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OFFICE OF THE DAILY APPEAL, MONDAY, December 2, 1872.

COTTON.

At the close of our last weekly review of the market, middling cotton in New York quoted 19½c, Liverpool 9¼d, New Orleans 19½c. The day was dark and rainy, and the house influenza stopped the street-cars and hauling was a feat accomplished with difficulty by calling in the aid of steers. This state of things necessarily limited business and only 600 bales changed hands—middling 19c.

TUESDAY—New York was weak at 19½c, Liverpool firm at an advance, 9¼@10c, New Orleans firm at 19c, with the largest receipt of any day in the season, 10,290 bales. The difficulty in getting cotton to the sheds decreased the show on our factors' tables; the inquiry was fair and holders tolerably firm, to-day and throughout the week sales were frequently conditioned upon the seller delivering. Middling 19c.

WEDNESDAY—New York lower, 19½, New Orleans 19½c, Liverpool 9¼@10d. Our market was firm but closed drooping on account of the decline in New York. There was a good inquiry and sales of 1500 bales nearly all good and strict ordinary, 10 bales middling fair brought 21c, and 3 bales that took a premium at Little Rock sold for 23c. Middling 19c.

THURSDAY—Thanksgiving day.

FRIDAY—New York fell ⅛c but recovered, 19½c, New Orleans fell ⅛c, 18½c, Liverpool 9⅛@10d. Our market showed no change, sales since Wednesday night 2900 bales. Middling 19c.

SATURDAY—New York 19½c, Liverpool ⅛@10d, New Orleans 18½c. In our market there was but a moderate inquiry with an easier market. Middling 19c.

MONDAY—New York quoted middling ⅛c higher, 19½c, other grades unchanged; Liverpool was firm at previous rates, 9¼@10d; New Orleans was firm at 18¾@19c, an advance. The telegraphic news was encouraging, but our market was not in a condition to respond to the impulse. The horse influenza has been an obstruction to business in the city all week, that obstruction is now interfering with the movement of cotton in the country—money is tight and the fatal 4th of the month is at hand. For these reasons, and also because offerings were large and buyers few, cotton was easier to-day and, where immediate payment could be secured, lower, as well be seen by the quotations. Sales were 1700 bales, mostly of good and strict good ordinary cottons, which quote lower; good cottons retain their market value and the relative difference between the common and superior cottons is increased; rates were as follows:

Ordinary	15	15½
Strict Ordinary	16	16½
Good Ordinary	16¾	17¼
Strict Good Ordinary	17¾	18
Low Middling	18½	18¾
Middling	19	19½
Strict Middling	19¼	19½
Good Middling	19¾	20

The following are the receipts, exports and stocks in Memphis:

	1872	1871
Receipts	2,349	3,060
Shipments	2,195	4,200
Stock	32,780	19,698
Total receipts to date	107,884	108,276
Total shipments to date	105,770	121,212

IMPORTS.

Memphis and Charleston railroad	412
Mississippi and Tennessee railroad	776
Memphis and Ohio railroad	606
Memphis and Little Rock railroad	442
Steamers	1211
Estimated per wagon and other sources	200
	3,647

EXPORTS.

Memphis and Charleston railroad	570
Mississippi and Tennessee railroad	221
Memphis and Ohio railroad	196
Steamers south	1211
Steamers north	1965

We copy the following from the November circular of Gates, Wood & Co. of this city: "The receipts, to corresponding date last year, were 138,765 bales, showing a deficit this year to date of 5612 bales. While cotton has been more liberally marketed than previous month, there has existed more anxiety to save the crop than to realize from it. In regard to crop estimates, we still adhere to our former figures of 3,350,000 bales. It is true, that the past month, port receipts have added 67,556 bales to the excess over receipts of last year, the total to-night being 1,160,970 bales, against 875,000 last year; total excess to date 287,570 bales, but the ratio of excessive receipts is last diminishing, and it will take an average weekly excess for the coming thirty-three weeks of about 4000 bales to transcend our estimates. The past week shows but 9555 bales excess over same week last year.

Throughout this week, as in former weeks, dusty and ordinary cottons were neglected, good ordinary and low middling form the mass of the cotton sold; middling and above are in eager request but the proportion of those qualities remains very small, and the price relatively highest than that of the other cottons. From middling to good sells for 19 to 20c, the fractions between are fixed at each sale as may be agreed between buyer and seller. The difficulty of getting cotton hauled and money tightness has restrained operations this week, and the sales amount to less than on any previous week of the month."

The daily prices of middling cotton in Memphis during the week was 19c, as middling cotton and above has sold relatively higher than other cotton we add the price of strict good ordinary every day, that cotton being the average of the cotton sold; five days 17¾, one day 17½c.

Receipts during the week were 15,477 bales against 15,291 bales the previous week, 18,229 bales the first week in the month, and 17,323 bales the corresponding week last year. The total receipts to date are 131,217 bales against 135,058 the corresponding week last year, a decrease of 3819 bales.

Shipments during the week aggregated 12,135 bales against 15,694 last week—here we see the result of the obstruction to hauling from the epizootic—and 15,972 the corresponding week last year. The total shipment to date is 101,635 against 117,012 at the same time last year, a decrease of 15,371 bales.

The stock has increased 3363 bales, being now 31,270 bales against 27,967 last week.

The estimated sales of the week are 7200 bales against 11,400 last week and 19,099 the corresponding week last year.

The following tabulated statement, compiled from our files, shows the receipts, sales, shipments and prices of cotton per week in Memphis, beginning with the first week in September:

For the week ending	Receipts.	Shipments.	Sales.	Price.	Avg. Price.
September 7	257	534	875	21	21.40
September 14	1,323	802	850	19½	20.20
September 21	2,939	1,927	3,200	17½	18.25
September 28	3,153	2,926	3,100	17½	17.80
October 5	5,577	5,018	4,200	17½	18.02
October 12	8,475	7,623	5,500	18½	18.44
October 19	11,344	8,706	9,700	18½	18.60
October 26	12,667	11,592	9,000	18½	19.77
November 2	18,269	10,741	9,700	18½	18.99
November 9	16,059	11,741	13,900	18½	18.48
November 16	16,647	14,349	13,500	18½	18.27
November 23	15,291	15,694	11,400	19	18.89
November 30	15,477	12,135	7,200	19	19.06

The last weekly report of the position of cotton in the United States, to the 23d, is as follows:

Receipts for the week	191,681
Same time last year	191,826
Total receipts from Sept. 1, 1872	1,149,815
Total receipts same time last year	942,099
Exports this week	67,556
Exports corresponding week last year	82,579
Total exports from Sept. 1, 1872	526,861
Total exports same time last year	418,592
Stock at all U. S. ports this year	422,857
Stock at all U. S. ports last year	370,772
Stock at all interior towns this year	74,498
Stock at all interior towns last year	66,793
Stock at Liverpool this year	570,000
Stock at Liverpool last year	480,000
American cotton afloat for Great Britain this year	129,000
American cotton afloat for Great Britain last year	142,000

The receipts at the seaports weekly for the present and the three preceding seasons, to close, compare as follows:

	1872.	1871.	1870.	1869.
September 7	10,627	8,956	11,261	11,269
September 14	29,622	15,150	17,980	25,306
September 21	48,978	26,952	38,967	48,941
September 28	66,343	39,553	54,872	71,628
October 5	91,647	55,325	68,949	99,020
October 12	99,699	66,802	76,701	67,505
October 19	94,667	82,837	83,428	77,302
October 26	113,831	97,140	89,895	76,348
November 2	131,231	91,630	100,426	95,295
November 9	154,486	107,106	122,605	95,549
November 16	168,578	109,924	122,181	95,686
November 23	119,988	103,963	119,939	99,622
November 30	131,231	121,893	140,674	99,757

It will be seen by the above that the receipts of the week were below those of the corresponding week of 1870.

The following is the weekly report of the receipts, sales, etc., at Liverpool for the past three weeks:

	Nov. 25.	Nov. 22.	Nov. 15.
Sales for the week	60,000	67,000	60,000
Export	7,000	8,000	8,000
Speculation	6,000	9,000	5,000
Total stock	420,000	428,000	435,000
American	59,000	60,000	34,000
Total stock afloat	222,000	230,000	224,000
American afloat	122,000	116,000	88,000
Actual exports	67,000	12,000	15,000
Receipts for the week	27,000	55,000	41,000
American	8,000	26,000	15,000

The *Financial Chronicle* of November 23d gives the following as the stock of cotton in sight on November 23d, and on the corresponding date last season, as follows:

	1872.	1871.
Stock in Liverpool	420,000	520,000
Stock in London	222,000	150,000
Stock in Havre	221,000	157,270
Stock in Marseilles	15,000	19,298
Stock in Bremen	86,000	14,800
Stock in Amsterdam	60,000	36,700
Stock at Antwerp	35,000	15,800
Stock at Barcelona	65,000	49,000
Stock at Trieste	11,000	10,900
Afloat for Great Britain (A'n)	186,000	121,000
Afloat for Havre (American)		
and Brazil)	71,000	42,750
Afloat for Bremen (American)	19,000	4,865
Afloat for Amsterdam (A'n)	5,000	17,500
Total Indian cotton afloat for Europe	120,000	200,000
Stock at United States ports	370,923	359,013
Stock in inland towns	67,501	67,606
Exports from U. S. this week	77,409	52,428
Total	1,917,882	1,886,738

These figures indicate an *increase* in cotton in sight of 26,344 bales compared with the same date of 1871. Compared with last year, Bombay shipments during the week ending the 23d *decreased* 2000 bales, and since January 1st *decreased* 182,000 bales. Stocks at interior towns of the United States *increased* 3363 bales during the same week, but were 41 more than the same week last year; receipts were 1750 bales less than those of the previous year, and exports *increased* 21,981, while the stocks were 20,110 bales more than they were a year ago.

FINANCIAL.

Exchange was in small offering at most of the banks, but one of them had received $60,000 up to noon and expected to have $100,000 by evening. Rates unchanged. New York and Eastern cities ½ discount or with grace ⅛, New Orleans ¼ par selling on all points. Money is applied for pressingly and numerously, but the banks restrict loans to customers having special claims. The 4th will provide a tight place for troubled passengers but no important difficulty is looked for. Brokers paid 112@112½ for gold, with only slight amounts offering. In stocks and bonds nothing was doing. There was some inquiry about Charleston, but no transactions. There was an excitement to-day on the subject of the election of officers for the Memphis City Fire and General Insurance Company. An opposition ticket to the officers and directory, as they stood last year, was started, and an active campaign—inaugurated last week, however—was carried on. The capital stock is $280,000 on which two ten per cent. payments have been made, the stock has been selling at two per cent. below that amount. Since the opposition arose there has been an active buying at 20c. This morning stock was offering at 25c, but was got for 20c. Proxies were also canvassed for and obtained. The oppositionists were the active party in all this proceeding, and at a very early hour in the morning they raised the pean of victory and challenged the "regulars" to beat them; $130,000 would be a majority in the absence of several stockholders, but the opposition claimed to hold $140,000 of the stock. The opposition went into the struggle with ardor and came out of it shouting: *Veni, vidi, vici*—"I came, I saw, I overcame." The result was the election of the following Board of Officers and Directors: President, E. M. Apperson; Vice-President, A. Vaccaro; Cashier, Henry J. Lynn; Directors, Thomas Fisher, J. T. Hillsman, W. N. Wilkerson, M. Gavin, W. C. Rutland, W. O. Harvey, Napoleon Hill.

Memphis currency bonds, with past-due coupons, sixes, 53@54; Memphis gold bonds, sixes, 60; Memphis past-due-coupons, 66; Memphis and Charleston railroad stock, 2½; ditto 1st mortgage bonds, 88; ditto 2d mortgage, 80; Memphis and Ohio railroad stock, 19; ditto 1st mortgage bonds, 95; ditto 2d mortgage, 80; Mississippi and Tennessee railroad stock, 15@20; ditto 1st mortgage bonds, 86; ditto 2d mortgage bonds, 70@71; Mississippi Central railroad stock, 15; ditto 1st mortgage bonds, 81; ditto 2d mortgage bonds, 82; Mississippi warrants, 70@82; Mississippi levee bonds, 40; Arkansas levee bonds, 19; Shelby county new warrants, 88@92; ditto re-issue warrants, 82@88; ditto coupons, 83@85; Bank of Tennessee money, old, 93@94; new, 33@37; Tennessee Comptroller's warrants, 89@90.

GENERAL MARKET.

The general market is interfered with by deficient hauling, owing to the presence of the horse influenza which not only limits business but throws prices into confusion according as the seller does or does not deliver the merchandise sold. As it costs 5c to send a sack of corn to Front street and 10c to a railroad depot the effect upon price is serious; this should be kept in mind on referring to prices in the table below which represent to-day's rates as closely as circumstances admit of. Falling rivers and obstructions above from ice tend still further to derange commerce.

Feed.

Corn is in plenty with a moderate demand until the last day or two when the inquiry improved owing to the large number of steers now employed in the city, hauling rates have differed greatly on the same day owing to difficulties about transit. The large amount of corn in the country above us makes prices heavy. Oats have been advancing, as it is expected they will be largely called for when the suffering horses begin to eat again. Bran has been in very active demand, as it is the principal food given to the horses, and the price has advanced. There is no first-class hay to hand; medium commands full moderate prices.

Flour and Meal.

Flour is stiffer with some prospects of a rise, unless the condition of the rivers improve; the lower grades are in a little better favor than they were in the summer. Cornmeal was very weak until Friday, when the causes spoken of above caused an advance of from 5 to 10c.

Butter and Eggs.

Butter presents a subject for remark. Eggs have strongly advanced and on Saturday it was expected they would soon be 40c a dozen.

Poultry and Meat.

Live poultry of all kind shows little change; dressed is now in full demand and full prices are paid for fine and large; small are not wanted. Hogs are arriving from above but they command only moderate prices; small hogs, city killed, are in good request at good prices.

Produce.

Apples remain in good supply and demand at steady prices. Oranges are stiff with a good steady demand. Dried fruits and cranberries are not much called for. Potatoes and onions are active and higher.

Provisions.

Bacon remains scarce, bulk meats take its place and their prices droops and sinks in a way to prevent purchases, which keeps the stocks low. Some mess pork appeared in the market the other day at $16, the first we have had for two months. Lard is in slight demand at declining rates.

Miscellaneous.

The wholesale stores have, of course, with low rivers and hauling at a stand, had a light business. In dry goods there is no other change in rates than bleached sheetings, which have advanced from 1c to 1c. Nothing changed in boots or shoes. Lard oil has advanced to $1@1 05 for winter strained; coal oil is also higher. Wood and willow-ware has no other change than an advance of 10c on close pins. In canned peaches and sardines we make a slight change. Glass is firm and little doing at the former rates. Paints and turpentine remain as is before quoted. Lime and cement have undergone no change.

Quotations for feed are for round lots on the landing unless otherwise expressed.

APPLES—Cooking $3@3 50, fine $4@4 50, fancy $5.

BRAN—Firm with a good demand; sale of 75 sacks at $23 25.

BUCKWHEAT FLOUR—Moderate demand at $9.

BEANS—Navy beans, $2 75@3; mixed, $2 65.

BUILDERS' MATERIALS—Louisville cement, per barrel, $2 50; plaster, Michigan, $4; New York, $4 50; Rosendale, $3 00@3 75; hair, 5c@6c per pound; fire-brick, $7 per 100; Alabama lime, by the car-load, $1 50; Cape lime, on landing $1 40.

BALING STUFFS—Bagging, 2 and 2¼ pounds, 13½@14c; iron ties, $2@$2; baling twine, 14@15c.

BEEF, ETC.—Forequarters, 4@5c; hindquarters, 7@9c. Sheep, 7@9c. Hogs, 6@7½c.

BUTTER—25@28c per pound.

BUTTER—Common, 12@15c; fair, 18@20c, and choice, 23@25c; extra, 26@28c. Some choice Western dairy sold by the tub at 32c.

BOOTS AND SHOES—Brogan shoes, $1 50@1 65 per pair; kip brogan boots, $3@3 50; calf boots, $4@6; women's L and B ball's and polkas, $1 25@1 50; L and B calf, $1 75@2; sewed calf, $3@2 50; serge, $1 75@2 50.

BACON—Rates for clearsides and shoulders nominal; new hams, 15@16c; breakfast bacon 11@11½c.

COAL OIL—Advanced, 30@31c.

CORN—Quiet and very irregular; sale of 30 sacks, second-hand gunnies, at 48½c; a lot held at 53c; ear corn in demand, none offering.

CABBAGE—In crates, $7@7 50; per ton, $100@12.

CHICKENS—Young and mixed at $2 50@3 50; old hens, $4; dressed, $3@4 per dozen; 12c per pound.

CRANBERRIES—Cultivated, $10@12 per bbl.

CORNMEAL—Quiet, nominally $2 80 on landing.

CANDLES—Light and full weights per pound, 20½c.

CANNED GOODS, ETC—Prices per doz. are as follows: Peaches, $2 00@2 50; tomatoes $1 85@2; strawberries $2 75@3; raspberries, $2 50; blackberries, $2 50; pineapples, $2 75@3; green gages, nominal; egg plums, $2 75@3; cherries, $2@2 25; extra oyster bay asparagus, $6; lemon sugar, $3 25@3 75; cove oysters, 1-pound, $1 25@1 35; 2-pound, $2 20@2 40; condensed milk, per case, $11 00@12 00; brandy cherries, $3 75; brandy peaches, $3 50; sardines, $22@25 50 for quarter; halves, $30@40.

CORDAGE—Manilla rope, 20@21c; Sisal, 17@18c; jute, 14c; cotton, 30@35c.

COTTONSEED—The mills pay $10 on the landing.

CHEESE—Factory, 15@16c; English dairy, 18@19c.

COFFEE—We quote at 19@22c for Rio, 26@27c for Java.

DRIED FRUIT—Apples, 5@6c; peaches, 4@5c; sale of 20 bbls apples, halves, at $6.

DUCKS—Live, $3 50; dressed, $5 per dozen.

DRUGS—Quinine, $2 75 per ounce; morphine, $6 25 per ounce; camphor, 60c per pound; chloroform, $1 35 per pound; castor oil, 17c per pound; opium, $9 25 per pound; borax, 40c per pound; blue mass, in jars, 80c per pound; calomel, $1 35 per pound; iodine, $1 60 per pound; assafœtida, $1 25 per pound.

EGGS—Sales at 38c; 40c asked.

FLOUR—Double extra, $6 50@7; treble extra, $7 50@8; family, $8 50@9; fancy, $9 50@10.

GLASS—8x10, $6 50; 10x12, $7 00; 10x14, $7 50; 10x15, $8; 10x20, $8 50. A discount of 20 per cent.; 10 boxes and over, 30 per cent. Pittsburg window, 6x8 to 8x8, $5 75; 30@35 per cent. off to the trade.

GUNNIES—New, 19c; second-hand, 16c, with a good demand.

GROCERIES—Soda, 7½c for keg and 8½c for box. Starch, 5c per lb. German soap, 6@7½c. Rice, 8c@8½c, as in quality. Brown and yellow sugar in hhds, 9¼@11c; soft refined, white, 12½@13c; powdered, 13½@14c; powdered, crushed and granulated, 13½@14c.

GEESE—Weaker at 55@7; dressed, $8.

HAY—Medium, $20@22; choice, $25@26 00.

HARDWARE—Nails, $6 25; iron bar, 6@6½c; cast steel, 22½c; castings, country hollowware, 5½@6c; axes, $12 00@16 50.

HOMINY—$4 75@5 per barrel; grits, $6.

KRAUT—Steady at $9 per bbl; $5 per half bbl.

LARD—Choice leaf in tierces, 8½@9c; kegs, 10@10½c.

LIQUORS.—Rectified whisky, per gallon, 75c@$1; Bourbon and rye, $1 25 to $4 50; Robertson county, $1 25@3; American gin and brandies, $1 10@4 50; claret wine, per case, $3 75@4 50; extra brands, $6@10; port and sherry, per gallon, $1 25@4.

LEMONS AND ORANGES—Lemons, 7 50@8 00; oranges, $9@9 50.

MOLASSES—Prime to choice plantation, 60@65c; common to prime sugar-house syrup, 40@55c; fancy, 70@80c.

NUTS—Cocoanuts $7 00 per 100; chestnuts, $4 00 per bushel; peanuts, 5½@6c per lb.

OATS—Firmer; 300 sacks selling in lots at 41c on landing.

ONIONS—In good demand at $3@3 25.

OILS—Coal oil, 30@31c per gallon; lard oil, $1@1 05; West Virginia lubricating, 50@60c.

POTATOES—Offering on the landing, at $2 90@3 00.

PAINTS—Liffeed oil, 96@98c; boiled, $1 03@1 05; turpentine, 75@78c; Japan dryer, $1 50; putty, bulk 4½c, bladders 5½c; varnish, coach $35 20, copal No. 1 $2 50; fire-proof paint, dry $3 50 per 100; whiting, gilders' best, $5 per 100; venetian red, dry, Cookson's, per 100, $6; yellow ochre, dry, per 100, $8.

POWDER—Rifle, $7 per keg; shot, $2 75@3.

SALT—Per bbl, $2 50; 7-bushel bbl, $3; Liverpool sack salt, $2 25; with 15c per barrel additional for delivery.

TURKEYS—Sales at $10@16; dressed, 15c@16c per pound.

TOBACCO—Extra fine, pound (Our Temple)—$1; fine, 80@90c; good 65@75c; medium, 55@65c; common, 50@55c. Quarters—Good bright, 55@60c; common bright, 50@55c. Navy—Good bright, 3s and 4s, 58 to 63c; common bright, 3s and 4s, 50 to 55c. Black Navy—Good 3s, 4s and 6s, 50 to 55c; navy, common 3s, 4s and 6s, 46 to 50c. Smoking—Fine and fancy, 75c to $1; good, 50 to 65c; common, 40 to 50c; buffalo bull, 65c.

TINNER'S STOCK—Tin plate, IC, 10x14, $15 50; IC, 14x20, $16 50; IX, 14x20, $20 00; IC, 14x20 roofing, $14; block tin, 47c; copper bottoms, 49c; boiled sheet-iron, 26, 27, 8½@8½c; charcoal sheet-iron, 26, 27, 10@10½c; zinc, 14c.

PIG'S FEET—Kegs, $2 50; half bbls, $5.

PORK—Bulk clearsides, 7½@7½c; clear rib, 7c; shoulders, 4½c; hams, 10c; mess, $16.

RABBITS, ETC.—Rabbits, $8 per dozen; squirrels, $2.

VEGETABLES—Beets, $4; carrots, $4; parsnips, $4.

WOOD AND WILLOW WARE—Buckets, cedar, brass-bound, 2 and 3 hoops, $9 50@11. Tubs, painted, nests of 8, $4@4 50; No. 2, $10 50; No. 1, $12. Bowls, $3@3. Trays, $6@7. Churns, pine, 16 to 22 inches, $7 50@10; cedar, iron-bound, $15@18; cedar, brass-bound, $18@22. Well-buckets, hoop-ear, $5; wrought-ear, $6 50; large swivel, $7. Washboards, wood, $2 25; zinc, $2 25@2 50. Ax-handles, $1 50@2. Measures, nests of 5, $1 25; half-bushels, per doz, $5 50; iron-bound, $6 50; peck, $4. Clothes-pins, per box of 3 gross, $1 35. Spinning-wheels, per doz, $33. Brooms, ring neck, per doz, $2; Snaker, $3; steamboat, $4; hickory splint, $4; hearth, $2; whisk, $1 75@4.

FREIGHTS FROM ST. LOUIS.

	Way Points.	N. Orleans.
Whisky, per barrel	$1 25	$2
Pork, per barrel	1 25	1 50
Flour, apples and potatoes per barrel	1 50	1 25
Pound freight, per 100	75	60
Hay, per 100	1 00	75

The St. Louis and New Orleans Packet Company and the Memphis and Cincinnati Southern Packet Company of St. Louis have made arrangements with the Cairo Short Line and the Iron Mountain Railroad Company for shipments of freight from Cairo and Belmont for all points below at the following tariff from there to Memphis and way points: Whisky, per barrel, $3 25; pork, $2 25; flour, potatoes and apples, $1 50; pound freight, 75c; hay, per 100 pounds, $1.

MONETARY AND FINANCIAL MATTERS

NEW YORK, December 2.—MONEY—loaned as high as 1-32 per per cent., and closed at 7@1-64. *Sterling Exchange* opened strong at 8½@8¾c for long and 10@10¼c for short sight. *Gold* opened at 112¾, advanced to 113 and closed steady at 112¾@113. Loans were from 2@6 per cent. for carrying. The day's clearings were $28,000,000. Treasury disbursements, $26,000. *Governments* firm. The following are the quotations: U. S. coupons of 1881, 116¼; 5 20s of 1862, 113; 5 20s of 1865, 113½; 5 20s of 1865, new, 115¼; 5 20s of 1867, 116; 5 20s of 1868, 115½; 5 20s of 1868, new, 119½; 10-40s, 08½; currency 6s, 112. *State Bonds* were quiet but steady. The following are the quotations: Missouri, 94½; Tennessee, old, 76½; Tennessee, new, 76; Virginia, new, 52; Virginia, old, 48; North Carolina, old 35; North Carolina, new, 21. The *Stock* market opened firm to-day, and advanced during the early part of the day 1@4½ per cent., viz: 4½ on Pacific Mail; 2½ on Northwestern Common; 1½ on Erie, and ½@1 per cent on the remainder of the list. The market was weaker in the afternoon from the activity in the morning, and closed heavy with a loss of the whole advance, except in the case of the Pacific Mail, Erie and Northwestern Common, which is quite steady. It is announced that the last rail is laid on the extension of the Burlington, Cedar Rapids and Minnesota railroad to Sioux Iowa river, south of Iowa City, and is securing an extensive lumber traffic. The quotations are as follows: Canton, 106; Western Union Telegraph Comp'y, 76½; Quicksilver, 47½; Adams Express Company, 92½; Wells & Fargo's Express Company, 88; American Merchants' Union Express Company, 71½; United States Express Company, 81; Pacific Mail, 37½; New York Central, 95½; Erie, 55; Erie, preferred, 73; Harlem, 131½; Harlem, preferred, 125; Michigan Central, 114½; Pittsburg, Fort Wayne and Chicago, 87½; Northwestern, 87½; Northwestern, preferred, 90½; Rock Island, 111½; New Jersey Central, 103; St. Paul, 55; St. Paul, preferred, 76½; Wabash, 69½; Wabash, preferred, 80½; Fort Wayne, 92; Terre Haute, 14; Terre Haute, preferred, 35; Chicago and Alton, 110; Chicago and Alton, preferred, 112; Ohio and Mississippi, 46½; Cleveland, Columbus and Cincinnati, 89; Burlington and Quincy, 135; Union Pacific, 36½; Central Pacific bonds, 101; Union Pacific bonds, 89; Delaware and Lackawana, 95½; Hartford and Erie, 7½.

COTTON MARKETS OF THE WORLD.

NEW YORK, December 2, 10:25 a.m.—Cotton market is quiet; ordinary, 16½c; good ordinary, 18½c; low middling, 18½c; middling, 19½c; Alabama, 19½c; Orleans, 19½c; Texas, 19½c. Futures quiet; sales, 500 bales; January, 18½; February, 19c; March, 19 3-16c; April, 19½c; May, 19½c; June 20c; December, 189-16c.

12:15 p.m.—Cotton is quiet but steady; ordinary, 16½c; good ordinary, 18½c; low middling, 18½c; middling 19½c; Alabama, 19½c; Orleans, 19½c; Texas, 19½c. Sales to-day—to spinners, 61 bales; to speculators, 18 bales; futures, 9000 bales; sales last evening—to exporters, 580 bales; to spinners, 747 bales; in transitu, 563 bales. Futures steady; January, 18½c; February, 19½c; March, 19 5-16c; May, 19 13-16c.

3:30 p.m.—Cotton quiet; ordinary 16½c; good ordinary, 18½c; low middling, 18½c; middling, 19½c; Alabama, 19½c; Orleans, 19½c; Texas, 20c. Sales to-day—to exporters, 128 bales; to spinners, 165 bales; to speculator, 28 bales; futures, 1,055 bales; last evening—to exporters, 880 bales; to spinners, 697 bales; to speculators, 20 bales; in transit, 563 bales. Futures quiet; February, 191-16c; December, 18½c.

NEW ORLEANS, December 2, 11:30 a.m.—Cotton in fair demand; middling, 18½c. No sales.

2 p.m.—Cotton is firm; middling, 18½c@19c. Sales to-day, 1000 bales; last evening, 4000 bales; receipts, 4144 bales.

LIVERPOOL, December 2, 11:30 a.m.—Cotton quiet but steady; middling uplands, 9½@10d; Orleans, 10½@10¾d. Sales, 10,000 bales.

CINCINNATI, December 2—Cotton steady and in moderate demand; middling 18½c.

LOUISVILLE, December 2.—Cotton quiet; low middling, 17½c.

ST. LOUIS, December 2.—Cotton quiet, only middling lots offering.

NASHVILLE, December 2.—Cotton dull; low middling, 17c.

DRY GOODS MARKET.

NEW YORK, December 2.—Business was generally quiet to-day. The market for cotton goods continues very strong, and stocks are light in first hands. Brown and bleached cottons, ticks, denims and canton flannels are very firm, and have an upward tendency. Utica, "Nonpareil" and Fruit of the Loom bleached sheetings are up to 12@16½c, respectively. Woolens are fairly active, with more demand for spring-weight cassimeres. Flannels and blankets are selling well at an advance, and are in light supply. Foreign goods quiet, but a very good demand exists for the qualities black mohair lusters and alpacas.

DOMESTIC PRODUCE MARKETS.

ST. LOUIS, December 2.—Bagging, dull, 15@14c. Flour quiet and hardly anything done; poor shipping facilities. Wheat dull; only sample lots sold. Corn dull and prices drooping; No. 2, mixed, 28c, east track. Oats firmer; No. 2, 24@24½c; east track, 25@26c, elevator. Barley, quiet; only sample lots selling. Whisky steady at 90c. Pork, nominally lower; offered at 12½c; no buyers. Dry salt meats, weak and easier; jobbing and order lots, packed, 4¼, 4¼, 6¼, 6¾. Bacon, nothing done. Lard, nominal. Hogs, dull, $3 75@4 00. Cattle, unchanged.

LOUISVILLE, December 2.—Bagging quiet and unchanged. Flour in moderate demand; extra family $6 25. Grain dull, but unchanged. Hogs firmer; extreme range $3 80@4 35. Mess pork quiet at $13. Bulk meats in moderate demand at 4c@6½c; for loose round lots ½c higher paid. Bacon—None here. Green meats quiet; sales of hams from Block 7½c. Lard steady; in kegs 9c. Whisky firm at 88c.

CHICAGO, December 3.—Flour steady demand moderate; spring extra, $5 75@6 75. Wheat firm; spring No. 1, $1 18@1 19; No. 2, $1 09½. Corn steady, No 2, mixed, 31½@31¾c. Oats good demand, No. 2, 24c. Rye steady, No. 2, 57½c. Provisions quiet and unchanged. Mess pork 12c. Lard steady at 7½c. Meats of all kinds quiet and unchanged. Whisky steady at 88c.

NASHVILLE, December 2.—Flour, grain and cornmeal quiet and unchanged. Provisions quiet; bulk shoulders, 4½c; clear rib, 7c; clear sides, 7½c. Lard, kettle-rendered, 8½c. Hogs, $3 50@3 75.

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