FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

The Financial Results of the Past Week.

The Coming Change in the Secretaryship of the Treasury and Wall Street Interest Therein.

THE NEW ISSUES OF GREENBACKS.

Course of the Money and Stock Markets and of Gold and Government Bonds

SATURDAY'S BANK STATEMENT

A Further Deficiency in Legal Reserve, Confined, as Before, to the State Banks.

THE NATIONAL BANKS A MILLION AHEAD.

WALL STREET, SUNDAY, March 16, 1873.

The week has been rather a quiet one in Wall street, if we except a brief spell of activity at its opening in connection with wild rumors of intended relief of

THE MONEY MARKET

through the help of the Treasury Department after the manner of the transaction of last October, and the speculative operators have made no important demonstration. During the week we have had the election of Mr. Boutwell to the United States Senate by the Massachusetts Legislature, but the change in the Treasury Secretaryship thus implied has had little influence upon speculation, for the reason that Judge Richardson, the present Assistant Secretary, was generally accepted as the successor of Mr. Boutwell, especially as General Grant has virtually acknowledged that he would make the appointment. Toward the close of the week, however, circumstances arose to indicate that the original plan was likely to be modified, if not changed, under a pressure from New York capitalists to have

THE NEW SECRETARY

come from the metropolis of the country. The obstacle to an appointment in the latter spirit is the presence of Mr. Fish in the Cabinet, who is from New York and prevents another appointment from the same State. The arguments used with the President were potent enough, according to Washington advices of Saturday evening, to induce him to ask time for a fuller consideration of the matter and to postpone any nomination for Secretary of the Treasury until he has had ample time for deliberation. Doubtless Mr. Boutwell will make it a point to withhold his resignation until the President has come to a conclusion. The friends of

JUDGE RICHARDSON

are sanguine, however, that he will be nominated, although his appointment may be made with the understanding that he will resign soon after. The rumors already referred to on the subject of Treasury inflation were found to be based upon the issue of about two million dollars of the so-called reserve of legal tenders, necessitated by the low state of the Treasury currency balance and the sudden demand of nearly two million of dollars to meet the enlarged payroll of the retiring members of Congress. As Judge Richardson was charged with the responsibility of this new issue in the nominal absence of Mr. Boutwell, who appears to have turned over the Treasury Department to the Assistant Secretary several days before the election in the Massachusetts Legislature, he made haste to explain that he was

OPPOSED TO INFLATION

of the currency, and would retire the new greenbacks as fast as the flow of funds into the Treasury enabled him to do so, their issue having been a temporary expedient. He kept his promise so far that the outstanding new greenbacks had been reduced to about one million one hundred thousand dollars on Saturday night. The local money market worked independently of any consideration connected with Treasury operations, and gradually relaxed as the week advanced, the rate on Monday having been ½ per cent a day, and on Friday as low as 5 a 6 per cent per annum, with on Saturday a reaction to 1-32, and an eventual decline to 7 per cent. The domestic exchanges are beginning to turn in favor of New York, and, unless interrupted by the irregular and uncertain outflow in connection with

THE "APRIL SETTLEMENTS,"

ought to bring us steadily easy money within the next few weeks. The gold market, acting in conformity with the inferences deduced from a study of the growing prosperity of our foreign trade, went off nearly one per cent as compared with the previous week, and was prevented from a further and perhaps more serious decline only by the inflation of the legal tender circulation. Government bonds were generally lower, with a decline in the 1867's to 116 and in the currency sixes to 113¾. The stock market was unsettled and in the main lower, a sharp advance early in the week on the rumors of Treasury help to the money market being followed by a general decline, which, in turn, was succeeded by a reaction of more or less extent.

LATEST PRICES OF GOVERNMENTS.

The following were the closing prices on Saturday evening for government bonds:—United States currency sixes, 113½ a 113¾; do. do., 1881, registered, 116¾ a 116⅝; do. do. do., coupon, 118½ a 118¾; do. five-twenties, registered, May and November, 115½ a 115¾; do. do., 1862, coupon, do. do., 115½ a 115¾; do. do., 1864, do. do., 115½ a 115¾; do. do., 1865, do. do., 116½ a 116¾; do. do., 1867, registered, January and July, 114½ a 114¾; do. do., 1865, coupon, do. do., 114½ a 114¾; do. do., 1867, do. do., 116½ a 116¾; do. do., 1868, do. do., 116 a 116¼; do. ten-forties, registered, 110 a 111; do. do., coupon, 110¼ a 110¾; do. fives of 1881, registered (not quoted); do. do., coupon, 113 a 113¼.

THE COURSE OF THE GOLD MARKET.

The extreme fluctuations daily in the price of gold during the week were as follows:—

	Highest.	Lowest.
Monday	115½	115
Tuesday	115¼	115
Wednesday	115¼	115
Thursday	115¼	114⅞
Friday	115⅛	114⅞
Saturday	115⅛	114¾

The last sales Saturday were at 115, and the quotation closed at 114⅞ a 115.

SOUTHERN SECURITIES.

The only important feature in the market for the Southern State bonds has been an advance to 85 in the Tennessees, which were in demand for further settlement of railroad indebtedness to the State. At the close the price fell off ⅜ a ½ per cent under liberal sales to realize the profit of the improvement. The Louisianas have been nominal and neglected, and New Orleans city sevens, which were brought out at 75 and have regularly received their interest, have declined to about 60 as a consequence of the political demoralization in the city and State. A telegram from Richmond announces that the State Treasurer is prepared to pay the January coupons of the

VIRGINIA BONDS.

Continued firmness has been shown in the Mississippi Central and New Orleans and Jackson mortgages in view of the building of extensions calculated to give both lines important connections with the Mobile and Ohio. Indeed, a remarkable equality will be noticed in the quotations of the bonds of the three roads. The following were the closing quotations:—Tennessee, ex coupon, 84½ a 84¾; do., new, 84¼ a 84½; Virginia, ex coupon, 46 a 49; do., registered stock, old, 37 a 42; do. sixes, consolidated bonds, 56¼ a 57; do. do., deferred scrip, 14 a 15; Georgia sixes, 70 a 78; do. sevens, 89 a 90; North Carolina, ex coupon, 30 a 32; do. to North Carolina Railroad, 50 a 60; do. funding, 1866, 20 a 25; do. do., 1868, 17 a 22; do., new, 17 a 19; do., special tax, 13 a 15; Missouri sixes, 94¼ a 94½; do., Hannibal and St. Joseph, 90¾ a 91¼; Louisiana sixes, 48 a 52; Alabama fives, 55 a 61; do. eights, 80 a 85; South Carolina sixes, 30 a 40; do., new, January and July, 18 a 20; do. do., April and October, 20 a 23; Arkansas sixes, funded, 40 a 45; Mobile and Ohio Railroad sterling, 92 a 94; do., interest eights, 87 a 90; Mississippi Central Railroad first mortgage sevens, 87 a 90; do. second mortgage eights, 87 a 90; New Orleans and Jackson first mortgage, 92 a 94; do. second mortgage, 87 a 90; Memphis and Charleston Railroad first mortgage, 86 a 88; do. second mortgage, 77 a 80; Greenville and Columbia Railroad, guaranteed by South Carolina, 55 a 60; Macon and Brunswick Railroad, guaranteed by Georgia, 65 a 70; Memphis city sixes, 58 a 60; Savannah city sevens, 85 a 87; New Orleans sevens, 59 a 63.

THE BANK STATEMENT.

The weekly statement of the associated banks is unfavorable, but the changes are again unimportant, the loss in net reserve being only about sixty thousand dollars. A further decrease of three quarters of a million in legal tenders is regarded as an indication of a continued withholding of greenbacks from circulation for speculative objects, as the domestic exchanges are opposed to any outward movement of currency. At the same time a loss of about two hundred thousand dollars in specie is a surprise, as, with the diminished exports of the week, an increase of specie was rather to be expected. The banks, to meet this draft upon their reserves, have contracted the item of loans about two and a quarter millions, so that the deposits show a reduction of nearly three and a half millions. The

DEFICIENCY IN RESERVE,

which is about $260,000, still continues confined to the State institutions in the Clearing House Association, the amount lacking on their part being $1,314,050, showing that the national banks hold an excess of about a million dollars. The statement compares with its predecessor of last week as follows:—

	March 8.	March 15.
Loans	$280,351,300	$278,028,600
Specie	17,149,600	16,946,700
Circulation	27,801,200	27,610,400
Deposits	199,508,700	196,095,400
Legal tenders	39,473,000	38,715,500

—The changes being in detail as follows:—

Decrease in loans	$2,322,700
Decrease in specie	202,900
Decrease in circulation	190,800
Decrease in deposits	3,413,300
Decrease in legal tenders	757,500

AN ANALYSIS

of these figures shows that the banks now hold $264,250 less than the twenty-five per cent reserve which would be required were all the banks bound by the National Bank act—being a further decrease for the week of $59,375. This result is seen in the following detailed comparison, showing the relation between the total reserve and the total liabilities this week and last:—

	March 8.	March 15.	Changes.	
Specie	$17,149,600	$16,946,700	Dec.	$202,900
Legal tenders	39,473,000	38,715,500	Dec.	757,500
Tot. reserve	$56,622,600	$55,662,200	Dec.	$950,400
Circulation	27,001,200	27,610,400	Dec.	196,800
Deposits	199,508,700	196,095,400	Dec.	3,413,300
Total liabilities	$227,309,900	$223,705,800	Dec.	$3,604,100
25 per cent	56,827,475	55,926,450		—
Deficiency in legal r'serve	204,875	264,250	Dec.	59,375

STOCKS ON SATURDAY.

The following table shows the highest and lowest prices of the principal stocks during the day, New York Central being quoted with dividend on in both extremes:—

	Highest.	Lowest.
New York Central	105¾	105¼
Erie	66⅛	65½
Lake Shore	95¼	94¼
Wabash	73¾	73¾
Northwestern	(No transactions)	
Northwestern preferred	89¼	89¼
Rock Island	115⅝	114½
St. Paul	56⅛	55¾
St. Paul preferred	76¾	75¼
Ohio and Mississippi	46	45⅝
Union Pacific	34½	34⅛
C., C. and I. C.	41	40¾
Western Union Telegraph	86⅞	86⅛
Pacific Mail	57⅜	56⅞

The following were the prevailing quotations at three o'clock P. M., when the Board adjourned:—

Western Union	86¼ a 86⅜	Northwest'n pf.	89 a 89½
Panama	122½ a 123½	N J Central	103¾ a 104½
Pacific Mail	56⅞ a 57	Rock Island	115¼ a 115⅜
N Y Cen ex d	101⅜ a 101¾	St Paul	55¾ a 56
Erie	65⅝ a 65¾	St Paul pref	76 a 76¼
Harlem	137 a 137½	Wabash	73¾ a 73⅞
Lake Shore	94⅝ a 94¾	Ohio & Miss	45⅝ a 45⅞
Union Pacific	34⅛ a 34½	Boston, H & E	7½ a 7⅝
Pittsburg	89 a 89½	C. C & I C	40⅞ a 41

In Philadelphia Reading was unchanged and steady at 115¾.

COMMERCIAL REPORT.

Cotton Easy; Receipts at the Ports, 12,407 Bales—Flour Dull—Wheat Nominal—Corn Dull—Oats Easier—Pork Firmer—Lard Weak—Petroleum Dull—Groceries Quiet but Steady—Naval Stores Nominally Lower—Whiskey Firmer.

SATURDAY, March 15—6 P. M.

Commercial matters have been unusually flat all through the week which has just closed, and there has been a tendency to a lower basis in prices of very many of the leading articles of merchandise. The Spring trade is very backward and the indications are anything but reassuring. The demand for goods has not been so active during the past week as it was during the preceding week, and the aggregate business proved much smaller. The dry goods business has been dull, while the hardware trade has suffered considerably, prices having been quite generally revised and almost always in the interest of buyers. The cotton market ruled dull and nominal all through the week, while groceries were quiet as a rule. Breadstuffs were exceedingly dull all through the week and prices were almost entirely nominal. The impossibility of procuring transportation to Europe was sufficient of itself to restrict shipments, but there has been no manifest disposition of consequence to purchase for export for a long time. On Saturday the flour market was simply dull and nominal, and it would have been impossible to sell to any extent at any price. The same is true with regard to wheat, for which there was no demand, and prices at the close of the week were wholly nominal. Corn was in no better condition and nothing of consequence was done. Oats were dull and lower. Whiskey was firmer and the market left off strong at the improvement cited below. The movement in provisions was fair during the early part of the week, but was only moderate during the latter part of the week, though the market for pork was strong and closed on Saturday with considerable firmness. A pretty heavy business was done in lard, though toward the close of the week the market ruled in buyers' favor. Freight room and tonnage were scarce, and many of the incoming vessels had been chartered again before arrival. This is especially true with regard to vessels engaged in the petroleum trade, many of which were taken up in advance of arrival on speculation. The scarcity of freight room and tonnage is one of the most prominent features of the times, and tends more than almost any other one thing to retard the export movement of produce. In the grocery market there has been a fair trade in sugar during the week; but to-day (Saturday) the markets were all quiet, coffee, in particular, being dull and nominal. Petroleum was firmly held, but more or less nominal. Naval stores were neglected and entirely nominal.

COTTON.—The market for Rio, as well as for other descriptions, continued dull. Prices were weak, but entirely nominal, in the absence of sales. We append our former quotations, as follows:—Rio—Ordinary cargoes, 17½c. a 18½c.; fair cargoes, 19c. a 19½c.; good cargoes, 19¾c. a 20c.; prime cargoes, 20½c. a 20¾c.; extreme range for lots, 17¾c. a 21c. Java—Government bags, 20c. a 21c.; do. grass mats, 20c. a 22c.; Singapore, 17c. a 18c.; Ceylon, 18c. a 19c.; Maracaibo, 18½c. a 19¾c.; Laguayra, 18½c. a 20½c.; Jamaica, 18c. a 19c.; St. Domingo, 16½c. a 17c.; Porto Rico, 19c. a 20½c.; Costa Rica, 18½c. a 20½c.; Mexican, 18½c. a 19½c.; Manila, 18c. a 19c.; Angostura, 18c. a 19c.; Savanilla, 18c. a 19c.; Curacoa, 18c. a 19c., gold, per lb., 60 and 90 days' credit.

COTTON.—The offerings of spot cotton were liberal, but the demand light. Prices tended in buyers' favor, although not quotably changed. For future delivery the transactions were liberal, but at a decline of ⅛c. per lb. The sales reported on 'Change to-day sum up thus:—

	To-Day.	Last Ev'g.	Total.
Consumption	17	201	218
Total	17	201	218

—For future delivery (basis low middling) the sales have been as follows:—Sales last evening after three o'clock—March, 800 at 19c.; April, 100 at 19 3-16c., 300 at 19⅛c., 100 at 19 1-16c., 2,600 at 19⅛c.; May, 400 at 19 9-16c., 500 at 19⅝c., 100 at 19 9-16c., 100 at 19 7-16c., 700 at 19½c.; June, 1,100 at 19¾c., 50 at 19 15-16c., 500 at 19¾c., 300 at 19 11-16c., 200 at 19⅞c., 300 at 19 13-16c.; July, 1,200 at 19⅞c.; October, 200 at 17c. Total, 9,550 bales. Exchange—To paid to exchange 100 April for June. Sales to-day up to one o'clock P. M.—March, 100 at 18⅞c., 100 at 18¾c., 300 at 18⅞c., 100 at 18 25-32c., 100 at 18¾c., 100 at 18 13-16c., 1,400 at 18¾c.; April, 900 at 19c., 200 at 18 15-16c., 100 at 19c., 200 at 18 15-16c., 600 at 18⅞c., 300 at 18 15-16c., 400 at 18⅞c., 100 at 18 15-16c., 200 at 18⅞c., 300 at 18 15-16c., 2,100 at 18⅞c., 100 at 18 3-16c.; May, 200 at 19⅛c., 200 at 19 5-16c., 100 at 19⅛c., 600 at 19 5-16c., 200 at 19⅛c., 500 at 19 5-16c., 600 at 19⅛c., 200 at 19 5-16c., 800 at 19⅛c., 100 at 19 5-16c., 300 at 19⅛c., 300 at 19 5-16c., 900 at 19⅛c., 400 at 19 3-16c., 100 at 19⅛c.; June, 500 at 19⅜c., 300 at 19 9-16c., 200 at 19⅜c., 600 at 19 9-16c., 1,300 at 19½c., 100 at 7-16c.; July, 100 at 19 13-16c., 100 at 19 11-16c., 100 at 19⅞c., 500 at 19 11-16c., 1,100 at 19¾c., 100 at 19 11-16c., 300 at 19¾c., 1,000 at 19¾c. Total, 19,100 bales; grand total, 28,650 bales. Rates on cotton to foreign ports closed as follows:—To Havre, by steam, 13/32c. a 1½c.; sail, 1c. compressed; Hamburg, by steam, ⅝d. compressed; Bremen, by steam, 1½c.; sail, 1c.; to Liverpool, by steam, ⅜d. a 7-16d.; sail, 9-32d. a 11-32d. The receipts at the ports sum up thus:—Galveston, 807; New Orleans, 5,840; Mobile, 1,487; Savannah, 1,411; Charleston, 861; Wilmington, 126; Norfolk, 1,076; Baltimore, 118; New York, 373; Boston, 118—Total, 12,407. This day last week, 12,627. This day last year, 3,846. We quote:—

	Uplands.	Alabama.	New Orleans.	Texas.
Ordinary	15⅝	15⅝	15⅝	15⅝
Good ordinary	17⅝	17⅝	17⅝	17⅝
Strict good ordinary	18⅝	18⅝	18⅝	18⅝
Low middling	18⅝	19	19⅛	19⅛
Middling	19⅝	20⅛	20⅛	20⅛
Good middling	21⅝	22⅛	22⅛	22⅛

—The quotations are based on cotton in store, running in quality not more than half a grade above or below the grade quoted.

FLOUR AND GRAIN.—Receipts—Flour, 8,159 bbls.; wheat, 11,490 bushels; corn, 16,600 do.; corn meal, 280 bbls. and 760 bags; oats, 32,700 bushels; barley, 500 do. And for the week ending—Flour, 49,678 bbls.; wheat, 56,960 bushels; corn, 91,450 do.; corn meal, 2,885 bbls. and 5,465 bags; oats, 162,310 bushels; barley, 6,565 do. The flour market ruled dull, and prices were almost nominal. The sales since our last include only about 5,500 bbls., at prices within the range of the annexed quotations. Corn meal was only in moderate request, but about steady. The sales were 600 bbls., at $3 12 for poor Western yellow; $3 20 a $3 25 for fair do., and $3 35 a $3 45 for good. We quote:—

No. 2 State	$4 00 a	$5 25
Superfine State	6 00 a	6 50
Extra State	7 25 a	7 75
Choice State	7 75 a	8 25
Superfine Western	6 00 a	6 50
Extra Western	6 90 a	7 50
Extra Minnesota	7 50 a	9 50
Round Hoop Ohio, shipping brands	7 00 a	7 50
Round Hoop Ohio, trade brands	8 00 a	9 00
Family	9 00 a	10 25
St. Louis low extra	7 00 a	7 75
St. Louis straight extra	8 00 a	8 50
St. Louis choice double extra	9 00 a	10 00
St. Louis choice family	10 00 a	13 00
California	9 00 a	10 00
Rye flour	3 50 a	6 00
Southern No. 2	4 25 a	5 50
Southern superfine	6 00 a	6 50
Southern extra	7 25 a	9 50
Southern family	10 00 a	13 00
Corn meal, Western	3 25 a	3 45
Corn meal, Jersey	3 60 a	3 65
Corn meal, Brandywine	3 75 a	3 85
Baltimore	4 00 f. o. b.	
Caloric	3 60 a	3 65
Puncheons	19 50 f. o. b.	

—Wheat was dull and nominally unchanged in the absence of sales; No 1 Milwaukee Spring quoted at $1 73 a $1 77, No. 2 Chicago at $1 59 a $1 63, No. 2 Milwaukee at $1 63 a $1 67, No. 3 do. at $1 52 a $1 57, red Winter at $1 80 a $1 85, amber do. at $1 90 a $1 95, and white Winter at $1 82 a $2 15. Corn was dull and nominal at 63½c. in store and 65c. afloat for old mixed, though a choice load brought a trifle more; quotations for new remained as before. Oats were dull and lower; the sales were only about 20,000 bushels at 45c. track and 47½c. afloat for dark new Western, 49c. a 50c. for new white Western, and 48c. a 49c. for do. mixed afloat; small lots of choice white brought 51c. Barley and rye were neglected and nominal at former prices.

FREIGHTS.—Berth freights have ruled very dull, with a better supply of room offering, and rates weak, but not quotably lower, except for grain to Liverpool. Vessels for charter have continued scarce and firm, but the demand limited. The only engagements we heard of today were:—To Liverpool, by steam, 16,000 bushels corn at 6½d., by an outside steamer, the regular lines generally asking 6¾d., and 1,000 boxes bacon at 40s. The charters were:—A British bark, hence to Liverpool, with 2,000 bbls. refined petroleum, on private terms, and a Norwegian bark, to arrive from Philadelphia, to the Baltic, with 3,500 bbls. refined do. at 7s. 6d.

MOLASSES.—There was rather more inquiry for foreign to-day, but we heard of no sales. Domestic met with the usual jobbing trade at full prices; sales in lots, about 70 bbls. New Orleans, at from 65c. to 75c. We quote:—

	Old Crop.	New Crop.
Cuba, centrifugal and mixed	17c. a 19c.	— a —
Cuba, clayed	— a —	28c. a 34c.
Cuba, muscovado, refining	— a —	29c. a 35c.
Cuba, muscovado, grocery	— a —	32c. a 38c.
Porto Rico	30c. a 50c.	35c. a 55c.
English Islands	— a —	25c. a 45c.
New Orleans	— a —	55c. a 75c.

NAVAL STORES.—The market for spirits of turpentine was dull and decidedly easier, but entirely nominal in the absence of transactions; we quote nominally 60c. a 60½c. For rosin the market was also dull and weak; strained quoted nominally at $3 50 a $3 60; 100 bbls. sold at the inside price; the finer grades were held at former figures. Tar and pitch were neglected and wholly nominal.

PETROLEUM.—The inquiry for refined was moderately fair, but the bids as a general thing were under the views of sellers. Held at 19c. for spot or balance of month. Sales were made late yesterday of 5,000 bbls. for April on private terms. Crude in bulk was quiet, but firmly held at 8¾c. Cases were in some demand and firm at 25½c. a 26½c., the higher price for small lots. Naphtha remained nominal at about 12c. for Western and 13c. for city. At the creek the market was reported dull and nominally unchanged; quoted at $2 on the roads and $2 15 at Oil City. The Philadelphia market was inactive, but quoted nominally steady at 17¾c. a 18c. for refined, for spot or remainder of month.

PROVISIONS.—Receipts—Pork, 1,538 bbls.; beef, 103 packages; cut meats, 2,955 do.; lard, 1,758 bbls. and tierces and 35 kegs. And for the week ending—Pork, 5,957 bbls.; beef, 890 packages; cut meats, 25,572 do.; lard, 19,590 bbls. and tierces and 742 kegs. For mess pork the market was firmer; cash lots quoted at $16 12½ a $16 25. We heard of sales of 500 bbls. for April at $16 05, 1,000 bbls. for May (last evening) on private terms, and 250 bbls. for June at $16 25. Bacon was dull and the market weak. We have only to note sales of 135 boxes city long clear at 7¾c. a 8c. Beef continued in moderate request and steady. The sales were about 120 packages, within the range of $10 a $12 for new plain mess, bbls.; $13 a $14 for do. extra, do., bbls.; $21 a $22 for do. prime do., tierces, and $23 a $25 for do. India do., tierces. Beef hams remained quiet, but steady, at $25 a $29 for Southern and Texas, and $30 a $33 for Western. Cut meats, under a continued fair demand, ruled firm. We heard of sales of 5,000 lbs. loose bellies (13 lbs. average) at 9¾c., 500 fresh bellies at 9c., 50 boxes dry salted hams (18 lbs. average) at 10¾c.; quotations for other descriptions remained the same as previously published. Lard—The market for Western was dull and easy. The sales comprise:—500 tierces, on the spot, at 8 5-16c. and 8¾c.; 50 tierces of choice, for March, at 8 7-16c., and 750 tierces, for June, at 9c.

RICE.—The market to-day has been quiet, but firmer prices ruled current. The sales were only about 25 tierces of Carolina at 8c. a 8¼c. and 200 bags of Rangoon at 6¾c. a 7c.

SUGAR.—There has been less demand to-day for raw, but prices were steady. The transactions comprised 1,246 hhds. and 100 boxes, including Cubas, at 8½c., Muscovado at 8½c., and centrifugal at 9 5-16c. a 9⅞c. Refined was in moderate request, and firm, at previous figures. We quote:—Cuba—Refining, inferior to common, 7c. a 8c.; fair to good fair, 8¼c. a 8⅜c.; good to prime, 8½ a 8¾c.; grocery, fair to good, 8⅞c. a 9c.; prime to choice, 9¼c. a 9½c.; centrifugal, hhds. and boxes, 9¼c. a 9¾c.; molasses, hhds. and boxes, 7c. a 8¼c. melado, 4c. a 6½c. Havana—Boxes, Dutch standard, Nos. 7 to 9, 7⅞c. a 8½c.; do., 10 to 12, 8⅞c. a 9¼c.; do., 13 to 15, 9½c. a 10c.; do., 16 to 18, 10½c. a 10¾c.; do., 19 to 20, 11c. a 11½c.; white, 10¾c. a 11½. Porto Rico—Refining, common to prime, 7¾c. a 8¾c.; grocery, fair to choice, 8⅞c. a 9½c. Brazil—Dutch standard, Nos. 8 to 12, 7½c. a 8¼c. Java—Dutch standard, Nos. 10 to 12, 8¾c. a 9¼c. Manila—Superior and ext'a superior, 7¾c. a 8¼c.

STEARINE was quiet but firm, quoted at 9½c. a 9¾c. for tierces, and 8¾c. for hhds.

TALLOW continued dull, and to-day was a shade easier. Sales 25 hhds. and 45 bbls. of city at 8⅞c.

WHISKEY.—Receipts, 613 bbls.; and for the week, 3,274 bbls. The market was moderately active and ½c. per gallon dearer. The sales were about 400 bbls. at 92c.

DOMESTIC MARKETS.

GALVESTON, March 15, 1873.

Cotton heavy and lower; good ordinary, 15½c. Net receipts, 897 bales. Sales, 1,300. Stock, 68,350.

NEW ORLEANS, March 15, 1873.

Cotton easier; good ordinary, 16¼c. a 16⅝c.; low middlings, 17¾c.; middlings, 19c. Net receipts, 5,840 bales; gross, 5,944. Exports to the Continent, 900; coastwise, 1,916. Sales, 1,000; last evening, 2,000. Stock, 206,721.

MOBILE, March 15, 1873.

Cotton dull and declining; middlings, 18½c.; low middlings, 17¾c.; good ordinary, 17c. Net receipts, 1,487 bales. Exports coastwise, 31. Sales, 500. Stock, 45,655.

CHARLESTON, March 15, 1873.

Cotton dull; middlings, 18⅞c. Net receipts, 261 bales, Sales, 200. Stock, 34,241.

WILMINGTON, N. C., March 15, 1873.

Spirits turpentine dull at 50c. Rosin lower, at $2 70 for refined. Crude turpentine quiet at $3 for hard, $4 75 for yellow dip and virgin. Tar dull at $3 15.

MILWAUKEE, March 15, 1873.

Flour unchanged. Wheat steady; No. 1 Milwaukee $1 27½; No. 2, $1 21¾. Oats steady; No. 2, 25½c. Corn in good demand; No. 2 mixed, 35c. Rye steady; No. 1, 66½c. Barley in fair demand and firm; No. 2 Spring, 75c. Receipts—1,000 bbls. flour, 23,000 bushels wheat. Shipments—2,000 bbls. flour, 3,000 bushels wheat.

OSWEGO, March 15, 1873.

Flour steady; sales 1,300 bbls. at $7 75 for No. 1 Spring, $9 75 for amber Winter, $10 50 for white Winter, $11 for double extra. Wheat scarce and firm. Corn dull at 60c. Barley unchanged; sales 2,500 bushels Bay Quinte at $1 10. Corn meal, $1 30 for bolted, $1 25 for unbolted, per cwt. Millfeed unchanged; shorts, $21; shipstuffs, $22; middlings, $23 per ton. Railroad freights—Flour to Philadelphia, 60c.; to Boston, 72c.; to New York, 62c.; to Albany, 54c.

CHICAGO, March 15, 1873.

Flour dull and drooping. Wheat quiet, but a shade better; No. 2 at $1 20¾, cash; $1 21¾ for April; No. 3 at $1 09¼ a $1 10; rejected, 93c. Corn dull and unchanged; No. 2 at 32c., cash; 32½c. for April; 36c. for May; rejected, 28½c. Oats dull and unchanged; No. 2 at 26½c. a 26¾c. Rye scarce and firm; No. 2 at 65c. a 65½c. Barley firm and higher; No. 2 at 72c. a 75c., according to location. Seeds quiet and unchanged. Whiskey firm and higher at 87c. Pork firm and higher; sales of mess at $14 80 cash; $15 a $15 05 for May. Lard steady at $7 80 for April; $8 for May. Meats quiet, firm and unchanged. Receipts—8,000 bbls. flour, 55,000 bushels wheat, 74,000 do. corn, 81,000 do. oats, 700 do. rye and 17,000 do. barley. Shipments—8,000 bbls. flour, 11,000 bushels wheat, 21,000 do. corn, 23,000 do. oats, 411 do. rye and 17,000 do. barley.

BUFFALO, N. Y., March 15, 1873.

Flour quiet; sales of Western Spring at $7 50 a $8; amber, $8 50 a $9 25; white, $9 50 a $10. Wheat dull; sales of small lots Duluth No. 1 Spring at $1 68; white Ohio, $1 78; quoted Milwaukee No. 2 Spring at $1 68; Duluth No. 1 Spring, $1 68; Chicago No. 2 do., $1 50; white Canada, $1 75 a $1 93; white Michigan, $1 80 a $2. Corn active; sales 4,500 bushels Western on track at 31c. Oats firm; sales of 700 bushels Western on track at 42c. Barley steady at 85c. a $1 for Canada, 90c. a 95c. for No. 2 Western, 78c. a 80c. for two-rowed State; 95c. for four-rowed State. Rye nominal at 85c. Barley malt firm at $1 a $1 10 for Western, $1 10 a $1 15 for prime Winter Western, $1 20 a $1 25 for prime Canada. Rye malt held at 95c.

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OFFICE ERIE RAILWAY COMPANY. NEW YORK, Feb. 11, 1873.

DIVIDEND.—The directors of this company have declared a dividend from the earnings of the road for the six months ending 31st December ultimo, of three and one-half per cent on the preferred stock, and also a dividend of one and three-quarter per cent on the common stock, from the earnings of the road for twelve months ending December 31 last, both payable on the 15th day of March next, at the office of Messrs. Duncan, Sherman & Co., No. 11 Nassau street, to the registered holders of stock at the closing of the books.

The Transfer Books for both preferred and common stock will be closed at the close of business on Saturday, the 1st day of March next, and remain closed until the morning of the 17th of March.

By order of the Board. H. N. OTIS, Secretary

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THE COUPONS OF THE ARAPAHOE COUNTY RAILroad bonds due April 1, 1873, will be paid by the Fourth National Bank, of this city.

WE HAVE MONEY TO LOAN IN THIS CITY, Brooklyn, Jersey City, Hudson City and Queens county; also to purchase good Second Mortgages. SAWARD & LEAVITT, 54 Wall street.

$7.000 FOR BROOKLYN—$16,000, $4,800, $4,000 City Property; 5 years; no bonus; Leasehold and other Mortgages wanted in or near New York. Address O., Herald office.

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COPARTNERSHIPS.

I BRING TO THE PUBLIC NOTICE THAT THE COpartnership in the firm of Pilsen, Fichtner & Co., wines and brandies, 16 Dey street, is dissolved, and that my interest in the said firm, together with my obligations, are transferred to my late partner, Mr. Julius Krisch, who will continue the business at No. 6 Rivington street, on his own account. AUGUST FICHTNER.

I have notified my retirement from the aforesaid firm on the 28th of January, 1873. JOHN G. PILSEN.

THE COPARTNERSHIP HERETOFORE EXISTING under the firm name of Millemann & Fackiner is dissolved by mutual consent, John Fackiner retiring. All outstanding accounts due to and by said firm will be liquidated by William H. Millemann, who continues the business. W. H. MILLEMANN. NEW YORK, March 15, 1873. JOHN FACKINER, Jr.

13 BAXTER STREET, NEW YORK, MARCH 13, 1873.—The partnership hitherto existing between the undersigned, under the title of Rodman & Co., has this day been dissolved by mutual consent. M. E. RODMAN. D. M. McDOUGALL. J. T. McDOUGALL.

The business will in future be carried on by the undersigned, at 13 Baxter street, under the title of McDougall & Co. D. M. McDOUGALL. J. T. McDOUGALL.

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