# THE MARKETS.

## TOTAL DOMESTIC RECEIPTS TO-DAY.

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| | New-York, April 27, 1904. | | |
| Ashes, pkgs | 5 | Cheese, pkgs | 2,290 |
| Beans, white, bbls | 735 | Eggs, cases | 29,175 |
| Flour, bbls | 8,969 | Dressed poultry, pkgs | 1,200 |
| Flour, sacks | 11,735 | Live poultry, crates | 600 |
| Grain, bags | 400 | Potatoes (Cal), cases | 9,875 |
| Oatmeal, pkgs | 497 | Apples, bbls | 2,115 |
| Wheat, bush | 5,000 | Potatoes, bbls | 6,925 |
| Corn, bush | 22,575 | Dried fruit, pkgs | 725 |
| Oats, bush | 40,500 | Rosin, bbls | 1,550 |
| Peas, bush | 1,000 | Spirits turp, bbls | 300 |
| Barley, bush | 1,700 | Oil, bbls | 80 |
| Malt, bush | 15,000 | Oleo stock, pkgs | 800 |
| Hops, pkgs | 2,405 | Peanuts, bags | 550 |
| Hay, tons | 2,460 | Pecans, pkgs | 250 |
| Straw, tons | 340 | Tobacco, hhds | 75 |
| Millfeed, tons | 134 | Tobacco, pkgs | 1,275 |
| Flaxseed, bush | 12,000 | Whiskey, bbls | 613 |
| Beef (canned), cases | 1,978 | Wool, sacks | 100 |
| Pork, bbls | 275 | Hides, bales | 420 |
| Lard, pkgs | 380 | Cotton, bales | 2,300 |
| Bacon, pkgs | 698 | Cottonseed oil, bbls | 1,600 |
| Cut meats, pkgs | 1,035 | Copper, pieces | 2,350 |
| Lard, tierces | 986 | Spelter, slabs | 1,675 |
| Lard, kegs | 5,075 | Lead, pigs | 7,825 |
| Lard, cases | 775 | Hides, bales | 25 |
| Tallow, pkgs | 275 | Skins, bdls | 1,050 |
| Grease, pkgs | 16 | Skins, bales | 75 |
| Butter, pkgs | 8,775 | Leather, sides | 7,225 |

## EXPORTS TO-DAY.

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| Corn, bush | 12,000 | Gasolene, gals | 300 |
| Oats, bush | 608 | Cottonseed oil, gals | 13,200 |
| Beans, bush | 30 | Lubricating oil, gals | 142,900 |
| Flour, bbls | 390 | Pork, bbls | 253 |
| Flour, sacks | 1,850 | Beef, tierces | 60 |
| Bran, lb | 300 | Beef, tierces | 854 |
| Whiskey, gals | 1,620 | Bacon, lb | 1,548,225 |
| Offalo, lb | 530,400 | Hams, lb | 2,000 |
| Spirits turp, gals | 7,550 | Lard, lb | 964,100 |
| Rosin, bbls | 1,270 | Tallow, lb | 169,500 |
| Cheese, lb | 118,740 | Grease, lb | 290,000 |
| Pitch, bbls | 5 | Butter, lb | 9,700 |
| Refined pet, gals | 940,810 | | |

## CASH QUOTATIONS.

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| Iron, Nor, No 1 ftdy | $15 50 | Flour, Mpls patents | $5 30 |
| Iron, So, No 2 soft | 13 75 | Cotton, middling | 13.85 |
| Steel rails | 28 00 | Coffee, No 7 Rio | 7¾ |
| Lake copper ingot | 13 50 | Sugar, granulated | 4.70 |
| Tin | 28 00 | Molasses, ⅝ K prime | 37 |
| Exchange lead | 4 62½ | Beef, family | 10 50 |
| Spelter | 5 22½ | Beef hams | 21 25 |
| Wheat, No 2 red | 1 08 | Tallow, prime | 4⅝ |
| Corn, No 2 mixed | 54½ | Pork, mess | 14 00 |
| Mixed oats, 26 to 32 lb | 46 | Hogs, dressed, 160 lb. | 7⅛ |
| | | Lard, prime | 7 25 |

## GENERAL MARKET REPORT.

New-York, April 27, 1904.

COFFEE—In a general way the coffee market of to-day showed a very fair undertone, with some new buying in progress. The opening was steady at a decline of 5 points on all positions, except March, which was unchanged. The losses were in sympathy with the rather disappointing character of early French advices, which reported a decline of about 40 francs, afterward recovered; continued full primary receipts and an easier set of cables from primary markets, while fears of May notices also had some effect in promoting liquidation. It was the first notice day for May cleartracks and tenders for about 200,000 bags were received, explaining. There is to be further switches from May to later months, but those desiring to avoid deliveries found trade interests ready to make exchange at existing differences, and, as Havre began to improve, the market here firmed up, closing steady net unchanged to 5 points higher. Sales were reported of 98,750 bags. Trade and Street interests were good buyers during the day, taking coffee sold by Europe and outside longs, while there also appeared to be some demand from commission house clients, who evidently figured that the market should do better now that the May long interest has been more nearly evened up. At the same time many of the professional element seemed willing for a slight decline, owing to the bear attitude, owing to the reported opposition of importers to any advance pending a further decline in the Brazilian markets. Those markets, according to the day's cable, were both a little lower, Rio by 50 and Santos by 100 reis. Receipts at the two ports were 11,000 bags. The interior had a larger movement than indicated by the points of a few previous day, and the day's polmer was larger than expected in view of the recent predictions for a decreased movement. The spot market was steady with quotations on the basis of 7¾c for Rio No 7.

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

| | Open. | High. | Low. | Close. | Yester-day. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| April | — | — | — | 5.75@5.80 | 5.75 |
| May | 5.70 | 5.85 | 5.70 | 5.75@5.80 | 5.75 |
| June | — | — | — | 5.90@5.95 | 5.90 |
| July | 6.05 | 6.05 | 5.95 | 6.00@6.05 | 6.00 |
| August | — | — | — | 6.15@6.20 | 6.10 |
| September | 6.25 | 6.30 | 6.20 | 6.30@6.35 | 6.25 |
| October | 6.30 | 6.35 | 6.30 | 6.35@6.40 | 6.35 |
| November | — | — | — | 6.45@6.50 | 6.45 |
| December | 6.50 | 6.60 | 6.50 | 6.55@6.60 | 6.55 |
| January | — | — | — | 6.65@6.70 | 6.60 |
| February | — | — | — | 6.75@6.80 | 6.70 |
| March | 6.80 | 6.80 | 6.80 | 6.85@6.90 | 6.80 |

Foreign Coffee Markets.—Rio—Coffee market steady; No 7 Rio, 5$725; exchange, 12 7-32d; receipts, 4,000 bags; shipments for the United States, 4,000; stock, 640,000. Santos—Coffee market quiet; good average Santos, 5$500; receipts, 7,000 bags; stock, 858,000. Hamburg—Coffee market opened unchanged; at 2:30 p. m. was net unchanged. Sales, 38,000 bags. Havre—Coffee market opened quiet, unchanged to ¼ franc lower; at 12 m. declined ¼ franc; at 3 p. m. barely steady; July unchanged; other months, ¼ franc higher; at 5:30 p. m. unchanged; total sales, 28,000 bags.

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|---|---|---|---|
| January | 43.50 | July | 41.75 |
| February | 43.75 | August | 42.25 |
| March | 44.00 | September | 42.50 |
| April | 41.25 | October | 42.75 |
| May | 41.25 | November | 43.00 |
| June | 41.50 | December | 43.25 |

The statistical position of Brazilian coffee is as follows:

| | To-day. | Last week. | Last month. |
|---|---|---|---|
| New-York deliveries | 9,078 | 16,579 | 19,079 |
| Baltimore deliveries | 102 | 1,018 | 89 |
| New-Orleans deliveries | 43,335 | 788 | 814 |
| Total deliveries | 52,515 | 18,385 | 11,493 |
| New-York stock | 2,491,292 | 2,428,161 | 2,565,379 |
| Baltimore stock | 31,709 | 33,750 | 64,411 |
| New-Orleans stock | 93,098 | 120,761 | 105,941 |
| Stock at all ports | 2,577,156 | 2,682,672 | 2,735,739 |
| Afloat | 220,000 | 234,000 | 170,000 |
| Visible supply | 2,797,156 | 2,865,672 | 2,910,739 |
| Same time 1903 | 2,250,409 | 2,598,854 | 2,695,809 |
| Taken to ship | 42,202 | | |

COTTON—There were further indications of a return of bull confidence in to-day's cotton market. It seems that the increasing activity of the Liverpool spot market, with reported sales of 10,000 bales to-day, or the largest business in weeks, has much to do with this, and another factor in encouraging freer operations on the long side of the market was the reception accorded May notices in New-Orleans. Private advices from there indicated that notices were issued in that market for only about 2,000 bales, and were promptly stopped, while the bull leaders were repeating their performance of the previous day and bidding for large stocks of both May and July, of which there was, apparently, very little offering. In fact, the concensus is growing that what cotton remains of the 1903-'04 crop will not go begging. European spinners who bought early in the current season sufficiently to enable them to hold off later, when domestic spinners were being forced to load up, have found themselves in a position, it is claimed, to make large contracts to supply Eastern consumers, and, in addition, to hold on hand, and, it is said, availed themselves of the break during last February, and again following the Sully collapse, to hedge themselves by purchases of futures against losses through another bull movement in the raw cotton market. This leads the local bull contingent to look for a full export movement in the near future, and a reduction in the stocks of this country that can hardly transpire without stimulating such domestic spinners as will need cotton during the end season, to purchase, or without rendering the short interest extremely uneary. This view is, perhaps, encouraged to some extent by the popular belief that the time gained by the early ginning has been lost as a result of unfavorable early weather, and that no very early movement of new crop can be expected to patch out end season supplies. Influenced by the firm cables, the market opened steady at an advance of 3@5 points. At first the room element were inclined to continue the selling movement noted just before the close on the previous day. Very soon, however, the reports that New-Orleans May notices had been stopped caused more active covering, and, with spot houses buying the near positions, notably Philadelphia interests, while commission houses took the late months, on the theory that they would sympathize with an advance in the near positions, without laying them liable to the sudden movements accompanying possible manipulations in the near positions, the market continued to advance until the active months were 15@29 points higher. This attracted realizing by early buyers, and in the late trading there seemed to be a renewal of bear pressure, under which prices sagged off several points from the best. But the market was finally steady at a net gain of 9@20 points. Sales were estimated at 400,000 bales. Exports for the day were light, but the interior movement also is light, and the estimates for Thursday's receipts at leading points were moderate. Friday will be the first notice day for May contracts in the local market. Tenders to the extent of about 20,000 bales are expected, but the general impression seems to be that, after circulating for a time, possibly, they will be taken care of by exporters.

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

| | Opening. | High. | Low. | Close. | Yester-day. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| April | — | — | — | 13.57@13.60 | 13.41 |
| May | 13.48 | 13.72 | 13.45 | 13.59@13.60 | 13.44 |
| June | 13.65 | 13.68 | 13.65 | 13.72@13.75 | 13.57 |
| July | 13.70 | 13.96 | 13.69 | 13.82@13.84 | 13.67 |
| August | 13.30 | 13.51 | 13.30 | 13.45@13.46 | 13.25 |
| September | 11.88 | 12.05 | 11.88 | 11.94@11.96 | 11.85 |
| October | 11.39 | 11.50 | 11.39 | 11.48@11.49 | 11.35 |
| November | 11.24 | 11.34 | 11.24 | 11.33@11.35 | 11.22 |
| December | 11.23 | 11.35 | 11.23 | 11.32@11.33 | 11.21 |
| January | 11.28 | 11.31 | 11.28 | 11.32@11.34 | 11.22 |

The local market for spot cotton closed steady at 10 points advance to 13.85c for middling upland and 14.10c for middling Gulf; sales, 810 bales to spinners. Southern spot markets were telegraphed as follows: Mobile nominal at 13¾c. Charleston nominal. Wilmington nominal. Norfolk steady, unchanged at 14c; sales, 144 bales. Baltimore nominal at 14c. Augusta, steady, unchanged, at 14c; sales, 43 bales. St. Louis nominal, unchanged, at 14¼c. New-Orleans steady, 1-16c higher at 14c; sales, 3,550 bales. Galveston firm at unchanged prices on the basis of 14c; sales, 4 bales. Estimated receipts at leading points for to-morrow: At New-Orleans, 1,600 to 2,000 bales, compared with 2,246 last week and 4,301 last year; at Galveston, 1,500 to 1,700 bales, against 2,808 last week and 8,295 last year; at Houston, 500 to 1,100 bales, against 4,18 last week and 1,276 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 | 1,437 | 809 | 2,338 | 24,580 |
| New-Orleans | 3,619 | 4,293 | 1,804 | 217,959 |
| Mobile | — | — | 173 | 2,632 |
| Savannah | 1,082 | 567 | 562 | 37,285 |
| Charleston | — | 21 | — | 4,565 |
| Wilmington | — | — | — | 6,237 |
| Norfolk | 1,291 | 853 | 810 | 6,685 |
| Baltimore | — | — | — | 903 |
| New-York | 304 | 291 | 85 | 162,599 |
| Boston | 248 | — | 907 | — |
| Philadelphia | 13 | 81 | 21 | 1,886 |
| Various | 600 | 400 | 5,171 | 6,260 |
| Totals | 8,596 | 6,803 | 11,851 | 412,691 |
| Interior: | | | | |
| Augusta | 40 | 39 | 289 | 25,643 |
| Memphis | 738 | 334 | 2,776 | 41,773 |
| St. Louis | 447 | 437 | 541 | 12,118 |
| Cincinnati | 109 | 128 | 719 | 5,065 |
| Houston | 1,584 | 1,281 | 3,708 | 16,870 |

Cotton Exchange special Liverpool cables—Spot cotton more demand; sales, 10,000 bales; speculation and export, 500; American, 8,000; receipts, 16,000 bales; middling upland, 7.76d. Futures opened firm, 2@8 points higher; closed steady, net 1@4 points higher; April, 7.55d; April-May, 7.51d; May-June, 7.47d; June-July, 7.44d; July-August, 7.40d; August-September, 7.35d; September-October, 6.46d; October-November, 6.39d; November-December, 6.11d; December-January, 6.09d; January-February, 6.08d. Manchester—Yarns quiet but steady; cloths quiet.

FLOUR AND MEAL—Beyond showing a steadier tone the flour market made little response to higher wheat prices, buyers still showing little disposition to stock up. Spring patents, $5 10@$5 50; winter straights, $4 85@$5; winter patents, $5 10@$5 50; spring clears, $4@$4 25; extra No 1 winter, $3 60@$4; extra No 2 winter, $3 35@$3 55. RYE FLOUR—Barely steady. Quoted: Fair to good, $4 15@$4 35; choice to fancy, $4 35@$4 70. CORN-MEAL—Steady. Quoted: Kiln dried, $2 90@$3 10, as to brand. BAG MEAL—Steady. Quoted: Fine white and yellow, $1 40@$1 45; coarse, $1 08@$1 12. FEED—Quiet. Quoted: Western spring, $19 35; standard middling, $20 50; flour do, $22 50@$26; Red Dog, $26, all May shipment; city bran, $23 50@$24, bulk and sacks; middling, $23 50@$24; Red Dog, $26 50; hominy chop, $20 50, bulk, $21 75, sacks; cilmeal, $23 50.

GRAIN—WHEAT—A fairly well defined change of sentiment took place in wheat circles to-day, as a result of which prices closed anywhere from ⅛c to 1⅛c above the previous night. On account of a strong cash position May led the advance in all markets, but notably at Minneapolis, where the stock this week has been decreasing at the rate of 100,000 bush a day. There was buying for Northwest account and selling early in the day by the Southwest. Crop news, while more or less conflicting, appeared to be less favorable to the bears, the impression gaining ground since Tuesday's government report, that conditions were not so satisfactory as the trade had been led to believe. Bulls complained that predicted showers in the Northwest were not needed, but the other half that last week's cold weather and chilly temperatures in winter wheat States was certainly a favorable sign. The market at first displayed considerable irregularity, at one time being about ¼c below the previous night under selling by the room element, but the middle day bulls had obtained control of the situation and held it, without much effort, right up to the close. In some quarters there was a feeling that the big elevator interest in Chicago which has lately been prominent in corn had become interested on the bull side in wheat, and might take advantage of recent severe decline to make a moderate amount of short sales, and to lay plans for a higher market. This interest was a buyer of old July in Chicago through brokers, presumably to a considerable extent. May went to a premium of 1⅞c over July in this market, against 1⅜c the previous night. Interior receipts were only 184,000 bush, compared with 318,000 bush last year. On export account only 75,000 bush were taken, all at outports. No 2 red, closed $1 04, elevator, and $1 05@$1 08 f o b afloat; No 1 Northern Duluth, 98c f o b afloat. CORN—Commission houses were heavy buyers of July corn in Chicago, and the leading elevator interest sold them most of it. Sentiment was bullish on the backward crop conditions, and the market held its advance all day, closing here ⅝@⅞c net higher. Receipts at Western points were almost identical with last year and seaboard clearances again very light. Only 7 loads were taken for export. No 2 corn closed 54⅝c f o b afloat; No 2 white, 56c, and No 2 yellow, 57c f o b afloat. OATS—In oats there was seen greater strength than in other markets, shorts being heavy buyers at the West on the unfavorable crop news and the outward movement of standard oats. Mixed oats, 26 to 32 lb, closed at 44@46c; natural white, 30 to 32 lb, 47@48c, clipped white, 36 to 40 lb, 50@53c. RYE—Market quiet; No 2 Western, 70c spot. BARLEY—Market steady. Feeding was quoted 49c c i f New-York, and malting, 55@65c c i f Buffalo.

NEW-YORK PRICES.

| Wheat: | Opening. | High. | Low. | Close. | Yester-day. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| May | 89⅝ | 90½ | 89⅛ | 90½ | 89⅜ |
| July | 88 | 88⅞ | 87⅝ | 88½ | 88 |
| September | 83⅝ | 83⅞ | 82⅞ | 83⅝ | 83¼ |
| December | 83⅝ | 84 | 83½ | 83⅝ | 83½ |
| Corn: | | | | | |
| May | 46⅝ | 47⅝ | 46⅝ | 46⅞ | 46⅝ |
| July | 48⅛ | 49 1-16 | 48⅛ | 48⅝ | 48⅛ |
| September | 47⅞ | 48½ | 47⅞ | 48⅛ | 47⅞ |
| Oats: | | | | | |
| May | 37⅞ | 39⅞ | 37⅞ | 39⅞ | 37½ |
| July | 36½ | 38 | 36½ | 37⅞ | 36⅝ |
| September | 30⅞ | 31⅝ | 30⅞ | 31⅝ | 30⅝ |
| Lard: | | | | | |
| May | $6 67½ | $6 82½ | $6 67½ | $6 75 | $6 70 |
| July | 6 85 | 6 97½ | 6 85 | 6 92½ | 6 87½ |
| Ribs: | | | | | |
| May | 6 45 | 6 57½ | 6 45 | 6 52½ | 6 45 |
| July | 6 60 | 6 75 | 6 60 | 6 72½ | 6 65 |
| Pork: | | | | | |
| May | 12 07½ | 12 27 | 12 07½ | 12 17½ | 12 00 |
| July | 12 25 | 12 37 | 12 25 | 12 47½ | 12 30 |

CHICAGO PRICES.

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Wheat: | | | | | |
| May | 86⅞ | 87⅛ | 86⅛ | 87 | 86⅝ |
| July | 84⅝ | 85 5-16 | 83⅞ | 84⅝ | 84⅛ |
| September | 81 | 81⅞ | 80⅞ | 81⅛ | 81⅛ |
| Corn: | | | | | |
| May | 46⅝ | 47⅝ | 46⅝ | 46⅞ | 46⅝ |
| July | 48⅛ | 49 1-16 | 48⅛ | 48⅝ | 48⅛ |
| September | 47⅞ | 48½ | 47⅞ | 48⅛ | 47⅞ |
| Oats: | | | | | |
| May | 37⅞ | 39⅞ | 37⅞ | 39⅞ | 37½ |
| July | 36½ | 38 | 36½ | 37⅞ | 36⅝ |
| September | 30⅞ | 31⅝ | 30⅞ | 31⅝ | 30⅝ |
| Lard: | | | | | |
| May | $6 67½ | $6 82½ | $6 67½ | $6 75 | $6 70 |
| July | 6 85 | 6 97½ | 6 85 | 6 92½ | 6 87½ |
| Ribs: | | | | | |
| May | 6 45 | 6 57½ | 6 45 | 6 52½ | 6 45 |
| July | 6 60 | 6 75 | 6 60 | 6 72½ | 6 65 |
| Pork: | | | | | |
| May | 12 07½ | 12 27 | 12 07½ | 12 17½ | 12 00 |
| July | 12 25 | 12 37 | 12 25 | 12 47½ | 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 | 23 | 39 | 242 | 164 | 10 | 66 |
| Milwaukee | 6 | 4 | 1 | 7 | — | 25 |
| Minneapolis | 55 | 3 | 11 | 1 | 1 | 9 |
| Duluth | — | 8 | — | 2 | — | — |
| St. Louis | 3 | 8 | 32 | 24 | — | — |
| Kansas City | — | 37 | 28 | 6 | — | — |
| Toledo | — | 37 | 21 | 6 | 1 | — |
| Detroit | 1 | 4 | 8 | 12 | — | — |
| Peoria | — | 1 | 30 | 14 | — | — |
| Totals | 33 | 184 | 367 | 246 | 12 | 100 |
| Shipments from these points: | | | | | | |
| Chicago | 10 | 42 | 53 | 66 | — | 9 |
| Milwaukee | 3 | — | 1 | — | — | 1 |
| Minneapolis | 27 | 42 | 1 | 23 | 1 | 27 |
| Duluth | — | 3 | — | — | — | — |
| St. Louis | 9 | 72 | 36 | 31 | — | — |
| Kansas City | — | 9 | 13 | 7 | — | — |
| Toledo | — | 10 | 2 | 2 | 1 | — |
| Peoria | — | — | 19 | 18 | — | — |
| Totals | 49 | 178 | 125 | 147 | 2 | 41 |
| Receipts at Atlantic ports: | | | | | | |
| New-York | 16 | 5 | 23 | 41 | — | 1 |
| Boston | 5 | — | 13 | 31 | — | — |
| Philadelphia | 5 | — | 2 | 20 | — | — |
| Baltimore | 7 | 4 | 11 | 10 | 1 | — |
| New-Orleans | 1 | — | 3 | 12 | — | — |
| Totals | 34 | 9 | 52 | 114 | 1 | 1 |
| Exports from Atlantic ports: | | | | | | |
| New-York | 2 | — | 12 | 1 | — | — |
| Philadelphia | 25 | — | 3 | 22 | — | — |
| Baltimore | 10 | — | — | — | — | — |
| New-Orleans | — | — | 1 | — | — | — |
| Totals | 37 | — | 16 | 23 | — | — |

METALS—TIN—Tin was a shade higher in London, closing at an advance of 7s 6d, to £127 18s 6d for spot, and £128 15s for futures. The local market continued quiet, but was held a little higher in sympathy with the advance abroad, spot closing at 27.87½@28.12½c. COPPER—Copper was without further change in the local market. Lake is quoted at 13.37½@13.62½c; electrolytic at 13.12½@13.25c, and casting at 12.87½@13.12½c. In London spot was unchanged at £58 7s 6d, while futures were 1s 3d lower at £58 5s. LEAD—Lead remained steady in the New-York market at 4.60@4.65c, while the London market declined 2s 6d to £12 2s 6d. SPELTER—Spelter was unchanged in both markets. Here it is quoted at 5.20@5.25c, and spot in London closes at £22 5s 6d. IRON—Iron closed at 52s 3d in Glasgow, and at 44s 6d in Middlesboro. Locally iron is unchanged. No 1 foundry Northern, $15 25@$15 75; No 2 foundry Northern, at $14 75@$15 25; No 1 foundry Southern and No 1 foundry Southern soft, at $14 25@$14 75.

MOLASSES AND SYRUPS—Syrups are steady but quiet, and molasses was moderately active, the bad weather tending to check business somewhat, but tone was steady. We quote: New-Orleans centrifugal, common, 11@13c; fair, 15@17c; good, 18@21c; prime, 22@27c; New-Orleans open kettle, 31@37c. SYRUPS—Common, 14@15c; fair, 16@18c; good, 19@21c; prime, 22@25c; fancy, 26@30c.

OCEAN FREIGHTS—In steam tonnage chartering continued light and the demand showed no improvement. Rates were fairly well sustained, owing to the limited supply of spot tonnage. In sail tonnage the market presented a generally quiet appearance and rates were not quotably changed. Quotations to Liverpool, Glasgow and London, 7½c; Cork, 10s; Hull and Bristol, 1¾d; Rotterdam, 2@2½c; Leith and Newcastle nominal; Hamburg, 15 pfgs; Bremen, 17½ pfgs; cotton to Liverpool, per 100 lb, 12c; London oats, 9d. CHARTERS—British steamer, 2,451 tons, general cargo, hence to China, Japan, etc, berthed, May; British steamer (new), about 2,300 tons, same, June; Norwegian steamer, 795 tons, deals, Pagwash to a direct port of the United Kingdom, 37s, May; British steamer, 1,954 tons, steel billets, Baltimore to Newport, private terms, prompt; Norwegian steamer, 896 tons, sugar, North Shore of Cuba to New-Orleans, 9c; British steamer, 1,745 tons, sugar, North coast of Cuba to north of Hatteras, private terms; British ship, 1,586 tons, deals, Halifax to Swansea, 32s 6d; Norwegian ship, 85,000 cases petroleum, hence to Shanghai, 18½c, June 1-July 15; schooner, 300 tons, general cargo, hence to Fajardo and back, sugar, private terms; schooner, 709 tons, dry cypress, Gulf to New-York, Sound or Boston, private terms; schooner, 483 tons, lumber, Rockland to Providence, private terms; schooner, 253 tons, piling, Norfolk to New-York, private terms; schooner, 1,062 tons, coal, Norfolk to Bangor, private terms; schooner, 1,011 tons, coal, Baltimore to Boston, 90c, 10 days; schooner, 284 tons, coal, Philadelphia to Hallowell, $1 25 and towage; German steamer, 1,573 tons, transatlantic trade, 6 months, £560; British steamer, 1,817 tons, timber, Sapelo to the United Kingdom or Continent, 75s one port, 77s 6d if two, May 18; British steamer, 1,254 tons, fruit, Sicily to United States, private terms; British ship, 80,000 cases petroleum, hence to Hong Kong, 17c, July-August; British ship, 75,000 cases petroleum, September-October; Norwegian bark, 3,000 bbls naphtha, hence to Cette, 3s, prompt; Norwegian bark, 575 tons, deals, Shediac to United Kingdom, private terms; Italian bark, 680 tons (previously) rosin, Savannah to Montevideo or Buenos Ayres, 2s 4½d; bark, 628 tons, case oil, Philadelphia to Havana, private terms; schooner, 654 tons, ties, Fernandina to New-York, 15½c.

OILS—Cottonseed oil was neglected and a shade easier through lack of any support. Linseed oil shows hardly so steady an undertone, owing to the continued backwardness of spring trade, but prices remain unchanged. Refined petroleum is steady at recent quotations. We quote: PETROLEUM—Standard white, bbl, $8 40; bulk, $5 50; Philadelphia, bbl, $8 35; bulk, $5 45; refined, cases, New-York, $11 10; Philadelphia, $11 05; water white, New-York, bbl, 150 test, $10 40; bulk, $7 50; Philadelphia, $10 30; bulk, $7 45; water white, cases, New-York, $14 10; Philadelphia, $14 05. COTTONSEED OIL—Prime crude f o b mills, 24@24¼c; prime summer yellow, 30c; off summer yellow, nominal; prime white, 35c; prime winter yellow, 35½c, nominal. LINSEED OIL—American seed, city raw, 40@41c; out of town raw, 39@40c; Calcutta raw, 65c. LARD OIL, 58c.

PROVISIONS—After a brief opening decline due to the 5 cent drop in live hogs, provisions became stronger and held their advance all day in view of light offerings and a good demand from packers. Receipts West were 78,000, including 30,000 at Chicago, 12,000 at Kansas City and 14,000 at Omaha. PORK—Quiet. Quoted: Mess, $13 75@$14 25; family, $14 50; short clear, $13 50@$15. BEEF—Steady. Quoted: Mess, $8@$9; family, $10@$11; packet, $9@$10; extra India mess, $14@$16. BEEF HAMS—Steady. Quoted at $20 50@$22. DRESSED HOGS—Steady. Quoted: Bacons, 7¼c; 180 lb, 7¼c; 160 lb, 7⅜c; 140 lb, 7⅝c; pigs, 7½@7¾c. CUT MEATS—Pickled bellies quiet. Quoted: 10 lb, 7⅝c; 12 lb, 7¼c; 14 lb, 7c.

RICE—The primary markets were steady and fairly active, but the local trade was rather slow, with prices, however, unchanged and tone steady. We quote: Domestic, ordinary, 3@3¼c; fair to good, 3½@4¼c; prime to choice, 4¼@4⅝c; head, 5@6½c; Patna, 5⅛@5⅝c; Japan, foreign, nominal; do domestic, 3¼@4¼c; Java, 4½@5½c; Rangoon, in bond, 2¼@2⅝c.

SUGAR—List prices for refined sugar were advanced 5 points in sympathy with the increased firmness in the raw sugar market, which has compelled refiners to pay more for their sugar. Demand was moderate at the advance, as many buyers had placed orders in anticipation of the advance. The American and Howell companies are selling sugar for prompt shipment 5 points under the list, but Arbuckle Brothers are holding to the full list basis for all shipments. Prices quoted are net less 1 per cent for cash 7 days: Cut loaf and crushed, 5.45c; mould A, 5.10c; cubes, 5c; XXXX powdered, 4.90c; powdered, coarse powdered and fruit powdered, 4.85c; Eagle confectioners' granulated, 5c; Eagle coarse and extra fine granulated, 4.85c; Eagle 2 lb cartons of fine granulated, 4.90c; Eagle 2 lb bags and 5 lb bags of fine granulated, 4.95c; Eagle fine granulated, standard granulated and diamond A, 4.75c; confectioners' A, 4.60c; Nos 1 and 2 and 3, 4.50c; No 4, 4.45c; No 5, 4.40c; No 6, 4.35c; No 7, 4.30c; No 8, 4.25c; No 9, 4.20c; No 10, 4.15c; No 11, 4.10c; No 12, 4.05c; No 13, 4c; Nos 14 and 15, 3.95c; No 16, 3.90c. The London beet sugar market was firm and ¼d higher, with April and May quoted at 8s 9d. The local market for raw sugar was firm for distant sugars and steady for nearby. Prices for all positions were well maintained. Duty paid sugars were quoted as follows: Centrifugal, 96 test, 3 11-16@3 23-32c; muscovado, 89 test, 2 3-16@2 7-32c, and molasses sugar, 89 test, 2 15-16@2 31-32c.

## COUNTRY PRODUCE MARKETS.

New-York, April 27, 1904.

BEANS AND PEAS—There is still a lack of interest on the part of both home trade and export buyers and the market drags along quite slowly but without change in tone or price. We quote: BEANS, marrow, choice, per bush, $2 90@$2 95; do medium, $2 05; do pea, $1 95@$1 97½; do red kidney, $3@$3 05; do white kidney, $3; do yellow eye, $2 00@$2 05; do black turtle soup, $2 80; do lima, Canadian, $2 40; do foreign, nominal. PEAS—Firm; $2 45@$2 65; do Italian, medium, $1 90@$1 95; do other foreign medium, $1 75@$1 85; do foreign pea, $1 80@$1 90; GREEN PEAS, Scotch, bags, per bush, $1 20@$1 22½.

BUTTER—Receipts to-day, 3,762 pkgs. General conditions affecting the market were not materially changed, but the strong feeling that has been noted of late was so marked that the official quotation was advanced to 24c firm; on that basis some of the regular trade was supplied, but other buyers had to pay ¼c and in some cases ½c more. Under the call on 'Change there were two sales of fresh creamery, 25 tubs each, 95 score, at 24½c; that quality of butter is hard to find, however, and the quotation still seems a little extreme. Other useful grades of fresh creamery shared in the improvement and there was quite a satisfactory trade, though the stormy weather may have kept some buyers from the market. No change in held creamery nor in any of the Western packing, with the exception of renovated, fancy marks of which are decidedly firm at 17½c. We quote: Creamery extras, per lb, 24@24¼c; do firsts, 20½@23½c; do seconds, 17@20c; do thirds, 14@16c; do held, extras, 19@20c; do firsts, 15@18c; do seconds, 14@14½c; do thirds, 13@13½c; State, dairy, tubs, fresh, extras, 22@23c; do firsts, 18@20c; do seconds, 15@17c; Western imitation creamery, firsts, 16@17c; do seconds, 14@15c; renovated, extras, 17@17½c; do firsts, 15@16c; do seconds, 13@14c; do thirds, 10@12c; Western factory, current make, firsts, 14c; do seconds, 13@13½c; do thirds, 12@12½c; do held, 12@14c; packing stock, current make, No 1, 16½@17c; do No 2, 12@13c; do No 3, 10@11c; do held, 11@12½c.

CHEESE—Receipts to-day, 2,191 boxes. The market for old cheese continues to present a quiet appearance and prices, while held about the same, are irregular, with holders generally anxious to sell and willing to meet buyers on most any reasonable basis. New cheese has been in moderate supply this week and a few large white exported for England at about 8c, but new large colored not in favor and 7½c about top. Skims quiet and unchanged. Liverpool cable, 47s for colored and 45s for white. We quote: State, full cream, fall made, small, fancy, 11@11½c; do choice, 10½@10¾c; do good to prime, 9½@10c; do common to fair, 8@9c; do large, fancy, 11@11½c; do choice, 10½@10¾c; do good to prime, 9½@10c; do common to fair, 8@9c; skims, full skims, 7@7½c; do prime, 6¼@6½c; do part skims, prime, 5½@6c; do good, 5@5½c; do common to fair, 2½@4½c; do full skims, 1½@2c.

EGGS—Receipts to-day, 29,167 cases. The market shows further decline under continued excessive receipts. Much of the stock arriving is going to cold storage, but the offerings on open market are heavy, and it is easy to buy average prime Western at 17½c, though not easy to find fancy storage selections at 18c. We quote: State, Pennsylvania and nearby fancy selected white, 19@20c; do average finest, 18½c; do firsts, 17½c; Western storage selections, fancy, do firsts, 17@17½c; do average firsts, 16½@17½c; Tennessee and Southern, 16@17c; dirties, 16@16½c; checks, 15½c; duck eggs, 18@25c; goose eggs, 35c.

FRUITS—FRESH—Apples in light demand and weak. Cranberries about cleaned up. Oranges show wide range in quality with some fancy fruit bringing more than quoted. Strawberries quite plenty, but stock largely out of condition, with prices lower and irregular. We quote: APPLES, Pomeroy, fair to prime, per double head bbl, $2 50@$2 75; do Spitzenberg, $2 50@$3 50; do Northern Spy, $3@$4; do King, fair to choice, $2 50@$3; do Baldwin, fair to prime, $2 50@$3; do Greening, fair to choice, $2 50@$4; do Russet, Roxbury, $2@$2 75; do Golden, $2@$2 50; do all kinds, poor to fair, $1 50@$2; ORANGES, Florida, per box, $1 25@$3 50; do California, $1 25@$3; do Porto Rico, 50c@$1 50; GRAPE FRUIT, Florida, per box, $3 50@$6 50; STRAWBERRIES, Charleston, per quart, 12@25c; do other South Carolina, 8@18c; do North Carolina, 10@16c.

FRUITS—DRIED—Not much doing in evaporated apples, but attractive grades steady. Sun dried apples dull and weak. Chops easy. Cores and skins firm. Small fruits in limited supply. California fruits unchanged. We quote: APPLES, evaporated, fancy, per lb, 7c; do choice, 6@6½c; do prime, 5½@5¾c; do common to fair, 4@5¼c; do Canadian, sun dried, quarters, 4@4½c; do State and Western, sun dried quarters, 3@4c; do Southern, sun dried, sliced, 2½@3½c; do coarse cut, 2½@3½c; do chops, per 100 lb, $2 25@$2 45; do cores and skins, $1 60@$1 65; RASPBERRIES, evaporated, per lb, 24c; HUCKLEBERRIES, 13½@14c; BLACKBERRIES, 5c; PEACHES, California, peeled, 14@18c; do unpeeled, 6@8½c; APRICOTS, California, Moorpark, 10@14c; do Royal, 9@11c; PRUNES, California, 2¾@6c.

HOPS—Very little, if anything, new has developed in the market. Brewers are buying sparingly, as usual, but holders remain steady and show no disposition to urge sales. In this State growers have at last been able to get in the yards and report the roots as having wintered very well. On the Pacific Coast weather conditions continue favorable, and work in the yards progressing satisfactorily. German advices report splendid growing weather, and outlook favorable, but nothing doing in 1903 hops. We quote: State, 1903, choice, per lb, 34@35c; do good to prime, 31@33c; do common to fair, 27@29c; Pacific Coast, 1903, choice, 29@30c; good to prime, 27@28c; do common to fair, 24@26c; State and Pacific Coast, 1902, choice, 25@27c; do common to prime, 22@24c; do older growths, 10@14c.

HAY AND STRAW—HAY—Almost incessant rain kept buyers away to-day. Receipts were large, and, though trade is good, the market cannot be expected to harden under a large offering. Free receipts, however, will be welcome if they contain a better proportion of upper quality than has been arriving. We quote: Prime large bales, per 100 lb, 92½@95c; No 1, 90c; No 2, 