine dirties is occasionally sold a little higher than our top quotation. We quote: Jersey and nearby fancy, 13@13½c; State and Pennsylvania, fancy, 13@13½c; Western, selected for storage, 11c at inside; other Western, loss off, 10½@10¾c; dirty eggs, per 30-dozen case, $2 10@$2 25; checks, $1 80@$2 10.

FRUITS—FRESH—Receipts of apples are light, and the market about steady for desirable grades. Prices for strawberries fell very low to-day under heavy receipts and generally ordinary quality; receivers were obliged to accept any reasonable bids, and quite low ranges quoted covered the sales, although occasional lots of selected fruit were placed early in the day at a slight premium. A few Florida watermel