THE MARKETS.

TOTAL DOMESTIC RECEIPTS TO-DAY.

New-York, December 27, 1899.

Ashes, pkgs	8	Onions, bbls	520
Beeswax, pkgs	12	Cranberries, pkgs	310
Beans, white, bbls	846	Tar, bbls	1,890
Beans, lima, bags	180	Oilcake, pkgs	4,086
Flour, bbls	10,186	Oil, lard, bbls	86
Flour, sacks	17,219	Peanuts, bags	594
B W flour, pkgs	632	Pork, bbls	50
Cornmeal, bbls	300	Beef (canned), cases	5,226
Cornmeal, bags	3,063	Hams, pkgs	1,216
Oatmeal, bbls	1,080	Bacon, pkgs	426
Wheat, bush	51,800	Cut meats, pkgs	1,290
Corn, bush	66,300	Lard, tcs	1,060
Oats, bush	65,800	Lard, kegs	2,339
Rye, bush	28,275	Lard, cases	27
Peas, bush	3,850	Stearine, pkgs	87
Barley, bush	30,800	Tallow, pkgs	288
Malt, bush	3,600	Grease, pkgs	254
Hominy, pkgs	497	Butter, pkgs	5,894
Cotton, bales	110	Cheese, pkgs	4,115
Cottonseed oil, bbls	2,150	Eggs, cases	12,736
Cottonseed meal, bags	300	Rice, bbls	470
Copper, lbs	10	Rice, bags	130
Copper, pcs	1,320	Rice, pkts	4,310
Copper matte, bags	3,380	Rice chaff, bags	780
Lead, pigs	3,326	Grass seed, bags	214
Hay, tons	1,610	Raisins (Cal), boxes	1,920
Straw, tons	250	Prunes, pkgs	11,400
Millfeed, tons	104	Dried fruits, pkgs	2,300
Hops, bales	771	Skins, bales	110
Hides, bales	50	Starch, bbls	150
Hides, bdls	680	Sugar, bbls	90
Leather, sides	12,600	Molasses, bbls	1,660
Moss, bales	18	Syrup, bbls	55
Rosin, bbls	1,010	Tow, bales	200
Spirits turp, bbls	690	Tobacco, hhds	360
Crude turp, bbls	147	Tobacco, tcs	95
Pitch, bbls	13	Tobacco, pkgs	488
Istle, bales	100	Whiskey, bbls	1,026
Dressed poultry, pkgs	7,541	Wool, bales	90
Live poultry, crates	75	Wool, sacks	350
Oranges, boxes	7,050	Brandy (Cal), pkgs	330
Apples, bbls	3,910	Borax, pkgs	588
Potatoes, bbls	5,020		

CASH QUOTATIONS.

Iron, Nor No 1 fdy	$23 00	Cotton, middling	7 9-16
Iron, So No 2 soft	20 75	Coffee, No 7 Rio	6¾
Steel rails	36 00	Sugar, granulated	$5 18
Lake copper ingot	16 50	Molasses, O K, prime	26
Tin	24 50	Beef, family	12 75
Exchange lead	4 72½	Beef, hams	22 75
Spelter	4 60	Tallow, prime	5
Wheat, No 2 red	74⅝	Pork, mess	10 25
Corn, No 2 mixed	46½	Hogs, dressed, 160 lb.	5¾
Oats, No 2 mixed	29	Lard, prime	5 90
Flour, Minn. patents	3 95		

EXPORTS TO-DAY.

Wheat, bush	69,414	Pitch, bbls	226
Corn, bush	215,167	Tar, bbls	24
Oats, bush	47,265	Refined pet, gals	2,042,504
Barley, bush	49,943	Naphtha, gals	250
Peas, bush	2,447	Benzine, gals	6,500
Beans, bush	2,695	Gasolene, gals	1,475
Flour, bbls	6,808	Cottonseed oil, gals	154,175
Flour, sacks	23,661	Lubricating oil, gals	404,510
Cornmeal, bbls	6,721	Pork, bbls	735
Feed, lb	1,440	Beef, bbls	435
Oatmeal, pkgs	441	Beef, tierces	54
Bran, lb	600	Bacon, lb	1,362,900
Grass seed, bags	1,251	Hams, lb	101,000
Hay, bales	26,676	Lard, lb	1,265,750
Hops, bales	1,036	Lard oil, gals	15,240
Whiskey, gals	520	Stearine, lb	54,400
Cottonseed meal, lb	10,000	Tallow, lb	49,600
Spirits turp, gals	6,370	Butter, lb	13,550
Grease, lb	486,800	Cheese, lb	20,100
Rosin, bbls	274		

GENERAL MARKET REPORT.

New-York, December 27, 1899.

COFFEE—The market for coffee futures was, in the main, anything but satisfactory. A weak undertone prevailed throughout most of the session, while the volume of business was very small. On the opening call only 2,250 bags changed hands; up to 12 m the business was but 6,500 bags, and for the entire session only 18,750 bags. The opening was steady at unchanged prices to a decline of 5 points, and from this basis the market scarcely varied until near the close, when demand from local operators sent prices upward, with the market finally firm, net unchanged to 10 points higher. Cable accounts were unsatisfactory as to the market tendencies, while receipts at Rio and Santos showed some increase, footing up 28,000 bags. Warehouse deliveries in the United States were only 5,000 bags, and the open market for spot Brazilian coffee was also in unsatisfactory shape, being dull and more or less nominal, on the basis of 6¾c for No 7 Rio, invoice lots, and 7¾c for jobbing parcels. The steamer Chaucer cleared Victoria with 13,000 bags.

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

	Opening.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yesterday.
December	.....	.....	.....	5.75@5.85	5.75
January	5.80	5.85	5.80	5.80@5.90	5.80
February	.....	.....	.....	5.90@5.95	5.90
March	5.95	6.05	5.95	6.05@6.10	6.00
April	.....	.....	.....	6.05@6.10	6.05
May	6.10	6.15	6.10	6.10@6.15	6.05
June	.....	.....	.....	6.15@6.20	6.10
July	6.20	6.20	6.20	6.15@6.25	6.15
August	.....	.....	.....	6.20@6.30	6.20
September	6.25	6.30	6.25	6.30@6.35	6.25
October	6.30	6.30	6.30	6.35@6.40	6.30
November	6.40	6.40	6.40	6.40@6.45	6.35

Foreign coffee markets: Santos—Coffee market firm; good average Santos, 8$600; receipts, 18,000 bags; stock, 648,000. Hamburg—Coffee market opened unchanged; at 2:30 p m, net unchanged to ¼ pfg lower; sales, 7,000 bags. Havre—Coffee market opened quiet and unchanged to ¼ franc lower; at 12 m, unchanged; at 3 p m, unchanged to ½ franc higher; at 5:30 p m, unchanged; total sales, 12,000 bags.

January	38.50	July	40.50
February	39.25	August	40.75
March	39.50	September	41.00
April	39.75	October	41.25
May	40.00	November	41.50
June	40.25	December	38.75

Rio—Coffee market quiet; No 7 Rio, 9$200; exchange, 7 1-16d; receipts, 10,000 bags; cleared for the United States, 11,000; stock, 203,000.

COTTON—Conditions at the Cotton Exchange were decidedly better. To-day's cables were firmer than looked for. No one expected to see the English holidays followed by a 6-64d advance for futures and a 3-32d advance for spot cotton, which was at one time apparent. Although the market eased off a little and closed but 5-64d higher, the net improvement was a decided stimulant, and out of it grew one of the most active markets of recent times. In addition to the cables, accounts from the Southern spot markets were generally strong; six out of ten of them advanced quotations 1-16@¼c. Letters from buyers in the South complained of small spot offerings and a general difficulty in coming to terms with holders in the remote interior. These were backed up by strong private telegrams to-day to the same effect. Receipts were very small, while the question of January "notices" was settled by deliveries not exceeding 2,500 bales, which were promptly absorbed by exporters, who apparently stood ready to stop any number of them; most of the "notices" of to-day went largely to a Greek house with world wide connections. Shorts started to cover on the opening call, and continued to buy throughout the session, with a good deal of competition from investment buyers, led by certain Wall Street houses who had re-entered the market with considerable confidence, judging from the boldness of their operations. At the opening the market was firm at an advance of 8@8 points. Subsequent business increased the improvement to a net advance of 5@6 points, after which there was some liquidation, which caused a partial reaction. But the market was finally steady at a net gain of 4@13 points.

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

	Opening.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yesterday.
December	7.23	7.28	7.23	7.27@7.28	7.14
January	7.29	7.39	7.21	7.28@7.29	7.17
February	7.30	7.34	7.30	7.34@7.35	7.25
March	7.37	7.41	7.34	7.38@7.39	7.32
April	7.43	7.43	7.41	7.42@7.43	7.33
May	7.47	7.49	7.42	7.46@7.47	7.41
June	7.49	7.49	7.46	7.46@7.47	7.42
July	7.51	7.52	7.45	7.48@7.49	7.43
August	7.47	7.48	7.40	7.40@7.46	7.44
September	.....	.....	.....	7.05@7.07	7.01
October	6.96	6.96	6.93	6.95@6.97	6.91
November	6.90	6.90	6.88	6.90@6.91	6.84

Spot cotton in the local market ruled dull, with prices 1-16c lower, on the basis of 7 9-16c for middling upland and 7 13-16c for middling Gulf. Sales were 56 bales. Southern spot markets, middling quoted, were officially reported by wire as follows: New-Orleans firm, 1-16c higher, at 7⅜c; Mobile quiet, ⅛c higher, at 7 3-16c; Savannah quiet and firm, 1-16c higher, at 7 3-16c; Charleston nominal; Wilmington steady, at 7c; Norfolk firm, 1-16c higher, at 7⅜c; Baltimore nominal, ⅛c higher, at 7⅜c; Augusta firm, ⅛c higher, at 7 5-16c; Memphis steady, at 7 5-16c; St. Louis firm, at 7 5-16c.

The export movement has been as follows:

	Great Britain.	France.	Continent.
To-day	51	518	20,130
Thus far this week	14,699	3,611	56,598
Thus far this season	906,125	417,392	1,084,846

New-Orleans receipts for to-morrow are estimated at from 12,000 to 13,000 bales, against actual receipts last week of 6,222 and last year of 10,853. At Houston, 6,000 to 7,500 against 5,758 actual last week and 10,403 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	7,986	8,298	19,854	262,752
New-Orleans	8,094	14,109	23,257	405,763
Mobile	236	634	338	37,615
Savannah	8,757	7,982	16,320	156,903
Charleston	718	248	644	28,629
Wilmington	1,527	1,351	1,104	18,939
Norfolk	4,467	2,293	5,292	42,298
Baltimore	.....	.....	.....	18,354
New-York	2,115	50	476	114,649
Boston	962	500	2,795	.....
Philadelphia	181	131	181	15,535
Various	.....	3,256	12,017	27,524
Totals	35,043	38,942	82,278	1,128,961
Interior:				
Augusta	1,437	2,318	2,164	58,783
Memphis	2,093	2,933	3,682	188,723
St. Louis	338	1,246	1,649	105,321
Cincinnati	3,313	1,365	5,892	21,550
Houston	6,972	10,533	13,959	103,968

Cotton Exchange special Liverpool cables: Spot cotton—Moderate demand; sales, 8,000 bales; speculation and export, 500; American, 7,000; receipts, 40,000; American, 32,000; middling upland, 4 13-32d. Futures opened strong, 4 points higher; closed quiet, 4½@5 points net higher. December-January, 4.18c; January-February, 4.11c; February-March, 4.06½c; March-April, 4.07⅛c; April-May, 4.06c; May-June, 4.04⅛c; June-July, 4.03c; July-August, 4.01⅛c; August-September, 3.61⅛b; September-October, 3.53@3.54; December, 4.15b. Manchester—Yarns hardening. Cloths—Moderate demand.

FLOUR AND MEAL—While showing an improvement in tone the market for flour was no higher, buyers still holding off. Buckwheat flour was weaker and not salable above $2 25. Feed was in a firmer position, both spot and to arrive, former being quoted at $17 in 200 lb sacks. Spring patents, $3 80@$4 05; winter straights, $3 85@$3 45; winter patents, $3 55@$3 75; spring clears, $2 80@$3 10; extra No 1 winter, $2 75@$2 90; extra No 2 winter, $2 55@$2 70; no grade, $18 per ton to arrive; buckwheat flour, $2 10@$2 25.....RYE FLOUR—Firm; quoted: Rye, $3 20@$3 50.....CORNMEAL—Steady; quoted: Kiln dried, $2 25@$2 35 as to brand.....BAG MEAL—Dull; quoted: Fine white and yellow, 85@90c; coarse, 78@82c.....FEED—Firmer; quoted: Spring bran, spot, $17; sacks to arrive, 200 lb, $17 35@$17 50; coarse winter bran, $17@$18 50, latter white; middlings, $17@$19; city feed, $17@$17 50; hominy chop, $16; oilmeal, $26@$26 50 nominal.

GRAIN—WHEAT—The speculative attention bestowed on wheat yesterday was not extensive, but the market displayed a firmness of undertone, nevertheless, that was rather surprising to the local operators who went short on the opening bulge. In a word the advance was due to higher cables and unfavorable crop reports from abroad. Other than this there was a dearth of news at home and abroad, such as might have inspired activity either way. Foreign markets at first disappointed the trade somewhat by opening only ¼d higher at Liverpool than last Friday, but continued to advance until at the close it was ¾@¾d higher, attended by advances of 20@30 points at Paris over the close of Saturday. As the situation in South Africa showed very little change, the strength abroad was set down to the bullish crop reports and small supplies headed that way. In effect, the former mentioned absence of snow in France, Germany and Russia, with an increased consumption in the United Kingdom and prices tending upward. Russia also complained of drouth. The market here advanced during the day to 75⅛c for May and closed at a little reaction from top, but still ¼@⅝c net higher, with the near months most affected. "Bradstreet's" figures indicated a decrease of 753,000 bush in world's stocks for the week. Supplies east of the Rockies increased 1,647,000 bush and European stocks decreased 2,400,000 bush. The Western weather situation was not regarded as unfavorable, low temperatures prevailing everywhere, with light snow flurries and prospects of continued cold. Prime reported favorable winter wheat conditions. Northwest receipts were 320 cars, against 353 cars last week and 567 cars a year ago. There was only a moderate export demand, sales for that account reaching 26 loads all ports. "The Corn Trade News" reported that world's shipments during December were the smallest for that month in seven years. Quotations of cash wheat, f o b afloat basis, were as follows: No 2 red, 74⅝c; No 1 hard Duluth, 80⅝c prompt; No 1 Northern Duluth, 78⅝c prompt; No 1 hard Manitoba, 80⅝c prompt; No 1 hard New-York, 79⅝c prompt; No 2 Northern Duluth, 77⅛c to arrive.....CORN—There was not a large trade in this market during the day and prices had a downward tendency because of weakness in the Liverpool market (where values were ¼d lower) and reports from the West to the effect that elevator people predicted larger offerings of corn, partly as a result of the present fine weather. From a statistical standpoint there was little to be noted, seaboard clearances being only moderate and export transactions not above 31 loads all ports. The increase in domestic stocks, according to "Bradstreet's," was 673,000 bush. Chicago private elevator stocks amounted to 2,551,000 bush. Prime reported some increase in cribbed corn at railroad stations, but not the movement that was noted a year ago. Last prices of the day here was unchanged to ⅛c net lower. No 2 corn closed 39⅛c elevator and 39⅝c delivered and 40½c afloat.....OATS—The trade in oats was exceedingly light here, with no change in either futures or spot property. No 2 oats closed 29c; No 3 oats, 28½c; No 2 white, 31c; No 3 white, 30½c; track mixed, 29@30½c; track white, 31@34½c; No 2 white clips, 31½c.....RYE—Market steady; No 1 Western, 61½c, f o b afloat; No 2 Western, 61c, f o b afloat; State rye, 56c, c i f New-York carlots.....BARLEY—Market dull; feeding, 43⅝c, c i f New-York; malting, 48@53c, c i f New-York.....BUCKWHEAT—Market nominal.

NEW-YORK PRICES.

	Opening.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yesterday.
Wheat:					
December	72⅝	72⅝	72⅝	72⅝	72⅝
January	72⅞	72⅞	72⅞	72⅞	—
May	74⅝	75⅛	74⅝	74⅞	74⅝
Corn:					
December	—	—	—	39	39
May	39	39	38⅝	38⅝	39⅛
Lard:					
December	—	—	—	$5 92½	$5 80

CHICAGO PRICES.

Wheat:					
December	66	66⅛	66	66	65⅝
May	69 7-16	69⅝	69⅝	69½	69⅝
July	69⅞	70⅛	69 13-16	70	69⅝
Corn:					
December	30½	30½	30¼	30⅜	30½
January	30 9-16	30 9-16	30⅜	30⅜	30⅜
May	33	33	32⅝	32⅝	33
Oats:					
December	22½	22½	22	22	22½
May	23⅝	23 13-16	23⅝	23⅝	23⅝
Lard:					
January	$5 50	$5 65	$5 50	$5 62½	$5 47½
May	5 70	5 82½	5 70	5 80	5 67½
Ribs:					
January	5 27½	5 35	5 27½	5 32½	5 25
May	5 47½	5 55	5 45	5 52½	5 42½
Pork:					
January	10 07½	10 22½	10 07½	10 17½	10 02½
May	10 40	10 55	10 37½	10 47½	10 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	56	69	391	262	7	122
Milwaukee	1	58	52	30	3	46
Minneapolis	—	188	18	15	1	6
Duluth	—	57	2	2	—	—
St. Louis	7	16	44	70	—	—
Kansas City	—	9	33	—	—	—
Toledo	—	9	46	7	—	—
Detroit	—	7	51	9	—	—
Peoria	—	4	52	13	—	—
Totals	64	417	659	408	11	174

Shipments from these points:

Chicago	33	15	156	248	2	50
Milwaukee	4	20	2	—	1	9
Minneapolis	54	49	—	7	2	—
Duluth	—	28	—	—	—	4
St. Louis	9	21	91	20	—	—
Kansas City	—	32	14	3	—	—
Toledo	—	14	23	8	—	—
Detroit	1	—	11	—	—	—
Peoria	—	—	—	14	—	—
Totals	101	179	297	300	5	63

Receipts at Atlantic ports:

New-York	23	52	66	66	28	31
Boston	2	27	8	25	—	—
Philadelphia	—	3	151	14	1	—
Baltimore	10	23	196	18	2	—
New-Orleans	4	12	24	8	—	—
Galveston	—	31	36	—	—	—
Totals	39	130	481	131	31	31

Exports from Atlantic ports:

New-York	24	69	215	47	—	50
Boston	3	—	29	1	—	—
Philadelphia	—	1	71	15	1	—
Baltimore	—	—	180	—	—	—
New-Orleans	—	57	123	—	—	—
Galveston	—	—	19	—	—	—
Totals	27	127	637	63	1	50

METALS—The general market was irregular and more or less unsettled all day, with iron and tin the weaker departments. The news from abroad and the West was conflicting and hardly calculated to inspire confidence among holders here. At the close the Metal Exchange called pig iron warrants easy for futures; lake copper unchanged at $16 50; tin unsettled and nominal at $24 50; lead unchanged at $4 70@$4 75; spelter quiet and steady at $4 57½@$4 62½. The brokers' price for lead was $4 72½ and for copper $4 60.

MOLASSES AND SYRUPS—The market for molasses remains very steady, but lacks snap and energy. Syrups were firm, but the prices asked as a rule were beyond the ideas of exporters and other buyers. Quotations of foreign New-Orleans, centrifugals, common, 8½@12c; fair, 13@15c; good, 16@18c; prime, 20@28c; New-Orleans, open kettle, 32@40c; Porto Rico, 28@35c; syrups, common, 11@12c; fair, 13@14c; good, 15@17c; prime, 18@19c; fancy, 20@22c.

OCEAN FREIGHTS—Sail tonnage was in good demand, especially for the offshore trades, but the volume of business limited, owing to the light offerings. Rates were firm. In steam tonnage trading was light, owing to the absence of demand. Rates were nominal and without quotable change. Quotations to Liverpool were 3d nominal; London, 3d; Glasgow, 3½d; Bristol, 3½@4d; Leith, 4d; Hull, 3¾d; Newcastle, 4½d; Antwerp, 3d; Hamburg, 30 pfgs; Rotterdam, 7c nominal; Amsterdam, 7c nominal; cotton to Liverpool, per 100 lb, 25c nominal; London oats, 1s 4½d.

OILS—Cottonseed oil was again strong and considerably higher, with sales of prime summer yellow at 32½c and 30½c generally asked at the close on the strength in lard and a good demand from shorts. Linseed oil was firm, but without change from prices quoted early in the month. Refined petroleum was also unchanged. Quotations follow: Petroleum, bbls, $9 00, and in bulk $7 25; Philadelphia, bbls, $9 85, and in bulk $7 20; refined, cases, New-York, $11; deodorized, naphtha, $11 15; cottonseed oil, prime crude, bbls, 29c; prime summer yellow, 32@33c; off summer yellow, 32½c; butter grades, 28@30c; prime white, 35@36c; prime winter yellow, 36@36½c; lard oil, American raw, 48@49c; American boiled, 50@51c; Calcutta raw, 65c; lard oil, 46@47c.

PROVISIONS—The market experienced another sharp upward movement, following an advance of 5c in hogs and light receipts. Domestic packers bought pork and English houses took lard, but late in the day there was some reaction under selling by longs. Estimated receipts for Thursday were 34,000. The local market was strong and higher, with cash lard quoted at 5.90c.....PORK—Firm, quoted: Mess, $10@$10 75; family, $12@$12 50; short clear, $11@$12.....BEEF—Steady. Quoted: Mess, $10 50; family, $12 50@$13; packet, $11 50@$12; extra India mess, $21@$23.....BEEF HAMS—Steady. Quoted at $22 50@$23 50.....DRESSED HOGS—Firm. Quoted: Bacons, 5¾c; 180 lb, 5¾c; 160 lb, 5⅞c; pigs, 6¼c.....CUT MEATS—Pickled bellies dull. Quoted: Smoking bellies, 6⅝@7¼c; 10@14 lb, 6c; 14 lb, 5¾c; 20 lb, 5¾c. Pickled shoulders steady; quoted at 5¾c. Pickled hams firm; quoted at 8¾@9c. Western greens, 8¾@9c; city greens, 8¼@8½c.....TALLOW—Firm; city, 5c; country, 4⅝@5c.....LARD—Firm; quoted at 5.90c. City lard firm; quoted at 5.35c. Refined lard strong. Quoted: South America, 6.60c; Continent, 6.20c; Brazil, kegs, 7.75c. Compound steady. Quoted: City, 5¼@5⅝c; Western, 5⅛@5⅜c.....STEARINE—Dull. Quoted: Oleo, 7¼c; city lard stearine, 7@7¼c.

RICE—Holiday trading did not materially affect the undertone of the market for domestic or foreign staple to-day. Prices were unchanged. Quotations follow: Domestic, common to low fair, 2½@4c; fair to choice, 4⅛@5c; prime to choice, 5⅛@5⅝c; head, 5⅝@6½c; Patna, 4¼@4⅝c; Japan, 4⅝@6c; Java, 4⅛@4⅝c; Rangoon, in bond, 2@2½c. The weekly letter of Dan Talmage & Sons' Company, states in part: "Advices from the South note lessening receipts at all milling centres and light demand in the Southwest. There is, however, a very strong undertone in the last mentioned quarter, due to millers getting together, hoping by co-operation and concerted action to bring about some improvement in the matter of prices, which more recently have been far from satisfying to the planter. This attempt to realize fair values may be further assisted by a restricted supply, many planters having first quality rough, holding firmly at $4 per bbl and announcing their determination to obtain such figure even if it requires the carrying of crop until the early summer. The plans above referred to do not include the Carolina contingent, and for this reason it is possible that the objects in view may fail of success. In fact, some of the larger planters along the Atlantic Coast say in substance: 'In the past we have held the umbrella while Louisiana got out of the wet, but this year will exercise our own pleasure in the matter of marketing.' Cables and correspondence from abroad, note holiday markets; business reduced to minimum, but prices firm." Talmage, New-Orleans, telegraphs Louisiana crop movement to date: Receipts, rough, 784,000 sacks; last year, 515,200 sacks; sales, clean, 1,000 sacks (estimated), 181,500 bbls; last year, 124,250 bbls. Market falling away in demand; stance one-half equal period last year. Carolina crop movement to date: Receipts, 28,155 bbls; sales, 24,230 bbls; only fair inquiry; prices firm.

SUGAR—The market for refined sugar was generally quiet and steady all day, with the situation much the same as in the early week. Quotations follow: Domestic, 5.44c; cut loaf, 5.56c; crushed, 5.69c; cubes, 5.31c; powdered and coarse powdered, 5¼c; XXXX powdered, 5.31c; dered and coarse powdered, 5¼c; XXXX powdered, 5.31c; standard granulated and fine granulated, 5.18c; coarse granulated and extra fine granulated, 5.31c; confectioners' granulated, 5.44c; 2 lb cartons, 2 lb bags, 5 lb cartons and 5 lb bags of fine granulated, 5¼c; mould A, 5.44c; diamond A, 5.18c; confectioners' A, 4.94c; Nos 1, 2 and 3, 4.69c; No 4, 4⅝c; No 5, 4.56c; No 6, 4⅜c; No 7, 4.44c; No 8, 4⅜c; No 9, 4.31c; No 10, 4.18c; No 11, 4.06c; Nos 12 and 13, 4c; Nos 14, 15 and 16, 3.94c. There were no startling developments in the raw sugar market. As a matter of fact, business was extremely light, with buyers and sellers at the close far apart. Bids were still on the basis of 4¼c for 96 test centrifugal, 3 13-16c for 89 test muscovado and 3 9-16c for 89 test molasses sugar. The cable news furnished little incentive to either bears or bulls. Cane sugar in London was reported as quiet, with buyers and sellers indifferent. Java quoted 11s 3d, and fair refining, 10s 6d. Beet sugar was steady, with but little doing; both months still quoted at 9s 3d.

COUNTRY PRODUCE MARKETS.

New-York, December 27, 1899.

BEANS AND PEAS—There is no quotable change in domestic marrow, medium or pea. Trade remains dull, but there is only a limited quantity of stock arriving. Red kidney are 2½c lower, exporters having filled a few orders at $2 25. Other kinds are selling slowly, but the moderate quantity of stock arriving prevents any quotable change. Green and Scotch peas are dragging. We quote: Beans, marrow, 1898, choice, per bush, $2 17½@$2 20; do 1899, choice, $2 15; do medium, choice, $2; do pea, State and Michigan, bbls, $2; do bags, $1 95@$1 97½; do red kidney, 1899, choice, $2 25; do white kidney, 1899, choice, $2 62; do yellow eye, choice, $2 25; do black turtle soup, choice, $2 10; do lima, California, $3 30@$3 35; green peas, 1899, bbls, $1 30; do bags $1 25; do Scotch, 1899, bbls, $1 30@$1 32½; do bags, $1 25@$1 27½.

BUTTER—The strong features that have been noted lately culminated in an advance of ½c to-day on fancy fresh creamery, and at the higher figures quoted stock is moving only very satisfactorily. Extra Western creamery firmly established at 27½c, and some marks that very firmly established at 27½c, and some marks that have heretofore sold fully ½c below the top were placed at 27c. The market was so strong that qualities were not criticized very closely, and notwithstanding the fact that a good deal of butter is showing wintry, buyers are taking it at reasonably full figures. June creamery standard of first hands. State dairy still scarce. Imitation creamery and fresh factory moving pretty well. We quote: Creamery, Western, extras, per lb, 27½c; do firsts, 25½@26½c; do thirds to seconds, 22@25c; do State, extras, 27@27½c; do firsts, 25½@26½c; do thirds to seconds, 22@25c; do June, extras, 25½c; do firsts, 23½@24½c; do held, thirds to seconds, 21@23c; State dairy, half firkin tubs, fresh, fancy, 25@25½c; do firsts, 23@24c; State dairy, tubs, seconds, 20@22c; do thirds, 18@19c; State dairy, firkins, finest, 23c; do thirds to firts, 18@22c; Western imitation creamery, extras, 23@23½c; do firsts, 21@22c; do lower grades, 17@20c; Western factory, fancy, 26c; do firsts, 18c; do thirds to seconds, 16@17c; Western factory, June, finest, 18c; do held, lower grades, 16@17c; rolls, fresh, common to choice, 16@20c.

CHEESE—The market generally presents a quiet appearance. Home trade dealers are only taking such small lots as are actually necessary for urgent use, and little trading can be expected until after the turn of the year. We notice a lot of 269 boxes last half of August and first half of September make sold for export on a direct cable order, but otherwise very little doing on export account, though some orders here which cannot be filled at the prices offered. Skims are quiet at the moment, but steadily held. Liverpool cables 59s for colored and 57s for white. We quote: State, full cream, small, fall made, fancy, per lb, 12⅜@13c; do November, finest, 12@12¼c; do good to choice, 11¾@11⅞c; do common to fair, 11@11½c; do large, fall made, fancy, 12⅜@13c; do November, choice, 11⅞@12c; do good to prime, 11¼@11½c; do common to fair, 10@11c; light skims, small, choice, 10½@10¾c; do large, choice, 9½@9¾c; part skims, small, prime, 9½@10c; do large, prime, 9@9¼c; do fair to good, 7½@8¾c; common, 5½@6½c; full skims, 495c.

EGGS—Demand for fancy fresh is fair and the market shows a steady tone at yesterday's decline. Undergrades dull and irregular. Refrigerator eggs pressed for sale and values extremely irregular. Limed dull. We quote: Jersey and near by, fancy, white, selected, 25@26c; do average best, 24c; Western best, 23c; do fair to good, 21@22c; Southern best, 21@22c; Southern and Western poor to fair, per 30 dozen case, $4 20@$5 10; refrigerator, fall packed, fancy, 16@17c; do spring packed, best, 14@15c; do poor to good, per 30 dozen case, $2 70@$3 90; limed, per dozen, 12@15c.

FRUITS—FRESH—Arrivals of apples are heavy to-day and a few more are expected during the week; there is still a fair supply on hand, for which trade is only moderate; strictly fancy qualities, however, are held firmly. Little doing in grapes. Cranberries have a fair movement and prices rule slightly in sellers' favor. Florida oranges of fancy quality would sell fairly at firm prices, but most of the offerings are below prime and dragging heavily, sales showing a wide range and rather a low average. We quote: Apples, Wine Sap, good to choice, per bbl, $2 50@$3 50; do York Imperial, $2 50@$3 50; do King, fair to fancy, $2@$3; do Spitzenburg, fair to choice, $2@$4; do Ben Davis, fancy, $2 75@$3 50; do fair to good, $2@$2 50; do Spy, fair to choice, $1 75@$2 25; do Baldwin, Western New-York, fancy, $2 50@$3; do fair to good, $1 75@$2 25; do Greening, ice house, fancy, $3@$3 25; do Western New-York, fair to prime, $1 75@$2 25; do up river, fair to prime, $1 75@$2 25; Pelican, Jersey, per bbl, $2@$2 75; do Smith Cider, Jersey, $1 75@$2 25; inferior stock, $1 25@$1 50; grapes, Western New-York, Catawba, per 4-lb basket, 8@12c; do Concord, 6@10c; bulk stock in fancy, per ton, $20@$25; cranberries, Cape Cod, large varieties, fancy, per bbl, $7; do fair to good, $6@$6 50; do Early Black, fancy, $5 75@$6; do fair to prime, $5@$5 50; do defective, $4@$4 50; do per crate, $1 50@$2; Jersey, hand assorted, prime, per bbl, $5@$5 25; do extra dark, fancy, per crate, $1 65; do good to choice, per crate, $1 40@$1 50; do inferior, $1@$1 25; oranges, bright, Florida, fancy, 126 to 176 per box, $3 75@$4 25; do prime to choice, $3@$3 50; russet, Florida, good to choice, $2 75@$3 50; do poor to fair, $1 50@$2 50; grape fruit, Florida, per box, $5@$8; tangerines, per box, $6@$8; mandarins, per box, $5@$6; seedlings, California, $2@$2 50; navel, California, per box, $2 50@$3 50.

FRUITS—DRIED—Evaporated apples are in moderate supply, and, with a good demand, the market continues firm for desirable grades. Sun dried sliced dull and weak, but quarters in demand from exporters and firm. Chops and waste quiet. Small fruits in light supply and held firmly at the high figures quoted. California fruit is meeting a good jobbing demand. We quote: Apples, evaporated, fancy, per lb, 8⅝@9c; do choice, 7¾@8c; do prime, 6⅝@7c; do common to good, 6@6½c; do sun dried, sliced, 5@6c; do quarters, 5@6c; do chops, 1⅝@1¾c; do cores and skins, 1½@1⅝c; raspberries, evaporated, 13@14c; huckleberries, 14@15c; blackberries, 6¾@6½c; cherries, 15@15½c; apricots, California, Moorpark, 15@17½c; do Royal, 13@14c; peaches, California, peeled, 18@22c; do unpeeled, 7½@9c; prunes, California, 3½@7c.

HOPS—The general features of the market are unchanged. The demand does not expand much, either on home or export account, and the feeling is easy on medium and lower qualities, which comprise the great bulk of the arrivals, both from this State and the Pacific Coast. We quote: State, 1899, choice, per lb, 14c; do good to prime, 10@12c; do common to fair, 6@9c; do 1898, common to prime, 6@9c; Pacific Coast, 1899, choice, 14c; do good to prime, 10@12c; do common to fair, 6@9c; do 1898, common to choice, 6@11c; State or Pacific Coast, old olds, 2@5c.

HAY AND STRAW—HAY—The market continues in