METROPOLITAN BUDGET.

FATHER CRAFT REPORTED TO BE MUCH IMPROVED.

Disquieting Rumors About Chili—Verdict Against a Priest—Meeting of Railroad Presidents—Lieutenant-Governor Jones Dilemma—Gossip.

NEW YORK BUREAU
RICHMOND DAILY TIMES,
January 8, 1891.

General O'Beirne received a dispatch here to-day dated Pine Ridge Agency from Father Craft, which stated that he was much better and might recover.

REVOLUTION IN CHILI.

Disquieting rumors reached here to-day of troublesome times in Chili. Mr. Jeffreys, of the Export Lumber Company, said he had received letters and dispatches indicating trouble between President Balmaceda and the Congress of the Republic of Chili. He refuses to call Congress together to enact laws for the expressed purpose of benefiting the lower classes.

VERDICT AGAINST A PRIEST.

At Long Island City, L. I., the jury in the case of John Baus against the Rev. Father Aloysius Stiffens, of St. Elizabeth's Catholic church, for alienation of his wife's affection, handed in a sealed verdict this morning awarding the plaintiff $7,500. The defendant immediately applied to have a default opened. Judge Dykman granted a stay of ten days to allow the defendant time to perfect an appeal.

RAILROAD PRESIDENTS.

The railroad presidents met to-day at the Windsor Hotel. Harmony prevailed, and the discussion was all in regard to abolishing the extravagance now existing. A committee on by-laws is expected to report to-morrow.

LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR JONES.

A mistake made by the Albany Argus yesterday is making Lieutenant-Governor Jones the subject of much criticism. At a reception held Tuesday night by the Chamber of Commerce to the people interested in the Hudson improvement, the Lieutenant-Governor delivered a very appropriate address without any political reference. Evidently by mistake, the Argus printed an address which Mr. Jones intended to deliver at the Democratic Business Men's Association in New York to-night. The Lieutenant-Governor is very indignant over the matter.

SUFFERING AT SEA.

The captain, chief mate, engineer, and one of the crew of the tank steamer Polinx were brought into port to-day by the steamship State of Nevada. They were all in an emaciated condition, after undergoing a terrible experience. "We sailed," said Captain Whitson, "on November 11 from Rosario, in ballast, bound for Philadelphia. On November 22 we fell in with a heavy gale, and for nine days we made no progress, and, to add to our misfortunes, we lost our rudder. We tried to rig up a rudder, but it did not help us any, as our vessel was beginning to fill with water. From November 22 to December 29, when we were picked up by the State of Nevada, my crew were gradually growing weaker, and for the last seven days preceding the 12th date the rations were reduced to four ounces of meat per day per man. It was lucky that the Nevada came along when she did. As the Polinx was half full of water and could not have been towed, we abandoned her.

ANOTHER SWEET SINGER DEAD.

Following close upon the death of Emma Albert is that of Miss Helen Norman. She possessed one of the greatest contralto voices known in this country. She will be buried here to-morrow.

BUSINESS MEN'S DEMOCRATIC BANQUET

The banquet of the Business Men's Democratic Association was held at Sherry's this evening. The guests numbered many of the prominent members of the Democratic party of this city. Representatives of the Democracy outside the city were also present. The following were the speakers who responded to the set toasts: "State of New York," Lieutenant-Governor Jones; "Tariff Reform," ex-Surrogate Delano C. Calkins; "The City of New York," Theodore W. Myers; "Uprising of the Democracy," Governor Lucius Robinson; "Sister State," Governor John B. Gordon, Governor Davis, and Governor Biggs; "Business Men in Politics," Oscar C. Straus; "Battle of New Orleans," Colonel Richard Lathers; "The Press," William S. Corwine.

AN EXPENSIVE TELEGRAM.

A telegram of over 1,300 words which passed through this city from Lima to London not night recently over the wires of the Western Union Company, cost a pretty penny to transmit, the rate being over $2 a word. This would represent an outlay of over $2,600, and is probably the largest toll paid by an individual or company outside of newspaper corporations.

DEFRIENDING WORKING GIRLS.

The Sliposinki benefit for the benefit of the society for Befriending Working Girls, was held this evening at the Metropolitan Opera House. The immense auditorium was filled to its capacity. The subject of the lecture was "Nihilisms; its past history and prospects. What Nihilism is. Liberals and Nihilists; their respective positions. Its operative tendency as the characteristic common to both parties. Great exaltation as the chief peculiarity of the extreme party. Its cause. Russian literature as summaries of Russian thought. The intensity of intellectual life going on there below the surface. Turgeneff's graphic account of it. The silliest Nihilism of today. Its character and prospects. The certain advent of democracy in Russia, and the change it will bring in her international position."

Disappearance Sliposinki looks the part of a student. Though his earnestness was intense at times, and he spoke with a vigorous voice which indicated a very robust and honest sense of wrong, there were moments when he struck the spectator as being a little at theatric. He dresses as badly as any man of distinction who ever came to these shores, but it has been noted that he does not treat our resident heroes of nihilism and socialism with any degree of cordiality. His conversations on that subject indicate that he believes that the cause here needs organized and brilliant leadership more than anything else.

EMIGRATION OF NEGROES.

The Tribune states that R. C. O. Benjamin, a well known local negro author and lecturer, has arranged plans for a large immigration of colored people to California this year. Many big fruit growers of the San Joaquin Valley have agreed to take colored families, as the children will be as valuable in picking grapes and fruit as they are in picking cotton. Mr. Benjamin has arranged to have 1,200 families in California by next April, the first batch of twelve families going there next week. They will come mostly from the coast part of North and South Carolina, Louisiana, and Alabama. Henry Stanley, the African explorer, writes to Benjamin that the great forest region of Central Africa, an area twice the size of California, is an ideal place for colonizing the American negro. The religious attached to the movement is so fixed, however, that only a large organization would affect anything. A rich vineyardist of Fresno has given Benjamin assurances of help to carry out his plans. The experience of Baldwin on his big Santa Anita ranch shows the success of employing colored help on grape farms.

ANOTHER SOCIETY ACTRESS.

The announcement that Mrs. Frances Scott Key, of this city, will be one of the bridesmaids in Sullivan's operetta, "Trial by Jury," which will be given at Bay une, under the auspices of the Athletic Club, to-morrow (Friday) and Saturday evenings adds another name to the list of society women who are going on the stage. Mrs. Key is a niece of ex-Governor Pinckney Whyte, of Maryland, and a great-granddaughter of William Pinckney, the statesman. She will appear under her maiden name, Beatrice Tidany, a name very familiar to Baltimoreans, for in the Monumental City she was a reigning belle before her marriage, about two years ago, to Francis Scott Key, of this city, the grandson of Francis Scott Key, the composer of the "Star Spangled Banner." Mrs. Key is a beautiful blonde, has a brilliant complexion and eyes, and a slight hauteur of expression. She has a highly cultivated contralto voice. Her husband is fully in sympathy with his wife's theatrical aspirations.

HENRY COUNTY.

Work on the Roanoke and Southern Suspended—Other News.

MARTINSVILLE, VA., JAN. 8.—[Special.]—Work on the Roanoke and Southern has been suspended between here and Roanoke until milder weather, but the track laying between here and Winston is still going on, and the road will be completed this far in a few months.

Captain Derrich has been in town several weeks, busy surveying and preparing a town map for Martinsville, and with the spring we are preparing for the biggest boom that ever struck this section.

Measles have been raging in the county for the last two months, and several deaths have been reported, but the epidemic is gradually subsiding.

The Richmond and Danville road on the first of this month took control of the Danville and New River road, and we are looking for better freight and passenger rates and accommodations than we have enjoyed recently.

Two white partridges have been caught in this county this winter. One of them is now in the clerk's office in a cage, healthy and almost tame. We have also another curiosity in the Horse Pasture section. A crow, about the color of wheat straw, which has been seen repeatedly by different parties, and it does not seem to be as shy and wild as most crows.

ALEXANDRIA

Fire Company Officers Elected New Ferry Steamers—Other News.

ALEXANDRIA, VA., Jan. 8.—[Special.]—The Columbia Fire Company met last night and re-elected Captain William A. Smoot president and other officers. It is the crack fire company here, though the youngest, it being organized twenty years ago. It has eighty-five active members enrolled, and the junior company parades 150 boys. The Relief Truck Company re-elected Mr. Park Agnew president last week, as did the Friendship Mr. Donnham, with Captain James Webster chief. The latter is the old 1774 company.

There is as yet no talk of 22d celebration but there will probably be the usual turnout of the firemen and military, for Alexandria always celebrates one day in the year.

One of the new ferry steamers for the route between this city and Washington has been begun at Baltimore and she will be put on before spring, and another will follow shortly thereafter. The contract calls for boats to make the run in twenty minutes instead of thirty-five as is now the case. The trains make the run from depot to depot in this time. With the new boats and cable cars the railroad will have to reduce the present fare or lose accordingly.

The new Norfolk steamers will shortly be ready for their route. They will be floating palaces, now unknown in this locality.

One day last week a lady accompanied by a boy named Jenkins called at the house of Mrs. Davidson Farr, near Drapesville, Fairfax county, to pay a visit. They found no one at home but a negro girl and a little child. The boy, as he says, to scare the girl, picked up a gun and pointed it at her. The gun went off and instantly killed the girl. Jenkins was subsequently arrested.

A night or two ago as an old lady named Taylor, who lives in Georgetown, was going from Frantonia station to see her daughter, Mrs. Randolph Javins, she slipped and fell on the road, striking the back of her head. She was taken to her daughter's house and died the next night.

Mrs. Paul Pulman, recently paralyzed, died last night. She was a most estimable lady.

GLOUCESTER COUNTY.

Stables and Barns of Mr. Hinkle Destroyed.

GLOUCESTER COURTHOUSE, VA., Jan. 8. (Special.)—The stables and barns of Mr. Rex Hinkle were destroyed by fire yesterday morning. His loss is estimated at between $700 and $800. Mr. Hinkle had insurance for $300 on the stables in the Virginia Fire and Marine Insurance Company.

Our County Court has been in session since Monday.

North State Gleanings.

On the night before Christmas a nine ounce cannon cracker exploded in the right hand of Dockery D. Crisp, one of the Lenoxville Topic's compositors, and injured him verbally, the middle finger having to be amputated at the first joint, and the flesh on the palm of the hand and ball of the thumb being painfully lacerated. It will be two months or longer before he can work at the case.

The female academy of Tarboro, known as the Gillespie School, was burned Monday morning about 2 o'clock. It was a large wooden building, and was worth, including furniture, about $5,000. The insurance on it amounted to $2,500. The furniture that was lost included several pianos and organs. It was thought to be the work of an incendiary. Once before an attempt has been made to burn it.

There has been up to January 1st over 3,000 bales of cotton bought at Clinton, besides what was shipped by owners to other points from here. There have probably been 7,000 bales shipped from the county up to date, and there are at least 1,000 bales now in the county, making the total crop 8,000 bales.

Some time ago the Young Men's Christian Association of Kingston, invited Evangelist W. P. Fife to conduct a series of meetings in Kingston. He has accepted the invitation and will commence a series of union meetings there on Sunday, January 11th, to continue until and inclusive of the following Sunday.

On January 1, 1891, when the North and West were wrapped in the bonds of ice and snow, the staff of the Concord Standard feasted on a large juicy watermelon. It was given by M. Goodman, and was a genuine melon and of good size.

John H. Hannon has been appointed postmaster at Halifax in place of Cora Davis removed on a charge of embezzlement. He has secured signatures to his official bond and forwarded it to the department at Washington for approval.

The contract for sawing the lumber for the Red Springs new hotel has been given out, and the lumber is now being delivered on the grounds. The hotel will be 80 feet wide by 295 feet long, two stories high, with a cupola.

A few days ago, a trunk belonging to a certain young man living in Tarboro, was opened by a blacksmith, the key being lost, and a pistol, poker chips and a Bible, were all there together.

While out hunting last Monday, Mr. Ike Falson, of Mt. Olive, was shot in the face and eyes. We trust it is not serious, though we could not get the particulars. It is feared he will lose one of his eyes.

There is to be a bank at Scotland Neck. Mr. A. McDowell is president and Mr. F. P. Shields cashier.

Screening and Cleaning Coal.

Probably more progress has been made in this department of colliery management than any other during the past few years partly owing to seams being worked in which there is an increased proportion of impurities to deal with, and partly because the old screening appliances were not effective in separating the slack from the larger coal, and dividing it into different classes. Another difficulty which has had to be overcome is the tendency to break the coal, both in emptying the tub upon the screen and in passing the coal from the screen or belt into the coal wagon.

Formerly coal was passed over cast iron screen bars, the open space through which the slack had to pass being to the width of bar in the proportion of about one to two. An improvement on this system consists of a number of parallel steel bars, attached to girder by rods; and here the ratio of open screen space to metal varies from two to one, to one to one, according to the width of the screen. The evil of these fixed screens was that the coal had in many cases to be dragged down to the bottom of the screen by rakes, and whether it went down this way or by gravity it was liable to carry with it a considerable portion of small coal.

The difficulties have been overcome by the adoption of the jigging screen constructed of wire, in which the proportion of open screening space to solid surface is about five to one. The jigging of the screen consists of a mechanical lateral movement of from four to eight inches horizontally backwards and forwards, which at eighty to ninety revolutions a minute is effective in getting rid of small coal and dividing the coal. It enables the length of the screen to be reduced, and thus the height of the breaker and formation of the colliery can be reduced by several feet.

There has been a considerable development of the system of carrying bands or belts, for the purpose both of sorting coal and of removing impurities. These carrying bands may be said to be confined to two descriptions, the wire belt, which consists of an endless length of woven wire, and the steel plate belt, which consists of two or three endless chains, carrying steel plates varying in width from six inches to fourteen inches. A method of screening has been brought out by which the ordinary vibrating screens are done away with, the coal being carried by a travelling belt, which consists of a series of chains, travelling between fixed bars. The bars are of different sections. Thus at one point the slack goes through; at another the nuts; and so on, according to the section of the bars. The dirt is picked out as on an ordinary belt.

An important point in dealing with impurities is the mode of getting rid of the dirt which is picked out of the coal. One method is to drop it into the hoppers running parallel with the belts; from these hoppers it passes into wagons, which carry it away through a subway under the siding direct to the hoist.—Iron and Coal Trade Review.

"Woman, Her Disease and Their Treatment." A valuable illustrated book of seventy-two pages, sent free on receipt of 10 cents, to cover cost of mailing, etc. Address P. O. Box 1006, Philadelphia, Pa.

FINANCE AND COMMERCE.

OPERATIONS OF THE NEW YORK STOCK MARKET.

Location of Tobacco at Richmond and Other Important Centres—Quotations of the New York and Liverpool Cotton Markets—Provisions and Grain.

NEW YORK, Jan. 8.—Money loaned at 3 per cent. Exchange higher at 483½@487; actual, 483 for sixty days and 486½ for demand. Governments steady; currency 6's, 109 bid; 4's, coupons, 120 bid; 4½'s do., 103¼ bid.

An important change for the better in the financial affairs in London has been in progress since the opening of the new year. The first symptom of it was the abundance of money there, but the first official acknowledgment of it was in the reduction to-day of the Bank of England rate of discount from 5 to 4 per cent. The stock market here felt the effect of the improved outlook in London, and although there was not a very active trade, prices were all higher. The market advanced with little or no interruption throughout the morning and at noon, about the highest prices of the day were current. The advance ranged from ¼ to 2¼ per cent. The strength of the market was partly attributed to the growing belief that the president's meeting would result harmoniously. The features of the morning were Lackawanna, Jersey Central, Rock Island, Tennessee Coal, and the Sugar Trust. The advance in the last named was not fully maintained. Up to 12 o'clock 113,000 shares were sold. In the two hours to 2 o'clock the market was less active, and prices suffered some reaction from the top figures of the morning; but in the last hour when reports began to reach the "street" of the harmonious progress of affairs at the meeting of the railroad presidents, and an almost certainty that nothing could prevent the federation of the roads and an agreement to maintain rates and reduce expenses, the market rallied and closed within a fraction of the best prices of the day. The advance ranged from ¼ to 3½ per cent. The sales for the day amounted to 222,096 shares.

	Bid	Asked
Oregon Imp.—1sts	91½	....
Alabama—Class A	103½	....
Alabama—Class B	101	....
Alabama—Class C	103½	....
Tennessee old	62½	....
Louisiana consols	91½	....
North Carolina 6's	96	....
North Carolina 4's	95	....
South Carolina 6's	125	....
South Carolina browns	100	....
Tennessee new set 6's ex int	105	108
Tennessee 5's ex int	....	101
Tennessee 3's ex int	69	70½
Virginia 6's	50	....
Virginia 6's ex-matured coupons	40	....
Virginia Cotton Seed Oil	19½	20
Atchison	29½	29¾
C. C. C. and St. Louis	62	62½
Canada Southern	49¾	49¾
C. C. C. and Ohio, common	18¾	19
C. C. C. and Ohio, 1st preferred	47	48
C. C. C. and Ohio, 2d preferred	31	31½
Chicago Gas Trusts	20¾	20¾
Delaware and Q.	96¾	96¾
Delaware, L. and Western	137¾	138½
Delaware & Hudson	135	135¾
Denver	19½	19¾
Tennessee common	7	7½
Tennessee, 1st preferred	63	66
Tennessee, 2d preferred	16½	17
Jersey Central	115	117
Lake Shore	107½	108
Lake Erie & Western pref.	57½	57½
Lead Trust	18¾	18¾
Louisville & Nashville	75¾	75¾
Mexican Central	22½	22½
Missouri Pacific	62¾	63½
N. Y. & W. preferred	53½	54½
N. Y. and N. E.	30	30½
Northwestern	106½	106½
Pacific, preferred, ex.	67½	67½
New York Central	102	102¾
North American	15¾	16
Pacific Mail	34½	34½
Reading	34½	34½
St. Terminal	16½	17
St. Terminal, pref.	70½	71
Rock Island	69½	69¾
Silver Certificates	104½	105
Sugar Trusts	61½	61½
St. Paul	52¾	52¾
Tennessee Coal and Iron	35	35½
Texas Pacific	14½	14½
Union Pacific	47	48½
Wabash preferred	17½	17½
W. U. Telegraph	77½	77½
Wis. Central	19¾	19½

RICHMOND STOCK MARKET.
RICHMOND, VA., Jan. 8, 1891.

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.	Bid.	Asked
U. S. 6's, R. & C., 1891	103	....
U. S. 4's, R. & C., 1907	120	....
STATE SECURITIES.		
North Carolina 4's C. 1910	96	....
North Carolina 6's C. 1919	121	125
Virginia 6's, Consols, 1905	42	49
Virginia 3-4-5 Ten-Forties, 1919	32	37
Virginia 3's new, 1932	64¾	65½
Virginia consol coupons, fundable	32	....
Virginia consol coupons non fundable	20	....
CITY SECURITIES.		
Lynchburg 8's, 1904-1907	....	125
Richmond 8's, 1884-1910	132	136
Richmond 6's, 1884-1910	....	117
Richmond 5's, 1890-1896	....	101
Richmond 5's, R, 1921, later	....	109
Richmond 4's, R, 1921	....	102
RAILROAD BONDS.		
C. & O. 1 C 7's R., 1907	....	120
C. & O. A, 1st, 7's, C., 1895	....	105
C. & O. 2d 7's, C., 1910	116	119
C. & O. 6's, 1883	....	106
C. & O. 6's, C, 1883	....	106
C. & O. 2d 6's, C., 1926	78	82
Georgia Pacific 1st 6's, R. C	107	110
Georgia Pacific con. 5's, 1923	71¾	72¾
Georgia Pacific incomes	....	20
Petersburg Class A 5's, R. C.	103	104
Petersburg Class B, 6's, R. C	105	107½
Rich. & Meck. 1st 6's, 1921	....	102
Western N. C. 1st 6's, guar. C.	97	100
Western N. C. 1st 6's C. 1914	90	98
RAILROAD STOCKS.		
Atlanta & Charlotte	91	95½
Georgia Pacific	6½	6½
Petersburg	....	80
R., F. & Pot. div. undig'n	109	111
BANK STOCKS		
Citizens Savings	25½	26¾
Union Bank of Richmond	102½	108
INSURANCE COMPANIES.		
Virginia Fire and Marine	....	38
Virginia State	22¾	23¼
MISCELLANEOUS.		
American Tobacco Co.	98½	102

GRAIN AND COTTON EXCHANGE.
RICHMOND, VA., Jan. 8, 1891.

OFFERINGS.

Corn—628 bushels.
Oats—2,000 bushels.
Meal—24 bushels.

SALES REPORTED TO SECRETARY.

Corn—128 bushels.
Oats—1,000 bushels.

QUOTATIONS.

Wheat—Longberry, 95c. to $1.05. Mixed, 94c. to $1.04. Shortberry, 93c. to $1.03.
Corn—White, 64c. Mixed, 62c. to 63c.
Oats—White, No. 2, 50c.; Mixed, No. 2, 40c. Rejected, 42c. to 46c.
Rye—75c. to 80c.

COTTON REPORT.

Market steady.
Quotations.—Middling, 9c.; low mid. 8½c.; good ordinary, 8c.

RICHMOND TOBACCO EXCHANGE.
(Reported for the Times.)

RICHMOND, VA., Jan. 8.—There were very light offerings of West Virginia bright tobacco at auction on Change Thursday, January 8, 1891. Highest price, $22.

Offerings of tobaccos on the loose breaks today: Shockoe warehouse, 935 pounds; highest price, $3.40.

Private sales reported to the secretary today: Wrappers, 12 hogsheads; scraps, 2 hogsheads; dark tobaccos, 16 hogsheads. Total, 30 hogsheads.

Office of the tobacco inspector reports today: Inspections—Bright, 10 hogsheads; dark, 19 hogsheads. Reinspections—Bright, 9 hogsheads.

Farmer's, Virginia, Alleghany, Crenshaw's, Shockoe, Neal's, Davenport's, Shelburne's, and Seabrook's warehouses report today: Receipts, 8 hogsheads; 2 tierces and boxes; deliveries, 35 hogsheads.

Office of the collector of the United States Internal Revenue reports collections for the city of Richmond to-day as follows: Tax paid cigars and cigarettes, $433.45; tax paid tobaccos, $1,716.78. Total, $2,150.23.

Registered at the Tobacco Exchange, Thursday, January 8, 1891: E. F. Harper, Rockland, Me.; J. P. Schermerhorn, Cosmopolite.

There will be sales of leaf tobacco on the breaks to-morrow (Friday), January 9, 1891.

Our Mr. William D. Gibson has lost his wife. She had been ill for a week or more with pneumonia, and died to-day.

When a couple have walked this world hand-in-hand, "yoked in all exercise of noble end," through so many, many years as they have, and then are suddenly separated by the rude hand of death, the blow to the survivor is unutterably terrible, and inflicts a wound that time cannot heal.

Our old friend has the sympathy and condolence of the entire trade in his great bereavement.

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

Baltimore.

BALTIMORE, MD., Jan. 8.—Cotton firm; middling, 9 5-16c. Flour steady. Wheat—Southern nominal; Fultz, 95c.@$1.03; Longberry, $98@$1.03; Western steady; No. 2 winter red, spot and January, 96¾@97c. Corn—Southern nominal; white and yellow, 57@59c.; Western steady; mixed, spot, 58¼@c.; January, 58c. bid. Oats fairly active. Rye scarce and firmer. Provisions steady. Coffee firm. Sugar strong. Whisky quiet. Stocks—Virginia threes, 66 bid.

New York Cotton Market.

NEW YORK, Jan. 8.—Cotton—Messrs. Hubbard, Price & Co. in their cotton circular to-night, say: "The market opened with local operators selling, as they anticipated a better arrival market than was reported, and it declined further as the movement of the crop showed itself to be largely in excess of last year. This decline was recovered, and the market closed steady at a shade under last evening. Receipts at ports to-day, estimated at 28,000 bales against 22,520 bales last week, and 17,576 bales last year. The spot market is quiet at unchanged quotations; middling uplands, 9 5-16; sales, 156 bales. Transactions in futures 70,000 bales. Futures closed firm two to five points higher, as follows: January, 9.21@9.22; February, 9.80@9.81; March, 9.43@9.44; April, 9.57@9.58; May, 9.67@9.68 June, 9.77@9.78; July and August, 9.84@9.85; September, 9.67@9.68.

Liverpool—Spot cotton closed steady; middling uplands, 5¼. Sales, 14,000 bales. Futures closed quiet; January, 5.14; January-February, 5.14; February-March, 5.17@5.18; March-April, 5.21.

Produce—Flour closed steady with a fair inquiry; fine grades, spring, $2.60@3.25; southern, steady; trade and family, extras, $4@5. Wheat dull; spots sales No. 2 red winter, $1.03@1.03½. Corn steady; spot sales No. 2 mixed at 59@59½c.; do. January, 59½c. Oats steady; spot sales No. 1 white, 55c.; No. 2 mixed January, 50½c. Pork dull; mess, $11@$12 for new. Lard closed dull; January, $6.28@$6.30, sugar—Refined firm; cut-loaf and crushed, 6½c. Coffee steady; fair Rio cargoes, 20c.

Chicago Markets.

CHICAGO, Jan. 8.—S. V. White & Co. telegraph C. W. Branch & Co. as follows: Wheat—To-day's wheat market was a disappointing one to the majority of our local operators, inasmuch as they all looked for a lower range of prices, but the close is steady at a slight advance over last night's figures. There seems to be nothing new to note on the general situation, and I look for no decided movement one way or the other until Dodge's juggernaut is issued. Corn—Corn is in exactly the same situation as wheat, one side is afraid, and the other dare not until after January 10th.

WHEAT.	Op'ng.	H'gst.	L'west.	Cl'sg
May	96⅞	97⅞	96⅞	97⅞
CORN.				
May	52⅞	53⅞	52⅞	53⅞
OATS.				
May	45⅞	46⅞	45⅞	46⅞
PORK.				
May	11.30	11.42	11.27	11.40
LARD.				
May	6.40	6.46	6.40	6.40
S. RIBS.				
May	5.70	5.77	5.67	5.70

Ground Bones for Grape-Vines.

Bones buried under grape-vines furnish the best permanent fertilizer. Crushed or ground bones will act more promptly. The southland says: Nothing adds more to the health and fruitfulness of the grape than coarsely broken bones or bone meal. In our own experience we more than doubled the product of a vineyard by their use, and the fruit was increased in size and beauty fully 25 per cent. during the first season. Five hundred pounds per acre will keep the vines in a thrifty condition for several years. It is, therefore, the cheapest fertilizer known. Young vines also are much benefited by a slight sprinkling of bone meal about the roots at the time of planting. We would suggest that our grape-growers might be able to secure an ample supply at low rates by authorizing the country merchants to purchase them. The soft bones, being easily reduced by a mechanical process, would need no expensive machinery. The harder ones can be broken with a sledge and made into superphosphate of lime with sulphuric acid and water by those who understand the process.

Answer This Question.

Why do so many people we see around us seem to prefer to suffer and be made miserable by Indigestion, Constipation, Dizziness, Loss of Appetite, Coming Up of the Food, Yellow Skin, when for 75 cents we will sell them Shiloh's System Vitalizer, guaranteed to cure them. Sold by Bolcker Brothers and H. M. Shields & Co., corner of Fifth and Marshall streets.

You Get a Lot

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Every Mother

should see that her little ones are protected, and that she has made miserable by Indigestion, Constipation, Dizziness, Loss of Appetite, Coming Up of the Food, Yellow Skin, when for 75 cents we will sell them Shiloh's System Vitalizer, guaranteed to cure them. Sold by Bolcker Brothers and H. M. Shields & Co., corner of Fifth and Marshall streets.

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TRAIN No. 13, 10:35 A. M.

VIRGINIA AND NORTH CAROLINA EXPRESS, daily, for Danville, all stations on the Norfolk and Western Railroad, Lynchburg, Knoxville, Chattanooga, Memphis, and Nashville; also for Keysville, Clarksville, Oxford, Henderson, Durham, and Raleigh. This train goes through solid to Raleigh.

TRAIN No. 9, 1 P. M.

FAST MAIL, daily, for all points on the Farmville and Powhatan Railroad, Danville, Greensboro, Winston-Salem, Raleigh, Charlotte, Asheville, Columbia, Augusta, Atlanta, Birmingham, Montgomery, New Orleans, Texas, and California. Pullman palace sleeping-cars Danville to Augusta and Atlanta, and at Greensboro sleeper via Asheville to Morristown, Tenn.

TRAIN No. 17, 6 P. M.

AMELIA ACCOMODATION, daily, except Sunday, for Amelia Courthouse and intermediate points.

TRAIN No. 61, 4:15 A. M.

CLOVER LOCAL, daily, except Sunday, freight train with coach attached, for Clover, Va., and intermediate points.

ARRIVE AT RICHMOND:

Trains No. 12, 6 A. M.; No. 10, 4:30 P. M.; No. 16, 4:30 P. M., and No. 18, 8:45 A. M.

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LEAVE RICHMOND:

TRAIN No. 10, 8:10 P. M.

LOCAL EXPRESS, daily, except Sunday, stops at all stations. At Lester Manor connects with stage for Walkerton; also connects with Baltimore steamer at West Point.

BALTIMORE LINE: Daily except Sunday, for West Point, connecting with York-river steamers for Baltimore. At Baltimore steamers connect with Baltimore and Ohio Railroad for Washington, Philadelphia, and New York. PAGE: Richmond to Baltimore, $9; to Washington, $8; to Philadelphia, $4.50; New York, $5.50.

STEAMER LEAVES BALTIMORE 4 P. M.

FOR WEST POINT, daily, except Sunday, thence by steamer and Baltimore Philadelphia Railroad to Richmond, arriving 6:15 A. M. and 10:40 A. M., and connecting with Train No. 1 (