MEMPHIS APPEAL.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31, 1865.

Office—No. 13 Madison Street.

Our Business Office

Will be opened from 8 o'clock A. M., until 9 P. M. Advertisers will please bear this in mind and hand in their favors early.

The Mails Close,

For Rose Cottons, Vicksburg, Jackson and Grenada, three times a week, via Memphis & Charleston and Mississippi Central Railroad.

For Nashville, Louisville and Cincinnati, daily, 2:15 p. m. via Nashville & Decatur Railroad.

For New York, Richmond, Baltimore, Boston, Philadelphia, Washington, and all Eastern cities, daily, at 2:15 p.m., via Memphis & Charleston and East Tennessee and Virginia Railroads.

For Cairo, Chicago, St. Louis, and Northern and Western, daily at 4 p.m., via river to Cairo.

For Vicksburg, river and way landings, three times a week.

For Montgomery and Mobile, and Mobile & Ohio Railroad, three times a week, at 2:15 p.m.

For Mississippi & Tennessee Railroad, three times per week, at 5 p.m.

For Memphis & Ohio Railroad, daily, at 2:30 p.m.

For Little Rock and White River, three times a week, at 4 p.m.

LOCAL MATTERS.

THE CONCERT FOR THE BENEFIT OF CAPERS CHAPEL.—This concert has been postponed to Wednesday night next, owing to the sickness in the family of C. P. Winkler.

POLICE MATTERS.—Eighteen cases were numbered on the police docket yesterday morning, and fines and costs amounting to eighty dollars collected.

COUNTY COURT.—The quarterly session of this Court will be held to-morrow at Raleigh, Judge Leonard presiding. It is expected that all magistrates of this county will be present.

RECORDER'S COURT DURING THE WEEK.—Ninety-two cases were tried by Recorder Creighton during the past week, and the sum of five hundred dollars collected for fines and costs assessed.

MORE ELECTION RETURNS.—The excitement in the county over the election still continues. In the Sixteenth Civil District Mr. Walker received six votes; Mr. Cameron, Mr. Beaumont, two each.

SIDEWALKS.—The Chief of Police arrested, on Friday last, several parties residing on Commerce street, for failing to lay brick sidewalks, in front of their property. We believe an ordinance was recently passed, wherein sidewalks were not laid by the owners of property, after a specified time, it became obligatory on the part of the city to do the same and attach if necessary the property of the delinquent, for the expense incurred in doing the work. The case was continued over to next Tuesday, in order that the City Attorney might give his opinion on the subject.

THE CITY OF A WIDOWED MOTHER.—What can be more touching or pathetic than the following appeal from a heart stricken mother for her lost son? How many a soul does it touch with grief; and how many a wish will be made that her appeal may bring back again to her arms her noble boy: "Enlisted in the war my only child, a noble boy of sixteen, regardless of a mother's persuasions and heedless of the charms of a home that left him no wish ungratified, left me for the army. When last heard from he was wounded and languishing in prison at Camp Chase, and I have since lost all trace of him. Those who have had children born to them can imagine my distress, and will surely, if in their power, aid a widowed mother in finding her lost darling, or at least assist her in finding his grave, should God have called him hence. Any communication addressed to Messrs. Mann, Boyd & Jonas, publishers of the daily Sentry South, Aberdeen, Miss., will reach me. All Southern and Western papers please copy.

MARY E. WEST.

THE FAIR.—The Cumberland Presbyterian Church was thronged last night with the old and the of our city, all actuated by an impulse to excel in their aid to the laudable and noble work of providing some fitting place for the support of the maimed Confederate soldiers, who sacrificed their all

"For the cause they loved so well."

It is a noble work, helping the honorable destitute, of whatever creed or profession; but how much more noble when it is for those who have been so rendered in a cause which wound around their hearts as tendrils to the vine. A large number of our best people attended, and while enjoying an evening of festivity, made glad the hearts of the ladies by a liberal contribution to the helpless poor. The Fair ended last night, and the ladies and a generous public have shown by their good works that the sun of benevolence did not set when the day of Confederate nationality ceased. It was a most complete success, and too much credit cannot be awarded to those having the matter in charge.

MORTUARY REPORT DURING THE PAST WEEK. Interments by J. C. Hoist & Co.:

J. Harper, aged sixty-five years, disease, old age.

Negro boy, one day, cholic.

Negro child, one year, cholic.

John Melanes, forty-four years, inflammation of the glands.

Mrs. A. P. McGhee, fifty years, inflammation of the bowels.

Joseph, interred eight months, fever.

Son of L. Normandy, premature birth.

Lieut. James F. Farmer, thirty-five years, fever.

Henry Russell, twenty months, teething.

James T. Linn, four months, water on the brain.

Interments by W. R. Smith & Son:

Mrs. R. H. Dabney, aged twenty-six years, disease, old age.

Mrs. J. L. Frankland, twenty-seven years, congestive chill.

Mrs. S. M. Cheek, thirty-two years, pneumonia.

Henry Anderson, (colored) forty years, consumption.

Black man, sixty years, intemperance.

Black child, still born.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.—County Court Clerk, Garland P. Ward, issued licenses to the following parties during the week past:

Miss Amelia Neville and Mr. Washington Thacker.

Miss Lavina Busick and Mr. W. B. Smallwood.

Miss Mary Jane Graham and Mr John A. Anderson.

Miss Mary Reid and Mr. Phillip Wright.

Miss Emily E. Trout, and Mr. J. Grier Harperseed.

Miss Rebecca Smith, and Mr. Wade Hampton.

Miss Sarah Conolly, and Mr. George Anderson.

Miss Amelia Garrison and Mr. M. Stiles.

Miss Jane Jackson, and Mr. Daniel Waggoner.

Miss O. A. Edwards and Mr. J. S. Dickey.

Miss Nancy Webb, and Mr. Harrison Williams.

Miss Jennie B. Dromgoole and Mr. R. De Shields.

Miss Susan Palmer, and Mr. Thomas Cole.

Miss Nancy Wise, and Mr. Thomas Wise.

Miss Kate Keenan, and Mr. Samuel Mitchell.

Miss Susan Rosterson, and Mr. Isaac Alison.

Miss Harriet Lake, and Mr. Abner Wadson.

Miss Rachel Cole, and Mr. Matt. Ward.

Miss Bessie Blackwell, and Mr. Henry Pallam.

THE SISTERS OF CHARITY.—, Incent de Paul, who has since received, and so justly deserved, the title of "Benefactor of Mankind," was the originator of that divine and charitable society—"The Sisters of Charity"—in a small town of France, in the early part of the seventeenth century. The signal services rendered by them during the past civil war, to our sick, wounded and dying soldiers in camp, in hospital and on the battle field, and their unwearied and constant ministrations to the suffering and poor of all classes, throughout the land, is the theme of praise and commendation on the tips of all, no matter of what religious creed or faith. Their god-like and noble works have won respect, the most profound, from every one. In our own city, the results of their exertions are to be seen on every hand. In the causes of education their stand is pre-eminent. With them knowledge, and modesty and refinement is most gracefully blended. The young girl, after a twilage of years under their careful supervision, walks forth into the world, with a mind as pure and free as demeanor as gentle and kind, as when first these precious charges were tendered to their keeping. And how carefully are the poor little ones, without parents and heart of home provided for by these angels on earth. The Asylum under their charge and guidance, situated near the Catholic cemetery, on the outskirts of the city, is the most complete institution of its kind in the State. A large number of orphans are educated, clothed and fed here, the year in and out, finding compensation only in the good they have done, and the anticipations of a bright reward hereafter, from Him "who tempereth the wind to the shorn lamb," and under whose All-seeing eye every act of charity and faith is always recorded. Their labors in behalf of the sick are ever attended with the most cheerful results. Take a look in at our City Hospital, and you will find everything well arranged, clean and neat, and bearing the impress, most unmistakably, of the goodness of their hearts and the greatness of their works. The patients, one and all, express the most sincere satisfaction at their treatment, and pray, as all good people do, that the society which has rendered so much good to us and all mankind, may be like the foundation stone of all blessings—Truth—and while it ever bear the stamp of immortality.

CITY ITEMS.

Rev. S. H. Ford will preach at the Baptist Church this forenoon at eleven o'clock and to-night. Seats free.

For Theatre will be service at the Central Methodist Church, on Union street, this morning at eleven o'clock, by Rev. J. T. C. Collins, pastor.

Christian Church, corner Linden and Mulberry streets, R. A. Cook, pastor. Sunday School at nine o'clock this forenoon. Preaching at eleven o'clock this forenoon and seven o'clock this evening.

Great European Circus. This popular Company has been drawing large audiences during the past week, and will remain here a few days longer, to enable those who have not had an opportunity of visiting them to do so. The Bedouin Arabs are very wonderful performers in their way, and Dan Rice's trick mules and horses are superior to any we have seen in Memphis. The performances, take it altogether, is of a superior order, and well worthy of a visit.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

Pianos! Pianos!—Any one wishing to buy a fine instrument, to last for ever and a day after, ought to select one of Schomacker & Co.'s, for sale by H. Bernard, 280 Main street. There is no piano made, either in this country or in Europe, which can equal them in purity of tone, power, brilliancy, touch and finish. A guarantee of five years given with every instrument. Old Pianos taken in exchange. For descriptive list of prices and styles, call on or address H. BERNARD, 280 Main street, Memphis, Tenn.

Columbian Gin.

The Black Diamond Coal and Mining Company.—Our readers have perchance noticed this advertisement in last week's issue. The enterprise is one that calls forth the interest of all classes of the human family, especially in cities. Doubtless some may wonder at its recent discovery and introduction in our market at this late hour, if it shone so bright. We presume the answer may be satisfactory, when we announce the fact, the brilliancy of the Diamond near home has been such, that the demand has been immense. The Company having extensive facilities, with superior advantages for transportation, are desirous and determined on sending it to all parts when the way is open. The resources being abundant, and its quality comparing with any ever discovered, they are assured it will meet with a universal welcome reception with doubtless thousands of others who may fortunately read their advertisement. We congratulate the Company on being so fortunate in securing the services as their General Agents for the State of Tennessee, our old and well known citizens, M. C. Cayce & Co. We think we hazard nothing when we say no firm will use greater exertions to advance the interests of the enterprise, and would be more satisfactory to our citizens, and to whom all will call on for light and satisfaction on all subjects pertaining to the enterprise. From such satisfactory evidence in our possession, we can safely recommend all who wish to invest in a paying institution, to make their way to the Arcade, and take $500 or $1000 stock, as none can doubt its being a safe investment.

P. S. We are requested to announce with safety, that the coal will be here as soon as the ice gives way above.

We would call the attention of teachers and others having control of schools, to the advertisement of John P. Morton & Co., of Louisville, Ky. The principals upon which our house is conducted, and the facilities we have for supplying the wants of our patrons, may form a correct judgment in regard to the merits of a school book seems to be this: The book, both so far as the work of the author or compiler is concerned, and that of the printer, should be as faultless and perfect as possible for a book to become. There can be no excuse for any negligence which may be manifest in a school book. We have examined the series of Readers edited by Prof. Butler with great care, and everywhere find assurance that the work of preparing them for the press has been executed with the last degree of fidelity. Prof. Butler, as evidenced by his Grammar, is a thorough scholar and sound critic, and his fine attainments have been applied in perfecting these six volumes with great good judgment. It would be difficult to find a fault in point of punctuation or style throughout the books; and, while the master of the first three volumes is most happily adapted to excite the interest of the class of pupils for whom it is prepared, that of the upper readers, and especially of the Sixth, is unexcelled. Indeed, the Sixth Reader is a very valuable book for the general library as a work of reference. We are gratified in being able to state that the ablest teachers in our city entertain similar views in regard to these school books, and should our School Board see fit to restore them to their former positions in our schools, we certainly shall be well pleased.

Blank Books.—A large assortment for sale cheap by Young & Brother's, 249 Main street. dec31 2t

Dubois & Robertson.—We direct attention to the card of Messrs. Dubois & Robertson, Cotton Factors, 274 front street, to be found in another column. They are prepared to make liberal advances on assignments of Cotton and Produce of any description, and will pay particular attention to the sale of the same. Orders for the purchase of supplies, etc., etc., promptly filled at the lowest market prices. Prompt attention given to all consignments.

Shawls & Blankets, at greatly reduced prices at Drake & Co., 277 Main st. dec31 2t

Hebrew Relief Association.—The members of the Hebrew Relief Association are requested to attend the Annual Meeting on Sunday, 2 p. m., at the Memphis Club Rooms. All resident Israelites are respectfully invited to attend, as matters of great importance in relation to the poor and sick will be discussed.

A. E. FRANKLAND, President.

Robe de Chambre, Drake & Co., 277 Main street, have a few more, which they will sell at cost to close them out. dec31 2t

Lee and Stonewall Jackson.—We take pleasure in referring our readers to the card of Messrs. Turnbull & Durant, in another column, who offer rare inducements to young men to act as agents in selling the portraits together with the lives of these great men, and also engravings and historical matter of the great Rebellion, which will find a ready sale throughout the South. To young men of small capital they certainly offer rare inducements for lucrative employment.

For Blank Books call at Young & Brother. dec31 2t.

Columbian Gin.

On and After January 1st, 1866, Memphis and Vicksburg Packet Co., Memphis and Arkansas River Packet Co., Memphis and White River packet Co., will receive freight night and day at their Wharfboat Michigan, lying at the foot of Jefferson street, for all Points on the Mississippi river below Memphis, for all points on Arkansas river, and all points on White river, receipting through to Little Rock via White river.

This is good news for Memphis merchants, as they can ship at their convenience, and have their goods taken care of, without being compelled to haul them through inclement weather, etc.

Oh! How Cheap! Is the general exclamation of all who buy goods of Mrs. Gogan, 229 Main street. Goods are sold very low to close out before moving out to the new store, 305 Main. Millinery and straw goods will be sold very cheap.

Drake & Co., 277 Main street, will commence to-morrow, January 1st, selling Over Coats and Business Suits at greatly reduced prices. Call soon, Gents, and see for yourselves. dec31 2t

At Young & Brother's you can find the largest and best assortment of Blank Work in this city. dec31 2t

Furnishing Goods. In great variety, at Drake & Co. Shirts, Drawers, Half Hose, Hdk'fs, Neckties, etc. dec31 2t

Important to Planters.—We will receive to-day some twenty laborers for plantations, wood yards, saw mill, etc., and will furnish those who may desire their services, if application be made immediately.

C. W. POOL & CO.,
dec30 3t 190 Main street.

Blank Work at Young & Brother's. dec31 2t

Specht's.—In our rambles yesterday we dropped in upon our old friend Joseph Specht, at No. 37 Madison street, and spent an hour in looking through his well regulated establishment, and watching the crowd which was attracted there by the cake and confectionaries which he has prepared for entertainments during the holidays. As every one knows that they are of his own manufacture, and not the stale articles imported from the North, of course they rush to his rooms for supplies. In connection with his other business, a magnificent oyster saloon for ladies has been opened out in real Oriental style, and where polite and attentive waiters can always be found, and the bivalves are served in splendid style.

Soaps. For common use, made and sold by O. F. Prescott & Co., No. 40 Jefferson street. They supply merchants at wholesale.

Important to Master Builders.—We are daily expecting from the North fifteen carpenters and ten or twelve masons and bricklayers. The services of these men can be secured by making immediate application to

C. W. POOL & CO.,
dec30 3t 190 Main street.

Staple and Fancy Stationery at Young & Brother's. dec31 2t

Coal Oil and Lamps.—Begin the New Year by purchasing a Lamp and Oil, to read, write and sew by. Prescott, at 40 Jefferson street, has the best.

Dolbear's Commercial College is open every night. This is a rare opportunity for young men to learn Bookkeeping, Mathematics, and Penmanship.

Tinware, Japan Ware, in every variety, sold by O. F. Prescott & Co., No. 40 Jefferson street.

To Epicures.—Those who are fond of the good things of this earth, in the shape of every edible served in the very best style of art, should remember the Gold Eagle Restaurant, on Madison between Main and Front, as their cook has a wide spread reputation, and their viands would make the mouth of an epicure water.

A Positive Fact.—Wool shawls of all kinds can be bought at Iglauer & Pritz's, No. 255 Main street, at what they cost in New York. dec29 3t

City Laundry, Recently established. Office at No. 40 Jefferson street, Prescott's Coal Oil and Soap Emporium.

Columbian Gin.

A Grand Lunch, with Turtle Soup, will be Served by Vetter Dreissigacker, at the Monroe Exchange, No. 38 Monroe street, at 10 o'clock Monday morning, January 1st, 1866. All friends of a good table, and the best of Liquors, are respectfully invite, is invited.

Kind and Generous Public!—If you want dry goods for charity or your own use, we will sell the remaining stock of winter goods at what they cost. IGLAUER & PRITZ,
dec28 3t 255 Main street.

A Grand New Year's Lunch at Ernest Lehman's place, No. 43 Jefferson street, next door to the eastward of the Eldorado Billiard Saloon, at 10 o'clock A. M., to-morrow morning. Oysters, Game, Salads, etc. At 10 o'clock at night the song thing will be repeated. Our friend Lehman is noted for his fine Wines and Liquors, and famous Lunches, and Peter Hewitt for his pleasant ways in serving them out to their friends and customers.

Memphis and Charleston Railroad—Notice to Passengers.—By applying for tickets at No. 13 Court street you will avoid the crowd at the Depot Ticket office, and have less trouble in getting to the cars. Through tickets for sale to all principal cities. Omnibus office at the same place. JULIUS HAYDEN,
Passenger Agent.

H. P. Treat, Madison street, near the bayou. Heavy stock of agricultural implements. Blacksmithing of every description. Wagons made to order. Call on H. P. Treat for anything from a hoe to an engine.

Balmorals! Balmorals!!—All our winter balmorals we are selling now at cost.

IGLAUER & PRITZ,
dec29 3t 255 Main street.

Valuable Holiday Gifts.—We have greatly enlarged our stock of Diamonds, Watches, Jewelry, Silverware and Fancy Goods, in which will be found many choice articles for the gift season. F. H. CLARK & CO.,
Corner of Main and Madison streets.
dec19 2w

RIVER MATTERS.

Weather and Business.

The weather yesterday was beautiful and mild. Business on the levee was brisk.

The river still continues to rise rapidly.

Since our last report the following have been the

Arrivals.

Steamer Julia, from Cairo.
" Marble City, from Cairo.
" Vicksburg, from Vicksburg.
" Nannie Byers, from Cincinnati.

During the same period the following have been the

Departures.

Steamer Julia, for New Orleans.
" Nonpareil, for Cincinnati.
" Vicksburg, for Vicksburg.
" Osage, for White River.
" Marble City, for St. Louis.
" Goddess, for Arkansas River.
" Silver Moon, for Cincinnati.
" Anna, for Cincinnati.

The following is a list of the remaining

Boats in Port.

Pilgrim, Sallie List, Tuscany,
Cedate, Zephyr, Nannie Byers.

Miscellaneous.

On and after Monday, Jan. 1st, 1866, the Memphis and Vicksburg Packet Company, Memphis and Arkansas River Packet Company, and Memphis and White River Packet Company, will receive freight night and day, at their wharf boat "Michigan," lying at the foot of Jefferson street, for all points on the Mississippi river below Memphis, for all points on Arkansas river, and all points on White river, receipting through to Little Rock for freight on White river. This is good news for Memphis merchants, as they can ship at their convenience, and have their goods taken care of, without being compelled to haul them through inclement weather, etc.

The steamer Missouri, of the Atlantic and Mississippi Steamship Company, will leave our landing, for New Orleans, to-day, at 12 o'clock M. Travelers will find her commander, Capt. Jesse Herd, a most genial and courteous gentleman.

The Marble City departed for Cairo last evening, with a large passenger list and a fair amount of miscellaneous freights.

The Vicksburg, for Vicksburg, left last evening, with an unusually large trip.

The bottom and machinery of the steamer Bel. Stickney, lately sunk, have arrived in Cairo.

Two million one hundred and seventy-seven thousand barrels of coal have recently left Pittsburg, for points on the Mississippi and Ohio rivers.

The following boats are laid up at Cairo: Cornelia, Leviathan, Argyle, Belle St. Louis, Columbian, North Missouri, J. S. McCune, War Eagle, Fanny Barker, Magnolia, Yorktown, Southern Belle, Hillsey, St. Johns, Peyton, Luna, Anna White, Kate Kinney, Lizzie Gill, Princess, Leonidas, Ontario, Ian Hammil, Cora, Kate Robinson, Commonwealth, W. H. Arthur, Silver Wave and J. M. Kellogg.

Shippers are requested to send the Permits with the drafts attached of cotton, so as to avoid any trouble or detention. J. V. LEWIS, Agt.
dec31-3t Winchester, A. M. & S. S. Co.

The Rivers Above.

Our latest dates from points above are to the 26th.

The Cincinnati Commercial of the 27th, says:

"The weather was dark and cloudy yesterday, with a steady rain from 4 p. m. till we went to press this morning with the *Daily Commercial*. At Pittsburgh, the river is rising, with seven feet in the channel last night by the Monongahela marks. Here the Waterworks marks show the highest stage of water on the present rise to be thirty-eight feet, on Sunday morning. From that date up to noon yesterday, it had receded 33 inches. Since then, it has been on the slight rise, and we predict, judging from the copious rain yesterday and last night, that it will be found rising again to-day, thus preventing all large steamers from passing under the Covington bridge. The highest water during 1865, was on May 24, when there was 51 feet 7 inches in the channel by the Water Works marks. There are at least four feet to Louisville. There are 9 feet over the Falls, and 5 feet on the shoalest bars along the Lower Ohio.

The St. Louis *Democrat*, of the twenty-seventy, says:

The ice embargo spanned last evening about at an end. For three days it had been thawing, and yesterday we had rain in abundance, and considerable snow. The surface of the river appeared like a lake, and last evening but little crossing of the river was done, and that only by solitary foot passengers—no horses, no wagons. The river is steadily rising, having risen fifteen inches from Saturday night, and unless it should rain full along the Gasconade and Osage, both running into the Missouri, we look for a big one in day sure. The Sangamon is reported bank full on Monday. This stream comes into the Illinois, we believe, near Naples, and its swelling tide quickly affects the river here. Some of our best river men were of the opinion that the ice will be floating past to-day, and that this morning hardly a vestige of a floating steamer will be seen in our harbor.

The following is a list of

Boats leaving To-Day.

For Pine Bluff and Little Rock.—The commodious and elegant packet Josephine Goddess, will depart for the above and intermediate points, on Tuesday, at 5 P. M. This packet is fast gaining favor with the shipping and traveling public, and with the urbane and attentive officers now in command, will continue to receive a considerable share of patronage. For particulars apply to Elliott & Miller, No. 13 Madison street, agents.

For Cairo and St. Louis.—The splendid and well appointed packet *Zephyr* leaves our wharf for the above and way landings Monday, at 5 o'clock P. M. Shippers laying freight for above have a splendid opportunity by this boat and passengers may assure themselves of a pleasant trip. Larry Harmstad, No 14 Jefferson street, agent.

For Jacksonport.—The splendid packet Belle List leaves for the above and all way points Tuesday at 5 P. M. Shippers and passengers can rely on this boat for safety, speed, comfort and punctuality. Apply to Johnson & Wright, No. 262 Front street, and James T. Bourne, No. 12 Jefferson street, agents.

For Cairo, Louisville and Cincinnati.—The splendid passenger packet Nannie Byers leaves for Cincinnati, touching at all way points, Monday at five o'clock P. M. This boat outlains all excellent reputation, and we would advise shippers and travelers to call on James T. Bourne & Co., No 12 Jefferson street, agents.

For Louisville.—The regular packet *Morning Star* will leave for the above and all way points Monday at 5 o'clock P. M. Passengers on this boat will find superior accommodations and shippers may depend on its reliability. For further particulars apply to Johnson & Wright, 262 Front street.

For Jacksonport.—The elegant steamer Gladiator, leaves for the above and intermediate points this day at 5 P. M. For safety and comfort, this boat is unsurpassed. Hart & Co., agents.

FINANCIAL.

Exchange.

We noticed a considerable degree of activity in Exchange yesterday. The Banks bought readily all that was offered at the rates quoted hereafter, and customers were plenty, making trade in Exchange assume a more lively appearance than within the past several days. New York Sight was freely taken at ¼ discount, and we heard of one transaction at ⅛. Bankers selling rates were ¼ premium. New Orleans Sight nominal, ½ discount buying, and selling at par.

Time Bills.

Of these, no Banker takes one, unless they are known or presumed to be unexceptionable, but such as meet with the approval of discriminating Cashier's find ready sale. The rates, we may safely say, have not been changed since our last quotation, and no first class Banker, we presume, pretends to discount such paper as we shall specify, at more than our published quotations: Prime Five-days' ½ discount; Ten-days' ¾ discount; Fifteen-days' ¾ discount; and Thirty-days' 1½.

Loans.

Are confined, as we have said before, strictly to such parties as give to the Banks the advantage of their deposits. Strangers, or those who are not positively customers, certainly get the "cold shoulder" to applications for accommodation. Rates rule the same as in yesterday's issue.

City Sgrip.

Several transactions are reported, but no marked improvement in the price is noticed—indeed we hear of one sale by a Banker at 88 cents, which is two cents under the quoted rates. We also hear of a sale of $1,200 at 90 cents, and therefore quote rates same as before—85 buying, and 90 selling.

Seven Thirties.

Have advanced in New York ½ per cent, and consequently we are enabled to notice a slight improvement in this market. No very extensive transactions are known to have taken place, and we quote buying rates 87 cents, with accrued interest.

Gold and Silver.

No improvement in the Gold market, and the inquiry which we noticed for Silver seems to have been satisfied, as no calls for any considerable amounts were reported. Gold is reluctantly bought by Bankers and Brokers at 41 premium, they professing to be more ready to sell at 41 than to buy at 44. Silver buying at 38, and selling at 40.

Uncurrent Funds.

Have experienced a decided improvement, there being calls from outside parties for a number of the Southern Banks, at prices which justify at least a temporary advance in rates. No favorable advices have been received from New York, but those who profess to be knowing ones, seem to think that the decline there was owing to the laxity of business during the holidays, and confidently expect cheering intelligence at an early period. Annexed we append our table of prices, reported as correct by dealers:

	Rate.		Rate.
VIRGINIA BANKS.			
Bank of Berkley	75	C B of Virginia	70
" Commerce	90	Corpor'n Alexandria	90
" Charleston	75	Danville Bank	70
" Hope'dale	50	Exchange B'k of Va.	70
" Old Dominion	75	F'rm's B'k Fincastle	72
" Phillipsd	70	" Richm'd	75
" Rockbridge	70	Merchants' Bank	70
" Rockingham	80	Monticello Bank	70
" Scottsville	70	Northwestern Bank	70
" the Valley	70	Southwestern Bank	70
" Virginia	70	Trader's Bank	75
" Winchester	70		
NORTH CAROLINA BANKS.			
Bank of Cape Fear	70	Bank of Roxboro'	70
" Charlotte	70	" Thomas'ville	70
" Clarendon	75	Mineral Plant'rs' B'k	70
" Commerce	70	" Wilmington	70
" Fayetteville	75	" Yanceyville	75
" Lexington	70	Commercial Bank	70
" N. Carolina	80	Farmers' B'k of N. C.	70
" Salesboro'	70	Merchants' Bank	70
" Washington	74		
SOUTH CAROLINA BANKS.			
Bank of Camden	67	Exchange Bank	77
" Charleston	75	Farm'rs&Exch'ge	70
" Chester	60	Merchants' Cers'	70
" Georgetown	75	People's Bank	67
" Hamburg	75	Planters' "	67
" Newbury	67	Plant'rs&Mch'ds B'k	72
" S. Carolina	75	South W. R. R.	67
" State of S. C.	75	State Bank	70
Commercial Bank	67	Union "	62
GEORGIA BANKS.			
Augusta I. & B. Co.	75	Cent'l R. R. B'k Co.	90
Bank of Augusta	67	City B'k Augusta	75
" Albany	70	F'rm'rs & M'ch'ds	75
" Columbus	75	Ga. R. R. & B'k Co.	90
" Commerce	70	Marine Bank	75
" Fulton	75	Mechanics' Bank	70
" E'ye'rse State	70	Mch'ts & Pl'rs B'k	70
" Middle Ga.	70	Planters' Bank	70
" Savannah	65	Timb'r Cutt'rs B'k	70
" State of Ga.	75	Union Bank	70
ALABAMA BANKS.			
Bank of Mobile	70	Eastern Bank	50
" Montgomery	60	Central "	50
" Selma	50	Northern "	45
Commercial Bank	36	Southern "	70
TENNESSEE BANKS.			
Bank of Chattanooga	70	Merchant's Bank	40
" Memphis	60	Ocoee "	50
" Middle Tenn'e	70	Planters' "	70
" Ten. old issue	35	Southern "	50
" W. Tenn.	45	Shelbyville "	50
City B'k Nashville	40	Traders' "	70
Commercial Bank par		Union "	65
LOUISIANA BANKS.			
B'k of America, green	35	La. State Bank	50
" Louisiana	35	M'ch'ds & Trd's B'k	60
" N. Orleans	60	Merchants' Bank	60
Canal Bank	60	Southern B'k Bremen	50
Citizens' "	60	Union "	70
Crescent City Bank	50		
STATE BONDS AND COUPONS.			
Ga. Bonds	Coup'ns	Tenn.	65
N. C.	80	Memphis City	80
S. C.	65	Augusta, Ga.	50
Va.	65	Savannah, Ga.	75

COMMERCIAL.

Weekly Review.

COTTON.—Buying and selling Cotton was carried on under difficulties during the week, owing to a suspension of communication with New York. After the dispatches giving an account of the state of the New York market on the Saturday of last week—when Cotton was quoted "51@52 cents and firm"—nothing more arrived until Friday evening, when the quotation was "53 cents and advancing." During the interval business had to be carried on in perfect ignorance as to whether the English steamer due on Tuesday brought news of an advance or of a decline. Being business under such auspices is very annoying and may be the cause of serious losses. The impression that Cotton would rise in Liverpool was so strong, however, that an active inquiry was kept up, and prices stiffened and even advanced. Toward the latter end of the week many holders became so impatient with this state of things that they had to come into market, declaring they would have 44 or 45 cents for Middling, or stand still until the telegraph was once more in working order and news arrived. When our last Weekly Review closed, Cotton stood in our market at 42 to 43 cents for Middling. On Friday, before the news came, it was at 43@43½ cents. Several lots of over running Middling was sold as high as 45 cents, but this was above the market. A greater number of "lots" of Cotton was sold during the week than has been obtained before since the policy of holding Cotton back for 50 cents for Middling was inaugurated; indeed, many holders have arrived at the conclusion to put their Cotton on the market when the price reaches 45 cents. The dispatch arrived too late on Friday evening to affect the market that day, but a material advance resulted from it yesterday; and in the evening another dispatch announced "Cotton very active and full quarter of a cent higher—news a ¼ of a penny advance." On Tuesday, the effect of this will be felt, in all probability, is a still further advance. This makes the fourth consecutive steamer that has arrived from Liverpool with intelligence of an advance in the market there. This has greatly improved the position of those who are holding back from the market, and they are now enjoying a degree of confidence which a long succession of declines in Europe has severely tried, but not destroyed. The four advances are not at all in harmony with the prophecies of those who have been "bearing" the market with accounts of heavy stocks on hand. A recent New York Cotton Circular, for instance, says: "The heavy receipts of Cotton is gradually weakening the faith of holders and speculators in extreme future high prices. It is now generally conceded that the stock of Cotton in the country at the close of the war, and the present season's crop, has been placed at too low a figure. There is, however, as yet, no disposition on the part of holders to force their Cotton on the market, and the price falls off very slowly." Among the opinions which are prevalent lies as to future prices is as follows: The largest arrivals which have or will come in during the present season were in November—the flush of the receipts would probably be felt in Liverpool before the sailing of the steamer next to arrive—or it may be the next but one—and one or the other of these steamers may be expected, as the consequence, to bring tidings of a check, or, perhaps, a decline in the rates at Liverpool—the price of Cotton will go down to the lowest point it can reach this season, unless some unfavorable influence, affecting commerce generally, shall step in to derange business. When that point is passed, Cotton will permanently rise, and those who have held back till then, will reap the reward of patience and foresight. The following is a review of the week, day by day:

MONDAY.—Christmas day and no business done.

TUESDAY.—Weather unfavorable to business, which was further obstructed by the absence of any news from New York—in consequence of the telegraph lines being down—an obstruction that continued to embarrass business up to the close of the market on Friday. Middling 42@43.

WEDNESDAY.—Sales were few, but several tolerably large lots were disposed of. Prices slightly better; 141 bales even running middling, quoted at 43. Middling 42½@43½.

THURSDAY.—No change in the state of the market, but prices stiffened, many holders declining to put their cotton on the market unless they could get 44 or 45 cents, or receive news from New York. Middling 42½@43½.

FRIDAY.—Market unchanged, and a still greater disposition manifested to hold back from it until higher prices or news could be had. At the close of the market a dispatch arrived, quoting cotton at 53 cents, "active, steadily and advancing." Middling, 42½@43½c.

SATURDAY.—The effect of the news of the previous day was manifest in an active and buoyant market, and a sharp advance in prices. The inquiry was spirited, and holders manifested a readiness to operate. In the evening another dispatch from New York came to hand, announcing: "Cotton active, and prices full at 53 cents—steamer's news ¼ of a penny advance." The market closed with a strongly advancing tendency. The following sales were reported to us: 39 bales, damaged, at 36c; 8, prime, at 38c; 99 at 40c, and 24 at 41c, Low Middling; 32 at 42c, 187 at 42½c, 37 at 43c, 56 at 43½c, 318 at 44½c, 167 at 45c, Middling; 18 at 45c, Strict Middling; 49 at 46c, Strict to Good Middling; 6 at 48c, Middling Fair.

The receipts of the week, by river, were 834 bales, against 1,517 bales the previous week. The shipments were 4,616 bales, against 4,166 bales the previous week.

Ordinary	36	@37
Low Middling	38	@40
Middling	42	@42
Strict Middling	43½	@44½
Good Middling	47	@48

General Market.

Being holiday market the general business has been quiet, with but little fluctuation. When the frost was severe the previous week, the prices of most articles in feed and perishable articles went up, as it was expected the rivers would be closed, or kept so. Mild weather since that time has changed the prospect. The Ohio has kept open with a full stage of water, and it is expected that boats will run to and from St. Louis this week, and this has brought in things down again—Corn, however, keeps a high price.

APPLES—Sales yesterday of 4 bbls. choice Russets at $7 50@8; 25 bbls. at 36. We quote inferior at $3@4; prime, $6@7; New York, $8 and upwards.

CANDLES—We continue to quote at 25@26c.

CHICKENS AND TURKIES—Chickens have been in great demand and higher. Choice sold for $9, but we now quote $8. Turkeys are a trifle lower at 275@30. Geese, $10@12.

COTTON.—Is in fair demand at 43@45 22c for Kindried, 35 50.

CRANBERRIES—In good demand; sales of 2 bbls. at $8.

EGGS—Quiet and lower than on last week. We quote at 45@50c.

FEED—Has fluctuated with the weather. Corn has gone up to $1 12½@1 25. The demand is very active and prices firm. Sales yesterday of 75 sacks Ear, at laulting, at $1 12½; 1,200 sacks Shelled, from store, at $1 25. Hay is down to the old rates, $22@25. Bran is scarce and high at $24@28. Oats, a steady business doing at 60@65c. Sales yesterday of 200 sacks at 63c.

FLOUR—Unchanged but advancing up the line of navigation. We quote at $10 Fletcher's best at $9 50; 15 bbls. Broadhead at $9; 9 bbls. Keoshkomos at $9; 35 bbls. XX at $10 50; 16 bbls. XXX at $12 50.

FISH—Good demand. No change.

GUN MEAL—Quiet and lower.

LARD—Irregular and lower. Sales of 7 kegs, prime, at 25c.

PROVISIONS—There is still unsteadiness and irregularity in the market. Sales 3 cwks. Clearsides at 24c.

VEGETABLES—Cabbage, scarce and very high. No Sweet Potatoes or Turnips in the market. Sales of bbls. Potatoes at $9 50, and 10 bbls. at $8 25. Onions—Sales of 10 bbls. at $3 50; 7 bbls at $3.

BAGGING,		
India	0 32	@ 33
Hand-loom	—	@ 32
Power-loom	—	@ 31
BROOMS, per dozen	4 25	@ 6 00
BEANS, per bushel		
Navy	1 75	@ 2 00
BUTTER, per pound,		
Roll	40	@ 45
Prime	35	@ 40
CANDLES, per pound,		
Sta'd	25	@ 26
CHEESE, per pound,		
Good	22	@ 23
Choice	24	@ 25
COFFEE, per pound