FINANCE AND COMMERCE

THE CLOSING QUOTATIONS OF MONEY.

Offerings and Sales at the Richmond Tobacco Exchange—Internal Revenue Collections—Foreign Advices.

NEW YORK, Jan. 15.—Speculation at the Stock Exchange during the early session was dominated by Chicago Gas. This stock was heavy and broke from 72⅞ to 70½ on large transactions. The break was due to the injunction obtained by Attorney-General Moloney, which prohibits voting on the Fidelity Trust receipts. There were rumors that the new pool in the stock became disgusted with the latest legal developments and was reducing its line. At the decline, however, there were moderate purchases for the long account, and a rally to 72¼ ensued. While Chicago Gas was declining the General Railway list developed strength, and under the leadership of the Grangers and Louisville and Nashville moved up ⅝ to 1⅜ per cent, Louisville leading. In the afternoon a weaker feeling prevailed, owing to the announcement that action on the pooling bill had been postponed for a week, the withdrawal of $750,000 gold from the sub-treasury for export, and the rumored demoralization of east-bound grain and provision rates. This led to a decline of 1@1¼ per cent., and nearly every stock on the list participated in the downward movement. Sugar fell 1¼ to 89⅝ on the recommendation of the Ways and Means Committee to abolish the differential duty on Sugar. Union Pacific ran off to 11⅛ on the poor statement for November. The early advance in Louisville and Nashville was attributed to the declaration of the dividend by the Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis. The market closed weak. The net changes show losses of ⅛@⅞ per cent., Northwestern leading. Louisville and Nashville gained ⅝ and Lake Shore ½ per cent. In the inactive list Metropolitan Traction moved up 1½ to 103 and National Starch first preferred 5 to 45. The total sales were only 112,608 shares, of which 21,100 were Chicago Gas, 20,900 Sugar, and 14,300 St. Paul. The bond market was firm.

Money on call 1@1½ per cent., last loan at 1 per cent., and closing offered at 1 per cent.; prime mercantile paper, 3@4 per cent. Bar silver, 59⅝. Sterling exchange firm, with actual business in bankers' bills at 487¾@489 for demand; posted rates, 489@490; commercial bills 486½@487½. Government bonds steady. State bonds weaker. Railroad bonds firm. Silver at the board was 59⅝ bid.

Treasury Balances—Coin, $71,384,000; currency, $68,769,000.

STOCK QUOTATIONS.

	Closing Bids
American Cotton Oil	22½
American Cotton Oil preferred	67½@68½
American Sugar	89½
American Sugar Refineries, pref'd	91½
American Tobacco	96⅝
American Tobacco preferred	108
Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe	4⅝
Baltimore and Ohio	62¾
Canada Pacific	56½
Chesapeake and Ohio	17¼
Chicago and Alton	146¼
Chicago, Burlington and Quincy	71¼
Chicago Gas Trust	72⅛
Delaware, Lack. and Western	163
Distillers	10⅝
Erie	10
Erie preferred	21¼
General Electric	34
Illinois Central	87
Lake Erie and Western	15¾
Lake Erie and Western preferred	71½
Lake Shore	137
Louisville and Nashville	54⅞
Louisville, New Albany & Chicago	7½
Manhattan Consolidated	105¼
Memphis and Charleston	10
Michigan Central	95
Missouri Pacific	23¾
Mobile and Ohio	16
Nash., Chattanooga and St. Louis	65
United States Cordage	6⅞
United States Cordage preferred	16½
New Jersey Central	19⅝
New York Central	99
New York and New England	32⅝
Norfolk and Western preferred	19
Northern Pacific	3¾
Northern Pacific preferred	17⅝
Northwestern	99¾
Northwestern preferred	143
Pacific Mail	23⅝
Reading	12⅞
Rock Island	82¾
St. Paul	56⅞
St. Paul preferred	117¾
Silver Certificates	59½
Tennessee Coal and Iron	15¾
Tennessee Coal and Iron preferred	70
Texas Pacific	6¾
Union Pacific	11½
Wabash	6
Wabash preferred	14¼
Western Union	87¼
Wheeling and Lake Erie	10
Wheeling and Lake Erie preferred	32

BONDS.

Alabama—Class A	102½
Alabama—Class B	104
Alabama—Class C	101
Louisiana Stamped 4's	100
North Carolina 4's	100½
North Carolina 6's	125
Tennessee New Settlement 3's	83½
Virginia 6's, preferred	85
Virginia Trust Receipts, Stamped	12
Virginia 2-3, 1991	59½
United States 4's, registered	113
United States 4's, coupon	113
United States 2's, coupon	97
Southern Railway 5's	88¾
Southern Railway common	10⅝
Southern Railway preferred	35¾
South Carolina 4½'s	102

LONDON BAR SILVER MARKET.

LONDON, Jan. 15.—Bar silver, 27 3-16d. Paris advices quote 3 per cent. rentes at 99½ francs and 20 centimes for account.

RICHMOND STOCK MARKET.

RICHMOND, VA., Jan. 15, 1895.

Sales—50,000 Virginia Centuries at 59⅝.

Government Securities.	Bid.	Asked
United States 4's	113	....
State Securities		
North Carolina 4's	101½	103
North Carolina 6's	125½	....
Virginia 3's, 1962	74	74½
Virginia 2-3 p. c. C. B.	59⅝	59¾
City Securities.		
Richmond City 8's	124	....
Richmond City 6's	112½	113½
Richmond City 5's, R.	100	....
Richmond City 5's, R., 1921	100	....
Richmond City 4's	....	100
Railroad Bonds.		
A. and C. 1st 7's	117½	....
A. and C. guar. in. 6's	104	105
C. F. and Y. V. C.	....	95
C., C. and A. 1st 5's	105	106
C., C. and A. 2d 7's	110	....
Col. and Green. 1st 6's	106	....
Georgia Pacific 1st 6's	109½	....
J., T. and K. W., 1917	90	....
Petersburg, Class A., 5's	108	....
Petersburg, Class B., 6's	113	....
W. N. C. 1st 6's, C. guar.	111	114
W. N. C. 1st 6's, C., 1914	111	114
Southern Railway 5's	88½	89½
Railroad Stocks.		
Atlanta and Charlotte	92	93
North Carolina	103	....
Petersburg	....	103
R., F. and P. common	....	120
R., F. and P. div. obligs	113½	115
R., F. and P. 6 p. c. guar.	140	....
R., F. and P. 7 p. c. guar.	150	....
Richmond and Petersburg	102	....
Southern Railway com	10¼	12
Southern Railway pref'd	35½	....
Bank Stocks.		
Citizens Bank	20¾	....
City	....	31
Metropolitan Bank	25	....
National Bank of Virginia	108	....
Petersburg Sav. & Ins. Co.	24⅞	25¼
State Bank of Virginia	137	....
Union Bank of Richmond	110	....
Security Bank	113½	115
Virginia Trust Company	112	....
Insurance Companies.		
Virginia State	19¾	22
Miscellaneous.		
A. T. Co. common	98	....
A. T. Co., preferred	100	....

GRAIN AND COTTON EXCHANGE.

RICHMOND, VA., Jan. 15, 1895.

Offerings—Wheat, 900 bushels; corn (white), 328 bushels; corn (mixed), 600 bushels; oats, 2,250 bushels.

Sales—Wheat, 900 bushels; corn (white), 328 bushels; oats, 250 bushels.

Quotations: Wheat—Longberry, 58c. to 62½c.; mixed, 57c. to 62½c.; shortberry, 58c. to 62½c.; No. 2 red, 62c.

Corn—White, Virginia, 49c. to 50c.; No 2 white, 49c. to 50c.; No. 2 mixed, 47c to 47½c.

Oats—No. 2 mixed, 36c. to 36½c.; No. 3 mixed, 35c. to 35½c.; winter, 45c. to 48c.

Rye—56c. to 58c.

THE COTTON MARKETS.

NEW YORK, Jan. 15.—Cotton dull; middling gulf, 6, middling, 5⅞. Futures closed dull but steady: January, 5.55; February, 5.54; March, 5.58; April, 5.61; May, 5.66; June, 5.70; July, 5.74; August, 5.79; September, 5.83; October, 5.89; total sales, 56,300 bales; net receipts, 887 bales; gross receipts, 6,461 bales; exports to France, 1,588 bales; Continent, 1,834 bales; forwarded, 4,428 bales; sales, 158 bales; spinners, 58 bales; stocks, 154,221 bales.

Total to-day—Net receipts, 30,136 bales; exports to Great Britain, 26,906 bales; France, 15,043 bales; Continent, 19,753 bales; stock, 1,094,237 bales.

Total so far this week—Net receipts, 108,825 bales; exports to Great Britain, 66,763 bales; France, 25,700 bales; Continent, 38,414 bales.

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 15.—Cotton futures quiet; sales, 28,300 bales; January, 5.09; February, 5.11; March, 5.29; April, 5.32; May, 5.37; June, 5.43; July, 5.48; August, 5.53; September, 5.57; October, 5.61.

LIVERPOOL, Jan. 15.—12:30 P. M.—Cotton demand fair and prices easier; American middling, 3 1-16; sales, 12,000 bales; American, 11,200 bales; speculation and export, 500 bales; receipts, 36,000 bales; American, 27,200 bales. Futures opened easier and demand moderate; American middling, March and April, 3 1-64; April and May, 3 2-64; May and June, 3 3-64; June and July, 3 4-64@3 5-64; July and August, 3 6-64; August and September, 3 7-64. Futures quiet at the decline.

4 P. M.—January, 2 62-64, sellers; January and February, 2 62-64, sellers; February and March, 2 63-64, buyers; March and April, 3, buyers; April and May, 3 2-64, sellers; May and June, 3 3-64, buyers; June and July, 3 4-64, value; July and August, 3 6-64, sellers; August and September, 3 7-64, sellers; September and October, 3 8-64, sellers. Futures closed quiet at the decline.

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKET.

NEW YORK, Jan. 15.—Flour dull and barely steady; winter wheat, low grades, $2.05@2.20; fair to fancy, $2.50@2.95; patent, $2.75@3.20; Minnesota clear, $2.30@2.70; patent, $3.40@3.95; low extras, $2.05@2.60. Southern flour dull and easy; common to fair extra, $2.10@3.00; good to choice, do., $3.10@3.50.

Wheat dull and weak at ⅛c. lower; No. 2 red, store and elevator, 61¾@61¾c.; afloat, 62⅜c. Options were fairly active and steady at ⅛@¼c. decline; No. 2 red, January, 61c.; February, 61¼c.; March, 62c.; May, 62¼c.

Corn dull, lower, and weak; No. 2, 51½c., elevator; 52½c. afloat. Options dull and weak at ⅛@⅜c. decline; January, 51¼c.; February, 51⅝c.; May, 51½c.

Oats quiet and easier. Options steady; January, 34c.; February, 34⅝c.; May, 34⅝c. Spot—No. 2, 34@34¼c.; mixed western, 34½@36c.

Hay quiet and easy; shipping, 50@55.

Wool in moderate demand and steady; domestic fleece, 15@20c.; pulled, 12@33c.

Beef dull; family, $10.00@11.50; extra mess, $7.50@8.00, beef hams quiet at $17.00; tierced beef dull; city extra, India mess, $16.00@17.00; cut meats quiet and easy; pickled bellies, $6.00; do. shoulders, $4.25@4.62½; do. hams, $8.00@8.50; middles nominal.

Lard quiet and lower; western steam, $7.05; city, $6.50; January, $7.10, nominal; May, $7.30. Refined dull.

Pork quiet and steady.

Butter dull and easy; State dairy, 10@20c.; creamery, 16@23c.; western dairy, 10@15c.; creamery, 16@25c.; Elgins, 25c.

Cotton seed oil quiet and easy; crude, 24c.; yellow prime, 28½c.; choice, 29c.

Petroleum nominal.

Rosin dull and steady; strained, common to good, $1.37½@1.40.

Turpentine steady and quiet at 28@29c.

Rice in fair demand and firm; domestic, fair to extra, 4¼@6c.; Japan, 4¼@4½c.

Molasses quiet and unchanged.

Peanuts quiet.

Coffee barely steady on far months and unchanged to 25 points; January, $14.20@14.30; March, $14.05@14.25; May, $14.00@14.20; September, $14.05@14.30; December, $14.10. Spot Rio dull and steady; No. 7, 15 8/8.

Sugar—Raw quiet and steady; fair refining, 2⅝c. Refined fairly active and steady; off A, 3⅝@3¾c.; standard A, 3 13-16@4c.; cut-loaf and crushed, 4 7-16@4⅝c.; granulated, 3 15-16@4⅛c.

Freights to Liverpool dull and room scarce; cotton, ⅝d.; grain, 1¾d.

CHICAGO.

CHICAGO, ILL., Jan. 15.—At intervals between the unofficial discussions of the merits and demerits of the action of the Board of Trade yesterday in deciding to wage war on the abuses which prevail in the trade, there was a little business in the grain markets transacted to-day. The only period when anything like activity was seen, however, was during the few moments immediately succeeding the receipt of the Bradstreet's report, giving a decrease in the world's visible supply of 726,000 bushels. This amount did not strike the crowd as being large enough to be considered bullish, and prices declined ¼@⅝c. below puts, which point they reached shortly after the opening. May wheat opened at 58¼c., sold between 58⅜c. and 57¾@57¾c., closing at 57¾c., ⅛c. under yesterday. Cash wheat was easy at ¼@½c. decline.

Corn—Fluctuations failed to get outside of privilege prices, ⅛c. being the narrow range within which the day's business was transacted. There was no interest or desire to trade, wheat directing the tone towards weakness. May corn opened at 47⅞c., sold between 48c. and 47¾c., closing at 47¾c., ⅛c. under yesterday. Cash corn was quoted ⅛c. under yesterday.

Oats—When wheat fell away about noon a temporary feeling of a like character took possession of oats, but it gave way to a firmer tone before the close. At the end of the session May was fractionally over yesterday.

Provisions—The disposition in this market to-day was to sell. Hogs were lower and this, with the general inclination of grain to decline, furnished speculators with courage necessary to take short side. Packers were offering and commission houses were evidently impressed with a bearish sentiment. The business could not, however, be called active, the pit at times presenting a deserted appearance. The close was 25c. lower than yesterday for May pork, 12½c. lower for May lard, and 12½@15c. lower for May ribs.

Wheat—	Opening.	Closing
January	54½	54⅝
May	58¼	57⅞
July	58¼	58½
Corn—		
January	45⅝	45⅝
May	47⅞	47⅝
July	47⅞	47¼
Oats—		
January	28½	28½
May	30⅝	30½
Pork—		
January	$11.32½	$11.32½
May	11.75	11.60
Lard—		
January	6.80	6.72½
May	6.97½	6.90
Ribs—		
January	5.72½	5.72½
May	5.96	5.95

Cash Quotations—Flour was quiet and prices steady, shippers doing little and local inquiry light; No. 2 spring wheat, 57¼@60c.; No. 2 red, 54½c.; No. 2 corn, 45½c.; No. 2 oats, 28⅝@29⅝c.; pork, $11.37½@11.50; lard, $6.80; r bs, $5.75@5.80; shoulders, $4.75@4.87½; sides, $6.00@6.05; whisky, $1.22.

BALTIMORE.

BALTIMORE, MD., Jan. 15.—Flour firm.

Wheat dull; No. 2 red spot and January, 59⅝@60c.; February, 60¼@60⅝c.; March, 61¼@61½c.; May, 62¼@62⅝c.; steamer No. 2 red, 57c. bid; southern by sample, 60@62c.; do., on grade, 57½@60½c.

Corn easy; mixed spot and January, 48¼@48⅝c.; February, 48⅝@48¾c.; May, 50½c. bid, steamer mixed, 47¾@48c.; southern white, 47@50c.; do. yellow, 47@49c.

Oats firm and in good demand; No. 2 white, western, 38½c. bid; No. 2 mixed, western, 35¼@36c.

Rye slow; No. 2, 57c.

Hay quiet and easy; good to choice timothy, $12.50@13.00.

Grain freights quiet and steady; steamer to Liverpool, January, 1s.10½d.@2s.; Cork for orders, January, 2s.9d.@2s.10½d.

Butter steady; fancy, creamery, 26c.; ladle, 15@18c.; roll, 14@22c.; store-packed, 11@13c.

Eggs firm at 21@22c.

Coffee firm; No. 7, $16.00.

Sugar active and unchanged.

Bonds—Virginia Century, 59½@60; Baltimore and Ohio, 62⅝@64. Consolidated Gas stock, 64½@65; do. bonds, 115½.

SAVANNAH.

SAVANNAH, GA., Jan. 15.—Turpentine firm at 26½c. for regulars; sales, 425 casks; receipts, 427 casks.

Rosin quiet and firm. Quotations—A, B, and C, $1.00; D, $1.05; E, $1.10; F, $1.15; G, $1.35; H, $1.75; I, $1.90; K, $2.30; M, $2.55; N, $2.70; window glass, $2.80; water white, $3.05.

WILMINGTON.

WILMINGTON, N. C., Jan. 15.—Rosin firm; strained, $1.00; good strained, $1.05.

Spirits turpentine steady at 26c.

Tar steady at 95c.

Crude turpentine firm, hard, $1.10; soft, $1.50; virgin, $1.70.

CHARLESTON.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Jan. 15.—Turpentine firm at 25½c.; receipts, 11 casks.

Rosin—Good strained firm at $1.00; receipts, 445 barrels.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK MARKET.

CHICAGO STOCK YARDS, ILL., Jan. 15.—Cattle—Receipts, 5,000; market steady and unchanged; common to extra steers, $3.25@5.70; stockers and feeders, $2.25@3.75; cows and bulls, $1.50@3.75; calves, $6.50@8.55.

Hogs—Receipts, 45,000; market easy and prices 10c. lower, heavy, $4.30@4.60; common to choice mixed, $4.10@4.50; choice assorted, $4.25@4.35; light, $3.85@4.25; pigs, $2.25@3.75.

Sheep—Receipts, 10,000; market firm; inferior to choice, $2.00@3.75; lambs, $2.75@4.40.

TOBACCO EXCHANGE.

RICHMOND, VA., Jan. 15, 1895.

No offerings of tobaccos at auction on 'Change to-day.

Private sales reported to the secretary of the Richmond Tobacco Trade to-day: Wrappers, 1 hogshead; smokers, 56; lugs (nars), 3. Total, 60 hogsheads.

The tobacco inspector reports to-day: Inspections—Bright, 21 hogsheads; dark, 2 hogsheads. Reinspections—Bright, 19 hogsheads.

Farmers', Shockoe, Alleghany, Planters', Davenport's, Near's, Crenshaw's, Shelburne's, Myers, Old Dominion and Seabrooke's tobacco warehouses report to-day: Receipts, 81 packages; deliveries, 484 packages.

United States internal revenue collections for the city of Richmond, Va., to-day: Cigars and cigarettes, $1,888.80; plug tobaccos, $341.68. Total, $2,030.68.

Breaks of dark loose tobaccos at Shockoe and Crenshaw's warehouses for to-morrow.

A sale of dark loose tobaccos at the Southern to-day, and a bright break for to-morrow.

A bright sale at the Stonewall to-day.

A very good sale at Shelburne's warehouse to-day, and a good break for to-morrow.

Mr. Alexander Harthill reports the Louisville (Ky.) tobacco market for the week ending Saturday, January 12, 1895, as follows:

The weather has been alternating between frost, snow and milder atmosphere, giving partial handling seasons in the country and leading to the belief that receipts will be fairly large during the near future.

The offerings of new crop burley were again large, averaging about 500 hogsheads in excess of same week in 1894 and over 1,000 hogsheads more than in 1893, as the following figures show:

Offerings of burleys for the week: New crop—This week, 2,358 hogsheads; last week, 1,623; week in 1894, 2,878; week in 1893, 2,230. Old crop—This week, 234; last week, 248; week in 1894, 191; week in 1893, 200 hogsheads.

The condition of the offerings of new this week was generally very good, while the market showed great animation and strength on all grades except the lowest.

Red smokers were in very large supply and in good demand, but at times were irregular and closed half cent lower.

Colory and bright were scarce and active, but unchanged. Very inferior nondescripts, green and mixed were in too large supply, and sold at from 1c. to 1 1-2c.—all kinds of weights and conditions.

Red fillers were in good supply and an excellent demand for all grades, but only trash fillers were weak and quarter of a cent lower, on inside figures, with an advance of half a cent on common medium and good mediums; good firm but unchanged, fine and select leaf 1c. to 2c. higher, with 18c. as the highest paid for the best offered this week.

Colory fillers were in good supply, with an active and strong demand for all grades. Trash was unchanged, but common and mediums ranged half a cent higher, while all the better grades were one cent higher.

Cutting—Trash and common were in large supply, active but unchanged. All the other grades were quite scarce and very firm at quotations, with bright medium grade strippers generally half a cent higher and active.

Old Burley.—Quantity offered about the same as last week, and comprised mainly very common smokers and common to medium red fillers, which sold at unchanged figures. Fifteen hogsheads of the best redried old we have seen for some time sold well. They were bright fillers—10 averaged 15 3-4c. round and 5 averaged $18.85 round, the best hogshead 20 1-2c.

The small percentage of 17 per cent. rejected this week is evidence of the strong market and satisfactory prices realized by sellers out of the unusually large offerings.

Darks—Offerings of old this week almost entirely very old, resurrected, unmerchantable trash, fit only for fertilizers, on which it was hard to get a bid. Of new crop the offerings were about 100 hogsheads less than last week, and consisted entirely of long, narrow, greenish rehandling leaf, which sold at 3 1-2 to 6c. No decent new lugs or better leaf have appeared yet.

Rejections were 576 hogsheads burley and 75 hogsheads dark, against 389 hogsheads burley and 92 hogsheads dark last week.

Sales at auction for week were as follows: Old burley—This week, 3,358; last week (three days), 248. New burley—This week, 234; last week (three days), 1,623. Old dark—This week, 76; last week (three days), 20. New dark—This week, 215; last week (three days), 325. Total—This week, 3,883; last week (three days), 2,216.

Sold at auction—This week, 3,883; last week (three days), 2,216. Privately—This week, 326; last week (three days), 523. Rejected—This week, 651; last week (three days), 481. Net sales—This week, 3,558; last week (three days), 2,268. Receipts—This week, 2,513; last week (three days), 741. Receipts this week last year, 3,077.

Sales privately: 1894 burley—This week, 13; last week, 22. 1893 burley—This week, 61; last week, 236. 1894 dark—This week, 25; last week, 59. 1893 dark—This week, 229; last week, 176. Total—This week, 326; last week, 533.

No visitors registered at the Tobacco Exchange to-day.

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

MINIATURE ALMANAC, Jan. 16, 1895.

Sun rises	7:25
Sun sets	5:16
Moon rises	12 M.
Day's length	9h.52m.

HIGH TIDE.

Morning	8:48
Evening	10:00

PORT OF WEST POINT, Jan. 15, 1895.

ARRIVED.

Steamship Danville, Murphy, Baltimore, passengers and general cargo.

Steamship William Lawrence, Foster, Baltimore, passengers and general cargo.

Steamship Chatham, Foster, Providence, passengers and general cargo.

SAILED.

Steamship Danville, Murphy, Baltimore, passengers and general cargo.

Steamship William Lawrence, Foster, Providence via Norfolk, passengers and general cargo.

Steamship Chatham, Foster, Baltimore, passengers and general cargo.

DEATHS.

FORREST.—Died, at his residence, No. 1110 west Marshall street, at 4:30 o'clock Tuesday, January 15, 1895, PETER J. FORREST, in the forty-ninth year of his age.

Funeral will take place THIS (Wednesday) AFTERNOON at 4 o'clock, from Park Place Methodist church. Friends and acquaintances of the family are invited to attend.

VADEN.—Died, at his residence, 1106 Decatur street, Monday evening at 7:45 o'clock, in the seventy-eighth year of his age, JOSEPH B. VADEN.

Funeral will take place THIS (Wednesday) AFTERNOON at 3 o'clock from Central M. E. church.

Interment at Maury cemetery.

MONCURE.—Died, Tuesday, January 15, 1895, at 6 P. M., of pneumonia, at the residence of her son, near Hill, Mrs. Lucy A. Moncure, relict of the late William A. Moncure, in the eighty-eighth year of her age.

Interment SATURDAY 17th, in the family burying-ground at Ellerslie, in Caroline county.

CADET DENNETT RELEASED.

Secretary Herbert Reverses the Decision of the Board—Other Navy News.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—Secretary Herbert to-day rendered a decision in the case of Naval Cadet Dennett, of Maine, which has attracted so much attention. The Secretary says a review of the case generates a doubt in my mind as to whether Cadet Dennett is not innocent. I have, therefore, ordered the case against him to be dismissed, and that he be released permanently from arrest. In conclusion, it is proper to remark that the evidence in this case makes it one of extraordinary interest as well as gravity, and it is not surprising that the board which investigated the matter at the Academy should have reached a conclusion different from that at which I have arrived."

The cruiser Atlanta arrived at Tuilio, Honduras, yesterday. She will remain there until further orders.

Chief Engineer James Lowe, fleet engineer of the North Atlantic squadron, has been invalided from the cruiser New York to the Norfolk Navy-Yard Hospital, Chief Engineer Cipriano C. Andrade, of the Columbia, taking his place. Chief Engineer W. H. Harris goes to the Columbia from the Wabash.

Commanders William Bainbridge Hoff and B. F. Harrington have been ordered to examination for promotion to the grade of captain.

The Senate has confirmed the nomination of Robert S. Link to be postmaster at Abbeville, S. C.

TO CALL A MASS-MEETING

EXISTENCE OF SOUTHERN PASSENGER ASSOCIATION THREATENED.

Several of the Members Have Withdrawn And This Last Effort is Made to Save the Organization.

NEW YORK, Jan. 15.—As a result of a conference of ten members of the Southern Passenger Association this morning, held at the Waldorf Hotel, it was decided to call a mass-meeting within three weeks at Atlanta, Ga., of all persons interested in southern passenger traffic. "Several roads belonging to the passenger association," said Chairman H. Walters, at the close of the meeting, "have given notice of withdrawal, and unless we can get them to remain and get in new members the association may be dissolved." The conference was secret, and reticence was observed by all interested.

The Southern Passenger Association embraces the managing officers of twenty-three road south of the Potomac and Ohio rivers and east of the Mississippi. According to the call issued, the annual meeting was to have been held to-day, but it was found that outside of the commissioner and assistant commissioner of the association but eight roads were represented. This was three less than a quorum, the association, with the commissioner and assistant commissioner, having a total representation of twenty-five, making a quorum of thirteen necessary. No meeting could, therefore, be held. It was then resolved to hold a conference and informally discuss the association's affairs.

RAILWAYS REPRESENTED.

Those present were Commissioner E. P. Stahlman, Assistant Commissioner M. Slaughter and B. W. Wrenn, representing the Alabama Midland railway, the Brunswick and Western railroad, the Charleston and Savannah railway and the Savannah, Florida and Western railway; H. Walters, president, and Traffic Manager T. M. Emerson, of the Atlantic Coast Line; Major T. M. Shellman, Traffic Manger of the Central Railroad of Georgia, and its General Passenger Agent, J. C. Haile; Stuart R. Knott, First Vice-President, and C. P. Atmore, General Passenger Agent of the Louisville and Nashville railroad, and J. M. Culp, Traffic Manager; W. A. Turk, General Passenger Agent, and S. H. Hardwick, Assistant General Passenger Agent of the Southern Railway Company.

After the close of the conference, which lasted from 11:45 in the morning to 2 in the afternoon, H. Walters, president of the association, who acted as chairman of the conference, made the following announcement:

CALL FOR A MASS-MEETING.

"No quorum being present, we resolved ourselves into a general conference, and, according to a resolution passed, a call is to be issued for a mass-meeting of all those interested in passenger traffic in the territory of the Southern Passenger Association, at Atlanta, Ga. The time for calling the mass-meeting is limited to three weeks from date, and the resolution directs myself to decide on the date."

Mr. Walters declined to give either the names of the mover of the resolution, or of those taking part in the discussion during the conference, but added:

"Several members of the Association have signified their intention of withdrawing. Their withdrawal would seriously affect the association, and for that reason we will issue a call for a mass-meeting of persons interested in Southern traffic, and there make an effort to strengthen the Association. That we can do, if we succeed in persuading the would-be seceders to remain with us, or get enough others to take their places."

"Unless we can succeed in doing something, the Southern Passenger Association may have to be dissolved."

"What is the outlook for the association at present?" asked a reporter.

"Well, I wouldn't like to say," answered Chairman Walters, with some hesitation, "as I don't wish my opinion to influence anybody one way or the other, but I may say that the outlook is a fair one."

"We will hold the mass-meeting to try to find out. Nobody seems to know. There are always bound to be dissenting policies and views in any organization, but I don't think that people who wish to withdraw themselves know the reason for their action. However, we hope to meet the disaffected members, and hope to come to some sort of agreement which will be satisfactory all around."

Mr. Walters said he had no reason to believe that rate cutting was the reason of disaffection, as comparatively little had ever been done.

MAY BE OPPOSITION TO SLAUGHTER.

Neither Chairman Walters nor Assistant Commissioner Slaughter would discuss the report that it was opposition to Mr. Slaughter which prompted the notices of withdrawal.

Mr. Slaughter's report for the year ending November 30, 1894, was distributed in printed form among those present. According to that document, eleven of the twenty-three railroads in the association have given notices of withdrawal, to take effect six months after notice. The roads which have given notice, together with the dates of the year on which they would cease to be members of the association, follow:

Queen and Crescent, April 8th; Louisville and Nashville, May 10th; Atlanta and Florida, May 11th; Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis, May 11th; Memphis and Charleston, May 17th; Georgia Southern and Florida, May 20th; Morristown and Cumberland Gap, May 24th; South Carolina and Georgia, June 19th; Plant System, June 30th, and Georgia Railroad, July 1st.

The mileage of the association's roads amounts to 14,856. The expenses during the fiscal year were $14,934, and the entire cash disbursements $18,331. The receipts were $17,315, and the amount in the treasury on November 30, 1894, was $1,162, leaving the present amount in the treasury at $147.

During the past year sixteen fines were imposed for violations of the agreements.

Mr. Slaughter, in his report, recommends that the present basis of assessments should be changed to the mileage basis, or to a basis of percentages fixed by the executive committee of the association.

The Southern Passenger Association was started in 1882.

Chairman Walters said there were probably a hundred roads in the South from which the association could gain accessions. He was not prepared to say whether or not a rate war would result if the association was dissolved.

UNITED STATES SENATORS CHOSEN.

Hoar, Chandler, Frye and McMillan Re-Elected—Caucus Nominations.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—The following senatorial elections were held to-day:

Massachusetts—The Legislature, voting separately, re-elected George F. Hoar. This action will be confirmed in joint convention to-morrow.

New Hampshire—The Legislature, voting separately, re-nominated William E. Chandler.

Michigan—The Legislature, in joint session, re-elected James McMillan for the long term, the vote being unanimous, the lone Democrat voting for him. Julius Caesar Burrows was elected for the short term. Donovan, the lone Democrat, kicked on Burrows, and voted for John Strong, of Rockland.

Maine—The Legislature, in joint session, re-elected William P. Frye.

Delaware—One unsuccessful ballot was taken, the two houses voting separately. Higgins received only ten votes, one less than the caucus vote for him last night. Wolcott (Dem.) received ten votes. The next highest vote was Addicks (Rep.), 6. Another ballot will be taken to-morrow.

Nebraska—In the first ballot in the Senate for United States senator, Thurston received 25, Bryan 4, Jones (Populist) 3; in the House, Thurston 72, Bryan 13, Jones 15. Bryan received 11 Populist votes in all.

Idaho—Nineteen Republicans in caucus nominated Willis Sweet for United States senator. It is asserted that only 17 will vote to sustain the caucus' action.

The first ballot for United States senator, each house voting separately, was taken to-day with the following result:

House—Shoup, 11; Sweet, 13; Heyburn, 2; Browne, 2; Claggatt, 9.

Senate—Shoup, 2; Sweet, 8; Claggatt, 6; Reagan, 1.

Totals—Shoup, 14; Sweet, 21; Claggatt, 15; Browne, 2; Reagan, 1; Heyburn, 2.

The candidacy of R. S. Browne, of Moscow, created some surprise. To-morrow Browne will have three votes; Sweet will fall to nineteen; Shoup will have sixteen, and Heyburn will hold his two votes. Claggatt will get the solid Populist vote to-morrow. Sweet reached his high mark to-day. The contest will be prolonged and bitter.

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BALTIMORE, Jan. 15.—William W. Crozier, who conducts the oyster and fruit packing business, under the firm name of H. S. Lanfair & Co., on Boston street, committed suicide this morning in his residence, 164 north Calvert street, by shooting himself in the right temple with a 32-calibre revolver. Mr. Crozier was one of the best known fruit and oyster packers in Baltimore. He was fifty-one years old, and a thirty-second degree Mason. Despondency, resulting from business depression, is supposed to have caused his self-detruction.

e Abyssinians Defeated.

ROME, Jan. 15.—General Baratieri has telegraphed to the war office that on Saturday last he made an attack upon the Abyssinians under Rasman Gascia, and that after severe fighting the Italian troops were victorious. A large number of Abyssinians were killed and many taken prisoners. The prisoners attribute the victory of the Italians to their use of the explosive balystite.

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PHILADELPHIA, PA., Jan. 15.—Judge Butler, in the United States District Court, to-day sentenced John H. Durland, president of the Provident Bond and Investment Company, who was convicted on December 7th of using the mails in carrying on a scheme to defraud, to ten months' imprisonment in Moyamensing Prison, and to pay a fine of $100. The imprisonment dates from the time of conviction, since which time Durland has been in jail.

The court-martial at Berlin, before whom were tried the two hundred noncommissioned officers from the artillery school, who were arrested some time ago and confined in the Madgeburg Fortress, imposed its sentence yesterday. Thirty-one were condemned to nine months' imprisonment, and a number for six weeks.

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