SHIFTING BLAME FROM KELLOGG.

DEFENCE IS THAT HE WAS NOT A MEMBER OF THE E. S. DEAN COMPANY.

The defence in the case of James B. Kellogg, of the E. S. Dean Company, was opened yesterday in Part I of General Sessions before Recorder Goff, Mr. Davis moving for a dismissal of the case on the ground of insufficient evidence, which was denied. Delos McCurdy, the associate of Mr. Davis, said that Kellogg was not among the officials, did not sign the articles of incorporation and held no stock. He declared that it had not been shown that Kellogg had ever made false representations and that the prosecution had failed to produce a single person who sent money to Kellogg for investment on the "sure investment plan." Those who testified on this line had sent their money to the Dean corporation, and not to the defendant. He also declared that it had not been proven that Kellogg had shared in any dishonest division of money received by the Dean corporation.

W. M. K. Olcott, the special District Attorney, answered him at length. Mr. McCurdy then argued that Mr. Olcott was laboring under a misapprehension. His argument showed that he clearly misunderstood that Kellogg had transferred his interests in the firm of E. S. Dean & Co. to the corporation of the E. S. Dean Company. Mr. McCurdy stated positively that Kellogg did not continue in the corporation. He said that on October 12, 1896, when the business was changed from a firm or co-partnership into a corporation Kellogg was cut off entirely from the business. Mr. McCurdy declared that the officers of the Dean company were the parties who should be held responsible.

The Recorder, however, reconsidered his action in overruling the defence's objection to the introduction of the ledger of the American Exchange National Bank.

Recorder Goff said that he had concluded that the original objection by Mr. Davis to the introduction of the ledger was valid. The jury was ordered to disregard the testimony of witnesses who had used entries in the ledger to refresh their memories. The ledger was placed in evidence last Wednesday. Shortly after 1 o'clock an adjournment was taken until 10:30 o'clock Monday morning.

THIEVERY ON WARD'S ISLAND.

PROPERTY CLERK WHO IS ARRESTED PROMISES TO IMPLICATE OTHERS.

Daniel Leddy, thirty-nine years old, for six years the property clerk at the Manhattan State Hospital, on Ward's Island, was a prisoner in the Harlem Police Court yesterday on complaint of Dr. Charles T. W. Rowe, of the hospital. Dr. Rowe alleges that Leddy stole $65 from a patient named William Davis.

For some time money and valuables have been missed from the hospital, and an investigation was started. Leddy was finally suspected and arrested. He pleaded not guilty, and asked for an adjournment so that he could secure counsel. An adjournment was granted until Thursday morning, and he was held in $500 bail. Leddy would not discuss the case further than to say that sensational developments would come out, implicating other men in the hospital.

COURT CALENDARS FOR TO-DAY.

Supreme Court—Special Term—Part II—Before Lawrence, J.—Court opens at 10:30 a. m. Ex parte matters.

Surrogate's Court—Chambers—Before Thomas, S.—Court opens at 10:30 a. m. No day calendar. Wills for probate: Abbie B. Longstreet, Lizzie A. Stafford, John M. Cooper, Samuel B. Jones, at 10:30 a. m.

City Court—Special Term—Before Schuchman, J.—Court opens at 10 a. m. Motions at 10:30 a. m.

REFEREES APPOINTED.

Supreme Court.
By Bischoff, jr., J.
Clark agt. Ferris—James R. Torrence.
By Andrews, J.
Matter of Brown & Magown—John E. Brodsky.
By Freedman, J.
White agt. Shrady—Hamilton Odell.

THE STATE OF TRADE.

Buffalo, March 23.—Spring wheat: No 1 hard, round lots, 77⅞c; No 1 Northern, carloads, 76⅞c; No 2 Northern, 73⅞c. Winter wheat, No 2 red, 73c bid; mixed, 72½c; No 1 white, 72c. Corn stronger; No 2 yellow, 41⅝@42c; No 3 yellow, 41½@41⅝c; No 4 yellow, 41@41½c; No 2 corn, 41⅝@41½c; No 3 corn, 41@41¼c. Oats dull; No 2 white, 29½@29⅝c; No 3 white, 29@29¼c; No 4 white, 28½c; No 2 mixed, 28½c; No 3 mixed, 26c. Rye, No 2, nominally 62c. Flour steady.

Chicago, March 23.—The leading futures ranged as follows:

Wheat, No. 2:	Opening.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.
March	—	—	—	65⅛
May	65⅛@65¼	65⅝	65⅛	65½@65⅝
July	66⅛@66¼	66½@66⅝	66⅛	66½@66⅝
Corn, No. 2:				
March	—	—	—	36⅛
May	36⅝@36⅞	37⅛	36⅝@36⅞	37⅛@37⅜
July	37⅛@37⅜	38⅛	37⅛	38⅛@38⅜
September	37⅝@37⅞	38⅜	37⅝	38⅜
Oats, No. 2:				
May	23⅝@24	24@24⅛	23⅞@24	24@24⅛
July	22⅝@22⅞	23	22⅝@22⅞	22⅞@23
Mess pork, per bbl:				
May	$11 70	$11 80	$11 70	$11 80
July	11 55	11 62½	11 50	11 62½
Lard, per 100 lb:				
May	6 20	6 27½	6 17½	6 27½
July	6 27½	6 37½	6 25	6 35
Short ribs, per 100 lb:				
May	6 27½	6 35	6 25	6 35
July	6 27½	6 37½	6 27½	6 35

Cash quotations were as follows: Flour barely steady; No 3 spring wheat, 62@64⅞c; No 2 red, 68c; No 2 corn, 37½c; No 2 yellow, 37⅛@37½c; No 2 oats, 24@24¼c; No 2 white, 26¼@26½c; No 3 white, 26@26½c; No 2 rye, 54½@55c; No 2 barley, 38@42c; No 1 flaxseed, $1 65; No 1 Northwestern, $1 65; prime timothy seed, $2 35@$2 50; clover, contract grade, $8 25; mess pork, per bbl, $11 20@$11 85; lard, per 100 lb, $6 17½@$6 25; short ribs sides (loose), $6 25@$6 50; dry salted shoulders (boxed), $6 25@$6 50; short clear sides (boxed), $6 40@$6 50; whiskey, distillers' finished goods, basis of high wines, per gallon, $1 24½; sugars, cut loaf, $6; granulated, $5 44. On the Produce Exchange to-day the butter market was steady; creameries, 19@23c; dairies, 16@22c. Cheese firm, 12@13c. Eggs steady; fresh, 11@11½c.

Cincinnati, March 23.—Flour quiet. Wheat easy; No 2 red, 71@72c. Corn active; No 2 mixed, 39c. Rye dull; No 2, 60c. Butter quiet. Sugar steady. Eggs steady, 11c. Cheese steady.

Milwaukee, March 23.—Wheat lower; No 1 Northern, 66@67c; No 2 Northern, 64@65c. Rye weak; No 1, 56½@57c; No 2, 54½@55c. Barley firm; No 2, 43@44c; sample, 38½@42c.

Minneapolis, March 23.—Close: Wheat—In store, No 1 Northern, March, 63⅝c; May, 65⅝c; July, 64⅞@65c; September, 63¾@63⅝c; on track, No 1 hard, 65⅝c; No 1 Northern, 64⅝c; No 2 Northern, 62⅝c.

Philadelphia, March 23.—Wheat ¼c lower; contract grade, March, 72⅛@73⅛c. Corn firm and ½c higher; No 2 mixed, March, 41⅛@41½c. Oats quiet but steady; No 2 white clipped, 31@31½c; No 3 do, 30@30½c; No 2 mixed do, 29@29½c. Seeds steady; clover, Western, per bush, carlots, $5 10@$5 75; do Pennsylvania, per lb, as to quality, 6@8c; timothy, Western, per bush, carlots, $1 30@$1 35. Butter firm; fancy Western creamery, 25½c; do prints, 27c. Eggs firm; fresh nearby, Western and Southwestern, 15c; Southern, 14c. Cheese quiet but steady. Receipts—Flour, 2,400 bbls, 10,000 sacks; wheat, 8,000 bush; corn, 87,000 bush; oats, 33,000 bush. Shipments—Corn, 153,000 bush; oats, 7,000 bush.

St. Louis, March 23.—Wheat—No 2 red, cash, 70⅝c; March, 70⅝c; May, 69⅝c; July, 65¼c; No 2 hard, 65@66½c. Corn—No 2 cash, 35½c; March, 35⅝c; May, 36⅛c; July, 36⅝c. Oats—No 2 cash, 25c; March, 25c; May, 24⅝c; July, 22½c; No 2 white, 27½c.

Toledo, March 23.—Wheat dull, lower; No 2 cash, 71c; May, 72c. Corn firm, unchanged; No 2 mixed, 37c. Oats dull, lower; No 2 mixed, 24⅝c. Rye dull; No 2 cash, 57½c. Clover seed dull, unchanged; prime cash, old, $4 95; March, new, $5 55; October, $5 10; No 2 seed, $4 50@$4 75.

EUROPEAN PRODUCE MARKET.

Liverpool, March 23.—Closing: Beef firm; extra India mess, 75s 9d; prime mess, 72s 6d. Pork firm; prime mess Western, 56s 3d. Hams—Short cut, 14 to 16 lb, steady, 47s 6d. Bacon firm; Cumberland cut, 28 to 30 lb, 38s; short rib, 18 to 22 lb, 36s; long clear middles, light, 30 to 35 lb, 37s 6d; long clear middles, heavy, 35 to 40 lb, 37s; short clear backs, 16 to 18 lb, 35s 6d; clear bellies, 14 to 16 lb, easy, 37s. Shoulders—Square, 12 to 14 lb, steady, 34s. Lard firm; prime city, 32s; American refined, 34s. Butter nominal. Cheese—American finest white, dull, 59s 6d; American finest colored steady, 63s. Tallow dull; prime city, 29s; Australian in London, 29s 3d. Cottonseed oil—Hull refined; May-August firm, 21s 3d. Turpentine—Spirits steady, 41s. Rosin—Common steady, 5s. Petroleum—Refined, 7¾d. Linseed oil, 25s 3d. Peas—Canadian, 5s 7½d. Flour—St. Louis fancy winter steady, 7s 3d. Hops at London—Pacific Coast steady, 15 5s@15 15s. Wheat—Spot firm; No 1 Northern spring, 6s 2¾d; futures steady; March nominal; May, 5s 8⅝d; July, 5s 9d. Corn—Spot steady; American mixed new, 3s 9¾d; American mixed old, 3s 10¾d; futures firm; May, 3s 9⅞d; July, 3s 9⅞d.

SOUTHERN COTTON MARKETS.

Galveston, March 23.—Cotton quiet; middling, 9⅝c; low middling, 9⅛c; good ordinary, 8⅞c; receipts, 2,106 bales; exports to Great Britain, 4,343; sales, 4; stock, 89,828.

Memphis, March 23.—Cotton steady; middling, 9 7-16c; low middling, 9 3-16c; good ordinary, 8 13-16c; receipts, 263 bales; shipments, 1,078; sales, 500; stock, 75,018; 1899, 98,581.

Baltimore, March 23.—Cotton nominal; middling, 9 15-16c; low middling, 9½c; good ordinary, 8⅞c; net receipts, 471 bales; gross, 3,366; exports to France, 775; to the Continent, 9,428; stock, 6,430.

St. Louis, March 23.—Cotton quiet; middling, 9 7-16c; low middling, 9¼c; good ordinary, 8⅞c; net receipts, 336 bales; gross, 1,939; shipments, 2,575; stock, 69,209.

Savannah, March 23.—Cotton quiet; middling, 9½c; low middling, 9¼c; good ordinary, 8⅞c; receipts, 1,711 bales; exports to Great Britain, 11,481; to the Continent, 13,188; coastwise, 799; sales, 106; stock, 108,535.

New-Orleans, March 23.—Cotton quiet; middling, 9⅝c; low middling, 9⅛c; good ordinary, 8 11-16c; net receipts, 8,282 bales; gross, 4,223; exports to the Continent, 1,533; coastwise, 1,091; sales, 1,000; stock (corrected), 361,160.

THE LONDON WOOL MARKET.

London, March 23.—There was a fair attendance at the wool auction sales to-day. The number of bales offered aggregated 11,315. Merinos, which consisted mostly of scoureds, went to the home trade. American buyers were the chief competitors at prices against sellers. Poor greasy wools sold at 7½ per cent below the opening of the series. Good wools, suitable for America, sold at unchanged prices. There were numerous withdrawals. The following is the sale in detail: New South Wales, 1,100 bales; scoured, 1s 44d@1s 8½d; greasy, 9d@1s. Queensland, 900 bales; scoured, 1s 8d@1s 9½d; greasy, 9d@1s 1d. Victoria, 1,200 bales; scoured, 1s 5d@1s 9½d; greasy, 7d@1s 3d. South Australia, 900 bales; greasy, 9½@11½d. West Australia, 900 bales; scoured, 1s 3½@1s 4d; greasy, 6½@8½d. New-Zealand, 4,900 bales; scoured, 6½d@1s 4d; greasy, 4d@1s ½d. Falkland Islands, 1,600 bales; greasy, 5⅝@8½d. Punta Arenas, 400 bales; greasy, 7@8d.

THE MARKETS.

TOTAL DOMESTIC RECEIPTS TO-DAY.

New-York, March 23, 1900.

Ashes, pkgs	22	Cranberries, crates	225
Beeswax, pkgs	3	Rosin, oil, bbls	30
Beans, white, bbls	202	Oilmeal, bags	1,500
Beans, lima, bags	500	Oleo stock, pkgs	245
Broomcorn, bales	45	Pork, bbls	200
Flour, bbls	9,815	Beef (canned), cases	75
Flour, sacks	16,238	Hams, pkgs	260
Cornmeal, bbls	1,142	Bacon, pkgs	60
Cornmeal, bags	2,807	Dressed hogs, No	41
Wheat, bush	39,200	Lard, tcs	100
Corn, bush	67,275	Lard, kegs	7,530
Oats, bush	75,400	Cut meats, pkgs	381
Peas, bush	1,100	Tallow, pkgs	202
Buckwheat, bush	6,700	Grease, pkgs	150
Barley, bush	6,825	Butter, pkgs	2,523
Malt, bush	7,200	Cheese, pkgs	1,979
Hominy, pkgs	100	Eggs, cases	11,485
Cotton, bales	1,930	Rice, bbls	240
Cottonseed oil, bbls	250	Rice, bags	400
Copper, bbls	24	Rice, pkts	2,795
Copper, pcs	2,037	Grass seed, bags	412
Copper matte, bags	3,406	Prunes, pkgs	3,235
Hay, tons	1,040	Dried fruits, pkgs	1,716
Straw, tons	60	Skins, bales	162
Hops, bales	743	Spelter, pieces	1,400
Hemp, bales	55	Starch, bbls	1,150
Hides, No	990	Sugar, bags	10,640
Leather, sides	2,420	Molasses, bbls	440
Moss, bales	5	Soap stock, pkgs	100
Rosin, bbls	180	Tobacco, hhds	68
Spirits turp, bbls	100	Tobacco, tcs	5
Dressed poultry, pkgs	1,388	Tobacco, pkgs	1,865
Live poultry, crates	10	Whiskey, bbls	595
Oranges, boxes	2,172	Wool, bales	9
Apples, bbls	1,780	Wine (Cal), pkgs	300
Potatoes, bbls	4,050	Istle, bales	234
Onions, bbls	340		

CASH QUOTATIONS.

Iron, Nor, No 1 dly	$22 50	Cotton, middling	9⅞
Iron, So, No 2 soft	20 75	Coffee, No 7 Rio	8 3-16
Steel rails	34 00	Sugar, granulated	5.15
Lake copper ingot	16 65	Molasses, O K, prime	44
Tin	30 75	Beef, family	$12 00
Exchange lead	4 70	Beef hams	21 00
Pelter	4 55	Tallow, prime	5 3-16
Wheat, No 2 red	78⅝	Pork, mess	12 00
Corn, No 2 mixed	44⅛	Hogs, dressed, 160 lb.	7
Oats, No 2 mixed	28½	Lard, prime	6 55
Flour, Minn. patents	3 85		

EXPORTS TO-DAY.

Corn, bush	33,941	Cottonseed oil, gals	6,540
Oats, bush	360	Lubricating oil, gals	68,790
Barley, bush	11,639	Pork, bbls	28
Peas, bush	4	Beef, bbls	136
Beans, bush	240	Bacon, lb	99,750
Flour, bbls	2,710	Hams, lb	79,600
Flour, sacks	500	Lard, lb	366,869
Cornmeal, bbls	60	Tallow, lb	82,000
Bran, lb	257,820	Butter, lb	6,700
Rosin, bbls	140	Cheese, lb	1,860
Refined pet, gals	1,582,438		

GENERAL MARKET REPORT.

New-York, March 23, 1900.

COFFEE—A sudden decline in European markets was a signal for liquidation on the local Exchange, as well as a cause for buyers to temporarily withdraw. Speculation did not broaden in the general sense of the term, and from start to finish the "talent" seemed inclined to bear. Not only were the foreign market cables against the market bull operations, but statistics showed large arrivals in New-York, liberal clearances for this country and larger receipts at Brazilian ports. In the spot department demand was slack, with prices lower under more liberal offers. Futures closed barely steady at a net decline of from 10 to 20 points. Total sales for the day were limited to 13,000 bags. The market for spot coffee was unsettled at the close, with prices on the basis of 8c for No 8 Rio, 8⅛@8¼c for No 7 Rio, 8⅜@8½c for No 6 Rio and 8⅝c for No 4 Rio. Yesterday the steamer Kaffir Prince cleared Rio with 3,000 bags. The steamer Bellarden has arrived in New-York with 14,588 bags Rio, 7,100 bags Santos and 3,184 bags Bahia. The present stock of coffee in Havre is 1,758,000 bags, including 1,392,000 bags Brazilian, against 1,769,000 and 1,388,000 bags respectively a week ago.

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

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yesterday.
March	—	—	—	6.80@6.70	6.80
April	6.65	6.65	6.65	6.60@6.65	6.80
May	6.75	6.75	6.65	6.60@6.65	6.80
June	6.65	6.65	6.65	6.60@6.65	6.80
July	6.75	6.75	6.75	6.65@6.70	6.80
August	6.75	6.75	6.75	6.70@6.75	6.85
September	6.85	6.85	6.80	6.75@6.80	6.90
October	—	—	—	6.80@6.85	6.90
November	—	—	—	6.80@6.85	6.95
December	7.10	7.10	7.05	7.00@7.05	7.10
January	7.05	7.05	7.05	7.00@7.05	7.15
February	—	—	—	7.10@7.15	7.20

Foreign Coffee Markets: Santos—Coffee market quiet; good average Santos, 8⅞@9c; receipts, 6,000 bags; stock, 307,000 bags. Hamburg—Coffee market opened steady, at 2:30 p m, net unchanged to ¼ pfg lower; sales, 11,000 bags. Havre—Coffee market opened quiet at ½ franc decline; at 12 m further decline ¼ franc; at 3 p m, April unchanged; other months ¼ franc higher; at 5:30 p m declined ¼ franc more; sales, 17,000 bags.

January	45.75	July	44.75
February	45.75	August	45.00
March	44.00	September	45.25
April	43.75	October	45.50
May	44.25	November	45.75
June	44.50	December	45.75

Rio—Coffee market steady; No 7 Rio, 9⅝@9⅞c; exchange, 8¼d; receipts, 9,000 bags; cleared for the United States, 11,000 bags; cleared for Europe, 1,000 bags; stock, 307,000 bags.

The statistical position of Brazilian coffee is as follows:

	To-day.	Yesterday.	Last week.
New-York deliveries	10,632	10,673	17,567
Baltimore deliveries	520	483	281
New-Orleans deliveries	89	222	203
Total deliveries	11,241	11,378	18,051
New-York stock	668,511	655,271	647,119
Baltimore stock	76,875	76,895	80,222
New-Orleans stock	72,842	24,827	26,650
Stock at all ports	818,728	756,993	753,991
Afloat	433,000	481,000	487,000
Visible supply	1,251,728	1,237,993	1,240,991
Same time 1899	1,315,672	1,312,285	1,929,360

COTTON—The course of prices on the Cotton Exchange continues, taking one day with another, of a seesaw order. The market took a sudden turn for the worse to-day and broke 4@13 points under active liquidation by local and foreign interests, prompted by an army of bearish influences, the equal of which has seldom been brought to bear on the market in recent times. As a response to disappointing Liverpool cables the market opened 4 to 8 points lower on near months and unchanged to 4 points lower on distant months, steady in tone. Positive weakness of its own cropped out later and prices withered several points further. Feeble rallies only occurred during the balance of the session, and sentiment in the pit continued of bearish average. Reports that the South was releasing the balance of spot holdings and was selling the new crop positions short coupled with encouraging crop advices than yet received this season, figured as leading factors. But probably the most potent influence of the day was a batch of cablegrams from Liverpool depicting great nervousness on the part of Manchester spinners as a result of reports from India to the effect that famine conditions were causing serious changes for the worse in the Far East cloth market, leading to resales of cloths and yarns held by speculators and others. Though slow to accept this information, the local trade eventually placed reliance in the Indian news, more particularly as final reports from Liverpool were indicative of great weakness in present crop positions. There was no denying the fact that interior stocks are small, the amount of cotton suitable to spinners' use is meagre and that the farm work South is backward. But with spinners here and abroad supplied for months to come with raw material and demand for manufactured goods gradually tapering off, the shortage in stocks in the South does not carry the weight it would under ordinary circumstances. At the present time the trade seems to be holding out for a cue from the other side and some new development in the cotton belt situation. To-day's speculation was not active, taken as a whole, and for the most part consisted of a professional interchange of accounts. The amount brought into sight this week, according to Secretary Hester, was 118,236 bales, against 147,330 last year, 131,705 in 1898 and 62,587 bales in 1897. In sight since September 1 is 8,123,537 bales, against 9,906,481 last year, 10,134,256 in 1898 and 7,911,386 bales in 1897. The market was finally quiet and steady in tone, with prices net 9 to 13 points lower on near months and 1 to 4 points lower on far months.

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

	Opening.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yesterday.
March	9.39	9.45	9.39	9.40@9.42	9.49
April	9.46	9.46	9.37	9.36@9.39	9.49
May	9.44	9.44	9.36	9.37@	9.48
June	9.36	9.37	9.36	9.33@9.34	9.42
July	9.34	9.37	9.31	9.32@9.33	9.42
August	9.23	9.24	9.16	9.19@9.20	9.29
September	8.41	8.43	8.40	8.41@8.42	8.44
October	8.08	8.11	8.08	8.09@8.10	8.10
November	7.98	8.00	7.95	7.96@7.97	7.98
December	7.98	7.99	7.94	7.95@7.96	7.98
January	7.99	7.99	7.94	7.95@7.97	7.99
February	7.99	8.00	7.99	7.96@7.97	7.99

Spot cotton closed quiet, with quotations unchanged, on the basis of 9⅞c for middling upland and 10⅛c for middling Gulf. Total sales of 500 bales were for export. Southern spot markets were officially reported by wire as follows: New-Orleans quiet, 9⅝c; Mobile nominal, 9⅝c, off ⅛c; Savannah quiet, 9½c; Charleston firm, 9⅝c bid; Wilmington, 9½c; Norfolk nominal, 9⅝c, off ⅛c; Baltimore nominal, 9 15-16c; Augusta quiet and steady, 9 11-16c; Memphis steady, 9 7-16c; St Louis quiet, 9 7-16c. The export movement follows:

To-day	Great Britain.	France.	Continent.
Thus far this week	16,908	1,469	25,272
This week last year	60,419	29,515	72,694
This season	1,806,950	618,715	2,022,645

Estimated receipts for to-morrow at New-Orleans are from 7,000 to 8,000 bales, against 4,791 last week and 6,350 bales last year. Estimated receipts at Houston were from 1,000 to 1,200 bales, against 1,701 last week and 1,548 bales last year.

Receipts of cotton at the ports and principal interior towns to-day, with totals for this week, last week and for this week in 1899:

Ports:	Totals to-day.	Totals this week.	Totals last week.	Totals this week last year.
Galveston	2,106	10,601	16,720	21,887
New-Orleans	3,282	29,478	13,486	42,856
Mobile	993	3,956	2,940	1,933
Savannah	1,711	16,399	20,222	9,262
Charleston	368	3,808	4,195	2,469
Wilmington	941	2,157	3,358	566
Norfolk	812	5,490	6,571	5,583
Baltimore	471	2,580	2,859	1,512
New-York	331	4,552	6,320	3,252
Boston	469	4,409	2,473	4,699
Philadelphia	100	726	1,558	619
Various	80	21,057	980	10,491
Totals	11,664	105,213	111,682	105,169
Interior:				
Augusta	128	3,435	3,289	1,801
Memphis	263	2,161	449	18,378
St. Louis	336	985	1,225	4,462
Houston	1,270	9,418	11,452	32,052

The weekly Liverpool statistical statement, with interesting comparisons, follows:

	This week.	Last week.	Last year.	1898.
Sales, all kinds	53,000	52,000	52,000	55,000
Sales, American	44,000	45,000	48,000	51,000
Sales for speculation	1,000	2,000	—	—
Sales for export	3,000	1,000	3,000	1,000
Forwarded	67,000	86,000	65,000	74,000
Import, all kinds	97,000	111,000	48,000	83,000
Import, American	87,000	98,000	34,000	55,000
Export, actual	6,000	8,000	11,000	7,000
Stock, all kinds	657,000	632,000	1,756,000	1,216,000
Stock, American	557,000	527,000	1,631,000	1,077,000
Afloat, all kinds	227,000	230,000	89,000	282,000
Afloat, American	209,000	209,000	85,000	230,000

Cotton Exchange special Liverpool cables: Spot cotton easier; sales, 8,000 bales; speculation and export, 500; American, 7,000; receipts, 13,000, all American; middling upland, 5 15-32d. Futures opened quiet and unchanged; at 1:45 p. m. were dull at 2@2¼ 64d net decline; closed easy at 1@4½ 64d net decline, chiefly on present crop months: December-January, 4.28⅛b; January-February, 4.22c, March, 5.20c; March-April, 5.18c; April-May, 5.15c; May-June, 5.12⅛c; June-July, 5.10c; July-August, 5.08c; August-September, 4.65c; September-October, 4.41c; October-November, 4.31c; November-December, 4.25½b. Manchester—Yarns quiet, but steady. Cloths move slowly.

COMPARATIVE COTTON STATEMENT.

(For the week ending March 23, 1900.)

	Bales.		Bales.
Net receipts at all United States ports during week	105,213		
Net receipts at all United States ports this same week last year	105,169		
Total receipts to this date	5,843,483		
Total receipts same date last year	7,484,046		
Exports for the week	159,028		
Exports for same week last year	60,649		
Total exports to this date	4,448,310		
Total exports to same date last year	6,037,929		
Stock at all United States ports	808,859		
Stock at all United States ports same time last year	786,613		
Stock at all interior towns	348,033		
Stock at all interior towns same time last year	444,994		
Stock at Liverpool	657,000		
Stock at Liverpool same time last year	1,756,000		
Stock of American afloat for Great Britain	209,000		
Stock of American afloat for Great Britain same time last year	85,000		

The following are the total net receipts of cotton at all ports since September 1 last:

	Bales.		Bales.
Galveston	1,605,536	New-York	83,265
New-Orleans	1,633,894	Boston	77,870
Mobile	187,516	Newport News	15,290
Savannah	966,641	Philadelphia	41,105
Charleston	244,833	Brunswick	90,437
Wilmington	265,052	Port Arthur and Sabine Pass	53,190
Norfolk	356,251	Pensacola	110,893
Baltimore	79,716		
Total			5,843,480

FLOUR AND MEAL—In low grade winters there was a better trade yesterday, and buyers would take spring patents at $3 75, if they were available at that figure. Prices as a rule, however, showed no change, closing firmer. We quote: Spring patents, $3 70@$3 95; winter straights, $3 45@$3 55; winter patents, $3 65@$3 90; spring clears, $2 80@$3; extra No 1 winter, $2 80@$2 90; extra No 2 winter, $2 60@$2 75; low grades, $1 75@$18 per ton, spot and to arrive. RYE FLOUR—Easy. Quoted: Fair to good, $3 10@$3 20; choice to fancy, $3 20@$3 55. CORNMEAL—Firm. Quoted: Kiln dried, $2 15@$2 30, as to brand. BAG MEAL—Firm. Quoted: Fine white and yellow, 90c@$1; coarse, $29@85c. FEED—Dull. Quoted: Spring bran, spot, $16 25, sacks, to arrive, 200 lb, $15 50; coarse winter bran, $17 50@$19 50, latter white; middlings, $16@$18 50; city bran, $16 50@$17; hominy chop, $16; oil meal, $27.

GRAIN—WHEAT—Instead of registering a pronounced decline yesterday morning in response to Argentine shipments of 4,104,000 bush, the market, after easing off ⅜c at the start, gradually became steadier, and, working its way upward throughout the day, closed quite strong at ⅛c net advance. In their efforts to overcome the influence of such enormous shipments from the Argentine bulls were greatly aided by activity and strength in corn and provisions, together with a large export business in the afternoon at this and other points. These factors proved among the most important stimulating arguments of the day, although some encouragement was derived also from a partial advance of ¼ pfg at Berlin, a 6 point advance at Budapest and the fact that Paris markets came only 5@10 points lower than Wednesday. Local sentiment, in view of these considerations, but chiefly on account of the export developments, was more bullish at the close of "Change than it had been in several days, although conservatively so, as the trade was not altogether certain about the crop conditions in winter wheat States. As usual, the bulk of news regarding prospects in the West was conflicting, some reports still maintaining that a good deal of damage had been done, while others took an opposite view of the outlook and reported favorably on the prospects for spring seeding. Temperatures remained normal all through the belt yesterday, with a little rain noted in some sections. The Northwest receipts were smaller than usual, amounting to 480 cars, against 392 cars last year. The Argentine shipments of wheat since January 1 have been 21,728,000 bush, against 10,664,000 bush the same time last year. Argentine's visible supply aggregates 7,360,000 bush, in contrast with 8,444,000 bush a week ago and 3,000,000 bush last year. The day's total receipts amounted to 74 loads. English markets closed ¼@½d net lower. Estimates on the week's shipments from all countries figured about 9,000,000 bush, and a good increase was expected in the amount on passage. Quotations of cash wheat, f o b afloat basis, closed as follows: No 2 red New-York, 78⅞c; No 1 hard Duluth, 80⅝c; No 1 hard Manitoba, 80⅝c; No 1 Northern Duluth, 78⅞c; No 1 Northern New-York, 76⅝c; No 1 Northern Chicago, 74⅞c, all prompt; No 1 hard Duluth, 77⅝c, and No 1 Northern Duluth, 75⅝c, both last May. CORN—So far as the New-York corn market was concerned operations have not been so large in a long time—perhaps in years—as they were yesterday. At the close transactions of 630,000 bush had been recorded. Not only was the market unusually active, but bull traders came to the front again, and a good deal of the strength recently sustained was recovered on an active demand from shorts, and at the West good buying for outside account, in addition to a big trade by provision houses on the long side. The news was of a character favorable to bull operations, including reports of light country acceptances and heavy seaboard clearances, latter amounting to 951,000 bushels. The export transactions, while not fully equal to bull expectations, were nevertheless fair, amounting to 43 loads all ports. News from the interior indicated that farmers are getting into the fields and increasing shipments of corn. In answer to bids sent out by Chicago elevator people, about 100,000 bushels were obtained. The strength here was continued pretty much all day, although most prominent in the last hour. Final prices here were ¾c net higher. No. 2 corn was quoted 44¼c elevator and delivered, and 44½c f o b afloat. OATS—The market quieted down as compared with yesterday, although there were a few traders to demonstrate that the speculative feature which started so valiantly on Thursday had not altogether died out. Prices covered only a narrow range, at the close showing no change on whites, and the decline on mixed. No 2 oats closed 28½c; No 3 oats, 28¼c; No 2 white, 32c; No 3 white, 31¼c; track, mixed, 29@30c; track, white, 31½@35c; No 2 white clips, 29c. RYE—Market quiet. No 1 Western, 62½c f o b, afloat; No 2 Western, 62c f o b, afloat; State rye, $5 25@$5 50, f. New-York, car lots. "Bradstreet's" exports of wheat and flour from north coasts for the week were 2,903,495 bushels, against 2,727,450 last week, and 3,746,761 last year. Since July 1 this season the exports of wheat aggregated 144,210,331 bushels, against 180,972,502 bushels last year. Corn exports for the week were 3,123,848 bushels, against 3,729,291 last week, and 3,699,629 bushels last year. Since July 1 this season corn exports aggregate 152,567,977 bushels, against 125,153,582 bushels during the same period a year ago.

NEW-YORK PRICES.

Wheat:	Opening.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yesterday.
March	—	—	—	—	75¾
May	71⅞	72 7-16	71 13-16	72¾	72¼
July	72	72 7-16	72	72⅝	72¼
Corn:					
May	42⅛	43	42⅛	43	42¼
July	42⅝	43¼	42⅝	43¼	42½
Oats:					
May	—	—	—	28¼	28⅜
No. 2 white oats:					
May	30¼	30⅜	30¼	30⅜	30⅜
Lard:					
March	—	—	—	$6 55	$6 47
CHICAGO PRICES.					
Wheat:					
May	65⅛	65⅝	65⅛	65½	65⅝
July	66⅛	66 9-16	66⅛	66½	66½
September	66⅝	67	66⅝	67	67⅛
Corn:					
May	36⅞	37⅜	36 13-16	37⅜	36⅞
July	37⅛	38⅛	37⅛	38⅛	37⅛
September	37⅜	38⅝	37⅜	38⅝	37⅝
Oats:					
May	23 15-16	24 1-16	23⅞	24	24
July	22 13-16	23	22 13-16	22⅞	22⅞
Lard:					
May	$6 20	$6 27½	$6 17½	$6 25	$6 15
July	6 27½	6 37½	6 25	6 35	6 25