FINANCIAL.

Financial affairs during the week have presented nothing new, but there is prospect of a change to more firmness and steadiness, owing to the increase of gold in the country and the greater value of greenbacks. Silver is steadily working down in this direction, and the nauseous "chicken stuff," the small change abomination, is disappearing. The banks here are notified by a Louisville bank that it will supply, at par on its own counter, such silver as may be applied for; with a free supply of silver as near as Louisville, it will soon drive the small notes out from Memphis. Exchange in this market was in moderate supply and demand at par buying upon New York and for eastern demand, both selling at ¼ premium; eastern sight ⅛ discount, selling at ¼ premium; New Orleans ¼ discount, selling at par. Gold continues to be very steady; it has been under 105 for two weeks; yesterday morning the New York quotation was 104⅞@104⅞; here bankers were not offering 104. In local matters nothing of interest has offered itself, and the usual quietude has prevailed; several sales of gas stock have been made at 97; $2500 was offering on the market yesterday. The quotations below are generally nominal for want of transactions:

	Buying.	Selling.
Memphis gold bonds	—	85—
Memphis ledger bal., 1874	44—½	48—50
Memphis ledger bal., 1875	75—78	80—83
Memphis ledger bal., 1876	85—88	88—92
Memphis extension bonds	24—25	27—29
Fire and police scrip	—15	97—6
Memphis gas stock	95—	97—
Shelby county warrants	82—83	87—88
Memphis and Charleston R.	—6	05—6
Arkansas State scrip	75—77	80—82
Memphis City transfers	—6	46—6
Union and Planters Bank	—6	55—6
Tennessee new issue	32—34	—34
Crittenden county scrip	27—6	30—632

[BY TELEGRAPH.]

PARIS, March 19.—Rentes, 108f. 45c.

NEW ORLEANS, March 19.—Gold, 104¾@105; New York sight, ¼ premium; sterling exchange, bankers' bills, 509.

LONDON, March 19.—Consols for money, 96 11-16; onaccount, 96¾. United States coupons, 5-20s of 1865, 106; do. 1867, 109¾; 10-40s, 108¾; registered, 107¾; do. coupons, 110¾; on currency 6s, 123. State securities are quiet; Tennessee 6s, old, 43½; Tennessee 6s, new, 44; Virginia 6s, old, 39; Virginia 6s, new, 30; Missouri 6s, 104¾. Railroad bonds were generally lower, but irregular and unsettled. Prices weak at the opening, and soon declined ¼@⅝ per cent., but toward noon recovered the decline, and the afternoon was generally strength was shown, and a lively advance was made in rates. Lackawanna leading the market in the rise, followed by St. Paul preferred. Chicago, Burlington and Quincy, which had fallen from 95⅝ to 94¼ in the forenoon, made an exceptionally large advance to 97½. Toward the close prices for most of the leading shares were light, call loans advancing to 7 per cent., with the result of depressing the prices of every stock on the list except Chicago, Burlington and Quincy and Union Pacific, and prices went off ¾@1⅛ per cent., the latter Lackawanna. Transactions were 207,000 shares, of which 40,000 were Western Union, 9000 Northwestern, 4400 Rock Island, 14,000 St. Paul, 29,000 Lake Shore, 85,000 Delaware and Lackawanna, 6600 Delaware and Hudson, 3500 Burlington and Quincy. Closing rates: Western Union telegraph, 62¾; Quicksilver, 15⅞; Quicksilver preferred, 21¼; Pacific Mail, 22¾; Mariposa, 5¼; Mariposa preferred, 9¼; Adams Express, 104¼; Wells & Fargo Express company, 94; American Express company, 56½; United States Express company, 45½; New York Central, 92¾; Erie, 7⅛; Erie preferred, 17; Harlem, 135¼; Harlem, preferred, 136; Michigan Central, 41¾; Panama, 22; Union Pacific stock, 72; Lake Shore, 48⅞; Illinois Central, 30; Cleveland and Pittsburg, 89¾; Northwestern, 32; Northwestern preferred, 51⅝; Cleveland, Columbus, Cincinnati and Indianapolis, 26; New Jersey Central, 8⅝; Rock Island, 99¾; St. Paul, 18½; St. Paul preferred, 46⅝; Wabash, 4¾; Fort Wayne, 99⅝; Terre Haute, 2; Terre Haute preferred, 14½; Chicago and Alton, 90; Chicago and Alton preferred, 104; Ohio and Mississippi, 9½; Delaware, Lackawanna and Western, 97. Atlantic and Pacific telegraph, 24¼; Missouri Pacific, 2; Indiana Central, 2¼; Chicago, Burlington and Quincy, 97½; Hannibal and St. Joseph, 10⅝; Central Pacific bonds, 6; Union Pacific bonds, 4; Union Pacific land grants, 3⅛; Union Pacific sinking fund, 92⅞.

COTTON.

Our review of the cotton market at the end of the last commercial week quoted middling in New York at 12¼c; declined during the week to 11⅝c. New Orleans quoted 11⅝c; declined to 11¼c. Liverpool, 6 9-16d; declined to 6 5-16d. Memphis, 11⅝c; declined to 11c. This statement shows that cotton during the week has been weak in this market. This is heavy, and has been felt the more because receipts have been growing less and less. The decrease in receipts, however, has failed to produce the desired effect. In Liverpool, putting extremes aside, a crop of 4,300,000 was regarded as a full and fair estimate. When it became known there that on this side the ocean the regularly admitted estimate had advanced to 4,500,000 bales, and that the state of receipts sustained that figure, the basis on which many parties had been operating was gone. What signifies a decline in the weekly receipts when it is already known in the gross that, spite of them, the total receipt will be 200,000 more bales than was expected? Keeping this fact in view, it is very evident that there will be difficulty in understanding the present condition of the market. The New York *Cotton Record*, of Thursday, however, calls the estimate into question, and says that in order to reach 4,500,000 the port receipts will have to be fully 4,035,000; this would leave as about 460,000 bales yet to receive; prior to March receipts being known, the heaviest estimates for April receipts were 110,000 bales, and 120,000 bales from the first of May to the first of September; if we add to these 70,000 bales—a very full figure for the balance of March—we shall then have only 300,000 bales. These are startling statistics, and if correct the receipts at the ports to run over 4,000,000, are evidently reckoning without their host." The same paper also says: "Liverpool is yielding simply under the pressure of heavy arrivals, and not, as the victorious 'bears' presume, because New York is passing through an ordeal that nothing but a lack of margins has brought about; the demand from spinners is held back on account of Manchester apparently being the only competitor for the balance of the American crop. In about three weeks time many of our mills will have pretty nigh exhausted their stocks, and it will then be a question to determine whether consumption can be kept up at its present rate, if so—and the condition of the print cloth market would seem to warrant it—some extensive purchases of the raw material will have to be made. A belief is gaining ground that there is less cotton in the country by actual count than is given in the official stocks at the ports and interior towns. Calls were on all sides for cotton, but were only filled at high rates, as the general opinion is, that if any rally should occur, it may prove as sharp that prices may run up very much, even in a single session." Smith, Edwards & Co.'s valuable Liverpool Circular of the twenty-eighth says that receipts there had swelled out beyond all expectation, leading to the opinion that the crop had been entirely underestimated; the weakness of the New York market assisted the downward course of quotations. The wide-spread belief in a short crop in America and lower spirit and exchange have caused considerable losses to those who bought at high prices. All the industrial centers are exceedingly dull, the home trade the most so, the great manufacturing towns suffer much from depression in trade. Then the state of trade on the continent is very bad—short time in general in Russia, and over most of central Europe there is extreme depression. The effect of this is seen in the diversion of an unusual share of the American crop to this country, the export to England being 170,000 bales ahead of last year, but that to the continent 103,000 bales less. It seems, therefore, probable that even with a crop of four and a half millions the export to England will be as large as last season, and in this calculation we allow for an increased consumption of 100,000 bales in America. We incline to think that before long we shall see an upward turn in Eastern exchanges, and in we write there is a tendency that way. If, however, that does not occur, we fear there will be a prolonged dullness in Manchester. The general trade of Europe does not revive as was expected, an unaccountable languor hangs over business everywhere, and it does not look as if any decided revival would take place at present." The light that this circular throws upon the subject shows clearly why prices of cotton are depressed in our market.

Receipts in Memphis during the official week aggregated 4215 bales, against 5662 bales the previous week, and 11,716 bales the corresponding week last season. The total receipts since September 1, 1876, are 361,858 bales, against 435,673 bales at the corresponding time last season, showing a decrease of 75,835 bales.

Shipments during the official week aggregated 5489 bales, against 4537 bales the previous week, and 19,817 bales the corresponding week last season. Total shipments since September 1st are 311,222 bales, against 368,538 bales the same time last year; a decrease of 57,316 bales.

Sales during the week were 3700 bales, against 6299 bales the previous week. Of the 3700 bales sold this week, exporters took 550 bales; spinners, 3050 bales; speculators, 200 bales.

The total stock on hand was 56,019 bales, against 57,293 bales last week, and 69,707 bales at this time last year.

The following shows the course of the Memphis market and the price of middling cotton from the opening of the season:

Week ending	Receipts 1876-7.	Receipts 1875-6.	Shipments.	Stock.	Sales.	Closing Price.
Sep 5	633	222	1752	3977	2000	11¼
Se 12	1167	575	2090	3789	2250	11—
Se 19	3481	1742	1255	4179	4850	10¾
Se 26	7537	4330	3067	6307	7450	10½
Oc 3	11095	7641	5038	10635	10600	10⅝
Oc 10	16937	12611	12290	15212	13200	10¾
Oc 27	19861	16080	14947	20126	14900	10¾
Oc 27	22998	19739	52184	26115	29900	10⅝
No 1	23418	21703	2117	28416	1850	11⅛
No 10	21704	23330	15632	34485	17000	11¾
No 17	23802	21703	12236	45054	11500	11¾
No 24	23088	21845	12535	55577	21000	11¾
De 1	22380	23465	17772	61595	16200	11½
De 8	20962	27170	13754	67346	17700	11⅜
De 15	22439	29004	13788	75983	17700	11⅜
De 22	22908	23508	13437	85454	16500	11⅜
De 29	16122	22596	9160	92416	9850	11⅜
Ja 5	21443	14175	6999	88560	13500	12¼
Ja 12	4355	15624	12632	80287	12500	12⅜
Ja 19	6939	14788	12822	74400	12300	12¼
Ja 26	8007	15324	20505	62802	14400	12½
Fe 2	12406	12928	23416	52795	9300	12—
Fe 9	10729	10700	13361	52193	6550	12—
Fe 16	12884	10403	12619	50128	5000	12⅛
Fe 23	10149	14770	6019	54258	3900	11¾
Mar 2	6727	12750	4397	56778	6000	11¾
Mar 9	5053	15846	4557	57293	6200	11⅝
Mr 16	4215	11716	5489	56019	3700	11—

The following table shows the comparatively weekly and total receipts, and stock, to date, at all the United States seaports:

Ports.	Receipts this week.	Receipts since Sept. 1, 1876.	Receipts last year.	Stock.	Stock last year.
Sep 1	14146	4194	5572	5099	69430
Total	14146	4194	5572		
Sep 8	19644	19355	15863	148505	70950
Sep 15	23566	42546	21455		
Sep 15	40528	83170	27545	127329	89093
Total	61989	57710	49070		
Sep 22	45869	103579	45821	164126	106471
Total	125517	103037	94882		
Sep 29	95726	79962	59603	222668	164618
Total	221243	183000	154485		
Oct 6	123308	102530	99638	190419	209424
Total	344551	284538	251096		
Oct 13	99686	127794	121751	377258	264716
Total	481388	422332	372241		
Oct 20	155235	147510	132486	426240	354581
Oct 27	163544	150437	150437		
Oct 27	174887	168577	148035	517439	405827
Nov 3	811010	788429	652752		
Nov 3	203192	192277	142761	625510	487732
Total	1018435	912815	795498		
Nov 10	210434	149962	158868	715491	521724
Nov 17	192993	196277	164986		
Nov 17	207840	184581	157713	703960	516495
Total	1431716	1247455	1112099		
Nov 24	149153	146148	127933	879581	594831
Total	1641219	1481278	1277933		
Dec 1	202643	158986	168197	931956	612391
Dec 8	183600	159094	144613		
Dec 8	187460	171356	179049	929054	666243
Total	2031220	1761620	1625174		
Dec 15	196412	195106	193621	954243	751388
Total	2227632	1956726	1818795		
Dec 22	168745	197191	162554	947130	751388
Total	2396377	2153917	1981349		
Dec 29	198795	188632	145005	980250	807508
Total	2595418	2342552	2126354		
Jan 5	149686	149686	112342	965274	795820
Total	2671503	2482238	2265904		
Jan 12	104493	160183	95183	924238	830358
Total	2775996	2642421	2361087		
Jan 19	111670	144386	97613	893517	856640
Total	2444400	2786826	2398778		
Jan 26	109962	142410	119652	887424	906766
Total	2908380	2928236	2517810		
Feb 2	142862	127750	107704	897120	922416
Feb 9	314753	304498	262514		
Feb 9	143652	117995	104163	896871	896943
Total	3268804	3181997	2729677		
Feb 16	122236	109603	94677	888864	872675
Total	3405132	3291328	2824014		
Feb 23	85769	120238	78222	877808	861491
Total	3490901	3412216	2902236		
Mar 2	65130	86346	76510	877016	787148
Total	3556031	3488736	2978956		
Mar 9	47556	61556	44756	861394	742884
Total	3603594	3566754	3043812		
Mr 16	43706	65102	51059	810696	703827
Total	3648000	3631856	3094851		

Increase of receipts at United States ports this year, 16,925 bales, against 38,449 bales last week.

The following shows the week's movement at Liverpool:

	This Year.	Last Year
Week's sales	35,000	41,000
Including for export	4,000	11,000
Including for speculation	3,000	8,000
Taken from ships' side	10,000	18,000
Total stock	1,073,000	802,000
Of which American	751,000	461,000
Total weekly export's	8,000	8,000
Week's receipts	177,000	38,000
Of which American	152,000	28,000
Total receipts since Sept. 1	2,926,000	1,956,000
Of which American	1,355,000	1,180,000
Stock afloat	395,000	442,000
Of which American	211,000	321,000

The market yesterday (Monday) was more active, but the telegrams again arrived a whole day without tidings of decline. On the principle that when things are no worse they are better, this was an improvement, and it led, in our market, to that rarity of late weeks—decided activity on the part of exporters, who took the greater part of a day's sale that was the largest since the twenty-fourth of January. The market was easy at quotations, which remained unchanged; at the close the better tone of the telegrams aroused more confidence, with prices steady.

	Yesterday.	Day before.
Ordinary	@ 9⅞	@ 9⅞
Good ordinary	@10¼	@10¼
Low middling	@10⅝	@10⅝
Middling	@11—	@11—
Good middling	@11½	@11½
Middling fair	@12—	@12—

The market was quiet. Sales, 2100 bales, of which exporters took 1200, and spinners 900 bales. Clear stains quoted 9⅞@10⅜c.

COTTON STATEMENT.

COTTON EXCHANGE March 19.	
Stock September 1, 1876	5,408
Received since last statement	986
Received previously	362,116
	363,102
Shipped since last statement	1,693
Shipped previously	312,178
	313,871
Stock at noon this day	54,634

IMPORTS.

Thus far this week	1,264
Thus far last week	2,007
Received previously	363,102
Memphis and Charleston railroad	147
Mississippi and Tennessee railroad	49
Louisville, Nashville and G't Southern R. R.	53
Paducah and Memphis railroad	14
Memphis and Little Rock railroad	43
Steamers	655
Wagons and other sources	25
Total receipts to-day	986

EXPORTS.

Thus far this week	2,649
Thus far last week	2,029
Since September 1st	313,871
Memphis and Charleston railroad	223
Mississippi and Tennessee railroad	7
Louisville, Nashville and G't Southern R. R.	480
Steamers north	499
Steamers south	475
By rail north	712
By rail south	7
Total shipments to-day	1,693

[BY TELEGRAPH.]

The following are the official telegrams of the condition of the domestic markets as received at the cotton exchange:

Latest Telegrams.	State of Market.	Rec'pts	Sales.	Price Middling.
Galveston	Steady.	719	.....	11⅛
New Orleans	Quiet.	2485	.....	11⅛
Mobile	Weak.	653	.....	10¾
Savannah	Quiet.	1006	.....	11⅝
Charleston	Quiet.	294	.....	11¾
Wilmington	Dull.	88	.....	
Norfolk	Quiet.	589	.....	11—
Baltimore	Dull.	—	.....	11⅝
New York	Steady.	140	.....	11⅝
Boston	Quiet.	418	.....	12⅛
Philadelphia	Quiet.	256	.....	11⅞
St. Louis	Lower.	565	.....	11⅞
Augusta	Quiet.	177	.....	11¾

Yesterday's New York closing telegram reports: Ordinary, 9 15-16c; good ordinary, 10 11-16c; low middling, 11½c; middling, 11⅝c; good middling, 11⅞c. Tone of the market: At 10:30, quiet; 12:15, dull and easier; 2:15, steady; 3:10, steady. Sales, 1134 bales.

The following are the closing rates in New York futures for yesterday and the day before:

Months.	Yesterday.	Day before.
March	11.46@11.49	11.70@11.72
April	11.48@11.49	11.72@11.74
May	11.64@11.66	11.88@11.89
June	11.78@11.80	12.02@12.02
July	11.89@11.90	12.10@12.12
August	11.95@11.96	12.17@12.18
September	11.77@11.78	11.97@11.98
October	11.51@11.55	11.68@11.72
November	11.42@11.44	11.60@11.65
December	11.42@11.45	11.60@11.65

Tone of the market: 10:15, easy; 10:42, quiet and easy; 12:50, easier; 1:30, quiet and steady; 2:15, firmer; 3:15, firm. Sales, 92,500 bales.

New Orleans closed steady at 11¼c for middling; receipts, 2485 bales; sales, 4700 bales.

Yesterday's Liverpool closing telegram reports: Cotton dull; middling uplands, 6 5-16d; Orleans, 6½d. Sales, 12,00 bales, of which 8900 was American; received, 12,600 bales, of which 9600 was American.

Liverpool *deliveries* opened with arrivals 3-32d higher, but lost 1-16d; April-May, 6 11-32, 6 5-16, 6 9-32, 6¼d; May-June, 6 7-16, 6 13-32, 6⅜d; June-July, 6½, 6 15-32d; July-August, 6 9-16d. *Deliveries* at the close: April-May, 6 9-32d; June-July, 6 7-16d; July-August, 6½d.

The movement at the ports was reported as follows:

	This Week.	Last Week.	Same Time Last Year.
Rec'ts since Friday	10.499	16,135	22,509
Exp'ts to G. Britain	16,699	15,854	11,898
Exp'ts to Continent	3,791	16,508	7,749
Stock	793,022	847,455	682,156

GENERAL TRADE.

The general market was as quiet yesterday as on Saturday, the weather is becoming spring-like and the country people are kept from visiting the city by the attention planting requires. *Corn* is in good demand and maintains its price, sales of 146, 237 and 481 sacks at 50c, 50 sacks of our corn at 51c; in store, 53@55c. *Oats* were offering, there is some inquiry but no established prices; in store, 55@55c. *Bran* wanted; sales of dray-load lots at $19; in store, 90c@$1 per cwt. *Hay*—some arrivals; sales during the week have been at the rate of $8 50@9 for prairie; prime, $13 50@14 50. *Cornmeal* in quiet demand at $2 45. *Potatoes* dull and quiet, on landing at $1@3 20 for russets to peachblows, in dray-load lots; in store, $3 20@3 50. *Onions* dull at $3 50@4. *Apples* on landing $1 50@2 50, in store $2@3. *Eggs* plentiful at 11@12c, with only a moderate demand for the season; sale of 40 and 600 dozen at 11½c. *Butter* dull at 10@25c. *Chickens* plentiful and heavy at $2@3; no other poultry offering. *Cows* were more plentiful at about 25c lower; millet seed is in good inquiry and is also lower. *Yams*—yellow, $4 25 per barrel. *Turnips*, $1 50@1 75 per barrel. *Oranges*, $10; Messina, $4@4 50 a box. *Lemons*, $3 75@4 50 a box. *Cocoanuts*, $5 50@4 per hundred. *Peanuts*, 2½@3c for red; white, 3½@4c. *Dried fruit*—apples, 4½@5½c; peaches, peeled, 18c. *Beans*, $2 25@2 60 per bushel. *Stock peas*, $1 25@1 50. *Green peas*, $1 85@2 per bushel. *Hominy*, $3 25@3 50. *Grits*, $4. *Pearl barley*, 5½@6½c per pound. *Oatmeal*, 5@5½c per pound. *Cracked wheat*, 5@6c per pound. *Pickles*, $5 50 per half barrel. *Beef*—quarters, 3@4c for fore, and 6@7c for hind. *Hogs*, 5@6½c. *Sheep*, 6½@7c per pound by the carcass. *Pigs' feet*, per keg, $1 25@1 50. *Bologna sausages*, 8½c per pound. *Mince meat*, 11c per pound. *Kraut*, $7 50 half-barrel; $14 a barrel. *Millet seed*, 85c a bushel. *Game fish*, 8c. *Hides*—flint, 15c; dry-salted, 12@13c, as in weight; green-salted, 6¼@7c; green, 4½@5½c; lamb-skins, 25@50c; sheep-skins, as in amount of wool, 25c@$1; dry deer-skins, 25@30c. *Wool*—the following prices are paid at the mills: Fleece, washed—fine, 31@35c; medium, 35@37c; coarse, 30@32c. Tub-washed—prime, 36@39c; ordinary, 31@33c; dingy and poorly washed, 25@30c. Unwashed—fine, 18@20c; medium, 24@25c; coarse, 18@22c. When the wool is black, burry or catted, 5@10c per pound is deducted from these prices.

O. A. Hennes & Co.'s Chicago circular of Friday reports: "No new indication of confidence in the future of the provision market has manifested itself during the past week; on the contrary, values have been more unsettled and irregular than ever, and a large majority of the trade think bottom has not been seen yet. The fact that such large declines have taken place and the daily fluctuations noted below were so great, shows that permanent investments are not being made, but that operators are working within a view to small profits or losses and quick turns, and the market is so sensitive that it is much easier to cause a decline than an advance. Much depends on the future receipts of hogs, which are larger thus far, since March 1st this year than last, and should these receipts continue, hogs will be lower, and the product will follow. The receipts of hogs the past week, owing to unfavorable weather, have not been excessive, but the price is fully 50c lower than a week ago, and quality fair. The total packing of hogs in Chicago for the winter season of 1876-7 is 1,168,084; average, 215.97 pounds net; against 1,592,065, average 217.32 pounds, last season. The yield of lard was 34.06 pounds, against 35.47 pounds last season. Total barrels pork made, 290,493; tierces lard, 172,869, against 236,430 pork and 174,572 lard last season. The total packing at the six principal points is 3,281,140, against 3,213,622 last season. Total barrels of pork made at the six points, 442,467, against 362,979 last season; of lard, 349,290 tierces, against 356,250. The result at country points and touls of all points we hope to give in our next. Stock of meats in Chicago on March 6th were 5,000,000 pounds shoulders and 24,000,000 sides, exclusive of fancy foreign cuts. Mess pork sold up during the week to $14 65 for May, and down to $14 25, varying daily from 25 to 65c; trading largely speculative; shipments have fallen off; stock now about 165,000 barrels. Lard for May sold up to 9.60c and down to 8.92½c, fluctuated daily 10 to 30c per 100 pounds; shipments have been large, reducing the stock to about 70,000 tierces. Dry salt meats—short rib sides have been largely dealt in, in a speculative way, and are becoming almost as much of a gambling article as pork or lard; the May option sold up to 7.65c and down to 7.05c, varying 10 to 30c daily. The demand for cash sides, as well as for actual delivery in April to actual buyers, has been large. Shoulders are more neglected and more regular in price."

Merchants' Wholesale Cash Prices.

Chamber of Commerce Official Statement.

FLOUR—Firm; superfine, $3 25; extras, $3; treble extra, $7 50@8; choice family, $8 25; fancy, $8 50@8 75 per bbl.

CORNMEAL—Quiet; kiln-dried, $2 65@2 75 per bbl.

CORN—Mixed, 52@54c; white, 53@55c per bush.

OATS—Firm; stock light; mixed, 52@53c; white, 53@55c; red seed, 80c per bush; seed, brown or black, mixed, 70@72c; pure black, scarce, 70@75c.

BRAN—90c.

HAY—Moderate demand; choice western, $15@17; prairie, nominally $11; mixed, $13@14.

BACON (Loose)—Breakfast, 12@12½c; sugar-cured hams, uncanvassed, and canvassed, 12@12½c; packed, ⅛@¼c higher.

BULK PORK (Loose)—Higher; shoulders, according to weight, 5¾@6c; long clear, according to age, 8c; clear rib, according to age, 8⅛@8¼c; clear sides, according to age, 8⅜@8½c; packed, ⅛@¼c higher.

MESS PORK—Mess pork, heavy, $14 25.

LARD—In tierces, 10¾@11c; kegs, 11½@11¾c; half-barrels, 11½c; pails, 11¾@12c.

BALED COTTON—Quiet; longcloth, 2 and 2½ lb., 12@12½c; baling twine, 13@14c; iron ties, 51¼@52c; picked ties, 4c.

MACKEREL—Half-barrels, No. 1, $7 25@7 50; half-barrels, No. 2, $6 25@6 50; half-barrels, No. 3, $5 50; kits, No. 1, $1 50; kits, No. 2, $1 25; kits, No. 3, $1 10.

WHITEFISH—Half-barrels, $6.

COFFEE—Quiet; ordinary, 20c; fair, 20½@21c; good, 21½@22c; prime, 22@23c; fancy, 23½@24c; Java, 30c; Cordova, 21@22c.

RICE—Firm; ordinary to choice, 6@7c.

SUGAR—LOUISIANA—In hhds; fair, 8¾@9c; fully fair, 9¼@9½c; prime, 9¾c; choice, 10c; yellow clarified, 10¾@11c; white clarified, 11¼@12½c; barreled, ½c higher.

SUGAR—REFINED—Firm; refined A, 12@12½c; crushed and powdered, 12¾@13c; granulated, 12½@12¾c; cut loaf, 13½c; all nominal.

MOLASSES—Quiet; common, 40c; fair, 45@48c; prime, 52@55c; strictly prime, 55c; choice, 58@60c.

SYRUPS—Common to fancy, 35c@$1.

SALT—Coarse and common fine, in barrels, $1 65; dairy, in barrels, $2 75@3; Liverpool coarse, in sacks, $1 25@1 30; Liverpool fine, in sacks, $1 50@1 60.

SOAP—Resin and German, 5½@4½c; Latting's, 5½c.

CANDLES—Boxes, full weight, 14¾@15c; half box, 15½c; quarter box, 15c.

STARCH—4@5c per lb.

WHISKY—85c@$4 per gallon.

LIME—$1 55@1 50 per barrel.

CEMENT—Louisville, $2 25; Rosedale, $2 75 per barrel.

ESCULENTS AND FRUITS—Apples, nominally, per barrel, $3@4; lemons, per box, $4 50@5; oranges, per box, $4 50@5; potatoes, per barrel, $3@3½; cabbages, per dozen, $7@8; onions, $5@5 25; beans, per bushel, $2 50@3; dried apples, 4@5c.

MISCELLANEOUS—Butter — Western table, choice, 24@25c; inferior, 10@12c; eggs, 12c; nails, per keg, $3 10; vinegar, per gallon, 18@25c; tobacco, per lb, 48@90c; spice, 9c; pepper, 20c; sardines, $15@15 50; oysters, 1 lb, 80c@$1; oysters, 2 lb, $1 60@2; coal-oil, 24c; matches, $0 75@7; cotton-rope, 18@19c; grass-rope, 12½@13c; powder, kegs, $6 35; shot, patent, $2 35@2 40; soda, kegs, 5c; soda, cases, 6c; cheese, 14½@15c; new raisins, $2 40@2 50.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]

LOUISVILLE, March 19.—Flour dull; family, $5 75@6. Wheat scarce and wanted; red, $1 50. Corn dull, 41@42c. Oats dull, 36@40c. Hay quiet, $8@11. Pork firmer, $14 50. Bulk meats higher, 5¾, 7⅜@8¼c. Bacon higher, 6⅜, 8⅜@8⅞c. Sugar-cured hams, 11@12½c. Lard steady; choice leaf, tierces, 10¾c; do., kegs, 11½c. Whisky, $1 06. Bagging, 12@13c.

CHICAGO, March 19.—Flour steady, with a good demand; winter extras, $6@8. Wheat fairly active and a shade higher; No. 2 spring, $1 23 cash, $1 27¾ May. Corn—demand light and holders firm at 39½c. Oats dull and a shade lower, 33½c. Pork active, firm and higher, $13 75 cash, $13 95 May. Lard active, firm and higher, 9½c cash, 9.35c May. Bulk meats firmer, 5 @ 7⅜ @ 7⅞c. Whisky, $1 05.

CINCINNATI, March 19.—Flour higher; family, $6 70@6 95. Wheat strong; red, $1 45@1 55. Corn steady at 42@43c. Oats quiet but steady at 35@36c. Pork firm, $14 75@15. Lard firm; steam, 9¼c; kettle, 10@10¼c. Bulk meats strong and higher, 5½, 7¼@7⅜c. Bacon higher, 6¾, 8¼@8⅝, 8⅞@9c. Whisky, $1 05. Butter easier; choice western reserve, 24@25c; central Ohio, 22@23c. Hogs firm at $4 50@5 80; receipts, 7394; shipments, 485 head.

ST. LOUIS, March 19.—Flour firm; superfine and extra superfine fall, $5 25@5 75; fall extra, $6@6 40; fall double extra, $6 50@6 75; fall treble extra, $6 85@7. Wheat firmer; No. 2 red fall, $1 51. Corn active but lower, 35c. Oats dull and lower to sell, 32c bid. Whisky, $1 05. Pork higher, $14 50. Lard higher, 9¼c bid. Bulk meats nominally higher; clear ribs, 7⅞c asked, 7½c bid. Bacon higher, 6, 8⅝@8⅜8⅞c. Hogs steady, $4 50@5 25; receipts, 1900 head.

NEW YORK, March 19.—Flour more steady, with a fair trade; superfine western and State, $5 40@5 75. Wheat steady, with a fair demand; No. 2 Chicago quoted at $1 40@1 41. Corn in moderate demand; steam mixed, 55½@56c. Oats—a moderate local trade; mixed western and State, 38@53c. Petroleum firmer; crude, 10½c; refined, 16½c. Coffee quiet; Rio, cargoes, 17@21c gold; jobbing, 17¼@22c gold. Sugar dull and nominal; prime, 9½c; refined fairly active at 10½@11½c. Molasses—New Orleans, 40@56c; Porto Rico, 40@55c. Pork firmer, with more inquiry; new mess, $14 75@14 85. Middles firmer, 7⅜@8c. Lard quiet and heavy; prime steam, 9.70c. Butter—western, 12@20c. Cheese, 9@15½c. Whisky, $1 07@1 08.

NEW ORLEANS, March 19.—Flour strong; superfine, $5 25@5 50; choice extra, $8@8 75. Corn dull; mixed, 54c; white and yellow, 55c. Oats dull; St. Louis, 47c. Cornmeal dull at $2 40. Hay scarce and firm; choice, $18. Pork strong, $15 50. Lard dull; tierce, 9½@10c; kegs, 10¾c. Bulk meats dull, 5¼, 5@5¾c. Bacon quiet but steady, 6¾, 9@9½c. Sugar-cured hams—large, 12½c; ordinary, 11@11½c. Whisky—western rectified, $1 05@1 08. Coffee dull; job lots, ordinary to prime Rio, 17@21c. Sugar steady; inferior, 5@6¾c; common to good common, 7⅜@8¼c; fair to fully fair, 8¾@8⅝c; prime to choice, 8¾@9c; centrifugal, 8½@9c; yellow clarified, 10@10½c. Molasses firm; common, 25@28c; fair, 30@32c; strictly prime, 42½c. Rice quiet; common to good, 4@6c. Bran, $1 05.

DRY GOODS.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]

NEW YORK, March 19.—Cotton goods quiet and steady; best makes of denims and dyed ducks closely sold up. Crockett quilts in light supply and firm. Prints a little more active. Glasgow ginghams reduced by agents to 8½c. Woolen goods quiet. Foreign goods remain sluggish.

RIVER NEWS.

Weather and River Chronicle.

Weather balmy and invigorating, clear skies and just enough breeze to counteract the sun's influence. We have no news from Arkansas or White rivers, and refer the reader to the dispatches below for particulars from all points.

OFFICE SIGNAL SERVICE OBS. U. S. A., MEMPHIS, March 19, 3 P.M.

STATIONS	Above low water. Feet.	Inches	Changes. Rise inches	Fall inches
Cairo	30	7	3	
Cincinnati	37	1		21
Davenport	3	5	1	
Dubuque	4	11	1	.....
Helena, Ark	.....	.....	.....	.....
Keokuk	2	8	.....	.....
Leavenworth	7	11	.....	8
Little Rock	.....	.....	.....	.....
Louisville	14	4	4	7
*Memphis	23	8	11	7
Nashville	14	6	2	9
*New Orleans	11	8	2	8
Pittsburg	5	8	.....	.....
Shreveport	17	3	4	4
St. Louis	7	10	.....	.....
Vicksburg	22	7	27	.....

*Below bench mark.

LOCAL OBSERVATIONS YESTERDAY.

Time.	Bar.	Ther.	Wind.	Rain Fall.	Weather.
6:43 a.m.	30.040	54	S.W.	.00	Clear.
3:43 p.m.	29.936	69	S.W.	.00	Hazy.
10:08 p.m.	29.980	60	S.W.	.00	Clear.

Maximum thermometer, 70 deg.
Minimum thermometer, 51 deg.

W. M'ELROY, Sergeant Sig. Ser., U. S. A.

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