# FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

TUESDAY, March 21—6 P. M.

There was intense excitement at the opening of business this morning both in the gold room and on the Stock Exchange, according to the indications of last evening. The panic was wilder than at any previous stage of its progress, and the pressure to sell among the gold speculators was almost equalled at the stock board when government securities were called. Five-twenties, which sold at yesterday's second board at 106⅛, declined to 100⅛ a 101. Ten-forties fell from 93 to 89¼, and sixes of 1881 from 107 to 103½. Railway securities were similarly pressed for sale, and the transactions were large. Erie was 3 per cent lower than at the close of Monday's afternoon session, New York Central 3½, Hudson River 7¾, Reading 6¾, Northwestern 1¾, Michigan Central 8½, Illinois Central 5¾, Cleveland and Pittsburg 4, Rock Island 5, Fort Wayne 1¼, Cumberland 7¼, Ohio and Mississippi certificates 1¼, Quicksilver 7¼.

Gold, after selling as low as 153, reacted to 159⅝; but the improvement was partially lost during the afternoon, under heavy sales by the bears, the downward tendency being assisted by the report of the occupation of Goldsboro. The quotations were:—

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| 10:30 A. M. | 155 | 2:35 P. M. | 156 |
| 11:40 A. M. | 156¾ | 3:45 P. M. | 156¼ |
| 12:40 P. M. | 155¼ | 4:20 P. M. | 155¾ |
| 1:40 P. M. | 157¼ | 5.00 P. M. | 156⅝ |

Already failures are numerous, in fact; but they will not announce themselves unless under compulsion, and as credits mature during the next fortnight they will be likely to appear in rapid succession, and how far the evil consequences of the legal tender act may extend is entirely uncertain.

Only one stock board failure was reported to-day in the street; but other failures were expected. In the dry goods trade one house is announced, besides which, several other suspensions are rumored, and similar reports prevail with regard to firms in the produce trade. From present appearances a formidable list of bankruptcies may be looked for, and a general commercial panic, unless a rise in the gold premium exercises a corresponding effect upon prices for stocks and merchandise. Nearly all the speculators in gold and stocks are "short," and they are still using their best efforts to renew panic and precipitate the fall of gold for their own aggrandizement. Such a horde of Pariahs and Judas Iscariots as are now endeavoring to fatten themselves upon military victories was never before assembled in any country, not excepting France during the great Revolution. They speculate in the fortunes of the country just as they would gamble at the faro table. It is to be regretted that these cosmopolitan vultures are aided in their endeavors by men who are professedly friendly to the financial and commercial interests of the country, and who sell gold down beyond the limits of reason for their personal enrichment. That the same men will soon be forcing gold upward in like manner, for their own profit, suggests an unflattering reflection.

The stock market improved after the first board, and at the open board at one o'clock it was ½ a 3 per cent higher. At the second regular board the improvement was partially lost, and prices declined to nearly as low a point as those of the morning. Government securities, however, showed a decided advance. Five-twenties were 3⅛ higher, ten-forties 2¼.

At the open board at half-past three increasing weakness was shown, and the market closed with a downward tendency.

The supply of money is abundant to meet the wants of borrowers; but lenders were very distrustful of credits and values. The rate for call loans with wide margins is 7 per cent, and for first class commercial paper 9 a 11 per cent. It is the intention of the Treasury to keep money easy by deferring drafts upon its deposits in the national banks here for the next ten days or so. The probabilities are in favor of the money market continuing unsettled for a long time to come, as the fluctuations in gold and the consequent derangement of values are likely to be frequent and rapid during the remainder of the war, and for some time afterwards.

There was a further considerable decline in the produce and merchandise markets to-day, accompanied by great want of confidence in credits and prices. But towards the close of business a quieter feeling prevailed, under the impression that the panic engineered in the gold room had exhausted itself.

Foreign exchange is very firm at 109¼ a ⅜ for bankers' sterling, at sixty days, and 109½ a 110¼ at short sight.

The business at the Sub-Treasury to-day was as follows:—

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| Receipts for customs | $121,000 |
| Total receipts | 1,915,210 |
| Payments | 2,129,027 |
| Balance | 27,629,007 |
| Subscriptions to government loan | 26 000 |

The aggregate value of the ex ports, exclusive of specie, from the port of New York to foreign ports during the week ending March 21, was $3,608,485.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

The HERALD's money article of last week reported the failure of a firm largely engaged in the tobacco trade. Though the fact was neither substantiated nor the names of the parties published, yet the announcement was extensively discussed in commercial circles, and the supposed name of the firm unhesitatingly mentioned.

That during the present violent fluctuations of the currency, true and false reports with respect to the standing of our business men will frequently arise is a matter of no surprise, and your reporter, in publishing prevailing rumors and withholding the names of the respective firms, is perfectly excusable.

In the present instance, however, an additional injury may result from the fact that the senior partner of the firm alluded to is absent from the country, and consequently unable to contradict statements evidently resorted to by competitors with no friendly intentions.

Without aspiring to the title of "Amicus Plato," I have the pretension to claim that of a friend to truth, and in the latter capacity I can unhesitatingly pronounce the prevailing rumors a sheer fabrication, devoid of all foundation.

Being somewhat familiar with the general operations of the reported firm, I am not aware of any liabilities in the shape of notes, acceptances, &c., or of there being such in circulation, and, consequently, there is nothing to fall on.

## Stock Exchange.

TUESDAY, March 21—10:30 A. M.

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| $2000 U S 6's, '68, reg | 115 | 1000 shs Erie RR | 59 |
| 1700 US 6's, '81, c, sm | 100 | 2000 do | 59⅛ |
| 20000 do | 105 | 2000 do | 59¼ |
| 5000 do | 104 | 1500 do | 59¾ |
| 10000 do | 103⅛ | 600 do | c0 |
| 20000 do new iss | 102 | 100 do b0 | 60¼ |
| 200000 do new iss | 101¼ | 700 do | 59⅞ |
| 80000 do new iss | 101 | 200 do s10 | 58⅛ |
| 5000 do new iss | 100¾ | 600 Hudson Riv RR | 99 |
| 40000 do | 101¼ | 200 do | 98⅛ |
| 40000 do | 101½ | 200 do | 98⅜ |
| 30000 US5's, 10-40, con | 90 | 800 Reading RR | 97⅛ |
| 10000 do | 89¾ | 2000 do | 97 |
| 85000 do | 89⅝ | 2500 do | 96¼ |
| 10000 do | 89¼ | 1000 do | 96⅛ |
| 10000 do | 89⅜ | 1000 do | 96 |
| 50000 US 6's, 1 yr cer | 97 | 100 do b30 | 97 |
| 2000 do | 96⅛ | 2000 Chi & N W RR | 24 |
| 1000 California 7's | 112 | 500 do | 24⅛ |
| 30000 Ohio & Miss cer | 23¾ | 550 Mich Central RR | 98 |
| 10000 do | 23⅝ | 200 do | 97 |
| 80000 do | 22 | 300 do | 96 |
| 500 Harlem 1st mge | 100 | 200 Mich So & N I RR | 58 |
| 3000 Del, Lack & W 2dm | 106 | 400 do | 57 |
| 5000 Mil & St Paul 1m | 75 | 1000 do | 56⅛ |
| 4000 A & GW 1m P div | 70 | 1800 do | 56 |
| 1000 Mariposa 2mbds | 20 | 800 Ill Central RR | 99 |
| 12500 American gold | 156 | 200 do | 98¼ |
| 20000 do | 155 | 200 do | 98⅜ |
| 10000 do | 155⅛ | 800 Cleve & Pitts RR | 58 |
| 200000 do s30 | 153 | 500 do | 57⅝ |
| 10000 do s30 | 154 | 260 do | 57½ |
| 50 shs Park Bank | 145 | 400 do | 58 |
| 200 Fourth Nat'l Bk | 90 | 1200 Chi & N W pref | 50 |
| 5 do | 90⅛ | 1000 do | 50⅛ |
| 200 Wyoming V CiCo | 50 | 1500 do | 51 |
| 300 do | 51 | 100 do | 51⅛ |
| 50 Canton Company | 27½ | 100 Cleve & Tol RR | 99 |
| 300 do | 26 | 100 do | 98⅛ |
| 400 do | 26¼ | 400 do | 98 |
| 200 do | 26⅜ | 2000 Chic & Rk I RR | 88 |
| 60 Del & Hud Canal | 147 | 500 do | 88⅛ |
| 100 Central Coal Co | 44 | 500 do | 88⅛ |
| 400 Cumberland Clpf | 36 | 100 do s10 | 88⅛ |
| 200 do | 35 | 1500 do | 89 |
| 800 do | 34 | 1500 do | 89⅛ |
| 300 do | 33⅛ | 600 do | 89⅜ |
| 400 do | 34 | 400 do | 89⅞ |
| 500 do | 34⅛ | 200 do | 90 |
| 100 Quicksilver Mg Co | 62⅛ | 100 Mil & Pdu Cbein RR | 34 |
| 400 do | 62 | 75 Chic, Bur & Qy RR | 110 |
| 200 do | 61⅜ | 1000 Pitts, FW & ChiRR | 82 |
| 100 do | 61¾ | 300 do | 82⅛ |
| 300 Mariposa Mg Co | 11 | 500 do | 83 |
| 300 do | 10⅜ | 3000 do | 83⅛ |
| 950 New York Cen RR | 100 | 200 do | 83⅜ |
| 400 do | 99⅞ | 100 Alton & THaute RR | 25 |
| 1000 do | 99¾ | 100 Chi & Alton pref | 88 |
| 435 do | 99½ | 200 Chi & Alton RR | 82 |
| 100 Erie RR | 58⅛ | | |

SECOND BOARD.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P. M.

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| $2000 US 6's, 5-20, reg | 104 | 100 shs H Riv RR s60 | 99 |
| 60000 US 6's, 5-20, con | 105 | 300 Reading RR | 97¼ |
| 20000 do b30 | 105¼ | 1500 do | 97 |
| 50000 do new iss | 104½ | 200 do s10 | 97 |
| 2000 do new iss | 104¼ | 100 Mich Cen RR | 97 |
| 85000 US 5's, 10-40, c | 91½ | 200 do | 99 |
| 100000 do | 91⅜ | 100 Pits, Ft W & ChiRR | 82 |
| 10000 Ohio & Miss cer | 23½ | 200 do | 82¾ |
| 20000 do | 23 | 100 do b30 | 83⅛ |
| 20000 American gold | 156¼ | 600 Mich So & NIaRR | 57⅛ |
| 500 Cha Cumb Clpf | 35 | 100 do | 57 |
| 500 do | 34½ | 100 Ill Central RR | 100⅛ |
| 200 do | 34⅛ | 200 do | 101⅛ |
| 200 do | 34 | 300 Cleve & Pitts RR | 59½ |
| 100 Quicksilv Mg Co | 63 | 500 do | 59 |
| 50 do | 62½ | 500 do | 58⅞ |
| 100 N Y Central RR | 100⅛ | 1000 do | 58½ |
| 200 do | 100 | 300 Chi & NW RR | 24 |
| 200 do | 99⅜ | 200 do | 23⅞ |
| 100 Mariposa Mg Co | 11⅛ | 200 do | 23½ |
| 700 Erie RR | 59¾ | 100 do | 23⅜ |
| 600 do | 60 | 200 Chi & NW pfd | 51 |
| 500 do | 60¼ | 500 do | 50⅜ |
| 100 do s30 | 60 | 200 do b60 | 51¼ |
| 400 do | 60⅛ | 200 Chi & Rk Is RR | 91 |
| 100 do s30 | 59¾ | 100 do | 91⅛ |
| 100 Hud River RR | 100⅛ | 100 do s10 | 91 |
| 1000 do | 100⅛ | 100 do b3 | 91 |
| 100 do s10 | 100⅛ | 100 do | 90⅞ |
| 200 do | 100⅜ | 200 do | 90⅛ |
| 100 do b10 | 100⅜ | | |

## Evening Stock Exchange.

TUESDAY, March 21, 1865.

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| $10000 Am Gold | 156⅛ | 400 shs Pittsburg RR | 57½ |
| 25000 do | 156⅛ | 200 do | 57¼ |
| 50000 U S 5-20's, o iss | 105 | 200 Rock Island RR | 89 |
| 10000 U S 10-40's | 91⅜ | 100 do | 88⅞ |
| 50 shs N Y Cent RR | 99⅜ | 500 Northwestern RR | 23⅜ |
| 100 Erie RR | 59⅜ | 300 N W RR pref b3 | 51 |
| 200 do s3 | 59¼ | 100 Ft Wayne RR b5 | 82⅛ |
| 500 Reading RR b3 | 97 | 100 do | 83 |
| 100 do | 96¾ | 10000 O & Miss cer b10 | 23⅛ |
| 200 Hudson River RR | 100 | 10000 do | 23 |
| 500 do s5 | 99⅛ | 500 Cumb Coal Co | 33½ |
| 100 Mich So RR | 58⅜ | 200 do | 31⅛ |
| 50 do | 56¼ | 100 Quicksilver Mg | 64 |

Gold after the call sold down to 155¾, and at close of report was selling at 157, and steady at that price.

## CITY COMMERCIAL REPORT.

TUESDAY, March 21—6 P. M.

ASHES.—Receipts, 59 bbls. The market continues very dull, and in the absence of sales prices were wholly nominal.

BREADSTUFFS.—Receipts, 6,453 bbls. flour, 876 bbls. and 1,070 bags corn meal, 1,713 bushels corn, 13,174 do. oats, 125 do. rye, and 495 do. barley. The market for State and Western flour was unsettled by the violent fluctuations of gold, and prices declined 10c. a 15c. per bbl. The demand was exceedingly light, being confined to the most urgent requirements of the local trade, and we have only to report sales of 4,000 bbls. State and Western, 500 do. Southern, and 400 do. Canadian at our quotations. No sales transpired of rye flour, and prices were wholly nominally unchanged. Corn meal was scarcely so firm, with a moderate demand. Sales 300 bbls. at $7 for Jersey, and $7 50 for Brandywine; also 60 puncheons Brandywine, at $35 50. We quote:—

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| Superfine State and Western flour | $9 60 a 9 85 |
| Extra State | 9 85 a 10 00 |
| Choice State | 10 05 a 10 10 |
| Common to medium extra Western | 10 00 a 10 25 |
| Extra round hoop Ohio | 10 40 a 10 55 |
| Western trade brands | 10 60 a 11 00 |
| Extra St. Louis | 10 00 a 14 50 |
| Common Southern | 10 20 a 11 00 |
| Fancy and extra do | 11 10 a 13 75 |
| Common Canadian | 10 00 a 10 25 |
| Good to choice and extra | 10 30 a 11 30 |
| Rye flour, superfine | 8 00 a 8 25 |
| Corn meal, bbls | 7 00 a 7 50 |
| Corn meal, puncheons | 35 50 a — |

—The wheat market continued very quiet and prices declined 5c. a 8c. per bushel, with sales of 13,000 bushels amber Milwaukee at $1 80. Rye, barley and malt continued dull, and prices were wholly nominally unchanged. The corn market was less active and scarcely so firm, with sales of 6,500 bushels new yellow at $1 56 a $1 60, and 2,000 choice old Western yellow at $1 74. Oats declined 3c. a 4c., with a limited inquiry at 98c. a $1 for Western and Pennsylvania.

CANDLES.—The market continues quiet, and we have only to report sales of 200 boxes adamantine, in lots, at 32c. a 32½c. Sperm and patent dull, and prices nominal.

COPPER.—Ingot was very quiet, and scarcely so firm. The sales were about 100,000 lbs. of Baltimore at 34½c. a 35c. Detroit quiet at 22½c., gold. Lake was held out of the market.

COFFEE.—There has been but very little doing, and our quotations must be considered as nominal. A sale of 1,950 bags Rio, per Johann Paap, has been effected on private terms. We quote:—Rio prime, 21½c.; good do., 20½c. a 21c.; fair do., 19½c. a 20c.; ordinary do., 18c. a 18½c.; fair to good cargoes, 19c. a 20c.; Java, mats and bags, 22½c. a 23c.; Maracaibo, 20c. a 21½c.; Laguayra, 20c. a 21c., and St. Domingo 18½c.—all for gold, net cash, duty paid. Stock March 21, 1865:—39,298 bags; Java, 76,895 mats and bags; Ceylon, 6,872 bags; Maracaibo, 227 do.; Bahia, 5,973 do.; St. Domingo, 2,950 do., and other descriptions 2,530 do. Total, 134,775 bags.

COTTON.—There was no demand outside of the pressing wants of spinners, and prices have further declined fully 5c. per lb. on middling, and 6c. a 7c. on ordinary. The market closing dull and unsettled. The sales were confined to 100 bales at our quotations, viz:—

| | Upland. | Florida. | Mobile. | N. O. & T. |
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| Ordinary | 35 | 35 | 36 | 36 |
| Middling | 51 | 51 | 52 | 53 |
| Good middling | 54 | 54 | 55 | 56 |

DRUGS AND DYES.—Market dull and unsettled. We have only to report sales of 20 tons soda ash at 5½c. a 5½c., chiefly at the inside price; 100 kegs bi carb soda at 8c., 15 tons caustic soda, 180 bbls. prussiate potash, 800 oz. quinine, and 85 casks bleaching powders, all on private terms.

DYEWOODS.—We have to report the sales of 10 tons Honduras on private terms.

FRUIT.—The market continues very quiet, there being no inquiry outside of the immediate wants of the trade, and we have only to report sales of 250 boxes raisins, in lots, at $6 a $6 10 for bunch, and $6 15 for layers, 50 boxes new currants and about 1,800 Baracoa bananas on private terms. By auction 1,494 boxes Sicily oranges at $4 60 a $5 50, and 1,000 boxes do. lemons at $5 20 a $6 50.

FISH.—Dry cod continue scarce and firm, and command full rates, viz:—$10 25 a $9 25 for St. George's and Grand Bank, with sales of about 700 quintals. Mackerel were in limited inquiry, but firm, at $25 50 a $26 for No. 1 shore, and $17 50 for No. 2 do., $15 25 for No. 2 bay, and $10 50 a $17 for No. 1 do. Herrings were firm, especially scaled, which are scarce, and command 60c., while No. 1's were selling quite freely at 50c.

FREIGHTS were extremely dull, and rates were still nominal. Scarcely anything was offering to European ports, and nearly everything that does offer is secured by the steamers. The engagements to Liverpool were 200 boxes bacon at 2s. 6d., and per steamer 1,000 boxes cheese at 25s., 250 bales cotton at 3-16d. To Havre 60 bales cotton at ¼c., and to London 700 bbls. tar at 3s., and 50 tcs. beef at 2s. 6d. A ship of 1,500 tons was chartered to Liverpool with timber at 27s. 6d., and a Bremen brig of 170 tons to Matamoras at about $1 80 per bbl.

GUNNIES.—There was no demand whatever, and prices were wholly nominal.

HONEY.—We notice sales of 50 tierces Cuba on private terms.

HIDES.—There has been but very little business transacted since our last, the violent fluctuations in gold checking business, and currency prices have declined about 1½c. a 2c. per lb., while gold rates remained unchanged. The sales were confined to 2,000 Rio Grande 20½ lbs., at 16½c., gold; 1,000 slaughter (cow and steer) at 8c.; 400 do. cow at 9c., 300 city slaughter (steer) 10½c., 3,000 army slaughter (ox) at 8½c., as they run, and 600 wet salted Para on private terms. We quote Buenos Ayres, 17c. a 18c.; Montevideo, 17c; Rio Grande, 16c. a 16½c.; Orinoco, 16c; California, 16c. a 16½c.; Central American and Matamoros, 15c. a 15½c.; Vera Cruz, 14c. a 14½c.; Tampico, 13c½. a 14c.; Bogota, 14½c. a 15c.; Maracaibo, 13½c. a 14c.; Bahia, Porto Cabello and Truxillo, 13c. a 13½c., and Miros, 13½c. a 14c., all for gold, net cash.

HOPS continue in fair demand for consumption, and prices for all kinds remained firm. The stock of inferior grades is quite large, while there is a limited supply of choice grades, which sold as high as 56c. The day's sales comprised 180 bales at 10c. a 38c. for 1863, and 25c. a 50c., with fancy at 56c. for new growth.

HAY.—Shipping was in moderate demand at $1 60 a $1 65, and retail lots at $1 70 a $1 75.

INDIGO.—Gold rates remained unchanged, while currency quotations were lower, in sympathy with gold. The market ruled quiet, and we have only to report sales of 30 chests Madras at $1 10 a $1 15, and a few cerons Guatemala on terms not to be made public.

LEAD was in limited request, with small sales at 6½c., gold, cash.

LEATHER.—The demand for hemlock continues limited, and prices are tending downward. For oak there has been only a moderate inquiry, and prices were wholly nominal. We quote hemlock, Buenos Ayres, at 36c., heavy and middle, at 37c. a 38c., and light do., at 35c. a 36c.; California, heavy and middle, at 36½c. a 37½c., and light do., at 34½c. a 35½c. Orinoco, &c., heavy and middle, at 34½c. a 35½c., and light do., at 33c. a 34c. Oak slaughter heavy and middle, at 50c. a 52c., and light, at 48c. a 50c.

MOLASSES.—The violent fluctuations of gold completely unsettled the market, and rendered prices for all kinds entirely nominal. Sales unimportant.

NAVAL STORES.—Spirits turpentine scarce and firm at $2 27 a $2 30, with sales of about 50 bbls. Rosins were scarcely so firm, with a moderate inquiry at $18 a $23 for black to No. 2. Tar was scarce and firm at our last rates.

OILS.—The market for crude fish continues very quiet, and we have to report, prices being nominal. Linseed ruled quiet at $1 55 a $1 57. Lard was dull and heavy at $1 95 a $2 for small lots, and $1 80 for large parcels. Other kinds were in limited inquiry at our last rates.

PROVISIONS.—Receipts, 36 bbls. pork, 95 packages beef, 703 do. cut meats, and 985 do. lard. The pork market opened less active and decidedly lower, prices of new mess having declined fully $4 75 per bbl., but subsequently advanced, closing with a large portion of the decline recovered; the sales were 5,000 bbls. new mess at $24 50 a $28 50, closing at $28 cash, $22 a $23 for 1863, 4 do. cash and regular way, closing at $23 regular, $28 for prime, and $26 for prime mess. The beef market was dull and heavy; sales 150 bbls. at $14 a $17 for plain mess, and $16 50 a $20 for extra hams. Beef hams were dull and nominal. Bacon declined ½c., with a limited inquiry; small sales were effected of Cumberland cut at 15½c., short ribbed at 16½c. a 16¾c., and long do. at 16½c. Cut meats were dull and lower; sales 200 packages at 15½c. a 16c. for shoulders, and 17c. a 17½c. for hams. The lard market was decidedly more active, but at a concession of about 1c. per lb.; the sales were 1,800 bbls. and tierces at 15c. a 16½c. for No. 1, and 17c. a 18½c. for fair to prime steam and kettle rend red. Butter and cheese continue dull, and prices were wholly nominal.

PETROLEUM.—The market was extremely dull, despite the immense destruction caused by the freshet, and all kinds declined materially. The sales on the spot were very light, comprising only 550 bbls. crude at 34c. a 34½c. For future delivery, sales were effected of 1,500 bbls. crude, for all the month, at 34c., sellers' option, and 500 bbls. do. for all April, at 33c. same option. The nominal prices were 34c. a 34½c. for crude, 54c. a 55c. for refined, in bond, and 74c. a 75c. for free.

SALT.—A cargo of St. Martin's has been disposed of on terms not to be made public. Market quiet and unsettled.

SPICES.—We have no sales of importance to report, the demand being entirely for small lots, to supply the immediate wants of the trade, and prices were wholly nominal.

SUGAR.—Consequent upon the decline in gold and the increased receipts the market for raw has ruled extremely dull, and prices have receded fully ½c. per lb. Fair refining may be quoted at 11½c. and good do. about 12c. The sales were 127 hhds., chiefly Porto Rico, at 16c. Refined was dull and lower, at 19c. a 19¾c. for powdered, crushed and granulated.

SALTPETRE.—We notice sales of 480 bags crude on private terms.

SEEDS.—Clover continues in limited request at 23c. a 24c. Timothy was selling, to a moderate extent, at $5 50 a $6, and rough flax at $3 15 a $3 25. Linseed quiet but firm.

SKINS.—For goat there has been only a moderate inquiry, but previous prices were demanded. Deer skins ruled extremely dull, and, in the absence of sales, prices were wholly nominal. We quote:—Pampico goat, 42½c. (gold) per lb; Matamoros, 41c; Vera Cruz, 40c. and Buenos Ayres [illegible]

SPELTER dull and nominal at 6c., gold.

TOBACCO.—The state of gold precludes activity; sales of 81 hhds. Kentucky at 9½c. a 28c.

TALLOW was in limited request and ⅛c. lower, with sales of 100,000 lbs. at 11⅜c. a 12c.

TIN.—The market for pig continued dull and we have no sales of consequence to report. Straits was held at 27½c., gold, and English at 25c. In plates there was no business doing, and gold rates remained about the same as last noticed.

WOOL.—The receipts, 211 bbls., was less active and fully 2c. lower, with sales of 350 bbls. Western at $2 20 a $2 21, the whole closing dull and unsettled.

## Sales of Real Estate.

By E. H. Ludlow & Co.

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| Property No. 73 East 30th street | $19,500 |
| Cottage and 5 lots on Grand and Remsen sts | 9,200 |
| House and lot on North 6th st | 6,425 |
| 3 lots and 1 gore on North 10th st | 960 |
| 2 lots on Union av., 50 ft. s. on Powers st | 2,250 |

## Five-twenty Subscriptions.

PHILADELPHIA, March 21, 1865.

Subscriptions received yesterday at the government subscription agency amounted to $3,125,656.

The interruption by the flood of telegraphic and mail communications for the last three days have seemingly diminished orders; but it is almost certain that the seven-thirties now on the market will be entirely gone before Saturday night.

Only twenty-three millions are left. The anxiety to secure investments, which increases with the increasing decline of gold, promises to lead to the absorption of the whole of this issue within a few days.

Jay Cooke reports sales of seven-thirties to-day to the amount of $3,075,400. The largest single subscription from the West was from Bridgeport, Ohio, for $22,500, and from the East for $100,000, from Baltimore. There were 2,156 individual subscriptions for sums of $100 and $50 each.

## The Heavy Decline in Gold in Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA, March 20, 1865.

Owing to the decline of ten per cent in gold, business here has been completely suspended.

Clover seed has declined to $15. No. 1 bark nominal at $36 per ton. Cotton very dull. Flour very dull and nominal; superfine at $8 25 a $8 50; extras at $9 a $9 50. Red wheat at $2 20, white at $2 35. Yellow corn cannot be quoted over $1 35 a $1 38. Oats generally dull. Provisions dull. Whiskey dull at $2 25.

## Philadelphia Stock Board.

PHILADELPHIA, March 21, 1865.

Stocks are dull. Pennsylvania 5's, 83½; Morris Canal, 90; Long Island Railroad, 30; Reading Railroad, 48; Pennsylvania Railroad, 53½. Gold, 154. Sight exchange on New York at par.

# MAILS FOR EUROPE.

The Cunard mail steamship Cuba, Captain Stone, will leave this port to-day for Liverpool.

The mails for Europe will close at half-past ten o'clock this morning.

The NEW YORK HERALD—Edition for Europe—will be published at half-past nine o'clock this morning.

Single copies, in wrappers, ready for mailing, six cents.

# MAILS FOR THE PACIFIC.

The mail steamship Ocean Queen, Captain Wier, will leave this port to-morrow, at noon, for Aspinwall.

The mails for Central America and the South Pacific will close at half-past ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

The NEW YORK HERALD—Edition for the Pacific—will be published at half-past nine o'clock in the morning.

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## News from Cuba.

AFFAIRS IN HAVANA—RAILROAD ACCIDENT NEAR MATANZAS.

Advices received to-day from Havana contain no political or other news of importance from that city.

An unfortunate accident occurred on the 12th inst. on the railroad between Villanueva and Matanzas. A train of cars ran over an omnibus, which was crossing before it, and was thrown off the track. Four persons were killed and a number wounded. The cars were damaged, but, curiously enough, the locomotive was not even displaced, and, without the engineer, went on to Matanzas.

## News from San Salvador.

RELEASE OF REBEL PIRATES.

The government of San Salvador has set at liberty John Bradshaw and Thomas Reynolds, who were arrested on their way to take part, with others, in capturing one of the California steamers.

## The Fire Commissioners and the Draft Riots.

CORRESPONDENCE BETWEEN FIRE COMMISSIONER GORMAN AND POLICE COMMISSIONER ACTON.

We publish below copies of the official correspondence between the above named gentlemen, in reference to a statement of Mr. Acton, President of the Board of Police Commissioners, that he could name the fireman who started the draft riots of July, 1863. It will be seen that Fire Commissioner Gorman demands of Mr. Acton the name of the party so seriously implicated, going even so far as to desire that the matter be brought to the attention of the Grand Jury. Mr. Acton's views are contained in his reply. It is only necessary to add that it is the duty of the Fire Commissioners, in cases of this kind, to bring offenders of their own body to an account, and punishment, when guilty, and it is with this view that Commissioner Gorman addressed the President of the Board of Police Commissioners on the subject of the annexed correspondence:—

CENTRAL DEPARTMENT OF THE METROPOLITAN POLICE, 300 MULBERRY STREET, NEW YORK, March 21, 1865.

JOHN J. GORMAN, Esq., President of the Board of Fire Commissioners:—

SIR—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your note of the 17th instant. It reads as follows:—

SIR—A statement appeared in the NEW YORK HERALD of the 16th instant, setting forth that you had appeared before the Senate Investigating Committee, and there stated that the July riots were started by firemen, and that you could give the name of the man who was guilty of the offence whenever you were called upon so to do.

I now call upon you to give the name of the man, in the form of a complaint, to the Board of Fire Commissioners, and furnish sufficient evidence to sustain such complaint, and also to the Grand Jury, to the end that he may be removed from the Fire Department and dealt with as the law directs. Very respectfully, &c., &c.

My statement was that firemen were engaged in starting the riot, and that I could give the names of guilty parties. I have not given the names, and decline to furnish them, because I do not wish them to escape the punishment due to their crimes. I am not unmindful of my duty in this regard, as the public and the Fire Department will be satisfied in due time.

The grand juror is sworn not to divulge the finding of an indictment until the culprit is arrested. The principle contained in that oath is operative upon me, and all engaged in the arrest and prosecution of offenders.

You are aware, I suppose, that a trial before your Board and dismissal from the Fire Department would not be a punishment commensurate to so grave a crime. Besides, it would give publicity to the matter, the only result of which must be to afford the criminals full opportunity to run away. Yours, very respectfully,

THOS. C. ACTON,
President of Board of Metropolitan Police.

## Wife Murder.

CONCLUSION OF THE TRIAL OF ROGER LAMB FOR THE MURDER OF HIS WIFE—VERDICT OF GUILTY OF MURDER IN THE FIRST DEGREE.

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS.

Before Judge Russel.

The trial of Roger Lamb, charged with the homicide of his wife, was resumed yesterday morning. Assistant District Attorney Hutchings cross-examined Mary Driscoll at considerable length.

Michael O'Meara, who rented the basement to the prisoner, testified that he knew him for the last four years, and that he was a peaceable and quiet man.

Officer O'Day swore that Ann Kennedy was very much under the influence of liquor, and was unable to stand when he entered the room of the prisoner on the night of the occurrence.

The prosecution recalled Ann Kennedy and Mary Riley, who reiterated the statement made by them on their direct examination, that Mary Driscoll was not in the room when the difficulty occurred.

This closed the testimony on both sides, after which Mr. Kinting addressed the jury, presenting his views of the case in a very forcible manner. Assistant District Attorney Hutchings followed in an eloquent argument, claiming that the evidence established the crime laid in the indictment—viz: the intentional, premeditated killing of his wife.

Judge Russel charged the jury, defining the different degrees of murder and manslaughter, and instructing the jury to apply the facts to the principles he laid down for their guidance. The jury retired at half-past one to deliberate upon the case, and after an absence of fifteen minutes returned with a verdict of guilty of murder in the first degree.

The prisoner was remanded for sentence.

## Court Calendar—This Day.

SUPREME COURT.—CIRCUIT.—Part 1.—Court opens at ten o'clock A. M. Nos. 1491, 547, 1565, 1077, 1079, 1569, 1571, 1573, 1577, 1581, 1583, 1585, 1591, 1593, 1599, 1601, 1603, 1605, 1611, 1613. Part 2.—Court opens at ten o'clock A. M. Nos. 1030, 1082, 1154, 1256, 892, 678, 932, 1182, 1030, 1050, 370, 1140, 1344, 1384, 1390, 1394, 1400, 1402, 1408, 1410, 1196.

# MARRIAGES AND DEATHS.

## Married.

CRAIG—PETERSON.—In St. George's church, on Sunday, March 19, by the Rev. Stephen H. Tyng, D. D., DANIEL W. CRAIG to MISS MARY ADA PETERSON, all of this city.

GREGORY—SMITH.—On Sunday, March 12, by the Rev. Dr. Osgood, Hon. J. W. GREGORY, of New York, to Mrs. EMMA L. SMITH, of New Jersey.

Philadelphia and Hackensack papers please copy.

HARPER—ANDERSON.—In Brooklyn, on Monday, March 20, at St. Ann's church, by the Rev. Dr. Canfield, JAMES F. HARPER, Jr., to MARY ANDERSON, youngest daughter of Robert D. Anderson, Esq.

JONES—CONNOR.—In this city, on Thursday, March 16, by the Rev. Thomas Lodge, Mr. NICHOLAS H. JONES to MISS WILLIS N. CONNOR, the youngest daughter of the late Noah Connor.

POTTER—SETON.—At the Church of the Holy Communion, on Monday, March 20, by the Right Rev. Bishop Potter, of New York, the Right Rev. ALONZO POTTER to FANNY, daughter of the late Alfred Seton, Esq.

WINDER—DEFOREST.—On Monday, March 20, by the Rev. Dr. Phillip, of Brooklyn, WM. GUTHRIE WINDER, M. D., of Washington, to JULIA AUGUSTA DEFOREST, of Brooklyn. No cards.

## Died.

ANDRUSS.—At Newark, N. J., on Monday, March 20, JENNIE, wife of Wm. C. Andruss, and daughter of Joshua and Eleanor Van Name, aged 28 years.

The friends and relatives of the family are invited to attend the funeral, from the residence of her parents, 35 Orchard street, Newark, N. J., on Thursday afternoon, at one o'clock.

ACASTER.—On Tuesday, March 21, CAROLINE, wife of Thomas Acaster, aged 43 years and 10 months.

The friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, from her late residence, No. 55 Macdougal street, on Thursday morning, at ten o'clock.

BURNS.—On Monday, March 20, at Annapolis, Md., JOHN BURNS, member of Company E, One Hundred and Sixty-fourth regiment New York Volunteers, a native of Ballygligan, parish of Drumcliff, county of Sligo, Ireland.

Notice of the funeral in to-morrow's papers.

BAUM.—On Tuesday, March 21, after a short and severe illness, JOHN G. BAUM, in the 45th year of his age.

Notice of funeral in to-morrow's paper.

BAKER.—On Sunday morning, March 19, Mrs. MARY ELIZABETH SIMMONS, wife of George C. A. Baker.

The relatives and friends of the family, also the members of George Washington Lodge 285, F. A. M., and Amity Chapter 160, R. A. M., are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, from her late residence, Gravesend, L. I., this (Wednesday) afternoon, at two o'clock. The Coney Island cars from Fulton ferry, Brooklyn, pass the house.

BULKLEY.—At Albany, on Monday, March 20, at the residence of his son-in-law, H. T. Buell, SOLOMON BULKLEY, in the 79th year of his age.

His funeral will take place at Williamstown, Mass., this (Wednesday) afternoon, at two o'clock.

BREEN.—On Monday, March 20, Mrs. BREEN, in the 70th year of her age, a native of Spring Hill, county Louth, Ireland.

The funeral will take place this (Wednesday) afternoon, at half past one o'clock, from the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Mathews, No. 173 Elizabeth street. The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

BURKE.—In Brooklyn, on Monday, March 20, JOHN FRANCIS, youngest son of John and Mary Burke, aged 4 months and 22 days.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, from the residence of his parents, Nineteenth street, between Third and Fourth avenues, Gowanus, Brooklyn, this (Wednesday) afternoon, at two o'clock.

BROWN.—On Tuesday, March 21, NAPOLEON B. BROWN, after a short and severe illness, aged 36 years, 1 month and 11 days, son of the late Henry W. and Eliza Brown, a member of Company A, Thirteenth regiment, heavy artillery, New York Volunteers.

The friends and relatives are invited to attend the funeral, from the residence of his mother, No. 98 Ludlow street, on Thursday afternoon, at two o'clock.

BANKS.—On Tuesday, March 21, JULIA, infant daughter of George and Caroline C. Banks, aged 3 months and 20 days.

The friends of the family are invited to attend the funeral, from the residence of her parents, 48 Pike street, this (Wednesday) afternoon, at two o'clock.

BARCLAY.—At Hellgate, L. I., on Tuesday morning, March 21, HENRY BARCLAY, in the 71st year of his age.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, without further invitation, from his late residence, on Thursday afternoon, at two o'clock. Funeral services will be held at St. James' church, Newtown, at half-past three o'clock, whence his remains will be taken for interment. Carriages will be in attendance at Thirty-fourth street ferry, from one to three o'clock.

BROSS.—In Williamsburg, on Monday evening, March 20, after a short illness, WASHINGTON H. BROSS, the youngest son of William C. and Elizabeth Bross, aged 6 years, 8 months and 16 days.

The relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, from the residence of his parents, 204 South First street