THE MARKETS.

TOTAL DOMESTIC RECEIPTS TO-DAY.

New-York, March 15, 1899.

Ashes, pkgs	14	Potatoes, bbls	6,960
Beeswax, pkgs	11	Onions, bbls	2,356
Beans, white, bbls	644	Cranberries, crates	201
Beans, lima, bags	724	Tar, bbls	528
Flour, sacks	13,009	Oilcake, pkgs	920
Flour, bbls	19,361	Oil, lub, bbls	120
Cornmeal, sacks	368	Oleo stock, pkgs	2,190
Cornmeal, bbls	2,700	Peanuts, shelled, sks	70
Cornmeal, bags	1,237	Pork, bbls	315
Oatmeal, bbls	70,400	Beef, bbls	341
Wheat, bush	10,000	Beef (canned), cases	2,050
Corn, bush	160,800	Hams, pkgs	1,037
Oats, bush	20,700	Bacon, pkgs	4,006
Rye, bush	550	Lard, tcs	5,300
Peas, bush	4,800	Lard, kegs	8,820
Malt, bush	5,860	Lard, cases	32
Cotton, bales	1,780	Stearine, pkgs	150
Cottonseed oil, bbls	4,350	Tallow, pkgs	138
Copper matte, sacks	840	Grease, pkgs	213
Copper, pcs	120	Butter, pkgs	5,631
Dried fruit, pkgs	1,400	Cheese, pkgs	1,301
Hay, tons	60	Eggs, cases	20,028
Straw, tons	157	Rice, pkgs	621
Milfeed, tons	65	Grass seed, bags	817
Hides, bales	524	Prunes, pkgs	4,767
Hides, bbls	181	Skins, bales	208
Hops, bales	150	Spelter, pieces	2,000
Jute, bales	1,435	Starch, pkgs	230
Leather, sides	6,272	Sugar, bbls	80
Lead, pigs	517	Sugar, bags	7,755
Molasses, bbls	46	Tea, pkgs	700
Moss, bales	581	Tobacco, hhds	202
Rosin, bbls	123	Tobacco, tcs	34
Spirits turp, bbls	60	Tobacco, pkgs	951
Crude turp, bbls	28	Whiskey, bbls	231
Pitch, bbls	1,353	Wool, bales	132
Dressed poultry, pkgs	356	Wool, sacks	52
Live poultry, crates	93	Wine, cal, pkgs	347
Beef tongues, bbls	2,010	Brandy, cal, pkgs	147
Orange, boxes	1,827	Borax, pkgs	4,675
Apples, bbls			

CASH QUOTATIONS.

Iron, No No 1 fdy	$15 00	Flour, Minn patents	$3 95
Iron, No No 2 soft	13 75	Cotton, middling	6 7-16
Steel rails	18@24	Coffee, No 7 Rio	6 3-16
Pig iron warrants	10 25	Sugar, granulated	5⅛
Lake copper ingot	17 75	Molasses, O K, prime	25
Tin	23 85	Beef, family	10 75
Lead	4 42½	Beef, hams	19 00
do brokers' price	4 20	Tallow, prime	4⅝
Spelter	6 37½	Pork, mess	9 25
Wheat, No 2 red	81½	Hogs, dressed, 160 lb.	5¼
Corn, No 2 mixed	40¾	Lard, prime	5 60
Oats, No 2 mixed	32½		

EXPORTS TO-DAY.

Wheat, bush	242,055	Refined pet, gals	617,000
Corn, bush	155,058	Naphtha, gals	2,500
Rockwheat, bush	38,008	Benzine, gals	250
Peas, bush	925	Gasoline, gals	2,000
Beans, bush	1,810	Cottonseed oil, gals	53,800
Flour, bbls	260	Lubricating oil, gals	329,400
Flour, sacks	4,937	Pork, bbls	590
Cornmeal, bbls	100	Beef, bbls	820
Cornmeal, bags	25	Beef, tcs	50
Oatmeal, pkgs	182,500	Bacon, lb	2,069,925
Bran, lb	1,041	Hams, lb	248,000
Grass seed, bags	270	Lard, lb	2,777,180
Hops, bales	400	Lard oil, gals	1,250
Whiskey, gals	673,800	Tallow, lb	300,800
Oilcake, lb	700	Grease, lb	255,600
Spirits turp, gals	270	Butter, lb	121,650
Resin, bbls	700	Cheese, lb	77,040
Pitch, bbls			

GENERAL MARKET REPORT.

New-York, March 15, 1899.

COFFEE—Those traders who looked for increased interest on the part of the speculative public as a natural result of yesterday's appreciation of values were doomed to disappointment, to-day's operations being confined almost entirely to the scattered trades of the local professional element and a few selling orders from abroad. The market opened steady, with prices 5 points lower, and rallied an additional 5 points on some deliveries later in the session under light liquidation and some pressure from the bear side. At best it was a small market, with the net results not particularly satisfactory even to the bear element. Total dealings reached but 16,250 bags, with the market finally quiet, 5 to 10 points net lower. A depressing factor of no small importance was a weak set of cables from European markets. The Brazilian news was rather more encouraging, noting a slight advance at Rio and well-sustained prices at Santos, with receipts inclined to dwindle. Warehouse deliveries in this city showed no signs of diminishing, reaching over 20,000 bags to-day. In the spot department business was on rather conservative lines, with the market at the close barely steady on the basis of 6 3-16c for No. 7 Rio, nine-16ths for jobbing parcels. The steamer Cayo Blanco arrived at New-York with 15,000 bags Rio and Capri has arrived at New-York with 15,000 bags Santos. The steamer Carolina cleared Santos with 7,000 bags.

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

	Opening.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yesterday.
March	—	—	—	5.00@5.05	5.05
April	—	—	—	5.05@5.10	5.10
May	5.15	5.15	5.15	5.10@5.15	5.15
June	5.20	5.25	5.20	5.15@5.20	5.25
July	5.30	5.30	5.30	5.25@5.30	5.30
August	—	—	—	5.35@5.40	5.40
September	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.45@5.50	5.50
October	5.60	5.60	5.60	5.55@5.60	5.60
November	—	—	—	5.60@5.65	5.65
December	5.75	5.75	5.75	5.70@5.80	5.80
January	—	—	—	5.75@5.80	5.85
February	—	—	—	5.80@5.85	5.90
March (1900)	5.90	5.90	5.90	—@—	—

Foreign coffee markets—Santos—Coffee market quiet and average lower. Santos, 7,000 bags; receipts, 20,000 bags. Hamburg—Coffee market opened ¼ pfg lower, at 29½ pf, but rallied and closed unchanged; sales, 7,000 bags. Havre—Coffee market opened quiet at ¼ franc decline; at 12 m. unchanged; at 3 p. m. steady, unchanged; closed ¼ franc net lower; total sales, 11,000 bags.

January	37.50	July	36.00
February	37.75	August	36.25
March	35.00	September	36.50
April	35.25	October	36.75
May	35.50	November	37.00
June	35.75	December	37.25

Raw—Coffee market firm; No 7 Rio, 8¾75, exchange, 6¼c; receipts, 5,000 bags; cleared for the United States 10,000 bags; cleared for Europe, 4,000 bags; stock, 20,000 bags.

The statistical position of Brazil coffee is as follows:

	To-day.	Yesterday.	Last week.
New-York deliveries	19,836	18,533	14,500
Baltimore delivories	118	1,185	165
New-Orleans deliveries	—	—	540
Total deliveries	19,954	19,718	15,204
New-York stock	836,667	823,450	902,183
Baltimore stock	88,949	89,067	85,674
New-Orleans stock	24,592	24,592	54,614
Stock at all ports	950,208	937,109	1,042,471
Afloat	356,000	384,000	269,000
Visible supply	1,306,208	1,321,109	1,311,471
Same time 1898	1,177,961	1,189,551	1,293,313

COTTON—The attitude of the bear clique on the Cotton Exchange to-day was practically the reverse of that manifested yesterday, events over night having taken a bullish turn and early developments this morning demonstrating that the liquidating movement inaugurated some time ago had about run its course. Without showing special activity the market ruled generally firm all through the session, with the less sustained yesterday fully recovered within the first few minutes. There was a subsequent additional gain later in the morning on a small rush of shorts to cover, together with moderate buying in the near-at-hand deliveries by foreign representatives, inspired by unfavorable news from the cotton belt and unmistakably evidences of a revival of interest abroad. An advance of 1 to 2 points in futures and sales of 12,000 bales spot cotton at well-sustained prices in the Liverpool market to-day had hardly entered into the calculations of the majority of shorts—those shorts who sold freely around the close last night—nor had that class of traders anticipated the widespread precipitation in the cotton belt in veritable floodburst in parts of Tennessee, Alabama and Georgia indicated by the official weather bulletin. But the bull faction lacked the courage of their convictions, notwithstanding a market improvement in bullish influences, made but feeble efforts to route their opponents. Commission-houses sold the present crop deliveries in a scattered fashion and took a fresh hold in the October and January deliveries. Liverpool representatives were again free buyers of the May, July and August options and sold the new crop positions to some extent. Though the storm in the South had interfered to some extent with Newport Orleans wire service the fact that but few orders were received from that direction was attributed chiefly to indifference. In the afternoon the pit was deserted a good portion of the time by nearly all but scalpers, except at the close, when the usual spurt of activity occurred. Officially the market opened steady, with prices 1 to 2 points higher. The lead was almost immediately increased to a matter of 5@7 points, and the close steady at a net gain of 4@5 points. Gossip in reference to the state of affairs in the cotton plantations reflected a feeling generally in local circles that the outlook is anything but a satisfactory one for a duplication of last year's acreage, some parties in fact maintaining that a reduction of 15 to 25 per cent might be looked for. Field work in the central portion of the belt particularly is lag, averaging three weeks to a month, with planters discouraged by the continued unfavorable climatic conditions.

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

	Opening.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yesterday.
March	6.13	6.14	6.13	6.14@6.16	6.10
April	6.13	6.16	6.13	6.15@6.16	6.11
May	6.15	6.18	6.15	6.17@6.18	6.13
June	6.18	6.19	6.18	6.19@6.20	6.15
July	6.21	6.23	6.21	6.22@6.23	6.18
August	6.20	6.25	6.20	6.21@6.22	6.17
September	6.12	6.16	6.12	6.14@6.15	6.09
October	6.10	6.15	6.10	6.14@6.15	6.09
November	6.10	6.12	6.10	6.12@6.13	6.07
December	6.12	6.15	6.12	6.14@6.15	6.09
January	6.15	6.18	6.15	6.17@6.18	6.12

Spot cotton closed dull, with quotations advanced 1-16c; middling upland quoted 6 7-16c and middling gulf 6 11-16c as compared with 6¼c and 6⅜c respectively a year ago. In sales. Spot cotton in Southern markets (quotations on the basis of middling) was telegraphed to the Exchange as follows: Mobile dull, 5¾c; Savannah quiet, 5 13-16c; Charleston steady, 5¾c bid; Wilmington firm, 6c; Norfolk steady, 6 1-16c; Baltimore nominal, 6½c; Memphis dull, 6c; Augusta steady, 6⅛c; St. Louis quiet, 6c; Galveston quiet, 6¼c; New-Orleans steady, 5⅞c.

The export movement follows:

	Great Britain.	France.	Continent.
Total to-day	—	—	5,510
Thus far this week	7,168	10,491	22,125
Total since September 1	3,028,869	646,934	2,259,015

Receipts at New-Orleans to-morrow were officially estimated to be 2,500@3,500 bales, against 5,991 bales actual last week and 4,321 bales last year. To-morrow's receipts at Houston were estimated at 5,300@5,500 bales, against 1,249 bales last week and 1,059 bales last year.

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	3,818	1,659	5,249	80,690
New-Orleans	9,185	6,669	8,578	369,008
Mobile	536	38	1,181	21,651
Savannah	2,369	1,022	3,722	35,842
Charleston	21	56	816	18,134
Wilmington	85	175	434	11,435
Norfolk	911	1,622	1,439	49,467
Baltimore	—	—	—	22,115
New-York	219	471	486	126,558
Boston	1,441	656	1,738	—
Philadelphia	327	387	195	9,150
Various	3,872	—	4,027	3,749
Totals	22,775	12,755	27,855	747,007
Interior:				
Augusta	408	454	1,122	37,137
Memphis	3,041	575	1,751	88,413
St. Louis	352	73	200	72,175
Cincinnati	260	979	1,548	9,374
Houston	4,366	647	1,024	88,151

Cotton Exchange special Liverpool cables: Spot cotton—Sales, 12,000 bales; speculation and export, 1,000 bales; American, 11,000 bales; receipts, 25,000 bales; American, 23,000 bales; middling upland, 3¾d; futures opened quiet, sellers at last night's prices; closed steady 1-64@2-64d net advance. December-January, 3.21½b; January-February, 3.22b; March, 3.22b; March-April, 3.22b; April-May, 3.22½b; May-June, 3.22½b; June-July, 3.23b; July-August, 3.23@3.24; August-September, 3.23b; September-October, 3.22½b; October-November, 3.22v; November-December, 3.21b. Manchester—Yarns quiet but steady; cloths move slowly.

FLOUR AND MEAL—Flour trade was still without any feature, apart from steadiness in winter straights, which some mills are holding at old asking prices on the idea that flour cannot be laid down in New-York at present figures. Buyers will not meet such extreme views with wheat declining each day and so the market drags with a generally weak undertone. Spring patents, $3 80@$4 10; winter straights, $3 45@$3 60; winter patents, $3 65@$3 90; spring clears, $3@$3 20; extra No 1 winter, $2 70@$2 85; extra No 2 winter, $2 45@$2 60; no grade, $1 65@$1 67½ to arrive.....RYE FLOUR—Quiet; quoted, good to fair, $3 10@$3 25; choice to fancy, $3 30@$3 50.....CORNMEAL—Steady; quoted, kiln-dried, $2 15@$2 25, as to brand.....BAG MEAL—Quiet; quoted, fine white, 95c@$1; fine yellow, 95c@$1; coarse, $3@$3.....FEED—Dull; quoted, spring bran, bulk, $16 25@$16 50; sacks, to arrive, 200 lb, $16 50@$16 75; sacks, spot, $16 75@$17; coarse winter bran, $16@$18, latter white; fine, $16@$16 25; middlings, $16 50@$18 50; city feed, $17@$17 50; hominy chop, $15, oil meal, $25.

GRAIN—WHEAT—Ignoring to a great extent the unfavorable crop news at hand to-day local traders hammered prices to a lower level, and except for a few brief and small rallies succeeded in maintaining control of the market throughout the entire session, final prices showing ⅝@1c net decline. The chief period of strength came at midday in response to predictions of a cold wave over the wheat belt. It was considered by many that zero weather at this time of year might have a particularly unfavorable effect on the plant, and for a time short accounts were quite freely reduced on the news until bear traders realized that the market possessed little real stability. In addition to the bullish influence there was more or less liquidation and moderate foreign offerings at the sunset. Some disappointment was also expressed over cable advices, which in the case of Liverpool, although finally ¼d higher than the previous day, were not so firm as had been expected. Antwerp closed unchanged and Paris markets from 5 to 10 points lower, supplementing reports of favorable weather in France with prospects above an average. Export business was more active than usual, consisting of about 30 loads at all ports. Concerning the home crop situation it was extremely difficult to form clear opinion from the varied news received. Commission house reports said the prospects were bad, and railroad people maintained that wheat as a whole had not been damaged. The fact that receipts at Kansas City so far this month had been larger than last year rather suggested an optimistic feeling among farmers as regards the crop outlook. Chicago newspapers devoting several columns to the crop indications found little cause for alarm in any States except Iowa and California. As the latter was treated to a heavy rainfall yesterday it should now be classed under the head of favorable States rather than otherwise. The Indiana State report asserted that winter wheat has come out of the severe weather in fairly good condition. All portions of the State were well protected by snow in the severe February weather, while the area is unusually large and the condition up to an average in Iowa, however, wheat is said to be badly damaged, owing to rapid changes in temperature and lack of snow covering. Likewise advices from Kansas and Tennessee were unfavorable. Seaboard clearances amounted to only 424,000 bush for the day, and Northwest receipts 321 cars, against 261 cars last year. Quotations of cash wheat, f o b afloat basis, were as follows: No 2 red, 81½c spot and to arrive; No 1 Northern Duluth, 81½c; No 2 Northern Duluth, 79¼c; No 1 hard Manitoba, 81½c; No 1 Northern, 80c; Minnesota, 80c.....CORN—Remarkable strength was disclosed in the corn market to-day considering weakness in wheat, and the market closed unchanged from the previous night after a barely steady opening. The buying motives were continued light receipts, rain in the corn belt and in the afternoon, an export business of about 55 loads here and outports. The quotations of spot property still shows a wide difference between new and old, latter bringing 8¾c over Chicago May, and new 2c over May, 7c over f o b afloat. Seaboard clearances were about half as large as the previous day, but still show 250,000 bush increase over last week.....OATS—The market for oats was dull and about steady; No 2 oats closed at 32½@33c; No 3 oats, 31½@32c; No 2 white, 35c; No 3 white, 34½c; track mixed, 32@34c; track white, 35½@38c; No 2 white clips, 36c.....RYE—Market weak; No 2 Western, 65@66c f o b, afloat; No 1 Western, 66c f o b, afloat; State rye, 61c, c i f, New-York, carlots.

NEW-YORK PRICES.

Wheat:	Opening.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yesterday.
March	81⅝	81⅝	80⅝	80⅝	81⅝
May	74 13-16	75	74 7-16	74⅞	75¼
July	73⅝	73⅝	73⅛	73⅛	74
Corn:					
March	—	—	—	—	41⅝
May	39⅝	40	39⅝	40	40
July	40⅛	40½	40⅛	40½	40½
Lard:					
March	—	—	—	$5 55	$5 52

CHICAGO PRICES.

Wheat:	Opening.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yesterday.
May	70	70⅛	69 7-16	69½	70⅜
July	69⅝	69⅝	68⅝	68⅝	69½
Corn:					
March	—	—	—	33⅛	33⅛
May	35⅛	35 3-16	34⅞	35	35¼
July	35⅝	35⅝	35 7-16	35⅝	35⅞
Oats:					
March	—	—	—	25⅛	25⅛
May	26⅝	26½	26⅛	26⅛	26½
July	24 13-16	24⅞	24⅝	24⅝	24⅞
Lard:					
May	$5 37½	$5 40	$5 35	$5 37½	$5 37½
July	5 50	5 52½	5 47½	5 52½	5 50
Ribs:					
May	4 70	4 72½	4 70	4 72½	4 72½
July	4 82½	4 85	4 82½	4 85	4 82½
Pork:					
May	9 12½	9 17½	9 12½	9 17½	9 17½
July	9 30	9 35	9 27½	9 35	9 35

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	7	79	485	405	16	48
Milwaukee	2	22	9	28	4	13
Minneapolis	—	131	16	28	3	1
Duluth	—	152	59	6	4	1
St. Louis	2	21	38	37	—	—
Kansas City	—	48	15	5	—	—
Toledo	—	19	59	11	7	—
Detroit	—	5	29	1	—	—
Peoria	—	2	31	17	—	—
Totals	17	479	772	538	34	63
Shipments from these points:						
Chicago	21	28	302	330	4	33
Milwaukee	3	8	2	1	9	19
Minneapolis	47	29	10	1	1	4
St. Louis	15	17	11	18	—	—
Kansas City	—	86	6	10	—	—
Toledo	—	22	103	8	2	—
Detroit	—	11	17	—	—	—
Peoria	—	—	8	23	—	—
Totals	86	192	459	391	17	56
Receipts at Atlantic ports:						
New-York	26	70	197	161	21	—
Boston	3	19	179	31	—	—
Philadelphia	20	7	79	32	—	—
Baltimore	—	14	260	22	1	—
Newport News	—	—	26	—	—	—
New-Orleans	3	60	23	5	—	—
Galveston	—	48	8	—	—	—
Totals	66	214	762	250	22	—
Exports from Atlantic ports:						
New-York	4	242	155	—	—	—
Boston	—	33	128	24	—	—
Philadelphia	4	59	127	14	9	—
Baltimore	—	48	73	—	—	—
Newport News	—	—	26	—	—	—
Totals	8	388	509	38	9	—

METALS—Trade in metals was not overlarge to-day, nor were changes noted in values of special significance. It was a small, waiting market, buyers holding off for further developments and sellers for new inspiration from foreign or home sources. At the close the Metal Exchange called tin and tin plate quiet at $16 25 nominal for spot, copper unchanged; spot quoted at $17 75 nominal; March, $17 62½ sellers. Tin at the close was firmer, with spot quoted at $23 90@$23 95; March and April, $23 70@$23 80. Lead closed unchanged at $4 45 for spot and $4 42½@$4 45 for March and April. Spelter closed unchanged, with spot quoted at $6 35@$6 40; March and April, $6 25@$6 30. Copper in the London market closed firm; spot, £68 17s 6d; futures, £68. Tin firm; spot, £96 2s 6d; futures, £100 12s 6d. The London quotations for soft Spanish lead and for spelter were £14 2s 6d and £27 2s 6d respectively.

MOLASSES AND STRUPS—The market for molasses was firm from opening to close, with final prices practically unchanged as contrasted with those current yesterday. Syrups were quite strong, with no letup noted in demand for export account. Quotations follow: New-Orleans—Fancy, 38c; choice, 35@36c; fair, 30@32c; good, 26@28c; prime, 21@22c; New-Orleans, open kettle, 32@37c; Porto Rico, 28@35c; syrups, common, 12@15c; fair, 14½@15½c; good, 16@17c; prime, 18@19c; fancy, 20@22c.

OCEAN FREIGHTS—The market for berth freights was quiet at the following quotations: Liverpool, 14d; Hull, 20c, 2¾d; Glasgow, 24d; Bristol, 3d; Cork, 2½d; Hull, 3d; Newcastle, 3d; Antwerp, 15d; Hamburg, 35 pfgs; Rotterdam, 3c; Amsterdam, 4c; cotton to Liverpool, per 100 lb, 10c; to Hull, 20c; grain to London, oats, 1s 6d.....FREIGHTS—The demand for sail tonnage in the various departments continues good, and rates have a stronger tendency owing to the absence of vessels. Steam freights continue quiet, with no quotable change in rates.

OILS—Trade still drags in the cottonseed oil market and prices continue unchanged, although fairly steady. Linseed oil advanced 2c on high grade, and refined petroleum was withdrawn. Quotations follow: Petroleum, bbls, $7 35, and in bulk, $4 85; Philadelphia, bbls, $7 30, and in bulk, $4 80; refined cases, $8 10; crude naphtha, carboys, $10; deodorized, $10 50.....COTTONSEED OIL—Prime crude, 21c; prime crude, f o b mills, 18@19c; prime summer yellow, 26@26½c; off-summer yellow, 23@25½c; butter grades, 30@32c; prime white, 32c; prime winter yellow, 31@32c; linseed, American raw, 45@46c; American boiled, 47@48c; Calcutta raw, 56c; lard oil, 45@47c.

PROVISIONS—The market was generally firm on light offerings and a demand from commission houses supposed to represent outside speculation and packing interests. Cash trade was again fairly good, and the market closed steady at about the previous night's prices.....PORK—Dull. Quoted: Mess, $9@$9 50; family, $10 50@$11; short clear, $10 50@$12 50.....BEEF—Firm. Quoted: Mess, $5; family, $10@$11 50; packet, $5 50@$6 25; extra India mess, $15@$15 50.....BEEF HAMS—Dull; quoted at $19.....PRIME BEEF—Quiet. Quoted: Bacon, 5⅝c; 180 lb, 5¾c, 160 lb, 5¾c; pigs, 5⅝c.....CUTMEATS—Pickled bellies quiet. Quoted: Smoking bellies, 5⅝@5¾c; 10 lb, 5¼c; 12 lb, 5⅛c; 14 lb, 5c. Pickled shoulders steady; quoted at 4⅝c. Pickled hams steady; quoted at 7⅛@7½c; winter green, 6½c. Western S P, 6⅛@6¼c; city green, 7@7¼c.....TALLOW—Steady; city, 4⅝@4¾c; country, 4⅛@4⅜c.....LARD—Quiet; quoted at 5.60c. City lard quiet; quoted at 5.25c. Refined lard steady. Quoted: South America, 6.25c; Continent, 5.80c; Brazil kegs, 7.35c. Compound firm. Quoted: City, 4⅞c; Western, 4⅞c.....STEARINE—Steady. Quoted: Oleo, 5⅝c; city lard stearine, 6½c.

RICE—The developments of to-day were hardly of a character to materially alter the views of either buyers or sellers. The market held firm, with the high-grade foreign and domestic exhibiting relative strength on pressing demand and light stocks. Quotations follow: Domestic—Common to low fair, 3⅛@3⅜c; fair to good, 4@5c; prime to choice, 5⅛@6c; head, 6⅜@7c; Patna, 5@5½c; do in bond, 3⅛@3¼c; Japan, 4⅛@5¼c; Java, 4⅝@5¼c; Rangoon, in bond, 2⅛@3⅛c.

SUGAR—A reaction in demand and a less stable feeling prevailed in the market for refined sugar. This change in the situation was due chiefly to further unfavorable news from abroad and a disposition among buyers to await further developments all around before accumulating additional supplies. Quotations follow: Granulated, 5 lb sacks and 2 lb cases, 5 3-16c; dominos, 3⅝c; cut loaf and crushed, 5⅝c; powdered and coarse powdered, 5⅛c; granulated and fine granulated, 5⅛c; coarse granulated and extra fine granulated, 5⅛c; confectioners' granulated, 5⅛c; cubes, 5⅛c; XXXX powdered and mould A, 5⅝c; diamond A, 5⅛c; confectioners' A, 5c; No 1, 2 and 3, 4⅞c; No 4, 4.69c; No 5, 4⅝c; No 6, 4.56c; No 7, 4⅛c; No 8, 4.44c; Nos 9 and 10, 4⅜c; Nos 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16, 4.31c. Cane sugar at London was reported quiet, with prices fully maintained; Java rated at 12s and fair refining at 10s 9d. Beet sugar was flat and again lower. Present month sold off to 9s 9¾d; April delivery held nominally to the basis of 9s 11¼d. Locally, raw sugar was somewhat irregular and quiet, with quotations at the close on the basis of 4⅜c for 96° test centrifugal, 3⅞c for 89 test Muscovado and 3¾c for 89 test molasses sugar.

COUNTRY PRODUCE MARKETS.

New-York, March 15, 1899.

BEANS AND PEAS—The market was very quiet today for nearly all kinds of State beans, but fresh arrivals were moderate, and invoices of stock to arrive are rather light. Tone tended to prevent any further change in values. The feeling is perhaps a little heavy and narrow, but fairly steady on other hands. We quote: Beans, marrow, 1898, choice, per bush, $1 50@$1 52½; do medium, 1898, choice, $1 40; do pea, 1898, choice, $1 35; do red kidney, 1898, choice, $1 70@$1 75; do white kidney, 1898, choice, $1 85@$1 90; do yellow eye, 1898, choice, $1 45; do Lima, California, $2 60@$2 65; do black turtle soup, 1898, choice, $1 70@$1 75; green peas, bbls, $1 10; do bags, $1 05; do Scotch, bbls, $1 12½; do bags, $1 10.

BUTTER—Very good trading was reported again today, and the market maintains a steady position generally. Strictly fancy fresh table grades are rather firm and command top prices readily. The inquiry for creameries under 19c is only moderate, but the supply is not at all burdensome. Fresh factory barely steady owing to the fact of the lighter export demand. We quote: New butter—Creamery, Western, extras, per lb, 20c; do firsts, 19@19½c; do thirds to seconds, 15@18½c; do State, extras, 19½@20c; do firsts, 18½@19c; do thirds to seconds, 15@18c; State dairy, half-firkin tubs, fancy, 19@19½c; do firsts, 17½@18½c; do Welsh tubs, fancy, 19c; do firsts, 17½@18½c; State dairy, tubs, seconds, 16@17c; do thirds, 14@15c; Western imitation creamery, fancy, 17@17½c; do firsts, 15@16c; do thirds to firsts, 12@14½c; Western dairy, firsts, 16c; do thirds to firsts, 12@14½c; Western factory, extras, 14½c; do firsts, 13¾@14c; do seconds, 13@13½c; do lower grades, 12@12½c; rolls, choice, 14@14½c; do common to prime, 12@13½c. Old butter—Creamery, Western, summer made, finest, 17@18c; do poor to prime, 14@16c; State dairy, tubs or firkins, poor to prime, 13@15c; Western factory, summer made, 12@13½c.

CHEESE—The local trade is moderate, but a fair amount of mail orders, and with stocks closely concentrated in few strong hands the feeling continues very strong. Advices report further sales in Montreal of 2,300 boxes of State cheese for bond, summer-made, to go to Boston, Philadelphia and New-York dealers. Liverpool cable, 51s. We quote: State, full cream, fall made, large, colored, fancy, per lb, 12c; do large, white, fancy, 12c; do large, choice, 11¾@11¾c; do good to prime, 10½@11c; do common to fair, 9@10c; do full cream, fall-made, small, colored, fancy, 12½@12¾c; do small, white, fancy, 12½c; do good to choice, 11¾@12¼c; do common to prime, 9@11c; light skims, small, choice, 9½@10c; do fair, choice, 8½@9c; part skims, small, choice, 8⅝@9c; do large, choice, 8⅝@9c; do good to prime, 7¼@7¾c; do common to fair, 6⅝@7c; full skims, 4½@5c.

EGGS—Arrivals very large, but after a slightly lower opening, with sales at 13½c, the price recovered to 13¾@14c for Western, and closed steady. Duck eggs quieter for average offerings. We quote: Jersey and nearby, fancy, per dozen, 15c; State, Pennsylvania and nearby, average prime, 14c; Western, 13¾@14c; Kentucky, 13½@14c; other Southern, 13@13½c; duck eggs, Baltimore, 30c; Western, 27@28c; do Virginia, 26@27c; other Southern, 22@26c.

FRUITS—FRESH—Receipts of apples are light, but there is some stock on hand and trade continues dull; average grades rule weak. Cranberries still moving fairly and prices hold a firm tone. Florida oranges and grapefruit irregular in quality and value; most of the offerings are defective. Strawberries firm for all good stock. We quote: Apples, State, greening, per bbl, $3 50@$3; do Spy, good to fancy, $3 75@$4 50; do Ben Davis, good to fancy, $3 50@$4 50; do Baldwin, good to fancy, $3 50@$4; do russet, good to prime, $3@$3 50; do fair to choice, $2 75@$3 25; cranberries, Cape Cod, fancy varieties, per bbl, $9 50; do usual sorts, good to choice, $8@$9; do common to fair, $6@$7 50; do Jersey, extra, per bbl, $6 50; do good to prime, $5 75@$6; do choice, fresh-cleaned, per crate, $1 80@$2; do fair to good, $1 60@$1 75; do poor to fair, $1 25@$1 40; oranges, Florida, bright, prime to fancy, $4@$5; do russet, good to choice, $3 50@$4; do fair to fair, $2@$3; grapefruit, good to prime, $7@$13; do poor to fair, $2@$6; tangerines, per full box, $4@$8; tangerines, $3@$6; strawberries, Florida, per quart, 30@75c.

FRUITS—DRIED—With a good jobbing demand market is well sustained for evaporated and sun-dried apples, though latter in very limited supply. Chops and waste held steadily. Small fruits quiet and unchanged. California fruit in good demand and firm. We quote: Apples, evaporated, fancy, per lb, 9¾@10c; do choice, 9@9½c; do prime, 8½@8¾c; do common to good, 8@8½c; do Southern, sun-dried, sliced, 6@7c; do quarters, 6@7c; do chops, 2@3c; do cores and skins, 1½@2c; raspberries, evaporated, 9@10c; huckleberries, 9@10c; blackberries, 4@5c; cherries, 10@11c; apricots, California, Moorpark, 14@19c; do Royal, 12@14c; peaches, California, peeled, 18@20c; do unpeeled, 9@13c; prunes, California, 3@9c.

HOPS—Conditions are unimproved. The demand from all sources is very light, and it requires a good deal of effort to do even a small business. Values are still somewhat unsettled and rather favoring the buyer. We quote: State, fancy, per lb, 30@32c; do choice, 27@28c; do common to fair, 17@24c; State, 1897, 9@13c; Pacific Coast, 1898, choice, 18c; do good to prime, 15½@17c; do common to fair, 12@15c; Pacific Coast, 1897, 8@13c; State or Pacific Coast, old dits, 3@7c.

POULTRY—ALIVE—Receipts to-day, 13 cars. Market shows very little change except on choice heavy fowls, which are wanted for the Jewish trade, and higher; sales generally making at 11½c, with other medium-size fowls work out rather slowly at 10@10½c. Ducks and geese irregular in quality and value. Pigeons firm. We quote: Fowls, Western, per lb, 11@11½c; do Southern and Southwestern, 10½c; chickens, 10c; roosters, 7c; turkeys, 10c; ducks, per pair, 50@75c; geese, $1@$1 50; pigeons, 25@30c.....DRESSED—Current receipts of fresh-killed poultry are quite moderate, with the larger proportion coming iced. Trading is slow, the rainform prevailing interfering with demand. Fresh-killed turkeys in light supply, but quality irregular, though really fine lots firmly held. Western fowls generally held at 11½c for finest, and they are dry packed and iced for iced, but those figures are extreme to sell freely. Fresh-killed capons scarce and firm. Fresh ducks and geese very dull and weak. In frozen poultry there is a moderate outlet for choice turkeys, chickens and broilers, with prices firmly held. Fowls only moderately active, but held a little firmer. Frozen ducks firm. Geese very dull. We quote: Fresh killed—Turk