FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

WALL STREET, WEDNESDAY, Oct. 25—6 P. M.

On 'Change to-day wheat was in better request and toward the close of business became strong and active. The cotton market was lower and dull.

MONEY ACTIVE.

Money was active and seven per cent the lowest rate even on pledge of government collaterals. The stock houses generally paid seven, gold, and for a brief period in the afternoon holders of stock paid seven per cent and 1-16 commission. The supply became better before the close of banking hours, and the latest business in the loan market was at seven, currency.

Prime commercial paper is hardly salable on the street at less than 12 per cent discount. The banks are incapable of granting all the applications presented for accommodation, and a number of the best borrowers are compelled to seek assistance outside them.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE LOWER.

Foreign exchange was lower in consequence of the further "squeeze" to-day in the market for cash gold, but closed with a steadier if not a firmer tone, as follows:—Sterling, sixty days, commercial, 108⅛ a 108¾; good to prime bankers', 108⅛ a 108⅜; short sight, 109¾ a 109⅞; Paris, sixty days, 5.46¼ a 5.41¼; short sight, 5.37½ a 5.35; Antwerp, 5.31¼ a 5.25; Switzerland, 5.27½ a 5.23¾; Hamburg, 35½ a 35¾; Amsterdam, 40½ a 40⅝; Frankfort, 40⅝ a 41; Bremen, 77⅜ a 78½; Prussian thalers, 71½ a 72.

GOLD LOWER—111⅞ a 111⅝.

Gold underwent a further decline and sold quite freely at 111⅛ under the disbursements of the Treasury in payment of the November interest. To-day holders of coupons could obtain the coin without rebate, and were paid to the extent of $1,300,000, which made a total disbursement of about two million five hundred thousand dollars on account of November interest, the necessities of some parties having occasioned the presentation of coupons earlier in the month for prepayment on a deduction of six per cent. The "bear" clique are still so hampered with their speculations in the stock market that they find it impossible to turn and cover, which they are quite disposed to do at current quotations; but in their exigency they are forced to continue borrowing for delivery at extravagant rates, and to-day had to pay as high as one-eighth per cent for the use of gold until to-morrow. An effort on the part of the smaller "bears" to cover resulted in a reaction to 111⅞, but the price again went off at the close. The course of the market is shown in the table:—

10 A. M.	111⅝	1 P. M.	111¾
10:27 A. M.	111¾	1:54 P. M.	111⅞
10:34 A. M.	111½	2 P. M.	111¾
11 A. M.	111⅝	3 P. M.	111¾
11:20 A. M.	111¾	4 P. M.	111⅝
12 M.	111¾	5:30 P. M.	111⅝ a 111¾

In the gold loan market the rates ranged from flat to ⅛ per cent for borrowing. The operations of the Gold Exchange Bank were as follows:—

Gold cleared	$77,252,000
Gold balances	1,081,378
Currency balances	1,479,593

The European steamers took out $582,000, chiefly silver.

GOVERNMENTS STRONG.

The government list was strong on purchases by the foreign bankers, who, by certain advantages offered them in the way of cheap bills of exchange, were able to make a little profit in shipping five-twenties to London. The advance was not important, however, and the tone of the market was only steady at the improvement. The following were the closing street quotations:—United States currency sixes, 111 a 111¼; do. do., 1881, registered, 115¼ a 115¾; do. do., coupon, 116¼ a 116¾; do. five-twenties, registered, May and November, 110 a 110½; do. do., 1862, coupon, do. 114 a 114¾; do. do., 1864, do. do., 113½ a 114; do. do. 1865, do. do., 114 a 114¾; do. do., registered, January and July, 112¾ a 113½; do. do., 1865, coupon, do., 112¾ a 113; do. do., 1867, do. do., 113 a 113¾; do. do., 1868, do. do., 113 a 113¾; do. ten-forties, registered, 108⅛ a 108⅝; do. do., coupon, 109⅝ a 109¾.

THE GOVERNMENT PURCHASE OF BONDS.

The government purchased two millions of five twenties out of offerings amounting to only $3,069,350, which were submitted at prices ranging, ex coupon, from 110.48 to 111.40. The two millions were obtained at 110.48 a 111.24—an average of 110.86, gold at the same time being 111.75.

COMPARISON OF THE EXPORTS.

The following shows the exports (exclusive of specie) from New York to foreign ports for the week ending October 24, and since the beginning of the year:—

	1869.	1870.	1871.
For the week.	$5,997,794	$4,337,058	$5,276,054
Prev. reported.	156,125,800	144,755,201	189,088,775
Since Jan. 1	$160,123,594	$149,092,259	$194,364,829

THE CITY BANK STOCKS.

The following were the bids for the city bank shares:—Manhattan, 150; Mercnants', 112; Mechanics', 126; Union, 135; America, 140; City, 220; Phoenix, 106; Greenwich, 220; Gallatin National, 113; Leather Manufacturers', 175; Seventh Ward, 106; Commerce, 110; Mercantile, 120; American Exchange, 106; Bank of the Republic, 113; Metropolitan, 131; East River, 110; Commonwealth, 92½; New York County, 230; Park, 148; Central National, 104; Fourth National, 107; Bankers' and Brokers' Association, 80.

THE RAILROAD BONDS

The following were the bids for the railroad bonds:—

New York Cen 6's, 1883.	92	Gt West 1st m, 1888	90
New York Cen 6's, 1876.	102	Gt West 2d m, 1893	86
Erie 7's, 3d m, '83	86¾	Quincy & Tol 1st, 1890	88½
Erie 7's, 4th m, '80	85	Gal & Chic extended	100
Erie 7's, 5th m, '88	81	Chic, R I & Pacific	100
Buf, N Y & E 1st m, '77	90	Morris & Essex 1st m	103
Long Dock bonds	88¾	Morris & Essex 2d m	98½
Hud R 7's, 2d m, s f, '85	104	Clev & Tol s f s. fd	99
Harlem 1st m 7's	102	New Jersey Cen 1st, n	101½
Harlem con mtg s f 6's	92	Pitts, F W & Chi 1st m	104¾
Mich Cen 1st m 8's, '82	114	Pitts, F W & Chic 2d m	100
Chi, Bur & Q, s p c, 1st m	111	Pitts, F W & Chic 3d m	95
Mich S & N I s f 7 p c	99	P, F W & C 8 p c eq b	100
Pac RR 7's, guar by Mo.	99½	Clev & Pitts con 7s sink	90
Central Pac gold bonds	101½	Clev & Pitts 3d m	90
Union Pacific 1st m bds	85¼	Clev & Pitts 4th m	83
Union Pac ld grant 7's	75½	Chic & Alton s f	100
Union Pac income 10's	76	Chic & Alton 1st m	104
Ill Cen 7 p c, 1875	103	Chic & Alton income	90
Belleville & S Ill 1st m 8's	94	Ohio & Miss 1st m	99
Alton & T H 1st m	95	Peninsular RR bonds	68
Alton & T H 2d m pref	85	St L & Iron Mt 1st m	90
Alt & T H 2d m inc	77	Mil & St Paul 1st m 8's	105
Chic & N W 1st m	93	Mil & St P 1st m, 7 3-10	92
Han & St Jo con	96	Mil & St Paul 1st m	91½
Del, Lack & W 1st m	109¼	Mil & St Paul 2d m	86
Del, Lack & W 2d m	95	Jol & Chic 1st m	104
Tol & Wab 1st m, ex	92	Col, Chi & Ind Cen 1 m	85
Tol & W 1st m, St L div	84	Col, Chic & Ind Cen 2 m	65
Tol & Wab 2d m	91½	Tol, Peo & W, E D	89
Tol & Wab equip bds	83	N York & N Haven 6's	97
Tol & Wab cons con	83¾	Cedar F & Minn 1st m	81

SOUTHERN SECURITIES IRREGULAR.

There was rather more activity in the Southern State bonds, but the course of prices was irregular. The new South Carolinas underwent a sudden further decline, the July issues falling two per cent, to 39½. The Tennessees were firm, with sales at advancing figures and asking prices above the market. There was also more doing in the North Carolinas. Virginias were heavy. The following were the closing street quotations, including prices of the leading Southern railroad and municipal bonds:—Tennessee, ex coupon, 67½ a 69; do. new, 68 a 69; Virginia, ex coupon, 59 a 60; do. registered stock, old, 68 a 70; do. sixes, consolidated bonds, 60¼ a 60¾; do. sixes, deferred scrip, 25¼ a 26; Georgia sixes, 80 a 83; do. sevens, 90 a 92; do. sevens, gold, 91 a 92½; North Carolina, ex coupon, 35 a 37½; do. funding, 1866, 31 a 33; do. do., 1868, 25 a 30; do. new, 19 a 20; do. special tax, 15½ a 16; Missouri sixes, 93 a 95; do. Hannibal and St. Joseph, 92 a 93; Louisiana sixes, 67 a 70; do. new, 58 a 62; do. levee sixes, 65 a 70; do. do. eights, 75 a 80; do. do. eights, 1875, 75 a 80; do. Penitentiary sevens, 65 a 70; do. railroad eights, 75 a 80; Alabama fives, 67 a 70; do. eights, 98 a 100; do. eights, Montgomery and Eufala Railroad, 90 a 95; South Carolina sixes, 72 a 76; do. new, January and July, 39½ a 40; do. do., April and October, 39 a 39½; Arkansas sixes, funded, 55 a 58; Mobile and Ohio Railroad sterling, 87 a 90; do. interest eights, 80 a 85; do. second mortgage eights, 76 a 74; Mississippi Central Railroad, first mortgage, sevens, 82 a 86; do. do. second mortgage, eights, 75 a 80; New Orleans and Jackson, first mortgage, 85 a 90; do. do., second mortgage, 72 a 76; Memphis and Charleston Railroad, first mortgage, 85 a 90; do. do., second mortgage, 75 a 80; Greenville and Columbia Railroad, guaranteed by South Carolina, 53 a 58; Macon and Brunswick Railroad, guaranteed by Georgia, 72 a 76; Wilmington, Charlotte and Rutherford Railroad eights, 54 a 58; Selma, Rome and Dalton Railroad sevens, 50 a 58; Memphis and Little Rock Railroad eights, 75 a 80; Memphis city sixes, 54 a 58; Savannah city sevens, 85 a 90; New Orleans consols, old, 70 a 76; do. issued railroads, sixes 70 a 75; do. sevens, 63 a 68.

STOCKS FEVERISH, UNSETTLED AND STRONG.

The situation in the stock market grows interesting. It is said that politics, like poverty, makes strange combinations, but speculation often reveals a more curious shifting of the scenes. The course of events in Wall street for the past few weeks has been a singular illustration of the remarkable facility with which "bulls" become "bears" and "bears" become "bulls," each forswearing and reversing all previous theories and opinions of the market. Just now the lines are greatly confused, and the various parties interested in stock speculation are reforming and reorganizing in curious combinations. The more salient feature, however, is the most recent somersault of the great "bull" clique of last summer, who have completely reversed their plans and are now enlisted on the "bear" side of the market. To go back in our history—or a record of matters in Wall street nowadays is like a series of chapters from a novel; we left the so-called Vanderbilt party on Tuesday dispossessed of the last remnant of the numerous stocks which they had been holding up to the time of the sudden stringency in the money market and the general demoralization produced by the Chicago fire. At the same time a portion of the recently organized "bear-bull" party also sold out their stocks to the more confiding members of the clique, who were ignorant of the treachery of their *confreres* until, on Monday, they were nonplussed by the abundant supply which met their demand. Tuesday was a day of calm. The "bulls" found themselves in a puzzling situation. They had been saddled with an enormous load of stocks and the market was suspicious of their embarrassment and not disposed to buy. A council of war was held. The deliberations resulted in their determination to make a bold upward movement, convert the sluggish market into a "bull" one and take the chances of the future. On the other hand, the so-called Vanderbilt party, being out of their stocks, were anxious to see prices fall. Accordingly they commenced the locking up of money. Two of the down-town banks were creditors at the Clearing House this morning for over two and a half millions of dollars. This was the first twist of the screw. Money was bid up in the open market, and, as above narrated, was worth at one time 1-16 per cent for one day's use. To-morrow the government will let out two millions, but will take it back next day. The two parties are known as the Broad street clique and the William street clique respectively. Broad street retorted by making stocks scarce, and the "shorts" had in some instances to pay a small consideration for the use of certificates in making their deliveries to-day. This device injured William street very little, unless the maxim of the Vanderbilt party, "Never sell what you haven't got, sonny," has been forgotten or ignored. The earlier portion of to-day was devoted to skirmishing between the two parties, with varying success; but after banking hours the "bulls" went in with a brilliant dash and carried Pacific Mail up to 49¾, and the general market 1 to 1¾ per cent above the lowest prices of the morning. Pittsburg as a side issue was advanced to 126. Now that the Pennsylvania Railroad has swallowed the New Jersey camel it will no longer strain over the Pittsburg gnat—for that long-deferred lease is again on the carpet for the tenth time, and is a sure thing at last. The situation, summed up in brief, is as follows:—The "bulls" of last summer have become "bears." The "bears" of the same period, enriched by the panic after the Chicago fire, have turned "bulls." The outsiders have very little to do with the game; for, as "bulls" they were extinguished by the panic, and as "bears" in the panic they have been slaughtered by the recent rise. The Broad street "bull" clique have all the stocks. The William street clique have the money. If the outsiders wish to go in again they have the facts before them, and can choose sides in what promises to be a very lively contest between the two great cliques. *"Faites votre jeu, messieurs! Faites votre jeu!"* Only that those who, when the market rises, wish to secure their profits, should take care to deal on a strictly "cash" basis and get checks that "certify." By doing so they may be saved the annoyance which followed the collapse of the gold "corner" in 1869, the Rock Island fiasco last spring, and more recently (on Tuesday) the mistake of the broker who bought so liberally the day before, but was so chary of his cash when the stocks were presented next day.

HIGHEST AND LOWEST PRICES.

The following table shows the highest and lowest prices of the principal stocks during the day:—

	Highest.	Lowest.
New York Central consolidated	89	87½
New York Central scrip	84¾	83¾
Harlem	122½	121¾
Erie	29⅜	28½
Reading	108	107¾
Lake Shore	98	96¾
Wabash	57¼	56½
Pittsburg	126	121¼
Northwestern	61¾	59½
Northwestern preferred	88⅞	87½
St. Paul	56	55¼
St. Paul preferred	76	75¾
Rock Island	100½	99¾
Ohio and Mississippi	38	36¾
Union Pacific	24½	23
Western Union Telegraph	60⅞	59¾
Pacific Mail	49¾	46¼

SALES AT THE NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE.

Wednesday, Oct. 25—10:15 A. M.

$2000 U S 6's, '81, r	115¾	500 shs Pac M SS Co	46¾
4000 US 5-20, c, '62	114	200 do b c	46⅝
25000 US 5-20, c, '65, n	112⅝	200 do	46¾
20000 US 5-20, c, '65, n	112⅝	300 do	46¾
40000 U S 5-20, c, '67	112⅞	600 do	46
2000 US 6's, cur'y	111⅝	200 do b30	47
10000 Va 6's, old	59½	200 do	47
5000 N Car 6's, old b	37	100 do	47¼
1000 N C Fund act, '68	27⅛	110 Penn Coal Co b c	220
12,000 N Car 6's, n	19⅛	100 Adams Ex	83
7000 S C 6's, Jan&Jy n	41½	5 Am Ex Exp	54
25000 do	41	10 N Y C&HRR	88½
10000 do	40⅞	100 do b c	88
25000 do	40⅞	50000 NY C&H RR cts	83¾
2000 do	40⅝	10000 do b c	83¾
24500 do	40⅛	200 Erie RR b c	28½
4000 Alabama 5's, bo	67	200 do	28¼
2000 Brooklyn 6's, w i	94	100 L S & M S RR c	96⅞
5000 N C 6's, sp tax	16	500 do	96⅞
1000 Erie 3d m	90	50 do	97½
1000 Har 6's, con s i b	93	300 do b c	96⅞
1000 Mich So 2d m	98½	200 do	97¼
7000 Mich So s f bonds	100	400 do	97½
1000 Alt & T H inc	77	100 do	97½
1000 Tol & W 1st m	92	100 Union Pac RR	23⅝
1000 Tol & W con c s	83¾	700 do	23
5000 Great W 1st, '88	90	400 do b c	23
8000 Clev & P 3d m	96	100 Chi & N W RR	59¾
1000 P, Ft W & Chi 1st	105	200 do b c	59¼
4000 Mil & St P S's, 1st	105½	200 do	59¼
100 shs Mechanics' Bk	125	400 Clev & Pitts RR b c	121½
40 do b c	130	10 C, C, C & Ind RR	83½
10 Fourth Nat Bk	108	25 Chic & R I RR	100½
5 do	107½	500 do b c	100¾
5 Del & Hud C Co	118	100 Mil & St P RR	55¾
100 Md Coal Co	21¾	100 Chic & Alton RR	113½
100 West Union Tel	60	40 Morris & Ess RR	92¾
500 do b c	59⅞	45 do	93
1700 do	60	200 Cpl, C & I C RR	17¾
100 Quicksilver Mnfd	24¼	300 do	17¾
100 Pac M SS Co	46⅝	100 O & Miss RR b c	37

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

$2500 US 5-20, c, '65 n	112¾	$6000 US 5-20, c, '67 r	113
1000 do sm	112¾	10000 U S 5's, 10-40, r	108½
20000 do	112⅞	5000 do	108½
10000 US 5-20, r, 65 n	112¾	10000 U S 6's, cur	111½
12500 Us 5-20, c, '67	113	11000 do	111¼
30000 do b3	113⅛	2000 do	111½

One o'Clock P. M.

$10000 Tenn 6's, old	69	100 shs N Y C HR RR b c	88¾
15000 Tenn 6's, n	68	400 Harlem RR	122
55000 S C 6's, n, J & J	40	500 Reading RR	107½
2000 do	39¾	200 Han & St Jo RR pf	69½
2500 do	39½	100 do	70
1000 Cen Pac gld b	101¾	11 C, C, C & I RR b c	84
1000 Ohio & Miss 1st	100	200 L S & M S RR b c	97
100 shs Mariposa pf	13½	100 do c	97
100 do	13	100 do	97⅛
100 Md Coal Co	22	200 Un Pac RR	23¾
32 Am M U Ex	54¾	400 Chic & N W RR b c	59⅞
10 U S Express	53½	100 Chic & Rock I RR	100
100 Quick M Co pid b c	24	100 Mil & St P RR pf	76
100 West Un Tel b c	60¼	20 Del, Lack & W RR	106
100 do	60¾	100 do	105¾
100 Pac M SS Co b c	47⅝	200 do	105
300 do	47¾	200 Col, C & I C RR	17¼
100 do	47⅞		

STREET QUOTATIONS.

Western Union	60½ a 60¾	5:45 o'Clock P. M.	
Pacific Mail	49¾ a 49½	Northwest'n pf	88½ a 88¾
N Y Cen com	88 a 89	Rock Island	100 a 100½
N Y Cen scrip	85¾ a 86	St. Paul	55¾ a 56¼
Erie	29¼ a 29¾	St. Paul pref	75¾ a 76¼
Reading	107¾ a 108	Wabash	57 a 57¾
Lake Shore	97 a 98	Ohio & Miss	37¼ a 38
Pittsburg	126 a 126½	Union Pacific	23¾ a 24
Northwestern	61¼ a 61½	Bos, Har & Erie	2 a 3½
		Col, C & Ind Cen	17¼ a 17¾

COMMERCIAL REPORT.

WEDNESDAY, Oct. 25—6 P. M.

COTTON without quotable change. The market for cotton on the spot was dull and heavy. Prices were quite irregular and some sales were made at less than quotations. Future deliveries were fairly active at a decline of fully ⅛c. per lb. The sales reported on 'Change sum up as follows:—

	To-Day.	Last Evening.	Total.
Export	345	229	575
Consumption	422	374	796
Speculation	130	—	130
Total	897	574	1,471

—For future delivery (basis low middling) the sales have been as follows:—Last evening—October, 100 at 18⅝c., 100 at 18⅝c.; November, 200 at 18 5-16c., 800 at 18⅜c.; November and December, 200 each, at 18 7-16c., together; December, 200 at 18⅜c., 900 at 18 7-16c., 2,000 at 18⅜c.; January, 200 at 18⅜c., 200 at 18 11-16c., 500 at 18¾c.; February, 100 at 18⅝c., 300 at 19c.; March, 100 at 19¼c.; April, 800 at 19⅜c., 200 at 19 9-16c.; exchanged ⅛c. paid to exchange 200 November for 200 December; total, 7,100 bales. To-day—October, 100 at 18⅝c., 100 at 18⅝c.; November, 400 at 18 5-16c., 200 at 18⅜c., 1,900 at 18 5-16c., 900 at 18⅜c., 100 at 18 3-16c., 700 at 18⅛c.; December, 200 at 18⅝c., 1,000 at 18⅝c., 2,900 at 18 7-16c., 100 at 18⅜c.; January at 18¾c., 800 at 18 5-16c.; 300 December at 18⅜c., 100 at 18¾c., together; January, 900 at 18⅝c., 100 at 18⅜c., 500 at 18⅜c., 100 at 18 11-16c., 200 at 18 9-16c., 400 at 18⅝c., 100 at 18¾c.; February, 100 at 19c., 200 at 18 5-16c., 300 at 18⅝c., 100 at 19c., 100 at 18⅞c.; March, 600 at 19¼c., 200 at 19⅛c.; April, 100 at 19⅜c. Total, 12,800 bales. Grand total, 26,900 bales. The average quotations of yesterday's forward deliveries were:—October, 18.33c.; November, 18.29c.; December, 18.40c.; January, 18.55c.; February, 18.81c., and April, 19⅛c. We quote:—

	Uplands.	Alabama.	New Orleans.	Texas.
Ordinary	15½	16½	16½	16½
Good ordinary	17⅞	17¾	18	18½
Low middling	18⅛	18¾	18⅞	18⅞
Middling	18⅝	18¾	19⅛	19⅛
Good middling	19⅝	19	20⅛	20⅛

—The quotations are based on cotton running in quality not more than half a grade above or below the grade quoted. The net receipts at the ports sum up as follows:—Galveston, estimated 800; New Orleans, 797; Mobile, 1,616; Savannah, 3,301; Charleston, estimated 2,200; Wilmington, 178; Norfolk, 1,850; Baltimore, 87; New York, 750; Boston, 390—total, 11,644; this day last week, 11,845; this day last year, 9,331. Rates for cotton freight to foreign ports sum up as follows:—To Liverpool by steam, 7-16d. a ½d.; by sail, ¼d. a 5-16d. To Havre by steam, 1c. gold; sail, ⅝c. To Hamburg by steam, ⅝d., compressed. To Bremen by steam, 1c. gold, compressed. To Baltic ports by sail, ¾c. a ⅞c. gold.

COFFEE.—The Amsterdam sale went off at equal to 1½c., gold, per lb. higher prices than were realized at the September sale. There is no Java coffee now held by first hands in any port in the United States, the Alexander's cargo, comprising 12,416 mats, having been sold late this evening at an advanced price; 25,191 mats Java, per Jane Spratt, were sold, to arrive, and other sales were reported, the particulars of which we were unable to get. The market closed firm at 26c. a 27½c., gold, duty paid. The market for Rio was quiet but very strong; 3,000 bags were sold, to arrive in Baltimore, at 16¾c., (so reported), gold, per lb. We quote:—Ordinary cargo sz. 15½c. a 16¼c.; fair do., 16¾c. a 16¾c.; good do., 16½c. a 16¾c.; prime do., 17¼c. a 17½c., gold, in bond, 60 days; Maracaibo, 18c. a 19c.; Laguayra, 17½c. a 18c.; St. Domingo, in bond, 11c. a 11½c.; Java, 26c. a 27½c., gold, duty paid.

FLOUR AND GRAIN.—Receipts, flour, 26,135 bbls.; wheat, 136,315 bushels; corn, 3,830 do.; corn meal, 203 bbls. and 286 bags; oats, 46,909 bushels; barley, 50,423 do. The flour market ruled dull, and in some instances lower, on interior grades of shipping. The sales were about 7,100 bbls. Rye flour continued dull, but without noticeable change in price. Corn meal was quiet but firm for bbls. and city sacked. We quote:—

No. 2 State	$5 00 a $5 75
Superfine State	6 20 a 6 00
Extra State	6 75 a 7 10
Choice do	7 25 a 7 50
Superfine Western	6 20 a 6 60
Extra do	6 75 a 7 00
Extra Minnesota	7 50 a 9 00
Round hoop Ohio, shipping brands	6 75 a 7 00
Round hoop Ohio, trade brands	7 25 a 7 75
Family	7 75 a 9 00
St. Louis low extra	7 25 a 7 55
St. Louis straight extra	7 25 a 7 75
St. Louis choice double extra	7 75 a 8 75
St. Louis choice family	9 00 a 11 00
Rye flour	4 50 a 5 80
Southern No. 2	4 75 a 5 50
Southern superfine	6 00 a 6 50
Southern extra	7 25 a 8 25
Southern family	8 25 a 11 00
Corn meal, Western white	4 00 a 4 10
Corn meal, Western yellow	3 90 a 4 20
Corn meal, Jersey	4 10 a 4 10
Corn meal, Brandywine	4 50 a —
Corn meal, puncheons	21 00 a —

—The wheat market ruled firmer under a moderate demand. The sales on the spot and to arrive were about 110,000 bush. at $1 42 a $1 48 for No. 2 Chicago spring, $1 50 for No. 2 Milwaukee spring, $1 52 a $1 56 for winter red, $1 58 a $1 60 for amber Michigan and do. State, $1 55 a $1 60 for common to fair white State, $1 67 for choice do. and $1 68 for white Michigan. Corn was fairly active and higher. Sales 130,000 bushels, opening at 75c. in store and 77c. afloat, and closing quiet but firm at 77c. in store and 77c. afloat for Western mixed, 84c. for white do. and 86c. a 92c. nominally for yellow do. Oats were in better demand and about ½c. higher. Sales 120,000 bushels at 52c. afloat for Chicago, 50c. for black and white Illinois afloat and on the track, 52½c. a 54c. for white Ohio. Barley was in better demand, with sales of 81,400 bushels, at 86c. a 88c. for four-rowed State, $1 05 a $1 07 for Canada and 80c. for two-rowed State. Rye was dull and nominal.

FREIGHTS.—The market was quiet and without quotable change in rates. There was a moderate chartering business transacted, and in some instances a trifle lower rates were accepted. The engagements were:—To Liverpool, by steam, 10,500 bushels grain (relet) at 10½d.; 1,000 bbls. flour, 3s. 3d.; 500 bales cotton, 7-16d. a ½d.; 1,050 tierces beef, 7s.; 5,000 boxes cheese, 45s., and by sail, 300 bales cotton, ¼d.; 350 bbls. flour, 2s. 6d.; 100 bbls. rosin, 2s. 6d. To London, by sail, 500 bbls. rosin, 2s. The charters comprise:—An Austrian bark, 3,400 quarters grain, to Cork for orders, 8s. 3d.; a British bark, hence to Cork for orders to the United Kingdom, 2,500 bbls. refined petroleum, at or about 6s. 6d.; a North German bark now at Boston hence to Gibraltar for orders to the Mediterranean, 2,500 bbls. refined petroleum, 6s. 6d.

HIDES were dull and nominal; 1,000 city slaughters, 65 lbs., sold at 11½c., and 1,000 Texas kips, 9 lbs., on private terms.

MOLASSES was neglected by refiners, and, aside from a moderate business in lots, we heard of no transactions. We quote:—Cuba, centrifugal and muscovado, 32c. a 32½c.; Cuba clayed, 31c. a 35c.; Cuba muscovado, refining, 35c. a 37c.; Cuba muscovado, grocery, 38c. a 40c.; Porto Rico, 35c. a 50c.; English Islands, 30c. a 45c.; New Orleans, 35c. a 58c.

NAVAL STORES.—Rosin was quiet and rather easier. $4 10 was bid for 1,000 and $4 15 for 2,000 bbls. strained in yard. 250 bbls. strained from yard sold at $4 12½; 150 bbls. do. from yard at $4 15; 200 bbls. do. at $4 20; 150 bbls. pale at $7 50; 100 bbls. do. at $7 62½; 270 bbls. do. at $8 75, 150 do. at $9 50 and 50 bbls. do. at $8. Spirits turpentine was dull and heavy at 68c. at the close of the market. 16 bbls. from dock were sold at 68c., and 50 bbls., early in the day, at 69c. Small lots from store, to the amount of 30 bbls., were sold at from 70c. a 71c. per gallon. Tar was firmly held at $3 50, at which price 50 bbls. were sold. One party controls the stock of Wilmington. City pitch, at $4 25, was quiet but steady. A cargo of strained rosin was sold, free on board at Wilmington, at $3 60.

OILS.—A fair jobbing demand for linseed was supplied at 89c. in casks and 81c. in bbls. Fish oils were all dull and neglected. Lard was only salable in small quantities, and prices were unchanged. Crude cotton seed was steady, but very quiet.

PETROLEUM.—The market for refined showed a trifle more spirit to-day, and prices were a shade better; 23¼c. for balance of month was the general asking price. Crude in bulk continued quiet and nominal at 14½c. Case oil remains neglected and entirely nominal at 28½c. a 29c. Naphtha was quiet but firm at 10½c. a 11c. for Western or city. The sales of refined have been:—5,000 bbls. standard white, contracts for remainder of month at 22¾c., and a cargo, to suit vessel, about 2,000 bbls., on private terms. At the Greek the market was quiet and weak; quoted at $4 55 on upper, and $4 75 on lower road. The Philadelphia market continued dull, but without important change in price. Refined for remainder of month quoted at 24c., and crude at 18c. for shipping.

PROVISIONS.—Receipts—Pork, 60 packages; beef, 785 do.; cut meats, 288 do.; lard, 814 bbls. and tierces and 629 kegs. The market for mess pork was quiet for spot, but moderately active for future delivery at lower prices. Sales 250 bbls. for November at $18; 500 bbls. for November and December at $18. There was a fair jobbing business, with sales of 460 bbls at $18 12½ a $18 25, closing at inside price. Bacon continued in fair demand for future, but quiet and steady for spot and month. Sales 50 boxes for next week's delivery at 8¾c., and 200 boxes long or short clear for December at 8½c.; former quotations ruled firm. Lard remained quiet, but steady at 10c. for Western steam. There was but little offering. Sales 125 tierces kettle at 10¼c., 500 tierces steam for January at 9½c.; late last evening 250 tierces sold for 9⅝c. cash, and 500 tierces, sellers six months, for January, 1, at 9½c. City lard was steady and in better demand; sales 250 tierces at 9⅝c. a 9¾c., mostly at the lower price. Beef was quiet, but steady, at $8 a $10 for mess and $9 a $12 for extra mess. Beef hams quiet; sales 30 bbls. at $24, cash. Cut meats were quiet, but without perceptible change in price. We quote:—Dry salted shoulders, 6⅝c. a 7c.; clear bellies, 10¼c. a 10c.; bellies, 9¾c. a 9¾c.; hacks, 9c.; hams, long and short cut, 11c. a 11½c.; do., sugar cured and smoked, 13½c. a 14½c. Dressed hogs have further declined and continue quiet; quoted at 6c. a 6½c., for the range. Butter and cheese were quiet and unchanged.

RICE was quiet, but steady, with a moderate business in lots, amounting to 130 bags Patna at 7¾c. a 7⅞c., 125 bags Rangoon at 6¾c. a 7½c., and 25 casks Carolina at 8¾c. a 8¾c. per lb.

SUGARS were dull and rather weak, with sales of 250 hhds., partly molasses sugar, at 8¼c.; 100 hhds. good refining at 9¼c., 79 hhds. at 9¾c., and 1,250 boxes, including 750 boxes, at 10¼c.; 250 do. at 9¾c., and 85 do. at 8¾c. per lb. Refined was quite at 12c. a12¼c. for A and 12½c. a 12⅞c. for hard. We quote:—Cuba—Inferior to common refining, 8c. a 8¾c.; fair to good fair refining, 9¼c. a 9¾c.; good to prime refining, 9¾c. a 9⅞c.; fair to good grocery, 9¾c. a 9⅞c.; prime to choice grocery, 10c. a 10¼c.; centrifugal, hhds. and boxes, 8c. a 11½c.; molasses, hhds. and boxes, 7c. a 9c.; melado, 4¾c. a 6¾c. Havana—Boxes Dutch standard, Nos. 7 to 9, 8½c. a 9¼c.; do., 10 to 12, 9⅞c. a 9¾c.; do., 13 to 15, 10½c. a 10¾c.; do., 16 to 18, 11½c. a 11¾c.; do., 19 to 20, 12¼c. a 12½c.; do., white, 11½c. a 12⅝c. Porto Rico—Refining grades, 8¾c. a 9¼c.; do., grocery grades, 9¾c. a 10c. Brazil—Dutch standard, Nos. 8 to 12, 7½c. a 9¼c. Java—Dutch standard, Nos. 10 to 12, 9¾c. a 10c. Manila—Superior and extra superior, 7½c. a 8½c.

STARCHES were in moderate demand and steady at the late decline. Sales 250 tierces at 10¼c. for prime, part to arrive.

TALLOW was active and firm. Sales 200,000 lbs. at 8⅞c. a 9⅛c. for common to good country and 9¼c. for choice city.

WHISKEY.—Receipts, 812 bbls. The market was moderately active and firm. Sales 600 bbls. at 85c. a 86½c., a 90c., mostly at 86½c., and closing at that price.

DOMESTIC MARKETS.

NEW ORLEANS, Oct. 25, 1871.

Cotton heavy; middlings, 18½c. a 18¾c.; net receipts, 797; gross, 1,330; exports to Great Britain, 3,702; coastwise, 1,549; sales, 3,200; stock, 47,358.

SAVANNAH, Oct. 25, 1871.

Cotton in moderate demand; middlings, 17½c. a 17¾c.; net receipts, 3,331; exports, coastwise, 1,560; sales, 1,000; stock, 31,904.

OSWEGO, Oct. 25, 1871.

Flour steady and unchanged. Sales 1,300 bbls. at $7 75 for No. 1 spring, $8 25 for amber winter, $8 50 for white winter, $9 for double extra. Wheat quiet; No. 1 Milwaukee club held at $1 47 in round lots; sales in car lots at $1 50. Corn scarce; sales 1,600 bushels, in car lots, at 72c. a 73c. Barley in good demand; sales 50,000 bush by Gay Quinte at 92c. a 93c., closing at the latter. Rye quiet. Corn meal—$1 60 for bolted, $1 55 for unbolted, per cwt. Mill feed unchanged; shorts, $20; shipstuffs, $24; middlings, $28 a $30 per ton. Highwines, 90½c. Canal freights—Wheat, 10c.; barley, 8c., to New York; barley, 7c. to Albany. Railroad freights—Flour to Boston, 70c., to New York, 60c.; to Albany, 52c. Receipts by lake—12,000 bushels wheat, 55,000 bushels barley, 6,300 bushels rye, 770,000 feet of lumber. Shipments by canal—4,000 bushels wheat, 74,000 bushels barley, 1,052,000 feet of lumber.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Oct. 25, 1871.

Receipts—Flour, 3,800 barrels; wheat, 36