COTTON AT HIGHEST SINCE THE CIVIL WAR

May Gets to $21.25 a Hundred, a Jump of $5.65 a Bale—Gains Mostly Held.

Cotton climbed into new high territory yesterday, with quotations reaching levels they had not attained since the civil war. Despite heavy realizing, which occurred intermittently, the gains were largely held and the net advances at the close were from 37 to 140 points, with May at 20.52c., July at 20.32c., October at 19.18c., November at 19.11c., January at 19.29c., and March at 19.60c.

The session was the first since the United States entered the war, as the markets were closed on Good Friday and Saturday. Liverpool, too, was closed yesterday as well as on Saturday.

Large accumulations of orders from Wall Street houses, Liverpool, commission houses and Southern interests flooded the market at the opening. First prices were 62 to 135 points higher. May at the height of the excitement reached $21.25 a hundred, an increase of $5.65 a bale from the previous close. July's maximum advance carried the option to $21.40 a hundred pounds, an advance of $7.80 a bale.

War, the principal factor, was backed by reports of unfavorable weather conditions. Excessive precipitation occurred over the holiday in the eastern part of the belt. In Texas and other sections of the Southwest the drought continued unabated, with the crop from two weeks to a month late.

Domestic consumption has never been so high, with mills working day and night. The war, so the trade believes, will add greatly to the demand for cotton goods. Freight rates to Liverpool declined slightly.

All of the foregoing factors combined to create one of the biggest bull markets in the history of the exchange. At the best, in the first hour of trading, May reached 21.25, July 21.40, October 19.75, January 19.55 and March 19.65. Shorts were driven to cover immediately. Little cotton was at first offered and quotations jumped spasmodically.

Longs were quick to get out at a profit. Large blocks of cotton were thrown on the market at the end of the first hour, and quotations were driven quickly back. These recessions extended 50 to 60 points from the maximums. Another rally was in turn followed by a reaction. Steadiness characterized the remainder of the trading day, particularly as spot quotations in the South generally were marked up, and as little spot stock came out on the bulge.

Many cotton men believe the world is commencing to awaken to the fact that the supply this year is exceedingly short and that the demand is tremendous, greater probably than at any other time in the history of the industry.

A freight rate of $5 per 100 pounds was recently asked from New York to Liverpool, while room is now quoted at $3 nominal. Exports were 22,218 bales, making 4,422,196 so far this season, against 4,125,861 last year.

Southern spot markets, 25 to 75 points higher, except Baltimore, which was nominally a cent higher at 21c. for middling. Local spot market steady and 60 points higher at 21.15c. for middling upland; sales, 100 bales.

Range of prices:	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Thurs. day.
April				20.35	20.17
May	20.60	21.25	20.40	20.52-52	20.12
June				20.40	19.97
July	20.50	21.40	20.05	20.32-35	19.81
August	21.05	21.15	21.05	20.21-25	19.75
September				19.26	19.31
October	19.75	19.15	19.00	19.11-12	18.74
November				19.12	18.75
December	19.60	19.60	19.10	19.18-14	18.79
January	19.50	19.55	19.25	19.17-18	18.83
March	19.60	19.65	19.60	19.25	18.89

PORT RECEIPTS.

	Monday.	Last Week.	Last Year.	Present Stock.
Galveston	4,670	3,793	5,091	270,782
New Orleans	6,239	877	2,336	368,921
Mobile	78	118	1,369	7,351
Savannah	1,026	825	871	142,171
Charleston	347	149	119	35,841
Wilmington	188	633	1,423	54,816
Norfolk	1,934	2,795	2,262	105,907
Baltimore		559		29,917
New York	25		60	96,726
Boston	741	222	163	
Various		400		49,841
Totals	15,197	9,970	13,797	1,156,763

INTERIOR RECEIPTS.

Augusta	477	1,065	641	85,690
Memphis	1,319	2,481	1,731	134,866
St. Louis	3,915	1,150	642	34,297
Houston	6,345	7,859	6,713	127,271

COFFEE MARKET.

The coffee market was much more active yesterday. A sharp early advance carried July contracts up to 8.75c. and December to 9.05c., or about 45 to 53 points above Saturday's closing. Trade selling and scattered realizing caused reactions and the close was at a net advance of 26 to 33 points for the day. Sales reported 156,250 bags. The political news from Brazil was a factor in the advance, while there seemed to be increased apprehension of interference with imports by commerce raiders along the Atlantic coast. Moreover, there was renewed talk of import duties or an import tax on consumption. Owing to the holidays the only quotations received from Brazil were on Santos futures, which opened higher, but practically lost the advance. Reported in c. f. circles that well described Santos 4s, which had sold at 9.60c. on Saturday, were not offered lower than 10c. London credits. Spot irregular but generally firmer, with Santos 4s closing at 10½c. and Rio 7s at 10c.

Weekly Figures—Deliveries in United States last week, 96,867 bags, against 107,357 previous week, and 139,768 last year. Rio clearances, 1,600, all to United States. Santos clearances, 188,000, including 106,000 to United States. Victoria clearances to United States, 29,000. Rabia receipts, 700; stock, 25,000; clearances to United States nil. Receipts at Rio and Santos so far this season, 11,031,000, against 13,659,000 a year ago, and 11,327,000 two years ago.

Range of prices:	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Satur. day.
April				8.10-20	8.10
May	8.45	8.68	8.35	8.45-50	8.21
June				8.53-54	8.26
July	8.70	8.75	8.46	8.55-56	8.29
August	8.80	8.80	8.80	8.61-63	8.34
September	8.80	8.85	8.56	8.66-68	8.40
October	8.94	8.94	8.91	8.71-73	8.44
November				8.77-79	8.48
December	8.93	9.05	8.76	8.83-85	8.53
January	8.90	8.94	8.85	8.93-95	8.59
February				9.01-03	8.66
March	9.25	9.25	8.96	9.02-05	8.72

Cables—No. receipts, 8,000 bags, 3 days. Santos, receipts, 19,000, 2 days; stock, 1,783,000 bags. Receipts at the ports, 27,000, 3 days, against 19,000 a year ago, and 19,000 two years ago; Sao Paulo, 22,000, against 15,000 and 10,000; Jundiahy, 16,000, against 8,000 and 8,000. Cleared from Santos Saturday the Alderney with 56,000 for New Orleans.

PENSIONS BY U. S. RUBBER CO.

Men of 65 and Women of 60 to Be Retired.

Announcement was made yesterday by Col. S. P. Colt that directors of the United States Rubber Company have approved a pension plan for all employees which becomes effective at once. The annual amount of the pension is to equal 1 per cent. of the average yearly wage for the ten years prior to retirement, multiplied by the number of years employed. Pensions are not to exceed $5,000 a year and not to be less than $240 a year.

Male employees who have reached the age of 65 and whose term of employment has been twenty years or more and female employees who have reached the age of 60 whose term of employment has been twenty years or more will be eligible for pension. Payments are to be made on the first day of each month until the employee's death.

It is expected that a large number of old employees of the many subsidiary companies, many of which have been in existence for an unbroken stretch of seventy-five years, will benefit by the order.

Hogs Up $1 a Hundred in a Week.

CHICAGO, April 9.—Live hogs sold here to-day at $16.30 for choice heavy, the high record and an advance of $1 a hundred in a week.

C. P. R. Explains New Issue Here.

The Canadian Pacific Railway Company sent to its stockholders yesterday a circular explaining the plan for issuing in this market about $200,000,000 of Canadian securities in exchange for sterling securities now held by the British Treasury Department.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

BEANS AND PEAS—Receipts, 2,218 bags beans, 1,021 peas. Marrow, choice, per 100 lbs., $13.25@13.50; fair to good, $12.25@13; Far Eastern, $13.25@13.50; Chilean, $9.50@10; pea, choice, $13.50; Lady Washington, California, choice, $12; small white, California, choice, $13@13.25; small white, Far Eastern, $13; red kidney, choice, $12; red marrow, $11.50@12; Far Eastern, $9@9; white kidney, choice, $13; imperials, $11.50@12; Chilean, $10@10.50. butter, Far Eastern, $11.25@11.75; cranberry, imported, long, $9.50@9.75; short, $8.75@9.25; cranberry, California, $11@11.25; brown, South American, $5@6.50; baby, South American, $5.25@5.50; yellow eye, $11.50@11.75; pinks, California, choice, $10@10.25; lima, California, $13.25@14. Peas, Scotch, per 100 lbs., $10.25; black eye, California, choice, $7.65@7.75; split, yellow, $7.75@8; green, $14.25@14.50.

BUTTER—Receipts, 4,540 packages. Creamery, higher than extras, per lb., 45½@46c.; extras (92 score), 45c.; firsts (88 to 91 score), 42@44½c.; seconds (83 to 87 score), 40@42½c.; thirds, 37½@39c.; creamery, unsalted, higher than extras, 46@46½c.; extras, 45@45½c.; firsts, 42@44½c.; seconds, 40@42½c.; creamery, held, extras, 43½@44c.; firsts, 41½@43c.; seconds, 38@41c.; thirds, 36@37c.; State, dairy, tubs, finest, 41½@44½c.; good to prime, 40@40c.; common to fair, 34@40c.; renovated, extras, 36c.; firsts, 34½@35c.; lower grades, 32@32½c.; imitation creamery, firsts, 34½@35c.; ladies, current make, firsts, 33½@34c.; seconds, 32½@33c.; lower grades, 31@32c.; packing stock, current make, No. 1, 32@32½c.; No. 2, 31½c.; lower grades, 30@31c.

CHEESE—Receipts, 3,436 boxes, including 1,000 for export. State, whole milk, flats, fresh, colored, specials, lb., 24½@24c.; white, specials, 23½@23½c.; colored, average run, 24½c.; white, average run, 24½@25c.; lower grades, 23½@24c.; twins, fresh, colored, specials, 24½@25c.; white, specials, 23½@23½c.; colored, average fancy, 24½c.; white, average fancy, 24½@25c.; all styles, held, specials, 27@27½c.; average fancy, 26½@27c.; lower grades, 25@26c.; Wisconsin, whole milk, fancy, twins, fresh, colored, 23½@24c.; white, 24½@25c.; double daisies, fresh, 24½@25c.; Young Americas, fresh, 25c.; all styles, held, 25@27½c.; far Western, whole milk, Oregon, triple daisies, held, 25@26½c.; California, double daisies, fresh, 23@24c.; State, skims, current make, flats, specials, 19½@20c.; choice, 18½@19c.; cheddars, specials, 19@19½c.; choice, 18@18½c.; fair to good, 17@18c.; lower grades, 16@16½c.

COTTONSEED OIL—Trading active and price movements wide and feverish. Market early rose 30 to 40 points to new high records on active buying prompted by strength in hog products and other commodities. Crude oil in the South strong, with prices quoted above a dollar a gallon and other greases and oils all strong. Big advances in cotton also exerted bullish influence. In afternoon heavy selling sent prices at about previous close, with final figures 1 to 18 points net higher. Sales, 62,000 barrels.

Range of prices—	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Satur day.
Spot				15.00	15.25
April				15.00	15.25
May	15.75	15.86	15.46	15.55-57	15.50
June				15.50-60	15.40
July	15.85	15.90	15.50	15.57-58	15.51
August	15.85	15.92	15.60	15.66-68	15.61
September	15.81	15.81	15.51	15.52-53	15.50
October	15.20	15.40	15.12	15.22-23	15.04
November	15.09	15.09	14.73	14.74-76	14.73

EGGS—Receipts, 31,429 cases. Fresh gathered, extras, per dozen, 34@34½c.; storage packed, fresh, 33@34½c.; fresh gathered, firsts, 32@32c.; seconds and lower grades, 31@31½c.; dirties, No. 1, 31@31½c.; No. 2 and poorer, 30@30½c.; checks, good to choice, dry, 30@30½c.; undergrades, 29@29½c. State, Pennsylvania and nearby Western, fancy whites, fine to fancy, 35c.; ordinary to good, 33@34c.; gathered whites, ordinary to fine, 33@34c.; Western and Southern, gathered whites, 32@32½c. State, Pennsylvania and nearby, brown, 34@34½c.; gathered brown and mixed colors, firsts to extra firsts, 32½@33½c.; duck eggs, Baltimore, 37c.; Western and prime Southern, 32@33c.; ordinary Southern and far Southern, 32@34c.

FLOUR AND MEAL—Flour unsettled; break in wheat checked business. Prices remained firm. Prices in wood: Spring patents, $10.75@11; spring clears, $9.65@9.90; winter patents, $10.40@10.65; winter straights, $10@10.25; extra No. 1 winters, $8.95@9.25; extra No. 2 winters, $8.75@8.85; Kansas straights, $10.75@11; fancy spring patents, jobbing lots, $11.75@12.50. Rye flour firmer; fair to good, $8@8.25; choice to fancy, $9.30@9.50. Cornmeal strong; kiln dried, nominal. Bag meal firm; fine white and yellow, $3.10, coarse, $3.40. Feed—City firm; bran, bulk, $43.40, 100 lb. sacks, $47; heavy middlings, do., $47; flour middlings, do., $50; red dog flour, 140 lb. sacks, $51; Western firm; bran, 100 lb. sacks, $43; standard middlings, do., $47; flour middlings, do., $46; red dog flour, 140 lb. sacks, $48.

FRUITS, DRIED—APPLES—Evaporated, fancy, lb., 11@12c.; choice, 10c.; new, prime, 9½@9½c.; old, 8½@8¾c. RASPBERRIES—42½@45c. HUCKLEBERRIES—17½@18c. CHERRIES—18@20c. BLACKBERRIES—20@22c. APRICOTS—California, Royal, 19½@21c. PEACHES—California, peeled, 17@18c.; unpeeled, 8½@10. PRUNES—California, 60s to 20s, 25 lb boxes, 10¼@11½c.

FRUITS, FRESH—APPLES—King, bbl., $5@$7; Northern Spy, $3.50@7; Winesap, $4@6.50; Ben Davis, $3@6; Jonathan, $3@6; Greening, $3.50@6.50; Newtown Pippin, $4@6; Albemarle Pippin, $4@7; Russet, $2.50@4; far Western, Stayman Winesap, box, $1.50@2.25; Spitzenberg, $1.50@2.50; Roman Beauty, $1.50@2.50; Jonathan, $1.50@2; Winesap, $1.85@2.75; Black Ben, $1.50@2; Ben Davis, $1.50@1.85; Newtown Pippin, $1.50@2.50. CRANBERRIES—Cape Cod, late, bbl., $4.50@6.50; common, $1.50@4; Jersey, fancy, late, $5@6; ordinary, $2@4.50; Long Island, $4@6.50; Jersey and Long Island, New York crate, 50c.@$1.50. STRAWBERRIES—Florida, open crates, 8@20c. ORANGES—Florida, fancy, Pineapple, box, $4@6; other fancy, $2.50@4.50; poor to choice, $1.50@2.50; Cuban, $1.50@2.50; Porto Rico, $1.75@4; California navel, $2@4. GRAPEFRUIT—Florida, fancy, box, $2.50@4; average run, $1@2; Cuban, $1.50@4; Isle of Pines, $1.25@4; Porto Rico, $1.50@4.75. LEMONS—California, $4@6.50; Florida, $1.50@3.25; imported, $1.50@2.75. PINEAPPLES—Porto Rico, crate, $1.50@3.75; Havana, $1.50@3.10.

HAY AND STRAW—Large baled timothy, No. 1, per ton, $22@22.50; No. 3 to No. 2, $16@21; shipping, $13@15; no grade hay, $11@12; fancy light clover mixed, $19@20; No. 1 clover mixed, $17@18; lower grade clover mixed, $12@16; No. 1 clover, $17@17; Straw, rye, No. 1, $1.50@1.50; No. 2, $12. Small bales about 50c.@$1 per ton less than large.

HOPS—State, 1916, choice, lb., 39@41c.; medium to prime, 24@28c.; 1916, common to prime, 8@10c.; 1915, common to prime, 7@8c.; State and Pacific coast, old olds, 4@6c.

HOTHOUSE PRODUCTS—BEET TOPS—Bushel box, $1@1.50; bushel bak., $1.25@1.75. CUCUMBERS—No. 1, dozen, $1.25@1.50. CAULIFLOWERS—Long Island, No. 1, dozen, $2.50@3.50. ENDIVE—Lb., 25@50c. LETTUCE—Eastern, 2 box strap, $1@3.50. MINT—Dozen bunches, 30@50c. MUSHROOMS—White, 4 lb. bak., $1.20@1.65. RADISHES—100 bchs., $2.50@5. RHUBARB—12 bunches, 25@50c. TOMATOES—Lb., 30@50c.

MOLASSES AND SYRUPS—New Orleans centrifugal, common, 22@27c.; fair, 27@31c.; good, 34@38c.; prime, 40@42c.; fancy, 50c. Orleans open kettle, 40@50c.; blackstrap, 21½@24c.; sugar syrups, common, 25@35c.; medium, 45@55c.; fancy, 55@70c.

NAVAL STORES — Spirits turpentine, machine bbls., 50½c.; tar, retort and kiln, $8.50@9; rosin, common to good, strained, $5.90; B and D, $6; E, $6.05; F and G, $6.10; H, $6.15; I, $6.15; K, $6.20; M, $6.25; N, $6.35; WG, $6.45; WW, $6.55.

OILS—Standard white petroleum, bbls., New York and Philadelphia, 9½c.; bulk, $5.40; cases, $12.75; water white, bbls., New York and Philadelphia, $11.25; bulk, $6.50; cases, $13.75; linseed oil, strictly pure, gallons of 7½ lbs., in bbls., $1.07; Calcutta oil, $1.25.

POTATOES—Bermuda, new, bbl., $10@$13; late crop, bbl. or bag, $7.50@11; Virginia, late crop, bbl. or bag, $6.50@7; Virginia, late crop, No. 2, per bag, $5@5.50; Long Island, bulk, 180 lbs., $6@7; Long Island, bbl. or bag, $8@8.50; Maine, bulk, 180 lbs., $8@8.50; 165 lb. bag, $7.75@8; State and Western, 180 lbs., $8@8.50; 165 lb. bag, $7.50@8; sweets, Jersey, basket, $1@2; Southern, bbl., $2.50@4.50; Southern, basket, $1@1.75; yams, Southern, bbl., $3.

POULTRY, DRESSED—FRESH—TURKEYS—Dry packed, in bbls., Western, dry picked, young, average best, 23@25c.; Texas, fair to good, 25@28c.; Western, old hens or toms, 23@25c.; fresh, iced, 23@25c. CHICKENS—Fresh, bbls., dry packed, Philadelphia and Long Island, fancy broilers, 45@50c.; Philadelphia, 10-12 lbs. to pair, 30@32c. FOWLS—Fresh, dry packed, milk fed, 12 to box, Western, boxes, 48-60 lbs. and over to dozen, dry picked, 26c.; corn fed, 26c.; fresh, bbls., dry packed, Western, northerly, dry picked, 5 lbs. and over, 25½c.; northern Ohio and Michigan, scalded, large, 25½c.; bbls., iced, Western, dry picked, large, 25½c. OLD COCKS—Fresh, dry packed, dry picked, bbls., 19½c. DUCKS—Long Island, spring ducklings, 26@27c. SQUABS—Per dozen, white, 450 lbs. and over to dozen, per dozen, $2.50@5.

POULTRY, DRESSED—FROZEN—TURKEYS—Western, small, boxes, dry picked, selected, young hens, 33c.; young toms, 34c.; bbls., dry picked, selected, young hens, 32c.; Texas, dry picked, average best, 30c. BROILERS—Milk fed, fancy, 18-24 lbs. to dozen, 29c.; corn fed, 28c. CHICKENS—12 to box, West meated, milk fed, 31-36 lbs. to dozen, 25c.; corn fed, 23c. FOWLS—12 to box, Western, boxes, 48-60 lbs. and over to dozen, dry picked, 25½c. DUCKS—Long Island, 23c.; Western, fancy, 22c. GEESE—Western, fancy, 18c. BARREL PACKED—CHICKENS—Milk fed, 3-3½ lbs., 21@21½c. FOWLS—Milk fed, 3-4½ lbs., 21½c.; corn fed, 20½c.

POULTRY, LIVE—Some 46 freight cars reported on tracks; 34 unloaded; only 101 freight cars expected to arrive up to Wednesday night and 35 cars remainder of week. Demand active and market in strong shape for desirable fowls, but prices not established and stock putting out at open figures.

PROVISIONS—Pork strong; mess, $40; family, $41@43; short clear, $38@41. Beef strong; mess, $25@26; family, $28@30; packet, $26@27; extra India mess, $45@47. Dressed hogs strong; bacons, 20¾c.; 180 lbs., 20¾c.; 160 lbs., 20¾c.; 140 lbs., 20¾c.; pigs, 21¼c. Cut meats—Pickled bellies strong; 10 lbs., 22¼c.; 12 lbs., 22c.; 14 lbs., 21¾c.; pickled hams strong, 19¾@20¾c. Tallow steady; special, 14c. asked; city, 13½c.; country, 13¼@14c. Lard firm; middle West, $21.80@22; city lard steady, 21¾@22c.; refined lard strong; Continent, $23; South America, $23.25; Brazil, kegs, $24.25; compound firmer, 17@17½c. Stearine firm; oleo, 16½c.; city lard stearine, 23½c.

RICE—Domestic screenings, 3¾@4c.; medium, 5½@5¾c.; fancy head, 6¾@6¾; extra fancy, 6@6½c.; Japan, 5¾@5¾c. nominal; blue rose, 5¾@6c.

SUGAR FUTURES—Opening strong, at advance of 8 to 16 points, with sales about 4,000 tons. Early strength due to uncertain conditions in raw and refined. Later profit taking by Wall Street interests caused a loss of much of early gain. Close net unchanged to advance of 8 points, with sales about 23,000 tons.

Range of prices—	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Satur day.
April	5.35	5.35	5.28	5.28-34	5.25
May	5.37	5.40	5.34	5.34-35	5.27
June	5.41	5.47	5.40	5.40-41	5.34
July	5.50	5.50	5.44	5.45-46	5.39
August	5.50	5.50	5.47	5.48-51	5.44
September	5.60	5.61	5.54	5.54-55	5.49
October	5.57	5.58	5.57	5.50-52	5.42
November	5.40	5.40	5.38	5.34-37	5.32
December	5.13	5.13	5.10	5.06-08	5.05
January	4.90	4.90	4.90	4.88-92	4.88

SUGAR, RAW—Quiet but strong, with no fresh business reported. Free offerings of April and May shipment Cubas at 5¼c. c. f. basis, with bids of 1-16c. less probably acceptable. Market unsettled; difficult to quote accurately, owing to uncertainty of shipping and talk of a duty on raw sugar. Spot quotations: Centrifugal, 6.05c.; molasses, 5.17c.; c. f., 5 1-32c.

SUGAR, REFINED—Firm and unchanged to 25 points higher, with range now from 7.60 to 8.25c. for fine granulated. Not much business reported, although inquiry was good, but refiners were not accepting business. Several refiners announced that they will accept orders for granulated only with the following stipulation: "All additional import duties, excise or other taxes hereafter levied on raw or refined sugar necessary to fill this contract at buyer's expense, in addition to price specified on contract."

VEGETABLES, MISCELLANEOUS—ASPARAGUS—South California, dozen bunches, $1@3.50; Georgia, $1.25@4; California, $2@3; artichokes—California, per dozen, $2@3; half box, $1@2; drum, $5@6. ANISE—New Orleans, bbl., $2.50@3.50. BRUSSELS SPROUTS—Long Island, quart, 16@25c. BEANS—Florida, green, basket, $1.50@2; wax, basket, $1.50@2. Baltimore, Fava, half crate, $2.50@2.75. BEETS—Florida, tops on, bushel box, $2.50@3; New Orleans, 100 bunches, $3@4.50; Bermuda, crate, $1@1.75; old, bbl., $2@4.50. CARROTS—Old, washed, bbl., $3@4; old, unwashed, bbl., $2@4; South Carolina, per 100 bunches, $2@4; Florida, tops on, bushel box, $2.50; New Orleans, 100 bunches, $2@3.50; Bermuda, crate, $1.25@2. CUCUMBERS—Florida, basket, $1@2. CABBAGES—Cabbage sprouts, Virginia, bbl., $1.25@1.50; Florida, crate, $5@6; basket, $2@4; red, crate, $6@8; red, basket, $3@4; California, crate, $5@5.50; red, crate, $5. celery cabbage, Florida, basket, $2@2.25. CELERY—Florida, 12 inch crate, $1.50@3.50; knobs, 100 bunches, $5@10. CAULIFLOWERS—California, half crate, $1.75@2.50. CHICORY—New Orleans, bbl., $3@4. ESCAROLE—New Orleans, bbl., $3@5. EGGPLANTS—Cuban, box, $3@4.50. GARLIC—Strings, lb., 2@4c. HORSERADISH—Western, 100 lbs., $7.50@8.50; Jersey, 100 lbs., $4@7. KALE—Virginia, bbl., sprouts, bbl., $1@1.25; Virginia, Scotch, bbl., 75c.@$1. LIMA BEANS—Cuban, crate, $2@4. LETTUCE—Long Island, cold frame, bbl., $3@4.50; North Carolina, basket, $2@4; Florida, Boston, basket, $1.50@4.50; California, iceberg, box, $2@3.75; California, Boston, basket, $2.50@3.25; New Orleans, basket, $1.50. LEEKS—New Orleans, 100 bunches, $3@4. MUSTARD—New Orleans, bbl., $2@3.50. ONIONS—Old, yellow, 100 lb. bag, $5@10.50; red, 100 lb. bag, $5@9.50; white, 100 lb. bag, $5@8; white, crate, $3.50@3.75; Bermuda, crate, $4@4.50; Cuban, crate, $3@4; Antigua, crate, $3@3.75; Spanish, crate, $5.50@6.50; half case, $1.50@2.50; crate, 40c.@$1.75; onion sets, basket, $1.50@3. OYSTER PLANTS—100 bunches, $4@8. OKRA—Cuban, carrier, $1@2. PEAS—Florida, large, basket, $1.50@2.50. Florida, snap, basket, $1@2; California, drum, $3@4.50; Bermuda, half box, $1@2. PEPPERS—Florida, box, $4@6. Florida, basket, $3.50@5; Cuban, box, $4@6. PARSLEY—New Orleans, curly, bbl., $1@2; plain, bbl., $2@4. Bermuda, crate, 75c.@$1.25. PARSNIPS—Bbl., $4. ROMAINE—Bermuda, crate, $2.50@3.50. RADISHES—Virginia, half bbl. basket, $1.75@2.25; South Carolina, basket, 75c.@$1.50; Florida, large basket, $1@2. New Orleans, 100 bunches, $2@2.50. RHUBARB—Long Island, cold frame, 100 bunches, $4@5; Jersey, cold frame, 100 bunches, $1@3. SCALLIONS—North Carolina, 100 bunches, $1@2; North Carolina, crate, $1.25@3.25. SPINACH—Virginia, bbl., $1.50@2.25. SQUASH—Florida and Cuban, white, box, $3@4; Florida, English, basket, $2@4. TURNIPS—White, bbl., $3@4; Rutabaga, bbl. or bag, $2.50@2.75. TOMATOES—Florida, carrier, $1.50@6; Cuban, carrier, $1.50@4.50; Isle of Pines, carrier, $1.50@4.50. WATERCRESS—100 bunches, $1.50@2.

SUES NEW HAVEN FOR $101,991.

Government Charges Railroad With Nonpayment of Taxes.

HARTFORD, Conn., April 9.—Damages of $101,991.98 from the New Haven Railroad Company for non-payment of certain portions of the Government tax on net incomes for the years 1909, 1910, 1911 and 1912 are demanded in a suit filed through United States District Attorney Thomas J. Spellacy's office in the United States District Court to-day.

The action has to do with the 1 per cent. corporation taxes in Connecticut, Massachusetts and Rhode Island, comprising the United States revenue district. It is alleged that from the 1909 return there was wrongfully deducted $1,014,937.85, but the Commissioner of Internal Revenue did not discover the return was incorrect until October 5, 1914, more than three years after the return was due, and then the railroad company was notified that a 1 per cent. tax on that amount, $10,149.38, was due, but the company refused to pay. That amount and a 50 per cent. penalty of $5,074.69 is sued for on the 1909 taxes.

STEAMER CONCORD AGROUND.

Providence Liner Hits Hog Island—Passengers Taken Off.

BRISTOL, R. I., April 9.—The steamship Concord, bound from New York for Providence with 230 passengers, ran aground off Hog Island in a thick snowstorm to-day. The steamship Sagamore, which answered the Concord's calls, took off the passengers and brought them here. Later the Sagamore made a second trip to remove Capt. Frank W. Burton and the crew of fifty-six.

A. F. Pitts, agent of the Colonial Navigation Company, which owns the steamship, reported her steel plates on the port side smashed and five feet of water in the hold. The steamship lay in twelve feet of water and was in no immediate danger, he said.

3,000 FISHERMEN TO STRIKE.

New England Union Issues Call for General Walkout.

BOSTON, April 9.—Fishermen operating out of ports between Gloucester and New York, numbering more than 3,000 men were ordered to quit work to-day in a call for a general strike issued by the New England Coast Fishermen's Union.

The call is an outcome of the union's strike at this port and Gloucester, which has been in effect nine weeks. A reapportionment of the cost of operating fishing vessels, which union leaders claim has been an unfair burden on the fishermen, is demanded.

War Declaration Leads to Suicide.

Depressed by news of the war Carl Stueck, 73 years old, a retired carpenter and of German birth, committed suicide yesterday by jumping from the roof of the German Hospital, Park avenue and Seventy-seventh street, where he was convalescing from an operation performed four weeks ago. He was cheerful until last Friday, when Congress declared war.

THE COMMERCIAL WORLD

Business Brevities.

Good Pre-Easter Business.

In the dress accessories field the declaration by the United States of war passed without creating a ripple. Pre-Easter trade has been active in gloves, veilings, women's neckwear, colored handkerchiefs, as well as in garments. During the last week manufacturers and jobbers have been preparing their stocks for the usual demand for filling in merchandise which follows holiday selling. Numerous buyers and merchants are already here to replenish stocks which have been badly broken, as well as for supplies of "sales goods," and much business is resulting.

United States Orders Dyed Cottons.

Cotton piece goods manufacturers are receiving numerous requests to rush shipments of dyed cotton goods for the army and navy. Producers are doing their utmost to meet the strong demand, and many plants are being run on day and night schedules. So great is the call for shipments that gray goods sellers have been asked to mark all cases "for military purposes" to insure quick delivery. The goods wanted are 36 inch dyed cottons, which are to be rubberized for ponchos.

Wash Tie Sales Large.

Even though the price of wash ties is higher than ever, large orders for immediate shipment are being placed by men's furnishers in all parts of the country. On fancy summer scarfs a satisfactory business is coming forward at advances of from 12½ to 25 cents on a dozen. Makers say that never has business been better, and that actual sales were never so large. The inquirers looking for immediate delivery novelties far outnumber the usual total. The trade is looking forward to a record breaking season.

Piece Goods Market Strong.

The price situation in the textile branch continues practically without change. Reports as to general conditions are favorable, the only complaint in wool and worsted textile manufacturing centres having to do with raw material shortage. A well known silk producer who has just returned from an extensive trip reports that jobbing houses have had an excellent spring business and are optimistic as to the fall. Salesmen for silk dress goods houses on the road with new season lines are doing a good business.

Reorder Spring Clothing.

Distributors of men's clothing are placing small reorders on lightweight belted top coats and are also taking some pinchback suits in light fabrics and in serge. The stocks of desirable coats and suits on the manufacturers' racks have become depleted, and many disappointments as to filling size assortments are resulting. There is some call for beach cloth suits for clothiers in warmer sections. Manufacturers of this branch of men's wear are anxiously waiting for hot weather.

Burlaps Active and Steady.

There was a brisk demand for both light and heavyweight burlap and many large sales were put through. Prices have been moved up and are being held firm at new levels. Sellers declined to accept orders calling for late deliveries. Many lines were withdrawn from sale pending definite information concerning future supplies from Calcutta. Quotations were nominally on a basis of 7.40 to 7.50 cents for 40 inch 8 ounce lightweights and from 8.65 to 8.75 cents for 10½ ounce forties.

Gray Goods Trading Brisk.

The New York market for goods in the gray opened the week with a strong demand for printcloths and prices on an upward tendency. A large yardage of 38½ inch 64-60 count cloth changed hands for fall delivery at 8½ cents, while numerous nearby sales of 39 inch 80 squares were put through at 11 cents. Prices on all construction were pegged up from ⅛ to ¼ cent a yard, and in some instances advances of ½ cent a yard were announced. The sharp upward turn of raw cotton stimulated activity, but many buyers, offers "went adrift" owing to scarcity of supplies. Sheetings were in fairly active request and some sales were reported. Osnaburgs and fancies opened quiet but strong. Closing printcloth quotations follow:

Width.	Cons.	Weight.	Cents.
39 inches	80-80	1.00	11
39 inches	72-76	4.25	10¼ to ⅝
39 inches	68-72	4.75	9⅝ to ⅝
38½ inches	64-64	5.00	8½
38½ inches	64-60	5.25	8⅜ to ½
38½ inches	64-56	5.50	8 to 8⅛
38½ inches	60-52	6.00	7½
38½ inches	60-48	6.25	7
37 inches	64-60	7.60	5½ to ⅝
37 inches	56-52	9.00	5

Buyers in the City.

Buyers may register in this column when ready to look at merchandise. Call 2200 Beekman and ask for COMMERCIAL DEPARTMENT.

Coats and Suits

BOSTON—Filene's, Mr. O'Brien, (basement), 116 West 32d st.
CHICAGO—The Fair, I. G. Rice (jobs), 225 Fourth av.
CHICAGO—W. A. Wiebolt & Co. M. Grossbaum (jobs of coats), 334 Fourth av.
CLEVELAND—Ames Company, Miss S. Jacobs, 116 West 32d st.
DENVER—Nat Weinberg (fall coats and jobs of coats and suits), 15 East 26th st., nineteenth floor.
PHILADELPHIA—Blauner's, H. Blauner (jobs), 15 East 26th st.
PHILADELPHIA—Gimbel Bros. Mr. Goldman (linen dusters), Sixth av. and 32d st.
PITTSBURG—A. A. Wolk & Co. M. Wolk (coats), 303 Fifth av., room 909.

Waists.

BOSTON—Filene's, Mr. Levy, (basement) 116 West 32d st.
BOSTON—Butler's, Inc. Miss Fanning and Mr. Rice, 1150 Broadway.
BIRMINGHAM—Loveman, Joseph & Loeb, S. Lindy, 116 West 32d st.
CHICAGO—Siegel Cooper & Co. Miss M. E. Noonan, 404 Fourth av.
KANSAS CITY—Emery, Bird, Thayer Co. G. C. King, 25 Madison av.
LOUISVILLE—Stewart, D. G. Company, D. H. Scholl, 2 West 27th st.
PHILADELPHIA—Blauner's, I. Blauner (jobs), 15 East 26th st.
PHILADELPHIA—Gimbel Bros. Miss Evans, Sixth av. and 32d st.
ST. JOSEPH—Hootle-Campbell D. G. Company, 60 Worth st.
ST. LOUIS—Famous & Barr Co. Miss L. Rubenstein, 37 West 26th st.

Dresses.

CLEVELAND—May Company, J. O. Sproul (summer dresses), 37 West 26th st.
CHICAGO—W. A. Wiebolt & Co. M. Grossbaum (jobs), 334 Fourth av.
DENVER—Nat Weinberg (jobs), 15 East 26th st., nineteenth floor.
MILWAUKEE—Paris Fashion Company, G. B. Schoen (jobs silk dresses), 15 East 26th st.

Skirts.

PITTSBURG—A. A. Wolk & Co. Mr. Wolk, 303 Fifth av., room 909.
ST. LOUIS—Stix, Baer & Fuller D. G. Co. Miss Becker, 1140 Broadway, 8th floor.

Petticoats.

CLEVELAND—Bailey Co. Miss M. Cohen, 72 Madison av.
PHILADELPHIA—Blauner's. Miss Weiss (jobs), 15 East 26th st.
ST. LOUIS—Famous & Barr Co. Miss L. Rubenstein, 37 West 26th st.
ST. LOUIS—Scruggs-Vand