FINANCIAL.

Quietude at the banks with plenty of money, but paper is no less scrutinized on that account; applications for loans, however, are not numerous or pressing. 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. The New York *Bulletin*, of Saturday, reported: "The following were the rates of exchange on New York at the undermentioned cities to-day: Savannah, ¼ premium; St. Louis, 100 premium; Charleston, easy, buying ⅛ premium, selling ¼ premium; Cincinnati, very firm, buying par, selling 1-10; New Orleans, commercial 3-16, bank ¼, and Chicago, 25 to 50 premium." The New York market quoted gold at 104¾ all the morning; here brokers offered 104, round lots 104¼. The *Bulletin* says: "There was an advance in gold to 104⅞, because of the rise in the rate of short sight sterling to 4.86⅛, and because of purchases of gold with which to pay for new 4½ per cent. bonds, the gold received on this account being turned into the treasury. The actual rates for sterling (prime bankers') were 4.83⅞@4.84¼ and 4.85⅞@4.86¼; a difference which corresponds exactly with the value of money in London—2 per cent." Nothing of moment doing in local matters; a good amount of gas stock is said to be accessible at 97; there are some inquiries, and sales are looked for.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]

PARIS, March 20.—Rentes, 108f. 22½c.

NEW ORLEANS, March 20.—Gold, 104¾@105; New York sight, ⅜ premium; sterling exchange, bankers' bills, 509.

LONDON, March 20.—Consols for money, and on account, 96 9-16. United States coupons, 5-20s of 1865, 106; do. 1867, 109¾; do. 1868, 108¼; new 5s, 108; New York Central, 94; Erie, 7⅛; Erie preferred, 18; Illinois Central, 50. The *Financier* says: "Silver fell to 53½@54d per ounce yesterday, in consequence of the proposed increased drawings of India consols bills, the large amount of silver now offered here by the German government, and a decline in Calcutta exchange to 1s 8⅝d per rupee."

NEW YORK, March 20.—Money easy at 2@3½ per cent. Prime mercantile paper, 3½@5 per cent. Customs receipts, $366,000. The assistant treasurer disbursed $54,000. Clearings, $12,000,000. Produce exports for the week, $4,787,000. Sterling quiet; long, 484; short, 488. Gold opened at 104¾, and closed at 104⅝. Carrying rates, 1@2 per cent.; loans were also made flat. Silver at London, 53¼d; here, silver bars, 120¾ greenbacks; 115½ gold; silver coin, ¼ discount. Government bonds are steady; coupons of 1881, 112¾; do. 1865, 107; do. new, 108¾; do. 1867, 111⅝; do. 1868, 113; new 5s, 109¾; new 4½s, 106; 10-40s, registered, 110⅛; do. coupons, 111; currency 6s, 123½. State securities are dull; Tennessee 6s, old, 41¼; Tennessee 6s, new, 44¼; Virginia 6s, old, 30; Virginia 6s, new, 31; Missouri 6s, 105. Railroad bonds were irregular. St. Paul consolidated sinking fund declined to 80½, and later rose to 82. In the stock market speculative interest centered largely in the coal shares, fluctuations in which were wide and frequent. These shares were higher than yesterday for Delaware, Lackawanna and Western, and Delaware and Hudson canal. The advance was due, first, to the fact that the coal sale to-day went off better than was generally expected, the apparent decline being 15@30c per ton on February prices, and the actual decline, after allowing for the difference in freight, in consequence of coal being delivered at Newburg, being only 5@10c per ton; and, second, the announcement that President Dickson, of the Delaware and Hudson canal company, had sent a letter to the presidents of the anthracite coal companies and the carrying roads, requesting them to meet him to-morrow to talk over the situation—if something could not be done to arrest the downward tendency of the coal market. Borrowing rates for coal stocks were higher than yesterday, 1-32@3-32 having been paid for the use of Delaware, Lackawanna and Western, and 3-32@¼ for Delaware and Hudson canal. This also had a tendency to strengthen coal shares and cause some covering of short contracts. New York Central and Michigan Central were strong, and Burlington and Quincy firm, opening at 97½, advancing to 99, and closing at the opening price. The gold exchange dissolved to-day; the room will be used in future by the stock exchange for the sale of gold bonds and stocks. Transactions were 190,000 shares, of which 50,000 were Pacific Mail, 25,000 Western Union, 3000 Northwestern, 3000 St. Paul, 44,000 Lake Shore, 4000 New York Central, 8200 Delaware, Lackawanna and Western, 4000 New Jersey Central, 8000 Delaware and Hudson canal, 13,000 Burlington and Quincy, and 1300 Atlantic and Pacific telegraph. Closing quotations were: Western Union telegraph, 60¾, ex-div.; Quicksilver, 15¾; Quicksilver preferred, 22½; Pacific Mail, 22⅝; Mariposa, 5¼; Mariposa preferred, 5¾; Adams Express, 101; Wells & Fargo Express company, 84½; American Express company, 56⅝; United States Express company, 45½; New York Central, 92¾; Erie, 7; Erie preferred, 17; Harlem, 135; Harlem, preferred, 136; Michigan Central, 42; Panama, 22; Union Pacific stock, 71¼; Lake Shore, 48⅝; Illinois Central, 50; Cleveland and Pittsburg, 89¾; Northwestern, 32; Northwestern preferred, 54¾; Cleveland, Columbus, Cincinnati and Indianapolis, 26½; New Jersey Central, 8½; Rock Island, 99¾; St. Paul, 18¼; St. Paul preferred, 46¾; Wabash, 5; Fort Wayne, 99 ex-div.; Terre Haute, 2; Terre Haute preferred, 14½; Chicago and Alton, 91½; Chicago and Alton preferred, 103½; Ohio and Mississippi, 5½; Delaware, Lackawanna and Western, 57⅞; Atlantic and Pacific telegraph, 24⅜; Missouri Pacific, 1¾; Indiana Central, 2; Chicago, Burlington and Quincy, 97½; Hannibal and St. Joseph, 10⅝; Central Pacific bonds, 6⅛; Union Pacific bonds, 3⅞; Union Pacific land grants, 2⅞; Union Pacific sinking fund, 92⅞.

COTTON.

The cotton market yesterday did not justify hopes entertained at the close of the day before. Liverpool deliveries were lower and flat, New Orleans spots declined, and futures went down. This made our market heavy, and low grades went down a fraction; exporters were altogether out of the market. The tendency at the close was downward. The New York *Bulletin*, of Saturday, said: "Still the demand for actual cotton continues moderate and indifferent, and the market retains much the old, dull and heavy features for spots. A few spinning orders are received, and this covers about all the call, and the movement, in total, hardly would make a fair day's business for one broker. Exporters are still mere lookers-on, the condition of Liverpool affording them no opportunity to handle supplies with any chance of saving a loss. The amount offering is pretty full, and though most holders refrain as much as possible from pressure, there is enough anxiety shown to weaken values, and quotations have been further reduced ¼c per pound. For future delivery the general tone has continued weak and demoralized, and the most strenuous efforts fail to permanently check the downward turn of values. The already heavy shrinkage made on cost naturally induces the belief that a pause for reflection would occur, and afford some basis for reaction, but as yet the desire to get rid of cotton has been too great to be successfully counteracted, and along the entire line of options a greatly enlarged range of values is the result. So far as can be discovered, there was no positively new influences for the day, the continued unsatisfactory cable advices from Liverpool and orders from all sides to sell out long cotton carrying everything before them."

Ordinary	Yesterday.	Day before.
Ordinary	9 ⅝	9 ⅝
Good ordinary	10¼@10¾	—@10¾
Low middling	—@10½	—@10⅝
Middling	—@11	—@11
Good middling	—@11½	—@11½
Middling fair	—@12	—@12

The market was dull. Sales, 700 bales, of which spinners took 700 bales. Clear stains quoted 9⅞@10⅜c.

COTTON STATEMENT.

	Cotton Exchange March 20.	March 20.
Stock September 1, 1876		5,408
Received since last statement	223	
Received previously	363,102	363,325
		368,728
Shipped since last statement	652	
Shipped previously	313,871	314,523
Stock at noon this day		54,205

IMPORTS.

Thus far this week	1,487
Thus far last week	2,779
Received previously	363,325

Memphis and Charleston railroad	13
Mississippi and Tennessee railroad	20
Paducah and Memphis railroad	6
Memphis and Little Rock railroad	74
Steamers	95
Wagons and other sources	15
Total receipts to-day	223

EXPORTS.

Thus far this week	3,391
Thus far last week	3,277
Since September 1st	314,523
Memphis and Charleston railroad	301
Mississippi and Tennessee railroad	5
Louisville, Nashville and G't Southern R. R.	346
By rail north	647
By rail south	5
Total shipments to-day	652

[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	Quiet.	562	.....	11⅛
New Orleans	Dull.	1329	.....	11¼
Mobile	Dull.	119	.....	10¾
Savannah	Dull.	351	.....	11½
Charleston	Steady.	328	.....	11¾
Wilmington	Dull.	103	.....	11¼
Norfolk	Quiet.	148	.....	11
Baltimore	Dull.	.....	.....	11½
New York	Dull.	113	.....	11½
Boston	Quiet.	584	.....	11¾
Philadelphia	Quiet.	516	.....	11¾
St. Louis	Lower.	168	.....	11
Augusta	Quiet.	177	.....	10⅞

Yesterday's New York closing telegram reports: Ordinary, 9 13-16c; good ordinary, 10 9-16c; low middling, 11c; middling, 11⅛c; good middling, 11¾c. Tone of the market: At 10:30, weak, lower to sell; 12:15, dull and ⅛c lower; 2:15, dull and easier; 3:10, dull and easier. Sales, 774 bales.

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

Months.	Yesterday.	Day before.
March	11.27@11.28	11.46@11.49
April	11.28@11.29	11.48@11.49
May	11.43@11.44	11.64@11.66
June	11.56@11.57	11.78@11.80
July	11.67@11.68	11.89@11.90
August	11.74@11.75	11.95@11.96
September	11.62@11.63	11.77@11.78
October	11.35@11.38	11.51@11.55
November	11.24@11.26	11.42@11.44
December	11.26@11.27	11.42@11.45

Tone of the market: 10:15, weak; 10:42, steady; 12:50, steadier; 1:30, quiet and a shade easier; 2:15, easy; 3:15, barely steady. Sales, 82,000 bales.

New Orleans closed dull and easier at 11¼c for middling; receipts, 1329 bales; sales, 3000 bales.

Yesterday's Liverpool closing telegram reports: Cotton quiet and unchanged; middling uplands, 6 5-16d; Orleans, 6⅝d. Sales, 8000 bales, of which 6100 was American; received, 18,800 bales, of which 9000 was American.

Liverpool *deliveries* opened with arrivals 1-32d lower; April-May, 6¼d; June-July, 6 7-16d; July-August, 6 17-32, 6½d. *Deliveries* at the close: April-May, 6 3-16d; May-June, 6 9-32d; June-July, 6¾d; July-August 6 15-32d; August-September, 6½d. Arrivals closed flat.

The movement at the ports was reported as follows:

	This Week.	Last Week.	Same Time Last Year.
Rec'ts since Friday	15,450	23,804	30,178
Exp'ts to G. Britain	27,990	23,108	22,882
Exp'ts to Continent	4,591	12,316	19,986
Stock	785,353	839,328	682,156

GENERAL TRADE.

In the market a fair business was doing. *Corn* was again in demand, with sales of 200 and 500 sack at 49c, 100 and 120 sacks at 50c; also 90 and 145 sacks, second-hand sacks, the former at 47c, the latter at 48c; in store, 53@55c. *Oats*—sale of 57 sacks at 47c; in store, 53@55c. *Bran* scarce and in demand; sale of 65 sacks at $19. *Hay* in fair inquiry for good quality; sales of 50 and 60 bales at $14 50, 200 bales at $14 75 and $15; 75 bales on wagons at $15 75. *Cornmeal* in moderate demand at $2 45. *Potatoes* are 25c lower than they were a week ago, but are still unsettled and irregular; we find dray-load lots selling from first hands at $3 a barrel for russets, $3 25 for peachblows; in store, early rose, $3@3 15; russets, $3 15@3 25; peachblows, $3 40@3 50. *Onions* dull at $3 50@4. *Apples* unchanged, but stronger at $1 75@2 50. *Eggs*, 11@12c; round lots reported sold at 10½c. *Butter* quiet, 10@25c. *Chickens* quiet at $2@3 25, the latter hard to get for hens. *Geese*, $6. *Yams*—yellow, $4 25@4 50 per barrel. *Turnips*, $1 50@1 75 per barrel. *Oranges*—Messina, $3 50@4 a box. *Lemons*, $3 75@4 50 a box. *Cocoanuts*, $3 50@4 per hundred. *Peanuts*, 5½@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@5½c. *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*, 75c a bushel. *Game fish*, 8c. *Hides*—flint, 15c; dry-salted, 12@13c, as in weight; green-salted, 6½@7c; green, 4½@5½c; lamb-skins, 25@50c; sheep-skins, as in amount of wool, 25c@$1; dry deerskins, 25@30c. The Cincinnati *Enquirer*, of Monday, quoted eggs at 12c. Butter in large stock and liberal receipt, 12@15c; fresh selections, 25@26c; fancy, 28c. Potatoes in light receipt, "demand good and market firm. Arrival lots bring 80c@$1 per bushel, the latter for choice northern peachblows, and jobbing sales from stores are made at 10@15c per bushel higher."

Merchants' Wholesale Cash Prices.
Chamber of Commerce Official Statement.

FLOUR—Firm; superfine, $6 25; double extras, $7; treble extra, $7 50@8; choice family, $8 25; fancy, $8 50@8 75 per brl.

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

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

OATS—Firm; stock light; mixed, 50@52c; 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, uncanvased and canvased, 12@12½c; packed, ⅛@¼c higher.

BULK PORK (Loose)—Firm; shoulders, according to age, 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 at $16 50.

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

BALING STUFFS—Quiet; bagging, 2 and 2¼ lb., 12@12½c; baling twine, 13@14c; iron ties, 5¼@5½c; pieced 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, 22½@23c; choice, 23½@24c; Java, 30c; cordova, 21@22c.

RICE—Firm; ordinary to choice, 6@7c.

SUGAR—LOUISIANA—In hhds: fair, 8¾@9c; fully fair, 9¼@9⅝c; prime, 9¾c; choice, 10c; yellow clarified, 10⅞@11c; white clarified, 11¾@12½c; barreled, ¼c higher.

SUGAR—RAW CANE—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@54c; 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, sacks, $1 25@1 30; Liverpool fine, sacks, $1 50@1 60.

SOAP—Resin and German, 5@6½c; Latting's, 5@6c.

CANDLES—Boxes, full weight, 14¾@15c; half-boxes, 15½c; quarter-boxes, 16c.

STARCH—4@5c per lb.

WHISKY—85c@$4 per gallon.

LIME—$1 35@1 50 per barrel.

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

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 25@4; cabbage, per crate, $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, 18c; pepper, 20c; sardines, $15@15 50; oysters, 1 lb, 80c@$1; oysters, 2 lb, $1 60@2; coal-oil, 24c; matches, $6 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.]

CHICAGO, March 20.—Flour steady; winter extras, $6@8. Wheat strong and higher; No. 2 spring, $1 25 cash, $1 29⅜ May. Corn active, firm and higher, 39½c. Oats steady, 33½c. Pork active a shade higher, $13 80 cash, $14 May. Lard active and higher, 9.35c cash, 9.47½c May. Bulk meats higher, 5, 7¾, 8c. Whisky, $1 05 asked.

LOUISVILLE, March 20.—Flour dull; family, $5 75@6; fancy, $7 25@8. Wheat quiet. Corn dull, 41@42c. Oats dull. Hay steady, $8@11. Provisions unsettled. Pork firmer but not quotably higher. Bulk meats firm, 5¾, 7⅞@8¼c. Bacon steady, 6⅜, 8¾@8⅞c. Sugar-cured hams, 11@12½c. Lard and whisky quiet. Bagging, 12@13c.

CINCINNATI, March 20.—Flour in good demand at full prices. Wheat scarce and firm; red, $1 55@1 63. Corn dull and held lower, 41@43c. Oats firm at 35@38c. Pork firm; held at $15. Lard quiet but firm; steam, 9⅝c; kettle, 10@10½c. Bulk meats quiet but firm, 5¼, 7½@7¾c. Bacon firm, 6½, 8½@8¾c. Whisky, $1 04. Butter steady; choice western reserve, 24@25c; central Ohio, 22@23c. Hogs steady with fair demand at $4 50@5 80; receipts, 1287; shipments, 79 head.

ST. LOUIS, March 19.—Flour buoyant; fall extra, $6 10@6 50; fall double extra, $6 60@6 85. Wheat firm but inactive; No. 2 red fall, $1 51½. Corn active, firmer and higher, 35@38½c. Oats firm but inactive; white 34@34½c. Whisky, $1 05. Pork—cash higher and options lower, $14 40@14 62½. Lard firm but inactive, 9½c. Bulk meats quiet. Bacon quiet, 5¾@6, 8⅜@8¾c. Hogs higher, $4 50@5 50; receipts, 1000 head.

NEW YORK, March 20.—Flour more active; superfine western and State, $5 50@5 80; St. Louis, $5 90@9. Wheat, fair demand; No. 2 Chicago spring, $1 42¼. Corn in good demand; steam mixed, 55¼@56½c; white, 57c. Oats firmer with light trade; mixed western and State, 39@54c. Coffee—Rio, cargoes, 17@21c gold; jobbing, 17¼@22c gold. Sugar—prime, 9⅛c; refined, 10½@11¼c. Molasses—New Orleans, 40@56c; Porto Rico, 40@55c. Petroleum dull; crude, 10½c; refined, 16½c. Pork firmer; new mess, $14 75. Middles firmer, 7⅞@8c. Butter—western, 12@20c. Cheese firm, 9@15½c. Whisky, $1 08 bid.

NEW ORLEANS, March 20.—Flour—superfine, $5 25@5 50; choice extra, $8@8 75. Corn—mixed, 54c; white and yellow, 55c. Oats—St. Louis, 47c. Cornmeal—$2 40. Hay—choice, $18. Pork—$15 50. Lard—tierce, 9½@10c; kegs, 10¾c. Bulk meats—5½, 8@8¼c. Bacon—6¾, 9@9½c. Sugar-cured hams—large, 12½c; ordinary, 11@11½c. Whisky—western rectified, $1 05@1 08. Coffee—ordinary to prime Rio, 17@21c. Sugar is dull; inferior, 5@6¾c; common to good common, 7⅜@8¼c; fair to fully fair, 8⅜@8¾c; prime to choice, 8¾@9c; centrifugal, 8½@9c; yellow clarified, 10@10½c. Molasses firm; common, 30@32½c; fair, 35@36c; prime to strictly prime, 40@46c. Rice—common to good, 4@6c. Bran, $1 05.

DRY GOODS.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]

NEW YORK, March 20.—Prints dull and weak; Merrimac fancy reduced to 7c. Cotton goods in light demand, and rolled jaconets lower in some makes. Ginghams quiet. Dress goods in steady request. Men's wool. ens continue quiet. The *Bulletin* says 1300 cases Dunnell's prints will be sold at auction Thursday.

RIVER NEWS.

Weather and River Chronicle.

Somehow or another, we said we wouldn't bet a cent on this weather; we said it when the sky was as clear as a bell, and the sun shown down upon us with an effulgence productive of the most emphatic symptoms of spring-fever, yet, as we write, the sky is overcast, and the rain is pouring down in torrents. Three-card monte aint a circumstance to the tricks of the weather nowadays; don't bet on it. All we know about the rivers is chronicled in our table and dispatches below:

OFFICE SIGNAL SERVICE OBS. U. S. A., MEMPHIS, March 20, 3 P.M.

STATIONS.	Above low water. Feet.	Inches	Changes. Rise Inches	Fall Inches
Cairo	31	2	7	.....
Cincinnati	34	1	.....	36
Davenport	3	3	.....	2
Dubuque	.....	.....	.....	.....
Helena, Ark	.....	.....	.....	.....
Keokuk	2	10	.....	.....
Leavenworth	7	11	.....	.....
Little Rock	.....	.....	.....	.....
Louisville	3	3	.....	13
Memphis	23	6	6	.....
Nashville	13	10	.....	8
*New Orleans	11	2	6	.....
Pittsburg	6	8	.....	12
Shreveport	7	1	2	2
St. Louis	8	.....	2	.....
Vicksburg	24	3	27	.....

*Below bench mark.

LOCAL OBSERVATIONS YESTERDAY.

Time.	Bar.	Ther.	Wind.	Rain Fall.	Weather.
6:43 a.m.	29.964	57	S.	.00	Fair.
3:43 p.m.	29.806	70	S.W.	.00	Fair.
10:08 p.m.	29.815	60	S.W.	.22	Clearing.

Maximum thermometer, 71 deg.
Minimum thermometer, 55 deg.
W. M'ELROY, Sergeant Sig. Ser., U. S. A.

By Telegraph.

NASHVILLE, March 20—Night.—River falling; 8 feet on the shoals.

LITTLE ROCK, March 20—Night.—River falling, with 3 feet 4 inches. Weather cloudy and rainy.

VICKSBURG, March 20—Night.—Up: R. W. Dugan, Kate Kinney, Glencoe, and Ashland. No boats down. River rose 15 inches. Weather rainy.

CINCINNATI, March 20—Noon.—River falling. Weather clear and pleasant.... Night—River 36 feet 6 inches and falling. Weather partly cloudy, but milder.

NEW ORLEANS, March 20—Night.—No arrivals. Departed: Mary Houston, Ohio river; John A. Scudder, St. Louis. Weather clear this morning; raining to-night.

PITTSBURG, March 20—Noon.—River 7 feet and stationary. Weather clear and moderating....Night—River 6 feet 9 inches and falling slowly. Weather clear and mild.

LOUISVILLE, March 20—Night.—River falling; 13 feet 6 inches in the canal. Weather cold and clear. Departed: Thompson Dean, Golden Rule, Cons Millar, Cincinnati.

EVANSVILLE, March 20—Night.—Weather chiefly clear, windy and warm; mercury 35 to 47 deg. River stationary; 32 3 10 feet on the gauge. Down: Robert Mitchell, 11 p.m.; Golden City, 6 p.m. Up: Cherokee, 1:30 a.m. Business dull.

ST. LOUIS, March 20—Night.—Arrived: Future City and Fanchon, New Orleans; Belle Memphis, Memphis. Departed: Future City and barges, New Orleans; City of Helena, Vicksburg. River rose 2 inches. Weather clear and warmer until 4 p.m., when a heavy thunder and lightning storm passed over the city and river.

CAIRO, March 20—Noon.—Weather clear and warm....Night—Arrived: Sam Miller, Pittsburg, 1 p.m.; Grand Republic, St. Louis, 4 p.m.; John A. Wood and Smoky City, New Orleans, 5 p.m.; Chester, St. Louis, 6 p.m. Departed: Sam Miller, New Orleans, 1 p.m.; Smoky City, Ohio river, 5 p.m. River 30 feet 7 inches and rising. Weather cloudy; mercury 66 deg.

Movements at the Levee.

ARRIVALS.

Thomas Sherlock, New Orleans; John B. Maude, Vicksburg; Golddust, Cincinnati; Iron Mountain and barges, New Orleans.

DEPARTURES.

Thomas Sherlock, Cincinnati; City of Vicksburg, Vicksburg; Illinois, Vicksburg; John B. Maude, St. Louis; Iron Mountain and barges, Onio river; Golddust, New Orleans; Maumelle, Arkansas river; Osceola, St. Francis river.

IN PORT.

Andy Baum.

BOATS DUE.

Down—Aggie.
Up—Hard Cash, Coahoma, Bismarck.

BOATS LEAVING THIS DAY.

CINCINNATI—Andy Baum, H. T. Vinton, master, five p.m.

FRIARS POINT—Coahoma, Stack Lee, master, five p.m.

WHITE RIVER—Hard Cash, Ed C. Postal, master, five p.m.

Receipts Yesterday

City of Vicksburg—209 brls meal.
Golddust—40 tons miscellaneous freight.
Thomas Sherlock—92 brls molasses, 55 half-brls molasses, 30 packages sundries.

Levee Paragraphs.

The Iron Mountain and barges and Kingston and barges passed up for the Ohio.

Business continued alone to the Illinois, where Nat Green was the central figure.

The Maumelle for Arkansas and Osceola for St. Francis river left yesterday with good trips.

The Utah spends her time straining a cord at Vicksburg, waiting for something to make a turn.

The Maumelle got forty tons of freight reshipped by the Gold-dust from Cincinnati yesterday.

Colonel W. H. Wood and Jack Govan were passengers out on the Osceola for Mariana yesterday.

The Ruth arrived at Jacksonport early yesterday morning, and will return to Memphis with a good trip.

The Illinois, for Vicksburg, left last night with a magnificent trip—a proper tribute to the Memphis and Vicksburg line.

The pride of the wave, the Grand Republic, will pass down for New Orleans to-morrow at noon. Of course everybody that can get ready will go on the Republic.

The City of Vicksburg added two hundred tons for Vicksburg, and left the elevator about half-past ten o'clock yesterday morning. She had about one thousand tons all told.

The Golddust passed down from the Ohio for New Orleans yesterday with a full load. She reshipped a lot of freight for Arkansas river, put off a lot of sundries and passed on down.

River men were convulsed with the news yesterday that cars had been ordered to New Orleans to take the soldiers away. One steamboat could have done the business at half the price.

Captain A. L. Cummins goes out on the Andy Baum this evening to join the Alf. Stevens at Hailes Point, where he takes command, and will hereafter be identified in the St. Louis, Forked Deer river and Memphis trade.

The John B. Maude went up yesterday. Among her items up was a lot of mules, bought here for California, being the advance of a large number contracted for at this point. Think of it! Memphis furnishing mules for California.

The Nashville *Banner* of the 17th says: "A barge containing two thousand two hundred and twenty-three barrels of salt for Nashville was sunk at Flint island this week by striking a submerged log while being towed by the Little Condor."

St. Louis *Republican*, Monday: "James Rees, of Pittsburg, has closed a contract with the Arkansas river packet company for a new boat 180 feet long, 36 feet beam, 13 inches cylinder, 5 feet stroke, cabin and outfit complete, to be delivered in June."

Captain Postal telegraphed his agent yesterday (but somehow that individual kept it to himself) that the Hard Cash would arrive here this morning with a good list of cotton and other freight and a large number of people, leaving at five o'clock in the evening without fail with a return trip for White river, going through to Jacksonport.

The St. Louis *Republican*, of Sunday last, furnishes the following items: "Steamers Governor Allen, Governor Garland, Low Water, Belle Rowland, Clifford and Pine Bluff destroyed on southern tributaries in the last four weeks. There will be plenty of places for the small boats lately built or building to occupy. The steamer Dells made a trial trip yesterday with the flight wheel, a new invention. It operated satisfactorily, and the boat made much faster time up stream than she ever did before."

The cabin of the Andy Baum was the scene of a pleasant little party last night, participated in by the lady passengers and a select party of belles and beaux of this city, who are ever ready to participate in the hospitalities of the officers of the Baum. Captain Vinton was ubiquitous as mine host, and the hours sped away as moments in paradise. Of course the pleasures were prolonged into the dawn of day. The officers of the Baum won new laurels, and made warm friends among our young people.

The James W. Gaff, Captain R. W. Wise, master, advertises her thirteenth trip of the season as a grand spring excursion between Cincinnati and way points and Memphis. Captain Wise writes over his own signature that this trip will be one of the most pleasant of the season, giving the guests an opportunity of visiting the south at the most inviting season, when the air is heavy with the perfume of magnolias and orange blossoms. No pains will be spared upon the *cuisine*, nor any comfort or attention neglected. A fine string band will accompany the excursion. Masque balls, phantom parties and concerts, and a general good time may be expected.

The Nashville correspondent of the Brownsville *Bee* has the following: "Some weeks ago, in our correspondence about Hatchie navigation, its importance, etc., we are pleased to see our hint has been acted upon, and that the bill as introduced has become a law; and we now want to see a line of lightdraft steamers plying from Bolivar down. We think it can be done. Some time ago it was at Dyersburg and saw a little boat that runs between that point and Hale's Point, which carries one hundred and fifty bales of cotton with about sixteen or eighteen inches of water. Such a boat, I think, could run Hatchie all the time. There was once a boat on Hatchie which made money, and could only carry seventy-five bales of cotton. Many of our able citizens remember the Jack and Captain Stine. The legislature wisely allow the railroad till August to build a bridge over Hatchie. Let it be a good one, with good watchmen to avoid accidents, and all will be right." The above writer is guessing at things. This chronicler has seen eight or nine steamers at Bolivar at once, all leaving that port with as much as could be carried. There was the Pitser Miller, Kate Miller (named after the daughter of the gentleman from whom the former was named, and at present the widow of the late Thomas R. Smith), Joan of Arc, New Moon, Hatchie Planter, Madison, Falcon (commanded by Captain Hicks of the Carondelet),—and several other boats whose names do not appear on the tablets of memory now. But there's millions in that trade, and we would like to see that stream full of boats. Old steamboatmen know how it used to pay, and young ones have an opportunity to build themselves up as has Frank Hicks, and others who began life in that stream.

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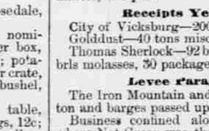

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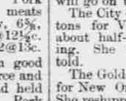

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