FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

WALL STREET, TUESDAY, May 3—6 P. M.

The markets for gold, stocks and governments have been feverish and unsettled, with a duller and quieter tone to transactions. Prices in the forenoon were heavy and lower, but rallied in the afternoon, and closed barely steady.

THE GOLD MARKET

was heavy at the opening, in answer to the flattering reduction of the public debt, and a decline to 114½ was stimulated by a report that the Ways and Means Committee had decided to reintroduce the clause compelling an exchange of bonds by the national banks, the tenor of speculation for a decline being further assisted by the heavy carrying rates in the gold loan market. The upward turn later in the day was founded on an emphatic denial of the reported intentions of the Ways and Means Committee—two private telegrams, which are given in the columns of the *Commercial*, being the vehicle of the contradiction, as follows:—

I am authorized by members of the Ways and Means Committee to deny the statement telegraphed hence yesterday, that the seventh or compulsory section of the Funding bill would be adhered to. The facts are directly to the contrary. The compulsory section will be stricken out. The committee expect to report the bill about the 12th of the present month. No action was taken at their meeting this morning.

Another despatch, from a well informed source, says:—

Members of Congress from all sections express hostility to any measure calculated to unsettle or disturb the business interests of the country at this time. This feeling increases as reports come in from commercial centres of increased business and prosperity. The opinion is almost universal that the Banking bill will be defeated by a large majority.

The second despatch is really the more important one. If Congress will only promise to let the finances alone the business of the country will prosper beyond the most sanguine expectations of merchants and all classes of the community. In the afternoon it was announced that Congress would in all probability adjourn by the 4th of July—a contingency inimical to the passage of any funding measure this year. Upon this, gold started up, and, as soon after it was rumored that the Prussian government had excluded American securities from the list at Frankfort and Berlin, the price advanced to 115¼, which figure it barely touched, the market closing dull and firm at 114⅞ a 115. The course of the market is shown in the table:—

10 A. M.	114¾	2:33 P. M.	114⅞
10:30 A. M.	114¾	3 P. M.	114¾
11 A M	114¾	3:54 P. M.	115
12 M	114¾	4 P. M.	114⅞
12:15 P. M.	115⅛	4:45 P. M.	115⅛
1 P. M.	114¾	5 P. M.	115
2 P. M.	114¾	5:30 P. M.	114⅞ a 115

Holders of gold paid from three per cent per annum to 1.32 per cent per day to have their balances carried over. The Cambria for Europe took out $340,000 in American silver coin. The operations of the Gold Exchange Bank were as follows:—

Gold cleared	$49,801,000
Gold balances	1,569,639
Currency balances	1,826,666

FOREIGN EXCHANGE STEADY.

Foreign exchange was steady at 109¾ a 109⅞ for the various grades of bankers' sixty days sterling, the market exhibiting a firm undertone, for the reason that the shipments of silver coin which have taken place for a week or two past are likely to be followed by an export of gold. The steamer, as will be seen above, took a further instalment to-day of silver. Sight bills were quoted 109⅞ a 110.

THE MONEY MARKET STEADY.

There was a fair demand for money at six per cent, but the market was less active than on the previous day. The government dealers were supplied at from four to five per cent. Commercial paper was unchanged.

GOVERNMENTS LOWER.

The early report concerning the intentions of the Ways and Means Committee led to a heavy market for governments, and prices declined. With the denial of this report there was a rally, and upon the final advance in gold the market became rather active under purchases by stock houses who are thought to have been buying in expectation of a sharp rise in gold to-morrow, on the more general knowledge of the news from Prussia. Prices were strong at the close as follows:—United States currency sixes, 112⅝ a 112½; do. sixes, 1881, registered, 116½ a 116¾; do. do. coupon, 116¾ a 117; do. five-twenties, registered, May and November, 110¾ a 111; do. do., 1862, coupon, do., 111¾ a 112; do. do., 1864, do., do., 111 a 111⅛; do. do., 1865, do., 111¼ a 111½; do. do., 1865, do. January and July, 113¼ a 113⅝; do. do., 1867, do. do., 113⅞ a 114; do. do., 1868, do. do., 113¾ a 114; do. ten-forties, registered, 107⅛ a 107½; do. do., coupon, 108¼ a 108¾.

STOCKS IRREGULAR, UNSETTLED AND DULL.

Stocks were most sensitive to the depressing effects of the report from Washington, especially as the market had not recovered from the effect of the recent heavy sale of Lake Shore. Harlem was weak, owing to the indefinite postponement of the Madison avenue horse-car extension and the hopeless visit of those who went to "see William." Ohio and Mississippi was exceptionally strong in this general weakness, but reacted with the second decline in the afternoon, at which period the strong feature was New Jersey Central. The following were the closing prices at the last session of the Stock Exchange:—Canton, 71¾ a 73; Consolidated Coal, 26 bid; Western Union, 32¾ a 32¼; Quicksilver, 9⅞ a 10; Mariposa, 6¾ a 8; do., preferred, 15 a 15¾; do., certificates, 40 a 46; Pacific Mail, 41⅝ a 41¾; Boston Water Power, 17¼ a 17½; Adams Express, 63¼ a 63½; Wells-Fargo Express, 17¾ a 17½; American Express, 40 a 40¼; United States Express, 43½ a 44; New York Central, consolidated, 97¾ a 97½; do., scrip, 94¾ a 94½; Harlem, 143¾ a 143¾; Erie, 24 bid; do., preferred, 48 a 49; Reading, 101¼ a 101½; Michigan Central, 125; Lake Shore, 98¾ a 98½; Illinois Central, 141 bid; Cleveland and Pittsburg, 105¾ a 106¼; Chicago and Northwestern, 81¼ a 81¾; do., preferred, 90⅞ a 91; Cleveland, Columbus and Cincinnati, 81; Rock Island, 121¾ a 121⅞; Milwaukee and St. Paul, 64¾ a 64¾; do. preferred, 78¼ a 78¾; Toledo and Wabash, 52¼ bid; Fort Wayne, 93½ a 94¼; Alton and Terre Haute, 35 bid; do. preferred, 64¼; Delaware and Lackawanna, 112¼ a 112¾; New Jersey Central, 108¾ a 108¾; Chicago and Alton, 113½ a 114¾; do. preferred, 113½ a 114¾; Morris and Essex, 92 a 92½; Hannibal and St. Joseph, 110¾ bid; do. preferred, 110¾ a 110¾; Iron Mountain, 45; Dubuque and Sioux City, 107½ a 109; Columbus, Chicago and Indiana Central, 19 a 19¼.

HIGHEST AND LOWEST PRICES.

The extreme fluctuations in the principal shares were as follows:—

	Highest.	*Lowest.*
N. Y. Cen. and Hud. River con.	97⅞	97
N. Y. C. and Hudson River scrip.	94⅞	94¾
Harlem	146	141¾
Erie	24¼	24
Reading	101⅞	100¾
Lake Shore	98⅞	98¾
Wabash	52½	51½
Pittsburg	106½	106
Northwestern	81¼	79½
Northwestern preferred	91	90
Rock Island	121⅞	121½
Milwaukee and St. Paul	64¾	63½
Milwaukee and St. Paul pref.	78¼	77½
Ohio and Mississippi	37½	36¼
New Jersey Central	109¾	108¾
Boston, Hartford and Erie	5¼	4⅞
Pacific Mail	41¾	41

SOUTHERN SECURITIES—TENNESSEES DECLINED.

The only feature in the Southern list was the new Tennessees, which declined on heavy sales at the board. The general list was steady, strong and dull at the close, as follows:—Tennessee, ex-coupon, 60¾ a 61; do. new, 56½ a 56¾; do. fives, 47 a 50; Virginia, ex-coupon, 69¼ a 69¾; do. new, 68½ a 69; do. registered stock, 56¼ a 57; do. registered, 1866, 66 a 67; do. registered, 1867, 61½ a 62; Georgia sixes, 87 a 90; do., sevens, 95 a 95½; do. sevens, interest payable in Georgia, 90 a 92; North Carolina, ex coupon, 47¼ a 47¾; do. new, 23½ a 23¾; Missouri sixes, 92½ a 93; do. Hannibal and St. Joseph, 92 a 93; Louisiana sixes, 75½ a 76½; do. sevens, 78 a 80; do. eights, 85 a 86; do. levee; sixes, 72½ a 73½; do. do. eights, 91½ a 92; Alabama eights, 102½ a 103; do. fives, 72½ a 75; do. sixes, sterling, 93 a 95; South Carolina sixes, 90 a 92; do. new, 81½ a 82; do. registered stock, 80 a 85; City Memphis sixes, 51½ a 52; do. Atlanta eights, 82 a 85; do. Savannah sevens, 88 a 93; do. New Orleans consols, 75 a 76; do. do., issue railroads, 73 a 75; Mobile and Ohio sterling, 73 a 75; do. eights, 68 a 70; Mississippi Central Railroad, first mortgage, 74 a 76; do., second mortgage, 60 a 62; Memphis and Charleston, first mortgage, 85 a 87; do., second mortgage, 77 a 80; do., stock, 43 a 45; Greenville and Columbia guaranteed, 71 a 72; Arkansas sevens, 75 a 75½; Macon and Brunswick, guaranteed by State Georgia, 81 a 82.

THE SPECIE MOVEMENT.

The imports of specie at this port during the past week have been as follows:—

April 25—Steamer Cleopatra, Vera Cruz—Silver	$38,292
Gold	4,892
April 25—Schooner Tampico, Tampico—Silver	4,000
April 25—Steamer Fah Kee, Hamilton—Gold	2,500
April 26—Bark T. Dullet, Laguayra—Gold	171
April 26—Steamer Tybee, Porto Plata—Silver	2,876
Gold	1,420
April 27—Steamer City of Brooklyn, Liverpool—Gold	91,476
April 28—Steamer Alaska, Aspinwall—Silver	17,485
Gold	16,000
April 28—Bark Pallao, Belize—Silver	1,715
Gold	5,929
April 30—Steamer Missouri, Havana—Gold	300
Total for the week	$187,056
Previously reported	6,121,827
Total since January 1, 1870	$6,308,883
Same time 1869	8,314,442
Same time 1868	2,642,438
Same time 1867	729,602

THE SUB-TREASURY REPORT.

The following shows the results of to-day's business at the Sub-Treasury in this city:—

General balance yesterday	$88,657,767
Gold receipts	991,150
Gold payments	1,816,469
Gold balance	76,985,611
Currency receipts	1,787,830
Currency payments	400,419
Currency balance	2,694,976
General balance	89,412,672
Customs	446,000

SALES AT THE NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE.

Tuesday, May 3—10:15 A. M.

$1000 US 6's, '81, r	116¾	300 shs U S Ex	44
7500 US 6's, '81, cou	116¾	100 Am M U Ex b c	89½
7500 US 5-20, c, '64	111	100 N YC & HR RR b3	97½
15000 US 5-20, c, '65 b3	111⅛	500 do	97½
10000 US 5-20, c, '65 n	111⅛	100 do b3	97¼
60000 US 5-20, c, '67	113⅝	25 do	97½
10000 do b3	113⅝	400 do b c	97¼
85000 do	113⅝	700 do	97¼
40000 do b3	113⅝	20000 N Y C & H R c	94
45000 do s3	113⅝	60000 do b c	94¼
41000 US 5-20, c, '68	113⅝	200 Harlem RR	145
3000 do b3	113¾	1200 Reading RR	101
53500 US 5's, 10-40, r s3	107	1100 do b c	101
26500 US 5's, 10-40, r	108⅜	200 do	101¼
25000 Tenn 6's, ex c	60	45 L S & M S RR	96⅝
335000 Tenn 6's, n	57	100 do	97
15000 do	56⅝	700 do	97⅛
10000 do	56⅝	200 do b c	97⅛
25500 S C 6's, n, J'n&J'y	82¾	400 do c	97⅛
6000 N Car 6's	47¾	1200 do	97⅛
5000 La 6's, ib, ex int	72¾	98 do	96⅞
1000 La 6's	76½	30 C, C, Cin & In RR	79
3000 Va 6's, new	69¾	100 Chic & N W RR	80
2000 N Y bon loan, c	110¼	400 do	80¼
3000 B'klyn 6's, w l	91¼	200 do b c	80⅛
1000 do	94⅝	50 do	80
2000 do bet call	94⅝	14 do	79
500 Ala 5's, bonds	103½	300 do	80¼
500 Mich So 2d mtge	94⅝	500 Chi & NW RR pf	90½
2000 Cen Pac RR g bds	93¾	200 do bt call	90¾
1000 Alt & T H 2d m pf	85½	500 N J Central RR	108⅛
5000 Del, Lack & W 1st	98	100 do	108¾
2000 Gt West 2d m, c in	78	100 do b30	109
2000 Mor & Ess 2d m	88½	500 Chic & Rk I RR	121¾
6000 Pit, Ft W & C 1st	101	100 do b c	121¾
2000 Alt & Terre H m, c 1st	78	300 Mil & St Paul RR	64½
8000 O & Miss con b	87	100 do	64¾
1000 Col, C & I C 1st m	82½	100 do b c	64¾
1000 North Mo 1st m b	86½	100 Mil & St P pref	77¾
5000 C, C & I, n b	94½	100 do b30	77¾
10 shs Phenix Bank	105	100 do	77¾
112 do	108¾	300 do	77¾
40 Cen Nat Bk	111	200 Tol, Wab & W	52¼
5 Fourth Nat Bk	107	400 do	52¼
10 Tenth Nat Bank	110	300 do	52⅜
5 Continental Bank	99	100 Han & St Jos	112
20 do b c	99½	34 do	112
100 Canton Co	72½	100 Chic & Alton b c	113¾
100 do s3	72¾	100 do b c	114
500 Mariposa pref	15½	10 do	114½
400 do b c	15	100 C, C & I C RR b c	19
20 West U Tel	81	300 Ohio & Miss RR	36⅝
100 do	82¼	100 Del, Lack & W	112½
46 Del & H C Co	124	200 do	112¾
100 Pacific Mail	41¼	29 do	112¾
400 do bet call	41¾	25 N Y & N H RR	151
300 do	41¾	85 N Y & N H scrip	140½
300 Wells-Fargo Ex	17¾	100 do	140¾
100 do	17⅝	20 Morris & Es RR	92½
100 do	17½	100 Bost, Har & Erie RR	4⅞
55 do	17¼	200 do	4¾
100 U S Express Co	48¾		

12 o'Clock M. and 2:15 P. M.

$5000 US 6's, '81, c	116⅝	$10000 US 5's, 10-40, r	107
12000 U S 5-20, c, '62	111¾	20000 US 5-20, c, '67	113⅝
11000 US 5-20, r, '62	110¾	75000 do	113⅝
1000 US 5-20, c, '64	110¾	30000 do	113⅝
20000 US 5-20, c, '65	110¾	2000 do	113⅝
20000 US 5-20, c, '65, n, b3	113	10000 do b3	113⅝
10000 do	113	60000 do	113⅝
15000 do b3	113	20000 US 5's, 10-40, c	108¾
20000 do	113	10000 do	108½
1000 do	113¼	2000 do	108⅝
2000 do	113⅛		

One o'Clock P. M.

$150000 Tenn 6's, n	56⅛	200 shs Harlem RR	144
10000 do	56⅛	200 do	143¾
20000 do	56⅛	300 Reading RR	101⅛
20000 do	56⅛	100 Mich Cen RR	134¾
10000 do 2d call	56⅛	300 L S & M S RR	98¾
10000 do s10	56⅛	80 do	98
3000 Georgia 7's	95¾	600 do b c	98¾
1000 N Car 6's	47¾	300 Chic & NW RR	81¼
5000 C, C & I C 1st m	82¾	1500 Chic & N W pref	91
5000 do	83	100 N J Central RR	108¾
5000 Morris & Essex 1st m	100	100 Chic & Rk I RR	121⅞
18 shs West U Tel	82¾	100 do	121⅞
100 do s5	82½	100 Mil & St P RR	64¾
200 do	82½	200 do	64½
30 do	82¾	200 Mil & St Paul pf	78¾
200 Quicksilver Min Co	10	200 Tol, Wab & W RR	52¼
300 Quick Min pref	16	20 Mor & Ex	92½
100 Mariposa Min, pref	15¾	100 Alt & Terre H pref	64
200 Wells-Fargo Ex	17¾	1500 Ohio & Miss RR	37
100 do s5	17¾	100 Del, Lack & W	112¾
500 Am Mer U Ex	40	100 Pitts, F W & C, gtd	94
100 N Y C & H R RR	97¾	100 H & St Jo RR pf	110¾
10000 N Y C & H R RR c	94¾	100 Col, C & I C RR	19¾
200 Erie RR b c	24¾		

STREET QUOTATIONS.

Half-past Five o'Clock P. M.

West Un Tel	82¼ a 82¾	Chic & N W pref	90¾ a 90¾
Pacific Mail	41 a 41¾	Rock Island	121¾ a 121¾
N Y Central con	97¼ a 97¾	St Paul	64¼ a 64¾
N Y Cen scrip	94 a 94¾	St Paul pf	77¾ a 78
Erie	23¾ a 24½	Tol & Wabash	52 a 52¼
Reading	101 a 101¼	Ohio & Miss	36¾ a 36¾
Lake Shore	97¾ a 97¾	N J Central	109¼ a 109¾
Chic & NW	80¾ a 80¾	Bos, Hart & Erie	5 a 5¼

COMMERCIAL REPORT.

TUESDAY, May 3—6 P. M.

COFFEE.—Rio was in some demand, but the small offerings and the high prices asked checked business. We heard of no sales. All other kinds were quiet but steady at our quotations. We quote:—Rio, ordinary cargoes, 15c. a 15½c.; fair do., 16c. a 16½c.; good do., 17c. a 17½c.; prime do., 18c. a 18½c.; extremes for lots, 15c. a 19c.; Java, 20c. a 22c.; Singapore, 18c. a 19c.; Ceylon, 17½c. a 19c.; Maracaibo, 16½c. a 19c.; Laguayra, 16½c. a 18½c.; Jamaica, 15c. a 16½c.; Costa Rica, 16c. a 19c.; Manila, 16c. a 17c.; Mexican, 15c. a 18c., and Savanilla, 15c. a 17½c., all gold, duty paid.

COTTON.—The demand was light, and the offerings being large the market was heavy and prices receded ⅛c. a ¼c. per lb., closing, however, rather steady at the decline. The sales were 762 bales, of which 488 were for spinning, 279 for export and 82 on speculation. For future delivery the market was more active, but lower. Sales 1,000 bales, basis low middling, for June, at 21⅛c.; 500 do. do. at 21⅜c., 200 do. for August at 21⅜c. a 21⅝c., 100 do. for July at 21⅜c., and 250 do. for May at 21⅛c. a 21¼c. We quote:—

	Uplands and Florida.	*Mobile and Memphis.*	*N. Orleans.*	*Texas.*
Ordinary	18	18¼	18½	18¾
Good ordinary	20¼	20½	20¾	21
Low middling	22	22½	22¾	22¾
Middling	23	23½	23¾	23¾
Good middling	24¼	24½	24¾	25

COMMENT.—Rosendale was steady and firm at $2 with a good demand.

CORDAGE was steady at 22c. a 23c. for Manila, 20c. for Sisal rope and bo't rope; Russia, and 17c. for tarred Russia.

COOPERAGE STOCK.—The demand was more active, but prices of all kinds were lower. We quote:—Sugar shooks, 38 inch heads, $3 a $3 05; sugar do., 36 do., $2 40 a $2 75; molasses do., 32 do., $2 50 a $2 70; box do., $60; pipe do., $8 50 a $9; rum do., $5 25 a $5 50; hoops, 14 feet, $45 a $50; hoops, 12 feet, $40.

CANDLES.—The market was very dull, there being no demand except for retail lots. We quote:—Western and city adamantine, 15c. a 20c.; sperm, 37c. a 40c., and patent, 50c.

COCOA was quiet and prices were firm at the following quotations:—Guayaquil, 12c. a 12½c.; Maracaibo, 28c. a 30½c., and Caracas, 22½c. a 23c., all gold, in bond.

FLOUR AND GRAIN.—Receipts, 6,754 bbls. flour, 20 do. and 450 bags corn meal, 21,720 bushels wheat, 11,004 do. corn, 9,673 do. oats, 2,000 do. rye, 1,200 do. peas and 484 do. malt. The flour market ruled firmer, and prices of shipping grades were again advanced about 5c. per bbl. The sales were about 9,000 bbls., of which about 2,500 bbls. for export at $5 a $5 25 for extra Western and State—mainly at $5 15 for State. Southern flour was dull, but firm at our quotations. Sales 600 bbls. Rye flour remained steady and firm, with sales of 300 bbls. Corn meal, though quiet, was firm. Sales 275 bbls. Jersey, on private terms. We quote:—

No. 2 State	$4 60 a $4 85
Superfine State	4 85 a 5 00
Extra State	5 00 a 5 25
Choice do	5 20 a 5 75
Superfine Western	4 85 a 5 00
Extra do	5 00 a 5 50
Extra Minnesota	5 50 a 6 50
Round hoop Ohio, shipping brands	5 20 a 5 75
Round hoop Ohio, trade brands	6 00 a 7 00
St. Louis low extra	5 50 a —
St. Louis straight extra	6 00 a 6 50
St. Louis choice double extra	7 00 a 7 50
St. Louis choice family	7 50 a 9 50
Southern choice and family	6 00 a 9 25
Southern superfine	4 60 a 8 00
Rye flour	4 25 a 5 50
Corn meal, city	4 75 a —
Corn meal, Jersey	4 75 a —
Corn meal, Brandywine	5 75 a 5 85

—Wheat was fairly active and 1c. a 2c. higher, closing at about $1 17 a $1 18 for No. 2 Chicago and Milwaukee spring, $1 25 bid for No. 1 do., delivered, and $1 30 bid and $1 31 asked for amber winter in store. The sales were about 69,000 bushels, at $1 16 for poor No. 2 Milwaukee in store; $1 17 a $1 17½ for prime No. 2 Chicago, delivered; $1 22 a $1 24 for No. 1 in store, $1 30 for amber Canada in bond, $1 30 a $1 31 for small lots amber Western in store, $1 40 for white Michigan. Rye was dull and nominal at $1 05 a $1 10 for State and Western. Corn was quiet and nominal at $1 15 for prime old mixed in store; new was heavy, with sales of about 18,000 bushels at $1 05 a $1 12 for mixed. Oats were firm, with a moderate demand; sales 35,000 bushels, at 62½c. a 63c. for Western, afloat and in store; 63c. a 63c. for state on dock and track, and 65c. for white Ohio afloat. Barley was quiet, with sales of 15,000 bushels, part at 92½c. for Canada.

FISH.—Dry cod were in light demand, as usual during the fore part of the week, but the market was steady; Georges were quoted at $7 75, at which price a few small sales were reported. Mackerel were firm, and, the stock being light, prices were strong at $26 50 a $27 for No. 1 Bay, $14 50 a $15 for No. 2 do., $7 a $7 50 for No. 3 do. and $18 for large No. 3 shore. Dutch herring were steady, with small sales at 90c. a $1 per keg. Other kinds were dull, but unchanged.

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FISH.—Dry cod were in light demand, as usual during the fore part of the week, but the market was steady; Georges were quoted at $7 75, at which price a few small sales were reported. Mackerel were firm, and, the stock being light, prices were strong at $26 50 a $27 for No. 1 Bay, $14 50 a $15 for No. 2 do., $7 a $7 50 for No. 3 do. and $18 for large No. 3 shore. Dutch herring were steady, with small sales at 90c. a $1 per keg. Other kinds were dull, but unchanged.

PROVISIONS.—The market was dull, the offerings of almost all articles being light, and rates were heavy and lower in some cases. The chartering business was dull, though more active than yesterday. Rates were generally in favor of shippers. The engagements were:—To Liverpool, per steamer, 22,500 bushels wheat at 6d., a decline; 500 bales cotton at ¼d. To London, per steamer, via Bremen, 15,000 bushels wheat at 7d. The charters were:—A bark from Philadelphia to the Continent, with 6,500 bbls. petroleum at 4s. 3d.; a brig from Philadelphia to a direct port in the Baltic, with 1,500 bbls. do. at 6s.; a brig, about 400 hhds., to Cienfuegos and back with sugar, at 46c.; a brig to Constantinople, with 15,000 cases petroleum at 25c.; a brig, with 10,000 cases, to Gibraltar for orders at 35c.; if to the Adriatic at 31½c.; a bark, 550 tons, to Cronstadt, with petroleum, and back to New York or Boston; a North German bark, 350 tons, to a direct port on the Continent, assorted cargo; a bark from Philadelphia to Trieste, with 3,000 bbls. petroleum; a brig, 187 tons, to Havre, general cargo, and a brig (new in an out port) from Philadelphia to a direct port in the Mediterranean, with 1,500 bbls. petroleum, on private terms.

HIDES.—The market was quiet, but prices were steady for almost all grades. We quote:—Buenos Ayres, 25 to 27 lbs., 23½c. a 24½c., gold; do., 20 to 23 lbs., 23c. a 23½c., do.; Montevideo, 21 to 24 lbs., 22½c. a 23c., do.; Corrientes, 21 to 23 lbs., 21½c. a 22c., do.; Rio Grande, 20 to 22 lbs., 23c., do.; Orinoco, 21 to 23 lbs., 21½c. a 22c. do.; California, 22 to 25 lbs., 31c. a 31½c., gold; Central American, trimmed, 18 to 21 lbs., 19c. a 19½c., do.; do., not trimmed, 18 to 21 lbs., 18½c. a 19c., do.; Matamoros and Mexican, 21 to 24 lbs., 19c. do.; Vera Cruz, 18 to 19 lbs., 19½c. a 20c., do.; Tampico, 20 to 22 lbs., 19c. a 19½c. do.; Bogota, 18 to 20 lbs., 19½c. Total stock of hides May 3, 1870, 76,000; same date last year, 143,100.

HEMP.—We heard of no sales, but the market for most kinds was firm. We quote:—Manila, 14½c. a 14½c., gold; Jute, 5½c. a 6½c. do.; Sisal, 12c. a 12½c. do., and Tampico, 7c. a 7½c. do., in bond.

HOPS.—The market was unchanged. There was a demand from exporters and a moderate inquiry for the home trade, but sales were restricted by the business of holders. Sales were reported of 50 bales new, within the range of 12c. a 22c. Sellers are generally indisposed to operate to any extent at the prevailing prices.

LEATHER.—Hemlock—The market was passably active, the demand being principally for prime, middle and good damaged Buenos Ayres and choice middle of common hide, which were selling at full previous prices. All other grades were heavy at our quotations. The receipts continue fair, but the stock remains only moderate. Union crop and rough were dull but unchanged. We append the current quotations:—

	B. A. & R. Gde.	*California.*	*Hemlock. Orinoco, &c.*
Light	28c. a 29c.	27c. a 28c.	26½c. a 27½c.
Middle	29c. a 30c.	28c. a 29	27½c. a 28½c.
Heavy	28½c. a 29c.	27½c. a 28c.	26c. a 27½c.
Good dam'ged	25½c. a 26½c.	25c. a 26c.	—c. a —c.

Poor damaged, all kinds, California 20c. a 22½c.; rough, light, do., 30c. a 33c.; middle and heavy, Orinoco, 30c. a 32c.

	City Slaughter.	*Union Crop. Foreign Hide.*
Light	39c. a 41c.	34c. a 36c.
Middle	39c. a 41c.	36c. a 38c.
Heavy	38c. a 39c.	35c. a 35c.

Buffing, 30c. a 32c. Oak rough—Light, 32c. a 37c.; middle and heavy, 33c. a 37c.

MOLASSES.—Prices were steady, especially for the better grades, but rather heavy for the low grades, which were not wanted. Sales of 120 hhds. Porto Rico at 45c. a 55c.; 20 do. do. at 60c., and 25 do. Barbados at 48c. We quote:—

	New Crop.	*Old Crop.*
Cuba—Centrifugal and mixed	30c. a 35c.	20c. a 22c.
Clayed	36c. a 39c.	22c. a 28c.
Muscovado, refining	36c. a 40c.	— a —
Muscovado, grocery	40c. a 45c.	— a —
Porto Rico	40c. a 68c.	— a —
English Islands	30c. a 50c.	— a —
New Orleans	70c. a 85c.	— a —

MEATS.—The market for Scotch pigs was dull, the smallness of the offerings and the firmness of holders checking business. Eglinton was held at $33 50 a $34, and Glengarnock at $35. We heard of no sales of consequence. American was dull but unchanged, being quoted at $36 a $34 for No. 1 and $31 a $32 for No. 2. No sales. Refined bar, old and new rails were dull but unchanged. Copper was dull. Sales 75,000 lbs., at 18¾c. a 19¼c. for Lake and Baltimore, chiefly at 18¾c. a 19c. Spelter was dull at 6½c. a 6¾c., gold. Lead was quiet, but unchanged. Small sales ordinary foreign were reported at $6 25, gold. Tin—Straits were freely sought after and decidedly higher, closing at 24¾c. a 25c., gold. English was held at 24½c. a 25c., gold, and Banca was quoted at 42c. a 43c. do. There were sold 2,000 slabs (part to arrive) on private terms. Plates were quiet but steady at $8 62½ a $8 75, gold, for I. C. charcoal.

NAVAL STORES.—The demand for spirits turpentine was less active, and almost entirely for small lots, which commanded the prices current yesterday. Wholesale lots were unchanged in value, closing at 44c. for merchantable, and at 44½c. a 45c. for shipping. There were sold 600 bbls. at 43½c. a 44c., including 18 bbls. at the inside price, and lots in yard and store at 44½c. a 45c. Crude turpentine was dull and nominal at former prices. Rosin was dull, there being but little demand, but holders were unwilling to sell below previous prices. The sales were 2,900 bbls. strained at $2 10, 360 do. No. 1 at $3 45, 150 do. pale at $6 87½, at $8 50, and 350 do. No. 2 at $2 40 a $2 60. We quote:—Strained, $2 05 a $2 10; No. 2, $2 15 a $2 60; No. 1, $2 75 a $4; pale, $4 25 a $5; extra do. and window glass, $5 25 a $8. Wilmington tar was quoted lower; 700 bbls. were sold at $2 15.

PROVISIONS.—Receipts, 252 bbls. beef, 134 packages cut meats, 26 do. lard, and for the week 18,197 head hogs. The market for pork was active and excited, the demand being principally for future delivery, and prices were decidedly higher, closing at $29 75 for wholesale lots new mess. There were sold 500 bbls. at $29 50, cash, 750 do., in lots, at $29 37½ a $29 50 for new mess. $35 50 a $36 for prime mess and $36 for extra prime; also 3,000 bbls. for May and June, and June, July and August at $29 50; also 500 bbls. for May (reported at $29 75). Prime mess pork were dull and heavy at 12c. for city. Beef was firm, with a moderate demand, the sales being 200 bbls. within the range of $10 a $17 for plain and extra mess. Tierce beef was in good demand and firm, sales 800 tierces within the range of $24 50 a $28 for prime mess, and $27 a $33 for India do. Beef hams were steady with small sales within the range of $24 a $30 for common to choice Southern, and $32 a $33 50 for Western. Bacon was quiet but held with firmness at the prices current yesterday. We heard of no sales. Cut meats—There prevailed a fair demand for pickled hams, which were held with firmness. Other kinds were dull, but unchanged in value. Sales 250 packages, within the range of 12c. a 12½c. for dry salted and pickled shoulders, 16½c. a 16¾c. for smoked and bagged hams, and 16½c. a 17c. for pickled hams. The market for lard was dull and heavy, closing at 16½c. a 16¾c. for prime steam. Sales 250 packages at 16¼c. a 16½c. for No. 1 to prime; also 750 packages for June and July, and 500 do. for May