THE DETECTIVE SCANDAL.

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them something to go upon in carrying out the work of reform. That has been tried by detectives before now, and, as we have shown in previous articles on this subject, the informers have been treated with contumely, if not disgraced on the spot. What is common report in the lobbies of the Central Office ought to reach the ears of the Board, and when they weed out the corrupt men the squad can be strengthened with new blood, for then ward men can enter it without fear of the consequences.

What is needed is a set of men who will not lounge around theatre lobbies at night, ogling respectable women and sharing in the profits of ticket speculators, whom they protect from any competition; make all Central Office detectives go about their duties in a quiet manner and work up clews from small beginnings, and work solely with a purpose of securing the arrest and conviction of criminals. Let us have no more recoveries of watches that happen to belong to influential men without the thief even being known, much less punished. Purge the squad and strengthen it afterwards with good material. That is what the Board ought to do.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

Stocks Weak and Unsteady—Gold Strong at 112 5-8 a 112 1-2.

BONDS GENERALLY FIRM.

WALL STREET, THURSDAY, Jan. 21—6 P. M.

Compared with prices yesterday the stock market to-day must be confessed weak, the decline ranging from ¼ to 3¼ per cent from the highest prices of the day. Reports were current concerning bank troubles in Chicago. The beginning of a sharp scrutiny of Western bank paper, superinduced doubtless by recent failures in that section, is an incident from which Wall street has quickly taken a cue, and commenced to calculate on the profits of speculation. It was not thought at the opening that any sharp depression would occur to-day, and many stocks were apparently left to take care of themselves, as is shown by the small amount of recorded transactions, to wit, only 136,000 shares. At the close, however, it was found that Hannibal and St. Joseph had been forced into a place in the funereal procession, although the cause is one of the mysteries of the street. It may be real or speculative. It is one of the secrets of speculative operation. Every bubble that is pricked, however, helps the earnest investor. The stock commenced at 24, advanced ¾ and declined to 21¼, closing at 22¼.

THE RANGE OF PRICES.

Western Union opened at 73¾ and advanced for a moment to 74, but was generally steady at 73⅞ a 73½ a 73¼, and closed at the latter price. Pacific Mail sold at 33¾ a 33⅝; exceptional sales at seller sixty were made at 33. New York Central opened and closed at 102, small lots being sold a fraction higher. St. Paul sold at 38¼ a 38⅛ a 38 a 37⅞. Erie, at 28 a 28⅛ a 28⅛ a 28 a 28⅜. Pacific of Missouri at 50½. Lake Shore sold at 73¾ a 73⅝ a 73¾ a 73¾. Union Pacific opened at 36⅝, fell off ⅛ per cent and closed at 36⅜. Wabash receded from 15 to 14½, closing at 14⅝. Northwest common opened at 44⅝, improved ⅛ per cent and closed at the opening price; the preferred stock receded from 59¾ to 59¼. Rock Island sold at 103¼ a 103⅛, Delaware and Lackawanna at 107¾ a 108; Ohio and Mississippi were active, beginning at 28⅛, declining to 27¾ and ending at 28⅜. New Jersey Central sold at 107¼; Atlantic and Pacific Telegraph sold at 26, with small transactions at 24½.

ADVANCE AND DECLINE.

The following were the differences at the close of the market to-day, compared with the close yesterday:—

ADVANCE.—Erie, ¼; Rock Island, ¼; Atlantic and Pacific Telegraph, ½.

DECLINE.—Atlantic and Pacific preferred, ¼; C., C. and I. C., ¼; Hannibal and St. Joseph, 2¾; Harlem, ½; Lake Shore, ¼; Northwest common, ¼; Ohio and Mississippi, ¼; Panama, ¼; Quicksilver, ¼; St. Paul, ⅜; Wabash, ¼; Union Pacific, ½; Western Union, ⅜; Northwest preferred, ¾; Erie in London, ⅛.

The stocks unchanged since yesterday are New York Central, Delaware and Lackawanna and Pacific Mail.

THE SALES

to-day amounted to about 136,000 shares, which were generally distributed among leading stocks as follows:—New York Central and Hudson, 2,500; Erie, 13,100; Lake Shore, 23,400; Cleveland and Pittsburg, 140; Northwestern, 5,100; do. preferred, 300; Rock Island, 5,600; Pacific Mail, 5,100; St. Paul, 4,100; do. preferred, 400; Ohios, 21,500; Western Union, 23,300; Wabash, 8,200; Union Pacific, 5,900; C., C. and I. C., 500; Panama, 400.

HIGHEST AND LOWEST PRICES.

The following table shows the opening, highest and lowest prices of the day:—

	Opening.	Highest.	Lowest.
New York Central	102	102⅛	102
Erie	28	28⅜	28
Lake Shore	73¾	74	73¼
Wabash	15	15	14⅛
Northwestern	44½	44¾	44½
Northwestern preferred	59¾	59¾	59¼
Rock Island	103⅛	103⅛	103⅛
Pittsburg	89¾	89¾	89¾
Milwaukee and St. Paul	38⅛	38⅛	37⅞
Ohio and Mississippi	28½	28½	27⅞
New Jersey Central	107⅛	107⅛	107⅛
Del., Lack. and Western	107¾	108	107¾
Union Pacific	36⅝	36⅝	36⅜
C., C. and I. C.	8½	8½	8½
Western Union	73¾	73¾	73⅛
Atlantic and Pacific Tel.	25	25	24
Pacific Mail	33¾	34	33¾
Panama	110¾	111	110¾

THE MONEY MARKET.

Money on call loans was freely offered at 2½ a 3 per cent. Sterling exchange was quiet, but steady; prime, nominal rates, 4.87 and 4.90½; selling rates, 4.86½ a 4.86¾ and 4.89½ a 4.90. Continental steady; Reichmarks, 95⅞ a 95¾ and 96¼ a 96⅜; cables, 97 a 97½; prime Paris, 5.13¾ and 5.10¾.

GOLD.

Gold advanced from 112⅜, the opening price, to 112⅝, and closed at 112¼. The rates paid for carrying were 2, 1⅛, 1, 2½ and 3 per cent.

OPERATIONS OF THE GOLD EXCHANGE BANK.

Gold balances	$1,910,400
Currency balances	2,153,450
Gross clearances	28,782,000

CLEARING HOUSE STATEMENT.

Currency exchanges	$83,201,319
Currency balances	4,424,710
Gold exchanges	6,663,165
Gold balances	755,545

The steamship Pommerania, sailing for Europe to-day, takes out $596,110 specie, of which $500,000 is gold coin.

THE UNITED STATES TREASURY.

The receipts from customs to-day were $482,000, from internal revenue $238,934. The customs receipts at the ports named, for the week ending January 16, were:—New York, $1,896,672; Philadelphia, $117,927; Baltimore, $80,638; New Orleans (for the week ending the 9th), $82,738. National bank notes received for redemption to-day, $760,000. The Assistant Treasurer paid out to-day $70,000 on account of interest and $9,000 in redemption of five-twenty bonds.

GOVERNMENT BONDS.

These were strong, and in some instances there was improvement. The following were the latest quotations:—United States currency sixes, 119¾ a 119⅝; do. do., 1881, registered, 118¾ a 118¾; do. do., do., 118¾ a 119; do. five-twenties, 1862, registered, 114¾ a 115¼; do. do., do., coupon, 114¾ a 115; do. do., 1864, registered, 116¼ a 117; do. do., do., 116¾ a 117; do. do., 1865, registered, 118¾ a 118¾; do. do., do., coupon, 118¾ a 118¾; do. do., do., new, registered, 118 a 118¼; do. do., do., coupon, 118 a 118¼; do. do., 1867, registered, 118¾ a 119; do. do., do., coupon, 118¾ a 119; do. do., 1868, registered, 118¾ a 119; do. do., do., coupon, 118¾ a 119¼; do. ten-forties, registered, 115¾ a 116; do. do., coupon, 116¾ a 116; do. fives, 1881, registered, 112¾ a 113; do. do., do., coupon, 114¾ a 114¾.

THE FOREIGN MARKET.

London advices report that the Bank of England rate of discount remains unchanged and is still four per cent. The bullion in the Bank of England has increased £291,000 in the past week. The amount of bullion withdrawn from the Bank of England on balance, £10,000. The proportion of the bank reserve to liability, which last week was 48⅛ per cent, is now 47⅝ per cent. Consols, money, 92¼ a 92⅝; do., account, 92⅝; '86 bonds, old, 107⅜; '67 bonds, 107⅜; ten-forty bonds, 104⅜; new fives, 102¼; Erie, 25¼ a 25⅜. Market dull. The specie in the Bank of France has increased 14,126,000 francs during the past week. Rentes, 61f. 85c.

RAILROAD BONDS.

Railroad bonds were moderately active. Chicago and Northwestern consolidated gold bonds declined to 81 regular, and 80 seller sixty. Toledo and Wabash firsts were weak at 82, and Toledo and Wabash, St. Louis division, declined to 65. Union Pacific firsts were steady at 91¾ a 91½, and Union Pacific sinking funds firm and in demand at 81.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE SALES

THURSDAY, Jan. 21, 1875.

BEFORE CALL—10 A. M.

700 shs West Un Tel	73⅜	900 shs L S & M S RR	73⅜		
500 do	73½	1500 do	73½		
100 do	73⅝	500 do	b5 73⅝		
650 do	73½	400 do	73⅝		
1400 do	73½	100 Un Pac RR	36⅝		
100 do	73½	200 do	36½		
400 do	b3 73⅝	100 do	b3 36½		
600 do	73½	300 do	36⅝		
500 do	73½	200 Tol & Wab RR	15		
16 do	73½	100 do	14⅝		
300 do	c 73⅝	200 do	14½		
1400 do	73⅝	200 do	14½		
600 do	73⅝	100 do	b30 14⅝		
12 0 Pac Mail SS	33⅝	400 do	14⅝		
100 do	b60 33	100 do	14⅝		
800 do	33⅝	200 do	b3 14⅝		
300 Panama RR	110⅝	500 do	14⅝		
200 N Y C & H R RR	102	400 Chi & N W RR	44⅝		
5 do	102⅜	1400 do	44⅝		
500 do	c 102	200 do	c 44⅝		
10 do	c 102⅜	100 do	44⅝		
51 do	102⅜	300 Chi & R I RR	103⅝		
600 Mil & St P RR	38⅛	400 Del, Lack & W	107⅝		
400 do	b3 38⅜	600 Ohio & Miss RR	28⅛		
100 do	38⅛	600 do	28⅛		
500 Erie RR	28	800 do	28⅛		
300 do	b3 28	800 do	28⅛		
300 do	28⅛	1200 do	b3 28		
700 do	28⅛	100 do	c10 28		
200 do	28⅛	1200 do	28⅛		
200 do	28⅜	800 do	28⅛		
14 Pac RR of Mo	50	700 do	b3 28⅛		
500 do	50⅜	500 do	28⅛		
100 L S & M S RR	c 73⅜				

10:15 AND 11:30 A. M.

$12000 U S 6's, '81, r	118⅜	$35000 US 5-20, c, '67, bcc	118⅞		
20000 U S 5-20, r, '62	114⅞	26500 U S 5-20, r, '67 bc	118⅝		
30000 U S 5-20, c '62	114⅞	2000 U S 5-20, c, '65	119		
10000 do	114⅞	1000 U S 5's, r, '81	112⅞		
5000 US 5-20, c, '64	116⅜	20000 U S 5-20, r, '65 bc	118⅞		
5000 do	116⅜	10000 U S 5's, cur b c	119⅜		
8000 U S 5-20, c, '65	118⅜	5000 do	119		
3000 U S 5-20, c, '67	118⅜	15000 do	119⅜		

FIRST BOARD—10:30 A. M.

$2000 Mo 6's, 1bds	75⅜	10 shs N Y C & H RR	102½		
5000 Del & H r, '84 bc	105½	70 N J Cent RR	107½		
11000 N J Cent 1st, con	108⅞	200 do b c	107⅝		
1000 do	104	400 Erie RR b c	28⅛		
1000 M & St Pi 1st L C D	86	3200 do	28⅛		
2000 Chi & NW con	91⅛	1100 do	28⅛		
6000 do b c	91⅜	200 do b3	28⅛		
5000 Chi & NW 1st	10	2 L S & M S RR b c	73⅜		
15000 C & NW c c gb s60	80	18 do	73⅜		
80 0 do	81	100 do	73⅜		
1000 Mor & Es 7s, '71	101⅞	1500 do	73⅜		
1000 Erie 1st	105	100 do s3	73⅜		
5000 Erie 2d m	101	400 do	73⅜		
1000 Mich S 2d m	101⅜	500 do s3	73⅜		
5000 Am Dk & Imp 7's	99	700 do	73⅜		
4000 L S con 1st, c	102	100 do	73⅜		
1000 N Y Cen 6's '83	99⅜	100 do b4	73⅜		
5000 Mor & Es, 1900, b c	103⅜	500 Union Pac RR b c	36⅝		
7000 Mor & Es const'n	93	200 do s3	36⅝		
3000 North Mo 1st	84	300 do	36⅝		
3000 Ohio & Miss 2d	83½	100 Clev & Pitts guar	89⅜		
5 00 Cen Pa 1st, S J b3	86	100 do b c	89⅜		
30000 Un Pac 1st	91⅜	43 do	89⅜		
20000 do b3	91⅜	50 C, C, C & I R b c	65⅜		
2000 Pac RR Mo 1st	91⅜	200 Chi & NW RR b c	44⅝		
4000 P, Ft W & C 1st	106⅜	200 do s3	44⅝		
1000 P, Ft W & C 2d m	102½	300 do	44⅝		
10000 St L & I M 1st m	95½	50 do	44⅝		
800 West U Tel 7's	109½	100 Chi & R I RR b c	103⅜		
1000 T & W 1st, S D	65½	100 do	103⅜		
1000 do	65	400 do s3	103⅜		
1000 Tol & W 1st m	82	800 Mil & St P RR b c	38⅛		
1 shs Fourth Nat Bk	97	100 Rens & Sar R b c b3	110		
12 Tradesmen's Bank	142	100 Tol & Wab RR b c	14⅞		
100 Md Coal Co x d	17	200 do	14⅞		
50 Del & H Can Co	113⅞	900 do	14⅞		
200 Con Coal b c	42	300 do s3	14⅞		
45 Atl & Pac Tel b c	24⅛	50 do	14⅞		
700 Pacific Mail SS b c	33⅜	200 Tol & W RR pf b c	20		
16 Adams Ex	100	150 Del, Lack & W b3	108		
30 do b c	100	232 do	108		
160 U S Express	59½	200 Pac RR of Mo b c	50½		
15 do b c	59	100 Morris & Ess b c	95½		
150 do	59½	100 do	95½		
100 Wells-Fargo b c b5	82	48 do	95½		
1 0 West Un Tel b c b3	73½	15 Chi & Alt RR b c	105		
1100 do	73⅜	46 do	104⅞		
4 00 do	73½	200 Han & St Jo RR	24		
1000 do	73⅜	100 H & St Jo pf RR b c	33		
1500 do	73⅜	265 Alt & TH RR pf	26		
1000 do	73⅜	21 do b c c	25½		
100 do	73⅜	200 Ohio & Miss b c	28⅛		
5 0 do s3	73⅜	100 do	28⅛		
100 do	73⅜	3200 do	28⅛		
200 do b3	73⅜	3100 do	28⅛		
700 do	73⅜	100 do s3	27⅞		
100 do c	73⅜	500 do	28		
10 N Y C & H R RR	102⅜	200 do	28⅛		
100 do b c c	102	2200 do	28⅛		
740 do	102	400 do	28⅛		

BEFORE CALL—12:30 P. M.

$9000 US 5-20, r, '67	118⅞	200 shs L S & M S RR	73⅞
63000 U S 5-20, c, '67	119	900 do	73⅞
50 0 N J Cen, con 1st	107⅞	1 0 N Y C & H RR	102
10000 Un Pac sk'g fd	81⅛	100 do	102⅛
100 shs West Un Tel	73⅜	28 do	102⅛
300 do	73⅜	100 Chi & NW RR s3	44⅝
600 do	73⅜	100 N J Cen RR	107⅞
100 do s3	73⅜	800 Tol & Wab s3	14⅞
200 do c	73⅜	200 do	14⅞
200 do b3	73⅜	100 do b60	14⅞
700 do s3	73⅜	100 Union Pac R	36⅞
400 do	73⅜	200 do s3	36⅞
930 Pac M SS b3	33⅜	9 0 do	36⅞
300 do	33⅜	10 0 Chi & R I RR	103⅞
100 Erie RR c	28⅛	200 do b4	103⅞
200 do	28⅛	900 do b3	103⅞
100 Han & St Jo R	24⅛	100 do s3	103⅞
400 L S & M S RR c	73⅜	500 Ohio & M RR	28⅛
100 do	73⅜	1500 do	28⅛
300 do	74	100 do	28⅛
400 do	74⅞	400 do	28⅛
600 do b3	73⅜	200 do	28⅛
600 do s3	73⅜	400 do b3	28⅛
600 do b3	74	100 do	28⅛

2 P. M.

$10000 US 5-20, c, '64 b c	116⅞	$1000 U S 5's, 10-40 r	112⅜
50 0 U S 5-20, c, '67	119	50000 U S 5's, c, '81 b c	114⅛
$5000 U S 5-20, c, '65 b c	119		

SECOND BOARD—1 P. M.

$3000 S C 6's, n, J & J	32½	100 shs Un Pac R b c s3	36⅛
1000 N Y S 7's b l, r	103	100 do	36⅛
7000 Un Pac sink f	81⅛	200 Chi & NW RR b c	44⅝
5000 Bell & So Ill 1st m	97½	100 do	44⅝
3000 N Y C 1st, c	112⅜	100 do b3	44⅝
10000 Chi & N W c c g b	81	100 do	44⅝
10000 do s60	81	700 do	44⅝
1000 L S div bds	100⅜	100 Chi & NW RR pf bc	59⅞
2000 do	10 ⅜	1000 Chi & R I RR b c s3	103⅜
3000 Alt & T H 2d pf	94	100 do	103⅜
4000 C, C, C & I 1st	105⅛	900 do	103⅜
2000 Chi, B & Q 7's	102½	300 Mil & St P RR b c	38⅛
100 shs Q M Co b c b3	24	1200 do	38
100 Del & H Canal	113⅞	100 Del, Lack & W b c	108
10 do	113½	100 Han & St Jo R	24⅛
17 do b c	113⅛	350 do b c	24
100 Spring Mt Coal b c	67	300 do	23⅞
300 Atl & P Tel b c	25	400 do b3	23⅞
25 do	24½	400 do	23⅞
70 W Un Tel b c s3	73½	100 do s10	23⅞
1200 do	73½	300 do	23⅞
300 do s3	73⅜	200 do	23⅞
170 do	73⅜	1000 do	23⅞
18 Adams Ex	100	100 do s10	23
50 U S Ex Co	59⅞	100 do	22⅞
115 American Ex b c	94	100 do	22⅞
1000 Pac Mail SS b c	34	200 do	22
200 N Y C & H RR b c	102	200 do	21⅞
100 do b3	102⅜	400 do	21⅞
2.0 Mich Cen RR	79⅜	200 do	21⅞
150 Erie RR b c s3	28⅛	600 Tol & W RR b c	14⅞
200 do	28⅛	100 do c	14⅞
500 do	28⅛	200 do	14⅞
800 do s3	28	700 do s3	14⅞
600 do	28⅛	300 do	14⅞
100 L S & M S RR b c b3	73⅞	1300 Ohio & M R b c	28⅛
500 do	73⅞	19 Mor & Ess RR b c	95⅜
700 do s3	73⅞	100 N J South RR c	3
200 do	73⅞	200 Alt & Pac R b c	16
3700 do	73⅞	100 do	16⅛
700 do	73⅞	2.0 Warren RR	90
200 Panama RR b c	111	100 do	89⅜

2:30 TO 3 P. M.

$5000 U S 5-20, r, '65	118	600 shs L S & M S RR s3	73⅜
10,000 U S 6's, cur	119⅛	700 Un Pac RR	36⅝
200 shs Pac Mail SS Co	33⅜	100 Ill Central RR	97
800 do	33⅜	5 0 Chi & NW RR s3	44⅝
45 At & Pac Tel	24⅛	200 do	44⅝
2.00 West Un Tel	73⅜	400 do	44⅝
1100 do	73⅜	100 Chi & NW R pf	59⅞
100 do s5	73⅜	100 Chi & R I RR	103⅜
4300 do	73⅜	100 do	103⅜
5 do	73⅜	100 Tol & Wab	14⅞
700 N Y C & H R	102	100 do	14⅞
200 Erie Railway s3	28	100 do	14⅞
400 do b3	28⅛	100 Mil & St P RR	37⅞
1300 do	28⅛	100 Ohio & Miss RR	28⅛
1100 do	28⅛	700 do	28⅛
100 do b3	28⅛	500 C, C & I R	8½
200 Mich Cen RR	79⅜	100 Morris & Essex s5	95⅜
50 L S & M S RR	73⅞	500 Han & St J RR	22
100 do b3	73⅞	100 do	21⅞
100 do s3	73⅞	100 do	22
1500 do	73⅞	100 do	22⅛
100 do	73⅞	500 Atl & Pac pf	16
800 do s3	73⅞	100 Pac RR of Mo	50⅛
800 do b5	73⅞		

CLOSING PRICES—3 P. M.

Pacific Mail	33⅞ a 34	Mil & St P pf	38⅛ a 39		
West Un Tel	73⅜ a 73⅞	C, C & I C	8½ a 8⅝		
Quicksilver	35⅜ a 36	Del, L & W	107⅞ a 108		
Quicksilver pf	40 a 42⅛	Erie	28⅛ a 28⅜		
C, C C & Ind	64 a 65	Han & St Jo	22 a 22⅞		
Mich Cen	79 a 79⅜	Han & St Jo pf	30⅛ a 32		
Adams' Ex	99⅞ a 100	Ill Cent	73⅜ a 73⅞		
Amer Ex	63⅞ a 64	Harlem	127⅞ a 128		
U S Express	60 a 60⅛	N Y C & H R	102⅞ a 102		
Chi & Alton	105 a 105⅜	N Per Cen	107 a 107⅛		
Cleve & Pitts	89⅞ a 90	Ohio & Miss	28⅛ a 28⅞		
Chi & N W	44⅛ a 44⅝	Panama	110⅞	111	
Chi & N W pf	59 a 59⅞	Tol & Wab	14⅞ a 15		
Chi & R I	103⅞ a 103⅞	Union Pac	36⅞ a 36⅛		
Mil & St Paul	37⅞ a 38				

COMMERCIAL REPORT.

COTTON DULL AND EASIER—FLOUR FIRM—WHEAT HIGHER—CORN BETTER—OATS STEADIER—PORK UNCHANGED—LARD EASIER—CUT MEATS DULL—GROCERIES STEADY—FREIGHTS DULL—PETROLEUM INACTIVE—SPIRITS TURPENTINE UNCHANGED—ROSIN EASIER—WHISKEY STEADY.

THURSDAY, Jan. 21—6 P. M.

There was but little change in the general aspect of commercial affairs to-day, but in some departments there was a change for the better. At the Produce Exchange flour was in moderate demand, but prices were firm. Wheat was in active demand and the market was decidedly higher—the demand was from both shippers and speculators, and closed strong at the improvement. Corn was in fair demand, and prices were a shade better. Oats were steadier, but not very active. Whiskey was unchanged. Pork was quiet and without decided change. Lard was steady, closing easy. Freights were dull and rates to an extent nominal. Cotton was less active and easier, both for "spot" and "future." Groceries were steady under a moderate demand. Petroleum was not essentially changed in value, and continued dull. Spirits turpentine was inactive but firm. Rosin opened rather easier, but closed very firm.

COFFEE.—The market still presents a steady tone, but buyers do not respond very freely. The samples of the steamer South America were out, and as usual attracted considerable attention; but the firmness of owners somewhat restricted the dealings, which only included 1,000 bags strictly prime at 13¾c., 500 bags fair at 18½c., and 350 bags on terms not made public. Mild grades rule quiet, as there is but little stock offering. The stock of coffee in first hands other than Rio includes 400 bags Java, 60 do. of Maracaibo, 150 do. of Laguayra, 880 do. of Costa Rica and 98 bags of Savanilla; total, 1,588 bags. We quote:—Rio, ordinary cargoes, 17½c. a 17¾c.; fair do., 18½c. a 18¾c.; good do., 18¾c. a 19c.; prime do., 19¼c. a 19½c.; extreme range for lots, 17½c. a 21¼c.; Java, government bags, 26c. a 28c.; do. grass mats, 26c. a 29c.; Ceylon, 19c. a 21c.; Maracaibo, 18½c. a 21c.; Laguayra, 19c. a 20½c.; Jamaica, 18c. a 20c.; St. Domingo, 17c. a 17½c.; Porto Rico, 18c. a 20c.; Costa Rica, 18c. a 20½c.; Mexican, 20c. a 21c.; Angostura, 18½c. a 21c.; Savanilla, 18c. a 21c.; Curacoa, 17½c. a 19½c., gold, sixty and ninety days.

COTTON.—The demand from exporters and speculators having subsided the market ruled dull and heavy, with the inquiry confined to moderate lots for spinning purposes, except where exporters were obliged to buy for pre-engaged freights. The subjoined quotations for spot cotton show a reduction of ⅛c. per lb. on all grades, with the market feeble in tone at the decline, under the influence of more liberal offerings. For future deliveries the market opened weak, mainly in consequence of Liverpool failing to show firmness, while at the same time full receipts were expected at the ports, and the market sold off 1-16c., but afterward recovered in part; receipts falling below the early estimate for the day. The closing quotations were as follows:—January, 15 1-16c., nominal; February, 15⅛c.; March, 15⅜c.; April, 15 13-16c. a 15 27-32c.; May, 15 15-32c.; June, 16 1-32c. a 16⅛c.; July, 16⅜c. a 16 25-32c., and August, 16 29-32 a 16 15-16c; market quiet. We quote:—Quotations based on standard of classification in force September 1, 1874, and on upland cotton in store running in quality not more than half a grade above or below the grade quoted:—Ordinary, 13½c.; good ordinary, 14½c.; strict good ordinary, 14¾c.; low middling, 15½c.; middling, 15¾c.; good middling, 16⅞c. (Quotations based on American standard of classification):—

	Uplands.	Alabama.	New Orleans.	Texas.
Ordinary	12½	12⅝	12¾	12¾
Good ordinary	14	14	14¼	14¼
Low middling	14⅞	14⅞	15⅛	15⅛
Middling	15½	15½	15¾	15¾
Good middling	15⅞	15⅞	16⅛	16⅛
Middling fair	16⅛	16⅛	16⅜	16⅜
Fair	16⅞	17	17¼	17¼

—The sales were:—

	To-Day.	Last Fr'g.	Total.
Export	164	200	364
Consumption	200	100	300
Speculation	38	620	658
In transit	—	450	450
Totals	402	1,370	1,772

—Included in the above are 300 bales to arrive. For future delivery (basis low middling) the sales have been as follows:—Yesterday after 3 P. M., March, 100 at 15 19-32c., 1,400 at 15 9-16c., 100 at 15 17-32c.; April, 1,600 at 15 29-32c., 100 at 15 27-32c., 400 at 15⅞c.; May, 400 at 16 5-16c.; June, 100 at 16⅛c., 100 at 16 15-32c.; July, 100 at 16⅜c. Total, 3,800 bales. Exchange—9-32c. paid to exchange 300 April for May. Yesterday's closing prices—January, 15⅛c.; February, 15 5-32c.; March, 15 17-32c. a 15 9-16c.; April, 15 27-32c. a 15⅞c.; May, 16 5-32c.; June, 16 15-32c. a 16⅛c.; July, 16 11-16c. a 16⅜c.; August, 16 29-32c. a 16 15-16c. Market weak. To-day, up to 2 P. M.—January, 200 at 15c.; February, 400 at 15⅛c., 100 at 15 3-32c., 300 at 15 1-16c., 200 at 15 5-32c., 200 at 15 1-16c., 100 at 15 32c., 100 at 15 1-16c.; March, 100 at 15⅛c., 1,000 at 15 17-32c., 1,700 at 15⅜c., 600 at 15 15-32c., 100 at 15½c., 200 at 15 15-32c., 600 at 15 1-16c., 300 at 15 15 32c., 100 at 15⅜c.; April, 400 at 15 13-16c., 200 at 15 25-32c., 200 at 15 13-16c., 300 at 15 25-32c., 1 0 at 15 1-16c., 100 at 15 29-32c., 200 at 15 13-16c., 1,300 at 15 25-32c.; May, 700 at 16⅛c., 200 at 16 1-16c., 2 0 at 16⅜c., 100 at 16 3-32c., 1,600 at 16⅜c., 1,000 at 16 29-32, 500 at 16⅝c., 400 at 16 3-32c.; June, 800 at 16 7-16c.; August, 300 at 16 13-16c. Total, 14,300 bales. Grand total, 22,100 bales. Exchange—⅜c. paid to exchange 400 February for March. The receipts at the ports were:—Galveston, 1,691 bales; New Orleans, 7,349; Mobile, 922; Savannah, 2,744; Charleston, 2,113; Wilmington, 257; Norfolk, 867; Baltimore, 159; New York, 658; Boston, 162; Philadelphia, 43. Total, 17,023 bales. This day last week, 17,019 bales. This day last year, 23,321 bales. Cotton rates to foreign ports quoted as follows:—To Havre, by steam, ⅝c. To Hamburg, by steam, ¾c. To Bremen, by steam, ¾c. To Liverpool, by steam, 9-32d. a 5-16d.; by sail, 7-32d. a ¼d.

FLOUR AND GRAIN.—Receipts—Flour, 4,949 bbls.; wheat, 1,800 bushels; corn, 24,000 do.; corn meal, 100 bbls. and 625 bags; oats, 25,000 bushels; rye, 60 do. The flour market was firm, with a fair demand for shipping extras, but there was no noteworthy change in prices. Sales were 12,800 bbls. at quoted prices. Southern flour was quiet and unchanged. Sales 600 bbls. Corn meal was not selling to any extent, and sales only included 600 bbls. at prices given below. We quote:—

No. 2 State	$3 50 a 4 00
Superfine State	4 25 a 4 50
Extra State	4 75 a 5 00
Choice State	5 10 a 5 25
Superfine Western	4 25 a 4 50
Extra Western	4 75 a 5 00
Minnesota	4 80 a 5 00
Round hoop Ohio, shipping brands	4 75 a 5 00
Round hoop Ohio, trade brands	5 25 a 5 50
Family	5 50 a 6 50
St. Louis, low extra	5 00 a 5 25
St. Louis, straight extra	5 25 a 5 50
St. Louis, choice double extra	5 75 a 6 50
St. Louis, choice family	7 00 a 8 00
Rye flour, fine to superfine	4 00 a 5 85
Southern, No. 2	Nominal.
Southern, superfine	Nominal.
Southern, extra	5 00 a 6 00
Southern, family	6 00 a 8 25
Corn meal, Western	4 10 a 4 45
Corn meal, Jersey	4 25 a 4 35
Corn meal, Brandywine	4 75 a 4 80
Corn meal, puncheons	21 00 a —

—Wheat was in good demand, both for speculation and export and prices advanced 2c. a 3c. per bushel, the market closing firm at about the top. No. 2 Chicago in store and afloat, $1 14 a $1 16 for Milwaukee, $1 24 a $1 26 for red winter and $1 28 a $1 29 for amber. The sales (part last evening) were about 142,000 bushels at $1 09 a $1 11 for No. 2 Chicago and Northwest in store, $1 13 a $1 14 for No. 2 Milwaukee in store, $1 19 for No. 1, $1 25 for red winter, $1 28 for amber and $1 31 for winter. Corn was firmer, and about ½c. advance was realized on sales of 97,000 bushels, at 56c. a 57c. for new mixed, 85½c. a 87½c. for Western yellow and 86½c. for white and yellow Southern. Oats were quiet, but steadier at unchanged prices; sales 34,000 bushels, at 66c. a 66½c. for mixed Western and 67c. a 70c. for white. Barley was quiet; 1,500 bushels four-rowed State sold at $1 35. Rye was rather firmer; 1,500 bushels State brought 95c. a 96c.

PROVISIONS.—The market exhibited no appreciable change to-day, continuing dull both on the berth and for tonnage for charter. The engagements reported include:—To Liverpool, by steam, 100 boxes bacon at 50s., and 500 bales cotton at 5-16d. Grain rates were quoted, nominally, 10c. a 10½d. To London, by steam, 1,000 bbls. flour at 2s.