FINANCE AND COMMERCE.

MONEY 8 PER CENT., NEW YORK EXCHANGE SELLING AT PAR.

Cotton Firm—Middling, 8 3-4c—Sales Yesterday, 2900 Bales.

Money is in pretty active demand at 8 per cent. Finances continue somewhat tight, owing to the heavy cotton receipts, which exceed the movement at present. Local securities are strong. The cotton market was firm; middling, 8¾c. Sales, 2900 bales. At New York spots firm; middling, 9¼c. Futures steady and 6 points higher.

A leading New York cotton circular says of the speculative market: "It was quite a Saturday market, with a general sort of settling up, on which the bulls carried the greatest advantage."

At New Orleans spots were dull; middling, 8¾c. Futures steady and 7 to 11 points higher; December, 8.82 @8.84c.

At Liverpool spots were steady, fair demand; middling, 5¼d. Futures steady; December-January, 5 3-64d sellers.

The general market presents a firm feeling.

IMPORTS.

Three hundred and eighty brls apples, 300 brls beans and peas, 105 pkgs butter, 289 rolls bagging, 89 pkgs bacon, 16 pkgs boots and shoes, 1800 bu corn, 51 pkgs cheese, 17 cars cotton seed, 2874 sks cotton seed, 37 pkgs dry goods, 10 pkgs eggs, 438 brls flour, 489 bales hay, 5 pkg hats, 148 hd hogs, 74 hd sheep, 67 hd cattle, 4 hd horses and mules, 290 pkgs lard, 84,000 ft lumber, 72 pkgs liquors, 48 kegs nails, 2000 bu oats, 22 brls potatoes, 6 cars pork sides, 289 brls sugar, 625 pkgs tobacco, 600 bu wheat.

ELEVATOR REPORTS.

The following shows the amount of grain received, withdrawn and in store by regular elevators, as reported to the Merchants' Exchange yesterday: Wheat—in store, 1045 bu. Corn—withdrawn, 225 bu; in store, 3748 bu. Oats—received, 2033 bu; withdrawn, 2351 bu; in store, 227,642 bu.

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FINANCE.

Money in pretty active demand at 8 per cent. The Clearing House report is as follows:

CLEARINGS.

Saturday, December 4, 1886, $355,284 88; total this week, $2,575,108 75; total last week, $2,263,175 23; corresponding time in 1885, $2,108,121 58; corresponding time in 1884, $2,310,166 09.

BALANCES.

Saturday, December 4, 1886, $76,667 28; total this week, $615,364 96; total last, week $449 178 83; corresponding time in 1885, $369,580 23; corresponding time in 1884, $353,467 42.

EXCHANGE.

New York sight on all points, ¼ discount buying, par selling; New England demand, ¼ discount buying; New England sight, ¼ discount; New Orleans, ¼ discount buying, par selling.

BANK STOCKS.

Bank of Commerce	148 bid, 150 asked
First National	160 bid, 165 asked
German Bank	192 bid, 200 asked
State National	147 bid, 150 asked
Union and Planters	154 bid, ... asked
Mercantile Bank	135 bid, ... asked

INSURANCE STOCKS.

Bluff City	105 bid, ... asked
Hernando	103 bid, ... asked
Home	77 bid, 80 asked
Memphis City	107 bid, ... asked
Peoples	80 bid, 85 asked
Phœnix	100 bid, ... asked
Planters	110 bid, ... asked
Vanderbilt	25 bid, 30 asked
Arlington	35 bid, ... asked
Factors'	... 30 bid

MISCELLANEOUS.

Shelby Co. warrants	96 bid, 98 asked
M. & O. R. R. shares	57 bid, ... asked
M. & T. R. R. shares	45 bid, 50 asked
M. & O. consols, 7s	121 bid, ... asked
M. & L. R. 1st m. 8s	105 bid, ... asked
Miss. & T. R. R. cs. A	113 bid, ... asked
Miss. & T. R. R. cs. B	103 bid, 106 asked
Tenn. wts. ser. D	96 bid, 98½ asked
Tenn. wts. ser. E to J	85 bid, 90 asked
Shelby Co. 6s	108 bid, 110 asked
Tax. Dist. 4, 6s	99 bid, 100 asked
Tax. Dist. 6s	106 bid, 107 asked
Mem. Gas bonds	104 bid, ... asked
Mem. Water bonds	100 bid, ... asked
Hanauer Oil Works	60 bid, 70 asked
Am. Cot. Oil trust	68 bid, 69½ asked
Pioneer Cotton Mills	27½ bid, 32 asked
Mem. Stor. Com. Co.	126 bid, 130 asked
Mem. Gas stock	75 bid, 80 asked
Masonic Temple bonds, 6s	103 bid
Cot. Ex. B'ldg, 6s	104 bid, 106 asked

NEW YORK, December 4.—Money on call quiet at 3@7 per cent.; last loan 3 per cent.; closing at 1 per cent. asked. Prime mercantile paper 4@5. Sterling Exchange quiet but steady at $4 80½ for 60 day bills and $4 83½ for demand.

Bank Statement.—The weekly bank statement shows the following changes: Reserve, decrease, $2,701,600; loans, increase, $6,302,000; specie, decrease, $1,725,800; legal tenders, increase, $342,400; deposits, increase, $5,273,600; circulation, decrease, $19,300. The banks now hold $6,165,950 in excess of the 25 per cent. rule.

Bonds—Government bonds were dull and heavy. State bonds dull and steady.

Stocks—The stock market, in comparison with the preceding days of this week, was only moderately active. Prices, however, fluctuated upon a higher plane, especially in the early part of the day, and some of the specialties occupied a more prominent position than at any time this week. Richmond and West Point sold ex-rights, and it was remarkably strong throughout, owing to the stories of new connections now in progress if negotiated. Norfolk and Western was also specially strong and active. The Wabashes were again prominent, but did not hold the advances made. East Tennessee, especially the common and second preferred stock, was very active and strong. New England again came forward, and on numerous rumors of new developments advanced materially. Lackawanna, Erie and Union Pacific were all favorites, but Reading was comparatively quiet. Upon the issue of the bank statement, which was regarded as unfavorable, there was a disposition to sell, but it lasted for a short time only and the market soon recovered its tone, but quieted down perceptibly. Philadelphia Gas and Milwaukee, Lake Shore and Western, common, with Oregon Improvement Company, made important gains. The opening was strong and active, and while the gains over last evening ranged from ⅛ to ¾, New England showed a gain of ¾. The market in the early dealings was active but feverish and irregular. The usual undertone of strength, however, soon became noticeable, and noon prices were generally fractions above the opening figures. There was some hesitation later and the market quieted down, remaining barely firm until the close, which was generally steady on a moderate business. Sales, 486,208 shares. Lackawanna furnished 41,190; Erie, 37,410; New England, 33,815; and Norfolk and Western, preferred, 32,310, followed by East Tennessee, Reading, Western Union and Oregon Transcontinental, in the order named. A majority of the active list are higher this evening, although declines are numerous, the most important of which was Pacific Mail, which was weak throughout the entire day and shows a loss of 1½. Richmond and West Point shows a net gain of 1½, and New England and Cameron Coal gained 1 each. Other changes are for fractions only. Railroad bonds were again active. Sales, $2,581,000. Erie second consols furnished $536,000 at a net gain of ¾, at 102. Indiana, Bloomington and Western incomes and Atlantic and Pacific incomes each contributed $236,000. The Atlantic and Pacific fives, Wabash (Chicago division) 5s and the Detroit division 6s were also prominent in the trading. Prices were strong until the afternoon, when they yielded generally, and final changes are generally for fractions only. Chesapeake, Ohio and Southwestern bonds, however, rose 2, to 104; Norfolk and Western improvement 6s 4 to 102.

The total sales of stocks today were 486,208 shares, including Canada Southern, 11,310; Delaware, Lackawanna and Western, 41,190; Erie, 37,410; Kansas and Texas, 7410; Lake Shore, 12,920; Louisville and Nashville, 15,720; New Jersey Central, 6550; New York Central, 7042; Northern Pacific, 7400; Pacific Mail, 7420; Reading, 28,550; St. Paul, 13,050; St. Paul and Omaha, 3432; Texas and Pacific, 5250; Union Pacific, 15,680; Western Union, 6100; Wabash Pacific, 4900; Oregon Transcontinental, 24,500; Hocking Valley, 5050. Closing quotations:

GOVERNMENTS.

U. S. 3s, 100¾	4s, coup, 129¼
4½s, coup, 110¼	Pacific 6s of 1895, 124

BONDS.

La. stamps, 4s, 81⅝	Missouri 6s, 103
Cent. Pac. 1sts, 116	Den. & R. G. 1sts, 119
D. & R. G. W. 1sts, 79	Erie 2ds, 102
M. K. & T. Gen. 6s, 101½	North. Pac. 1sts, 118⅝
North. Pac. 2ds, 103½	N. Western con, 138¼
N. West. deb. 5s, 108	St. L. S. F. Gen. M., 113½
St. Paul con, 132	St. P. C. & P. 1sts, 119½
T. P. land grants, 58	T. P. R. G. ex con, 75½
U. P. 1sts, 117	West Shore, 105½
Tenn. 6s, set'mt, 106	Tenn. 5s, set'mt, 102
Tenn. 3s, set'mt, 79¾	

STOCKS.

Adams Express, 136	Morris & E., off'd, 142
Allegheny Cent'l, —	Nashville & C., 98¼
Alton & T. H., 37¼	N. J. Central, 59⅝
A. & T. H., pfd., 85	Nor. & W. pfd, 56¾
American Ex., 108¼	Northern Pac., 30⅝
B. C. R. & N., 55	Northern Pac pfd, 65⅞
Canada Pac., 69	C. & N. W., 120¾
Canada Sou., 67⅝	C. & N. W pfd., 141⅛
Central Pacific, 49⅞	N. Y. Central, 116⅝
Chesapeake & O., 9¾	N. Y. C. & St. L., 18¾
C. & O. 1st pfd, 18	N. Y. C. & St L. pfd, 29
C. & O. 2d pfd, 11	Ohio Central, —
Chicago & A., 142	Ohio & Miss., 34
C. & A. pfd, 160	O. & Miss. pfd, 91
C., B. & Q., 137⅜	Ontario & West., 22
C., St. L. & N. O., —	Oregon Nav., 106¼
C., St. L. & P., 18⅞	Oregon Trans., 37⅝
C. St. L. & P. pfd, 42⅝	Oregon Imp., 58
C. S. & C., 51	Pacific Mail, 55
C. & C., 73¾	Panama, 98
C. & H. Valley, 43	Peoria D. & E., 34⅛
Del. & Hud., 105¼	Pittsburg, 148
Del., L. & W., 143⅝	Pullman P. C., 142⅜
Den. & Rio G., 35⅞	Reading, 49⅛
Erie, 38	Rock Island, 127
Erie pfd, 77¾	St. L. & S. F., 35⅝
New East Tenn., 17	St. L. & S. F pfd, 70½
New E. Tenn. pfd, 77¾	St. L. & S. F. 1st p, 115
Fort Wayne, 144	C. M. & St. P., 95¾
Hannibal & St. Jo., —	C. M. & St. P., p, 120
H. & St. Jo., pfd, —	St. P., M. & M., 118¼
Harlem, 220	St. Paul & Omaha, 53½
Houston & T., 37	St. Paul & O. pfd, 114½
Illinois Central, 133½	Tenn. Coal & Iron, 114
Ind., B. & W., 19¼	Texas Pacific, 20¼
Kansas & T., 37⅝	Union Pacific, 61¼
Lake E. & W., 16	U. S. Express, 64
Lake Shore, 100	W., S. L. & P., 23⅝
Lou. & Nash., 53¼	W., S. L. & P., p., 40⅝
Lou. & N. A., 67	W. & F. Ex., 130
M. & C. 1st pfd, —	W. U. Tel., 78½
M. & C. seconds, —	Colorado Coal, 40¾
Mem. & Char., 58	Home Stake, —
Mich. Cen., 97¾	Iron Silver, 260
Min. & St. L., 22¼	Ontario, 22
Min. & St. L. pfd, 51	Quicksilver, 7
Missouri Pacific, 115⅝	Quicksilver pfd, 27
Mobile & Ohio, 19	South Pacific, —
M. L. S. & W., 68¼	Sutro, 46
ML. S. & W. pfd, 99¾	

LONDON, December 4, 2 p. m.—Consols, 100 15-16 for money and 101⅛ for the account. United States bonds—4s, 133½; Atlantic and Great Western firsts, 55¾. Bar silver, 45½d per ounce. The Bank of England gained £12,000 of bullion on balance today.

PARIS, December 4.—Three per cent. rentes, 83f, 52½c for the account.

BANK CLEARINGS.

NEW ORLEANS, LA., December 4.—Bank clearings today, $1,991,938.

NEW YORK, December 4.—Clearings, $143,004,628; balances, $4,452,857.

BALTIMORE, MD., December 4.—Bank clearings today, $2,358,626; balances, $304,151.

PHILADELPHIA, PA., December 4.—The bank clearings today were $11,525,560; balances, $1,608,440. For the week the clearings were $76,698,368; balances, $12,054,514.

BOSTON, MASS., December 4.—Clearings house statement for today: Exchanges, $14,428,367; balances, $1,516,927. For the week: Exchanges, $93,149,039; balances, $9,718,966. For the corresponding week last year: Exchanges, $91,005,050; balances, $10,888,652.

CHICAGO, December 4.—Associated banks clearings $11,025,000; for the week, $64,690,000; for the corresponding period last year, $62,500,000, an increase over last year of 3.4 per cent.; for the month of November $231,075,000 against $223,932,000 for the same month last year of 3.1 per cent.

COTTON MARKETS.

The local cotton market opened firm and closed firm; middling, 8¾c. Sales, 2900 bales, including 900 last evening; 1550 to exporters and 1350 to spinners.

EXCHANGE QUOTATIONS.

	Yesterday.	Friday.
Ordinary	Nom.	Nom.
Good Ordinary	8¼	8
Low Middling	8½	8¾
Middling	8¾	8¾
Good Middling	9	8¾
Middling Fair	9¾	9¼
Fair	Nom.	Nom.
Stains and tinges	8@8¼	8@8¼

COTTON STATEMENT.

MEMPHIS, December 4, 1886.

Stock Sept. 1, 1886	4,009	
Received today	4,514	
Received previously	372,456	380,979
Shipped today	6,539	
Shipped previously	224,474	
Home consumption to date	357	231,370
Stock running account		149,609

Imports.

Thus far this week	4,514
Thus far last week	5,405
Since September 1st	376,970
M. and C. R. R.	1,133
M. & T. R. R.	363
L. and N. R. R.	735
M. & L. R. R. R.	51
C., O. & S. W. R. R.	349
L., N. O. & T. R. R.	323
K. C., S. & M. R. R.	255
M. S. & B. R. R.	282
Steamers	773
Wagons and other sources	250
Total	4,514

Exports.

Thus far this week	6,539
Thus far last week	3,445
Since September 1st	231,013
M. & C. R. R.	1,317
M., & T. R. R.	70
L. & N. R. R.	1,282
C., O. & S. W. R. R.	2,908
L., N. O. & T. R. R.	102
Steamers north	860
Total	6,539

New York spots opened quiet and steady, and closed firm; middling, 9¼c. Sales, 175 bales. Quotations were as follows:

	Yesterday.	Friday.
Ordinary	6¼	6¼
Good ordinary	7¼	7¼
Low middling	8¼	8¾
Middling	9¼	9¼
Good middling	9¾	9¾
Middling fair	10¼	10¼
Fair	11¼	11¼

New York futures opened steady and closed strong and 6 points higher than yesterday. Sales, 78,700 bales. The closing quotations were as follows:

	Yesterday.	Friday.
December	9.22@	9.16@ 9.17
January	9.27@ 9.28	9.21@ 9.22
February	9.36@ 9.37	9.30@ 9.31
March	9.46@ 9.47	9.40@ 9.41
April	9.56@ 9.57	9.50@ 9.51
May	9.66@ 9.67	9.60@ 9.61
June	9.76@ 9.77	9.70@ 9.71
July	9.84@ 9.85	9.78@ 9.79
August	9.91@ 9.92	9.85@ 9.86

The New Orleans spot market opened steady, and closed dull; middling, 8¾c. Sales, 3000 bales. Quotations were as follows:

	Yesterday.	Friday.
Ordinary	6 13-16	6 13-16
Good Ordinary	7 13-16	7 13-16
Low Middling	8¼	8¼
Middling	8¾	8¾
Good Middling	9¼	9 1-16

The New Orleans future market opened firm, and closed steady and 7 to 11 points higher. Sales, 41,100 bales. Quotations were as follows:

	Yesterday.	Friday.
December	8.82@ 8 84	8.72@ 8.73
January	8 90@ 8 91	8.81@ 8 82
February	8.99@ 9 00	8.91@ .....
March	9.10@ 9.11	9.02@ 9.03
April	9.22@ 9.23	9.13@ 9.16
May	9.33@ 9.34	9.24@ 9 25
June	9.43@ 9.45	9.35@ 9.36
July	9 54@ 9.55	9.46@ 9.47
August	9.56@ 9.59	9.48@ 9.50

DAILY PORT AND INTERIOR MARKETS.

	Tone.	Rec.	Prices	Stock.
Galvestn	firm.	4,310	8½	101,602
N. Orle'ns	dull.	13,024	8½	299,720
Mobile	steady	1,719	8½	31,171
Savann'h	steady	5,411	8½	128,786
Ch'rl'st'n	quiet.	4,215	8½	74,528
Wilm't'n	steady	1,641	8½	28,329
Norfolk	quiet.	3,852	8½	67,688
B'ltim're	quiet.	151	9½	22,459
New York	firm.	3,280	9½	187,896
Boston	quiet.	86	9½	.....
Philad'a	quiet.	949	9½	11,473
St. Louis	firm.	1,800	8 11-16	55,024
Augusta	steady	1,696	8 16	.....

Receipts at ports, this day, 1886		39,370
Receipts at ports, this day, 1885		40,453

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT.

	1886.	1885.	1884.
R'ts U. S. p'rts 1 day	39,370	40,453	44,909
Ex. Gr. Br	23,258	17,030	1,364
Stock	963,414	912,425	928,739
R'ts Sept. 1	2,742,523	2,701,227	2,821,046
For'gn Ex.	1,536,419	1,518,612	1,636,358
Increase in receipts this year			41,294

At noon: Liverpool spots were steady, fair demand. Sales, 8000 bales, of which American 6200 bales. Receipts, 31,000 bales, of which American 19,000 bales.

Closing quotations were as follows: Ordinary, 4⅛d; good ordinary, 4 9 16d; low middling, 4 15-16d; good middling, 5⅛d; middling uplands, 5⅛d; middling Orleans, 5⅛d.

[*The prices are given in pence and 64ths, thus: 4 63 means 4 63-64d; and 5 01 means 5 1-64d.*]

At noon: Liverpool futures were steady at decline; December, —; December-January, 5 02d; January-February, —; February-March, 5 02d; March-April, 5 04d; April-May, 5 06d; May-June, 5 08d; June-July, 5 10d; July-August, 5 13d.

At 2 p.m.: Liverpool futures were steady; December, 5 04d, sellers; December-January, 5 03d, sellers; January-February, 5 03d, sellers; February-March, 5 03d, value; March-April, 5 04d, buyers; April-May, 5 06d, buyers; May-June, 5 08d, buyers; June-July, 5 11d, value; July-August, 5 13d, buyers.

INTERIOR MOVEMENT, DECEMBER 3, 1886.

Receipts this week	197,564
Same week in 1885	207,669
Same week in 1884	188 845
Decrease compared with 1885	10,105
Increase compared with 1884	8,719
Shipments this week	172,810
Same week in 1885	165,447
Same week in 1884	139,959
Decrease compared with 1885	7,363
Increase compared with 1884	32,851
Stock this week	390,832
Same week in 1885	382,627
Same week in 1884	316,019
Increase compared with 1885	8,205
Increase compared with 1884	74,813

PLANTATION MOVEMENT.

1886	299,653
1885	284,373
1884	316,056

CROP MARKETED AND IN SIGHT DEC. 3D.

	1886.	1885.
Net port receipts to November 26th	2,703,153	2,660,774
Overl'd movement to October 31st	149,356	164,507
Est. South. cons'n to October 31st	68,000	60,000
Am't marketed	2,918,559	2,885,281
Add int'r stocks in excess of Sept. 1st	342,772	366,777
Amount in sight	3,261,281	3,252,058
Decrease compared with 1885		9,223
Increase compared with 1884		40 418
Increase compared with 1883		79,887
Increase compared with 1882		348,223

WORLD'S VISIBLE SUPPLY.

The New York *Financial Chronicle* of December 4th gives the following figures: Total visible supply, 2,697,157 bales, against 2,569,361 in 1885. These figures indicate an increase of cotton in sight of 127,796 bales, as compared with the same date in 1885, and a decrease of 116,446 bales as compared with same date in 1884.

GENERAL TRADE.

BREADSTUFFS.

CORNMEAL—Standard, $2 20@2 25; pearl, $3 25@3 35; roller, $2 45.

HAY—Choice, from store, 75c; car load from levee or depot, $14; prime, from store, 70c; car load from levee or depot, $12 50@13; prairie, from store, 45c.; car load from levee or depot, $8 50.

CORN—From store, white, 51c; mixed, 49c, from levee or depot; white, in bulk, 44c; in sacks, 47c; mixed, in bulk, 42c; in sacks, 44½c.

OATS—From store, white, 39c; mixed, 37c; from levee or depot, white, in bulk, 33c; in sacks, 35c; mixed, in bulk, 31c; in sacks, 33c.

BRAN—From store, 80c; from levee or depot, $14 50.

FLOUR—From store, No. 3, $3@3 25 family, $3 50@3 75; choice, $3 75@4; fancy, $4@4 25; extra fancy, $4 25@4 50; patents, $5@5 50.

BEANS—Navy, $2; medium, $1 50@1 75; common, $1 25; German millet, $1 20@1 40.

RICE—Louisiana, 4@4½c; Carolina, 5½@6½c.

OATMEAL—In half-barrels, $3@3 25 from store.

CRACKERS—Soda, extra, 4c; soda, treble extra, 4½c; extra, 7c; ginger snaps, extra, 5c; assorted jumbles, 10c.

CRACKED WHEAT—In half-barrels, $4 25 from store.

HOMINY AND GRITS—From store, $3@3 25.

KANSAS CITY, MO., December 4.—Wheat stronger; No. 2 red, cash, 66½c bid; January, 67½c bid; May, 76½c bid. Corn stronger; No. 2, cash, 31½c bid; January, 32½c; May, 36½c bid. Oats nominal; May, 29½c bid.

ST. LOUIS, MO., December 4.—Four active and firm; treble extra, $2 40@2 50; family, $2 70@2 85; choice, $3 25@3 35; fancy, $3 55@3 65; extra fancy, $3 75@3 90; patents, $4 15@4 45. Wheat active, excited and irregular; the market opened easier and declined ½c, rallied ⅛c, fluctuated irregularly, closing easy and ⅛c lower than yesterday; No. 2 red, cash, 80@80⅛c; December, 80½c bid; January, 81½@82⅛c asked, closing at 82⅛c asked; February, 83½@84c, closing at 84c; May, 88½@89½c, closing at 89½c. Corn fairly active and easier, closing firmer, but ⅛@¼c lower than yesterday; No. 2 mixed, cash, 36½@36⅝c; December, 36½@36⅝c, closing at 36½c bid; January, 36⅞@36¾c, closing at 36⅞@36⅝c; February, 37½@37¾ closing at 37½c; May, 40½@40⅝c, closing at 40½c. Oats dull but firm; No. 2, mixed, cash, 27½@28½c; December, 27½c bid; May, 31½c. Rye strong at 53½c. Barley dull; Minnesota, 62½c. Hay firm; prairie, $8 75@11 50; timothy, $11. Bran steady at 60c. Cornmeal strong at $2. Receipts—Flour, 2000 brls; wheat, 20,000 bu; corn, 17,000 bu; oats, 19,000 bu; rye, 2000 bu; barley, 20,000 bu. Shipments—Flour, 5000 brls; wheat, 21,000 bu; corn, 15,000 bu; oats, none; rye, 2000 bu; barley, 4000 bu.

CHICAGO, ILL., December 4.—The wheat market was wild and excited today, with an enormous aggregate trade. Prices kept within a limit of 1⅛c, but fluctuated so rapidly and severely as to keep the market full of excitement during the entire session. The closing prices of the day were the same as yesterday. As compared to one week ago, prices show an advance of 4½c. The starting price for May delivery was 86c, or ⅛ under the closing price of yesterday, but with a multitude of buying orders on the market values began to improve rapidly, and the advance was not checked until the price touched 87c. The realizing which set in at this figure carried the price back to 86⅛c, but a reaction sent the market up again to 86⅞c, and the session finally closed at 86⅞c. Receipts continue moderate and shipments fairly large. Corn ruled fairly active and easier. The opening was a shade lower than yesterday's closing figures, but were rallied with wheat. May delivery advanced to 44c, fell back and closed at 43⅞c. Receipts were moderately large, and estimated receipts for Monday were still larger. Oats were very quiet, with very light changes in prices. Cash prices were as follows: No. 2 spring wheat, 78½@78⅞c; No. 3 spring, 72c; No. 2 red, 79c. No. 2 corn, 37⅜@37½c; No. 2 oats, 27c; No. 2 rye, 54½c; No. 2 barley, 53½c; No. 1 flaxseed, 93c; prime timothy, $1 70@1 79. The leading futures ranged as follows: Wheat—December, opened at 78c, highest 78½c, lowest 78c, closing 78⅝c; January opened at 78⅛c, highest 79½c, lowest 78⅛c, closing 79½c; February opened at 79½c, highest 80½c, lowest 79½c, closing at 80½c; May opened at 86c, highest 87c, lowest 86c, closing at 86⅞c. Corn—December opened at 38c, highest 38½c, lowest 37½c, closing 37½c; January opened at 38½c, highest 38⅝c, lowest 38½c, closing 38⅝c; February opened at 39c, highest 39c, lowest 38½c, closing 38½c; May opened at 43½c highest 44c, lowest 43½c, closing at 43⅞c. Oats—December opened at 27c, highest 27c, lowest 26½c, closing 26½c; January opened at 27½c, highest 27½c, lowest 27½c, closing 27½c; May opened at 31½c, highest 31½c, lowest 31½c, closing 31½c. Receipts—Flour, 11,000 brls; wheat, 73,000 bu; corn, 77,000 bu; oats, 76,000 bu; rye, 1100 bu; barley, 30,000 bu. Shipments—Flour, 11,000 brls; wheat, 21,000 bu; corn, 48,000 bu; oats, 62,000 bu; rye, 1000; barley, 23,000 bu.

PROVISIONS.

BUTTER — Butterine, 13½@14c; creamery, 30@35c; dairy, 18@22c; country butter, 15@25c.

HOG PRODUCTS—Mess pork, $10 50; sugar cured hams, 10½@10½c; breakfast bacon, 8½@9½c; clear rib sides bacon, 7½c; bacon shoulders, —; bulk pork clear sides, 6½c; clear rib sides, 6c; shoulders, 5½@5½c; long clear, 5½c.

LARD—Tierces, 6½c; half-barrels and kegs, 6½c; choice kettle, 7½c.

FRESH MEATS—Beef, forequarters, 4@5c; mutton, 4@6c; hind quarters of beef, 4@6c; hogs, 6@7c.

POULTRY—Chickens dull; spring, $1@2; old hens, $2. Turkeys, $3@12. Geese, $3@4. Ducks, $2 50@3; dressed chickens, $2@2 50 per dozen; dressed turkeys, 10@12½c per pound.

GAME—Quails, per doz., $1 50. Squirrels, $1 25. Rabbits, $1 50 per dozen. Ducks, wild, $1 50@2 50. Venison, whole, 5@6c; saddles, 8@10c.

CHEESE—Prime flats, 8½@9c; New York factory, 7½@8c; full cream, 13½c; Young America, 14c.

PIGS FEET.—Barrels, $3 25; half barrels, $4 25; kegs, $1 25.

ST. LOUIS, MO., December 4.—Provisions fairly active and strong. Pork strong at $11. Lard firm at $6 05@6 10. Bulk meats firm; young loose lots—long clear, $5 50@5 55; short ribs, $5 55@5 60; short clear, $5 75; boxed lots—long clear, $5 50; short ribs, $5 65; short clear, $5 75@5 80. Bacon steady; long clear, $6 62½; short ribs, $6 75; short clear, $7. Hams firm at 9½@11½c. Butter steady; creamery, 24@27c; dairy, 20@25c. Eggs steady at 21½@21c.

CHICAGO, ILL., December 4.—Provisions were fairly active at steadier prices. Mess pork fluctuated within a range of 10c, and closed somewhat higher than on yesterday. Lard closed 2½@5c higher. Flour was firm and unchanged. Cash quotations were as follows: Mess pork, $10 75@10 80; lard, $6 20; short rib sides, loose, $5 50@5 65; dry salted shoulders, boxed, $4 75@4 80; short clear sides, boxed, $5 80@5 85. The leading futures ranged as follows: Pork—December opened at $10 70, highest $10 85, lowest $10 75, closing at $10 75; January opened at $11 10, highest $11 20, lowest $11 05, closing at $11 15; February opened at $11 20, highest $11 27½, lowest $11 20, closing at $11 25; May opened at $11 45, highest $11 57½, lowest $11 45, closing at $11 57½. Lard—December opened at $6 20, highest $6 20 lowest $6 20, closing at $6 20; January opened at $6 22½, highest $6 25, lowest $6 22½, closing at $6 22½; February opened at $6 32½, highest $6 32½, lowest $6 30, closing at $6 32½; March opened at $6 40, highest $6 40, lowest $6 37½, closing at $6 37½. Short ribs—January opened at $5 60, highest $5 65, lowest $5 60, closing at $5 65; February opened at $5 65, highest $5 67½, lowest $5 62½, closing at $5 67½; March opened at $5 70, highest $5 72½, lowest $5 70, closing at $5 72½. On the Produce Exchange butter was steady; fair to good extra dairy, 18@24c. Eggs—fresh, 23@24c.

GROCERIES.

SUGAR—Pure white, 5¾@6c; off white, 5½@5¾c; yellow clarified, 5½@5¾c; seconds, 4½@5c; refined A, 6@6½c; granulated, 6½@6⅝c; plantation granulated, 6@6½c; powdered, 7@7½c; cut loaf, 7@7½c.

COFFEE—Common, 12@12½c; ordinary, 13@13½c; prime Rio, 14@14½c; choice to fancy, 14½@15½c; old government, 24@25c.

SOAP—3@5½c per pound.

CANDIES—Sticks, all sizes, in boxes, pails and barrels, 7½@9½c.

SALT—$1 20 per barrel; sacks, fine, $1 35@1 45; coarse, $1 10@1 15; packets, bleached, 2¾@7c; car-loads from levee or depot, 5c cheaper.

CANNED GOODS, ETC.—Prices per dozen: Pineapples, $1 25@1 50; peaches, 2-lb, standard, $1 15@1 25; seconds, $1@1 10; tomatoes, 2-lb standard, 90@$1; 3-lb, $1@1 15; strawberries, $1 10@1 25; raspberries, $1 10@1 25; blackberries, $1@1 10; greengages, $1 60@1 75; pears, $2@2 25; plums, $1 60@1 70; asparagus, $2 60@4; green corn, 1@1 35; green peas, $1 55@1 65; cove oysters, full weight, 1-lb, $1; cove oysters, full weight, 2-lb, $1 75; cove oysters, light weight, 1-lb, 60c; cove oysters, light weight, 2-lb, $1 10; condensed milk—Crown, $5 75@5 85; Eagle, $7 75; Swiss, $5 75.

MOLASSES — Louisana, common to fair, 18@25c; prime to choice, new, 40@45c; syrup, 20@40c; common to fair, 20@25c; prime to choice, 28@30c; centrifugal, fancy, 30@35c.

NEW YORK, December 4 —Coffee—fair; Rio strong at 13½c; options active and decidedly higher; sales 91,750 bags; December, 11.90@11 95c; January, 11.90@12c; February, 11.90@12c; March, 11 90@12c; April, 11.95@12 05c; May, 11 95@12.05c; June, 12@12.10c; July, 12c; November, 12.15c. Sugar quiet and steady; refined firm; off A, 5 3-16c; standard A, 5 7-16c; cut loaf and crushed, 6½c; powdered, 6@6½c; granulated, 5 13-16c; cubes, 5 13-16c. Molasses steady and quiet. Rice firm and quiet.

NEW ORLEANS, LA., December 4.—Coffee in light demand but holders firm; Rio cargoes, common to prime, 11½@14½c. Rice dull; ordinary to prime, 2¾@4½c. Sugar active and firm; open kettle—strictly prime, 4@4 1-16c; fully fair prime, 3¾@4c; centrifugal—plantation granulated, 5⅝c; choice white, 5 3-16c; off white, 5@5 1-16c; choice yellow clarified, 4¼@4 15-16c; prime yellow clarified, 4 13-16@4½c; seconds, 3¾@3½c. Molasses—steady with a fair demand; open kettle—choice, 40c; strictly prime, 36@38c; centrifugals—strictly prime, 24@26c; fair to good prime, 15@20c; syrup, 25@30c.

HOUSEHOLD SUPPLIES.

APPLES—Apples, $2@3; dried apples, 2¼@3½c per pound from store. Dried peaches, 4@5c from store.

VEGETABLES—Onions, $2 40@2 75 from store. Cabbage, $2 50; per head, 6@8c; $1 75 from levee or depot per crate. Kraut, brls, $1 75@5; half brls, $2 75. Garlic, 40@60c per 100. Turnips, 50c per bushel.

FRUIT—Oranges, per box, $3 50@4; Lemons, $4@4 50 per box. Bananas, $1 50@2 50 per bunch.

NUTS—Cocoanuts—$6 per 100. Peanuts — Virginia, 6@7c; Tennessee, farmers stock 3@4c; roasted, 2½c higher; shelled, 10c. Almonds, 18@20c. Walnuts—English, 18c. Filberts, 11@12c. Pecans—Texas, 8@10c for small to medium, 10@14c for large; Arkansas, 3@5c.

RAISINS—London layers, $3; layers, $2 75; California, $2; Imperial, —.

PICKLES—In jars, pints, 95c; quarts, $1 50; half-gallons, $2 75; gallons, $3 75; loose, barrels, $6 50@7; half-barrels, $3 75@4 25; mixed, barrels, $10 50; mixed, half-barrels, $6.

FISH—Mackerel, half-barrels, No. 1, $5 50@6; No. 2, $5; No. 3, $4 50; 10-lb kit, No. 1, 90c; No. 2, 75c; 15-lb, No. 3, 65c. Dry herrings, family, 25c per box.

GAME—Game fish, 5@6c.

EGGS—Firm, 22@23c.

POTATOES—Northern stock, $1 50@1 85.

CIDER—New York, $6 50@7 per barrel, and $3 75@4 per half-barrel.

VINEGAR—10@15c per gallon.

COTTON SEED PRODUCTS.

In car load lots: Prime crude cotton seed oil, new, 27½@28½c; off crude cotton seed oil, 23@26c; prime summer yellow cotton seed oil, 33@34c; off summer y