FINANCE AND COMMERCE

THE CLOSING QUOTATIONS OF MONEY.

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

NEW YORK, July 17.—Dealings on the Stock Exchange were in fairly large numbers, and the market was strong, as a whole. Liquidation in Sugar worked a sympathetic reaction in the market for a short time, but the advance was resumed before the close of buying to cover, and the last prices in many cases were the best. The grangers were notably strong, as being likely to derive the most immediate benefit from the promised abundance of crops. St. Paul, Rock Island, Northwest and Omaha all touched the highest points in the present movement, and St. Paul and Omaha closed at the top, the former leading the market in point of activity. Sugar was [illegible] pretty steadily all day, though not without severe pressure and some violent fluctuations. Louisville and Nashville was a strong feature in the trading, and was bought for London account as well.

The coal stocks continued to show strength under the same influences that have affected them all the week. New Jersey Central gained a point and closed at 88, the top price, and the highest it has sold at since early in the year. The break in the wheat market on reports of continental selling was not without its effect on values in the stock market, and contributed to the reaction. Tobacco was keenly affected by the reactionary tendency, and, together with Sugar, closed with a net loss of a large fraction. Lake Erie and Western preferred also closed a point lower. The railroad bond market was very active and also strong, sharp gains being shown by some of the speculative issues. The total sales of stocks for the day were 321,440 shares, including Louisville and Nashville, 3,529; Rock Island, 7,447; St. Paul, 14,923; American Tobacco, 7,392; Sugar, 16,553.

The steady advance by slow stages this week should gratify such speculators as may hope to market securities on the anticipated rise when the business of the country has settled down after ascertaining definitely the nature of pending legislation. Of course these expected rises are often abortive, being stunted by realization of paper profits. But little liquidation, however, has resulted. The week's noteworthy incident was the rare combination of the extraordinary advance in wheat and at the same time most favorable crop advices. The apparently trustworthy foreign advices indicated a diversified shortage of crops that promises remunerative returns for both wheat crops. The grangers, which will benefit largely by this state of affairs, were uniformly strong. The fiscal year's exports reached unprecedented figures, and attained an unequal excess over imports regardless of enormous imports anticipatory of the new tariff law. The anthracite roads were strong on the vacating of the order for an inquiry into the coal companies' methods on the ground that the Lexow anti-trust law was unconstitutional. There was an early disposition abroad to magnify the importance of the soft coal strike. On Wednesday, however, London was a fair customer of Yankees, and while subsequently there was some selling from that quarter, it was of a hesitating character, showing a gradual realization of the improved outlook here, and possibly a knowledge that there were efforts to arbitrate the miners' and operators' differences. The buoyancy of Sugar during the early part of the week was a sustaining influence on most of the list. The suspension of a large brokerage house on the wrong side of the market had but a transitory depressing effect. Washington rumors early indicated that a schedule very profitable to the refining company would be agreed upon in conference. Some timely disposition was displayed toward railway properties in the South and Southwest, notably Missouri Pacific, which was bettered by 2¾, and Louisville 1¾.

The bond trading during the week was characterized by aggressive strength on extensive dealings, which embraced a large number of usually dormant securities. Changes in these lines were usually attended by wide variations more generally upward. The demand of investment interest was reflected in the rapid appreciation in values of the gilt-edged issues, which is forcing more general purchases of the middle grades and speculative mortgages, which promise a larger return on capital invested. The pleasure of bonds at this centre is evidenced by the increased animation in various outside properties, and the high prices realized for municipal bonds, which are much sought for. The aggregate sales were $11,627,000.

Governments were moderately active and exhibited decided firmness. State issues were prominent and generally higher.

MONEY AND EXCHANGE: Money on call dull at 1@1½ per cent.; prime mercantile paper, 3@4 per cent. Sterling exchange steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at 4.87@4.87¼ for demand and 4.86@4.86¼ for sixty days; posted rates, 4.87@4.87¼ and 4.88@4.88½; commercial bills, 4.85. Bar silver, 60¼. Mexican dollars, 46½. State bonds quiet; railroad bonds firm; Government bonds firm.

BANK STATEMENT: The weekly bank statement shows the following changes: Reserve, decrease, $4,678,225; loans, increase, $787,800; specie, increase, $124,600; legal tenders, decrease, $5,345,700; deposits, increase, $1,144,300; circulation, decrease, $141,700. The banks now hold $63,026,300 in excess of the requirements of the 25 per cent. rule.

STOCK QUOTATIONS.

	Closing Stocks.
Atchison	12¾
Atchison pfd	25½
Baltimore and Ohio	14½
Canada Pacific	69¾
Canada Southern	50
Central Pacific	8¾
Chesapeake and Ohio	17½
Chicago and Alton	148
Chi., B. and Q.	84¾
Chi. and E. Ill.	49
C., C., C. and St. L.	29
C., C., C. and St. L. pfd	66
Del. and Hudson	112½
Del., Lack. and Western	157
Den. and Rio G.	10¼
Den. and Rio G. pfd	42¼
Erie (new)	14½
Erie (new) 1st pfd	33¼
Fort Wayne	167
Great Northern pfd	125
Hocking Valley	5½
Illinois Central	96¼
Lake Erie and W.	17¼
Lake Erie and W. pfd	61
Lake Shore	169½
Louis. and Nash.	52
Manhattan L.	90
Met. Traction	111
Michigan Central	99
Minn. and St. L.	24½
Minn. and St. L. 1st pfd	85
Mo. Pacific	20¾
Mobile and Ohio	19
Mo., K. and T.	12¼
Mo., K. and T. pfd	31½
New Alb. and Chi.	1½
New Alb. and Chi. pfd	1
N. J. Central	87¾
N. Y. Central	101⅞
N. Y. Chi. and St. L.	13
N. Y. Chi. and St. L. 1st pfd	65
N. Y. Chi. and St. L. 2d pfd	32
Norfolk and Western	10½
North American Co.	5½
No. Pacific	15⅞
Northern Pacific pfd	40¾
Ontario and Western	15¼
Ore. R. and Nav.	26½
Ore. Short Line	17½
Pittsburg	165
Reading	20½
Rock Island	75¾
St. Louis and S. F.	5
St. Louis and S. F. pfd	8½
St. Paul	84
St. Paul	140
St. P. and Om.	65¾
St. P. and Om. pfd	145
St. P., M. and M.	117
So. Pacific	16
So. Railway	9
Southern Railway pfd	29½
Texas and Pacific	10½
Union Pacific	7¼
U. P., D. and G.	1¾
Wabash	6¼
Wabash pfd	14¾
Wheeling and L. E.	1½
Wheeling and L. E. pfd	5
EXPRESS COMPANIES.	
Adams Express	152
American Express	114
United States	42
Wells-Fargo	105
MISCELLANEOUS.	
A. Cot. Oil	13
A. Cot. Oil pfd	63½
American Spirits	11½
American Spirits pfd	30¼
American Tobacco	77¾
Am. Tobacco pfd	106
Chicago Gas	94½
Consolidated Gas	167
Com. Cable Co.	166
Col. F. and Iron	17
Col. Fuel and I. pfd	80
General Electric	34½
Illinois Steel	24

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Silver Certificates	60
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Tenn. C. and I.	27½
U. S. Leather	7¾
U. S. Leather pfd	62
U. S. Rubber	16¼
U. S. Rubber pfd	65½
Western Union	84½
Northwestern	118⅞
Northwestern pfd	160

BONDS.

U. S. New 4's, registered	123¾
U. S. New 4's, coupon	124⅞
U. S. 4's, registered	110¾
U. S. 5's, coupon	114½
U. S. 4's, registered	111¾
U. S. 4's, coupon	112¾
U. S. 2's, registered	96½
Pacific 6's of '95	101½
Alabama (Class A)	106½
Alabama (Class B)	104
Alabama (Class C)	98
Alabama Currency	98
La. New Consols, 4's	98
Missouri 6's	100
North Carolina 6's	120
North Carolina 4's	102
South Carolina Non-Fund	½
Tenn. New Set. 3's	80
Tennessee New Settlement 5's	105
Tennessee Old 6's	60
Virginia Centuries	64½
Virginia Deferred	4
Atchison 4's	86½
Atchison 2d A.	54½
Canada So. 2ds	107⅛
Cen. Pacific 1sts of '95	104⅛
Den. and R. G. 7's	110
Den. and R. G. 4's	87½
Erie 2ds	65
G. H. and S. A. 6's	108
G. H. and S. A. 7's	100
H. and T. Cent. 5's	108½
H. and T. Cent. 6's	102
M. K. T. 1st 4's	84
M. K. T. 2d 4's	63½
Mutual Union 6's	110
N. J. Cent. Gen. 5's	112¾
Northern Pacific 1sts	117¾
Northern Pacific 2ds	56½
Northwest Consols	142½
Northwest S. F. Deb. 5's	117½
Rio Grande Western 1sts	78
St. Paul Consols, 7's	138¼
St. Paul, C. and P. W. 5's	115¾
St. L. and I. M. Gen. 5's	79
St. L. and S. F. Gen. 6's	113
Texas Pacific 1sts	91
Texas Pacific 2ds	27½
Union Pacific 1sts of '96	108⅛
West Shore 4's	108½
Pacific 6's of '98	101½
Pacific 6's of '99	104½
South Carolina 4½'s	105½
Virginia 2s	70½
Chesapeake and Ohio 4's	111
Mobile and Ohio 4's	66¼
B. and O. S. W. 1st Con. 4½'s	87½
B. and O. S. W. Incomes, Series A	20
B. and O. S. W. Incomes, Series B	111
Richmond Danville 5's	92
Richmond and Danville 6's	122½
N. J. Central Con. Reg.	116½
Chicago, Nor. Pac. 5's, T. R.	42½
N. and W. Gen. 6's	122½
Phil. and Reading Gen. Mort. 5's	85

RICHMOND STOCK MARKET.

Richmond, Va., July 17, 1897.

Sales: 4,200 Virginia Centuries at 64½; 2 shares Union Bank at 111.

		Bid.	Asked.
GOV. SECURITIES.			
U. S. 4's, R. and C., 1907		112	...
STATE SECURITIES.			
North Carolina 4's, C., 1910		102½	...
North Carolina 6's, C., 1919		127	...
Va. 3's, new, C. and R., 1932		73¾	74½
Va. Centuries, 2-3, C. and R.		64¼	64⅜
CITY SECURITIES.			
Richm'd City 8's, R., 1904-1910		127½	...
Richm'd City 6's, R., 1904-1910*		114½	...
Richm'd City 5's, R., 1920-1922		110	...
Richm'd City 4's, R., 1920-1929		100½	101½
RAILROAD BONDS.			
A. and C. 1st 7's, R., 1907		118	...
A. and C. gu. in 6's, R., 1900		101½	...
C. C. and A. 2d 7's, C., 1910		111	...
Ga. Pacific 1st 6's, R. C., 1922		115	...
Ga. So. and Fla. 5's, 1927		90	96½
Pet., Class A, 5's, R. C., 1926		108	...
Pet., Class B, 6's, R. C., 1926		113	...
Rich. and Meck. 1st 6's, 1921		...	80
Southern R. W. 1st 5's, 1994		90½	...
W. N. C. 1st 6's, C., 1914		112½	...
Ga. and Ala. pfd. 5's		102	...
Ga. and Ala. Consols		77	...
Richmond Traction 5's, 1920		101	...
RAILROAD STOCKS.	Par.		
Atlanta and Charlotte	100	94	...
Chesapeake and Ohio	100	17	...
North Carolina	100	120	...
Petersburg	100	100	...
R. F. and P. Div. Obli.	100	164	...
Rich. and Pet.	100	112	120
Southern R. W. pfd	100	29½	...
Southern R. W. com	100	9	...
BANK STOCKS.			
Citizens	25	...	25
First National	100	160	...
Metropolitan	25	25	...
National Bank of Va.	100	95	98
Planters National	100	205	...
Pet. Sav. and Ins. Co.	20	21	...
State Bank of Va.	100	133	...
Union Bank of Richmond	50	111	...
Va. Trust Co.	100	108	109½
INS. COMPANIES.			
Va. Fire and Marine	25	...	30¼
Virginia State	25	...	22½
MISCELLANEOUS.			
Amer. Tob. Co. pfd	100	106	...
Amer. Tob. Co. com	50	77	78
Va.-Car. Chem. pfd	100	100½	...
Va.-Car. Chem. com	100	44	46

*Quotations are for bonds maturing in not less than ten years.

GRAIN AND COTTON EXCHANGE.

Richmond, Va., July 17, 1897.

	Quotations.
WHEAT—	
Longberry	70 @73
Mixed	69 @73
Shortberry	68 @73
No. 2 red	73
CORN—	
White Virginia	33 @33½
No. 2 white	33 @33½
No. 2 mixed	32
OATS—	
No. 2 mixed	22 @22½
No. 3 oats	21½@21½
RYE—	
No. 2	40 @41

THE COTTON MARKETS.

NEW YORK, July 17.—COTTON—Quiet; middling, 8; net receipts, none; gross, 288 bales; forwarded, 212 bales; sales, 469 bales; stock, 80,665 bales.

Total to-day—Net receipts, 572 bales; exports to Great Britain, none; to France, none; to the Continent, none; stock, 138,678 bales.

Total since September 1st—Net receipts, 6,604,415 bales; exports to Great Britain, 2,906,934 bales; to France, 698,380 bales; to Continent, 2,122,744 bales; to the Channel, 5,481 bales.

Futures opened steady; sales 7,400 bales; January, 7.19; February, 7.22; March, 7.26; April, 7.29; July, 7.53; August, 7.51; September, 7.30; October, 7.17; November, 7.14; December, 7.16.

Futures closed steady; sales, 68,300 bales: January, 7.13; February, 7.17; March, 7.20; April, 7.23; May, June and July, 7.49; August, 7.46; September, 7.25; October, 7.12; November, 7.08; December, 7.10.

Spot cotton quiet; middling uplands, 8; middling gulf, 8¼; sales, 469 bales.

LIVERPOOL, July 17.—1 P. M.—COTTON—Spot in limited demand; prices firm; American middling, 4 9-32d.; the sales for the day were 6,000 bales, of which 1,000 were for speculation and export, and included 5,300 American; receipts, 500 bales, all American.

Futures opened firm, with a fair demand, and closed quiet but steady at the advance; American middling, l. m. c., July, 4 14-64@4 15-64 buyers; July and August, 4 13-64@4 14-64 buyers; August and September, 4 10-64 buyers; September and October, 4 4-64 buyers; October and November, 3 63-64 sellers; November and December, 3 60-64@3 61-64 sellers; December and January, 3 59-64 buyers; January and February, 3 59-64 sellers; February and March, 3 59-64 buyers; March and April, 3 60-64@3 61-64 sellers; April and May, 3 61-64; April, 3 62-64 sellers.

CHICAGO MARKET.

CHICAGO, July 17.—After three days wheat suffered a slight reaction to-day, September and July each closing ⅛c. lower. Corn surprised the shorts by closing ⅛c. higher. Oats were quiet, closing unchanged. Provisions were quiet and firm.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
WHEAT—No. 2.				
July	76	77¼	74	75
Sept.	70	71¼	69¾	69¾
Dec.	71¾	72¾	71	71¼
CORN—No. 2.				
July	26¼	26¾	26	26¾
Sept.	26¾	27	26½	27
Dec.	27¾	28	27½	28
OATS—No. 2.				
July	17¾	17⅞	17½	17¾
Sept.	17¾	18	17⅝	18
May	20	20¼	20	20¼
MESS PORK—				
July				$7.57½
Sept.	$7.57½	$7.60	$7.55	7.60
LARD—100 lbs.				
Sept.	4.15	4.15½	4.17½	4.17½
Oct.	4.17½	4.17½	4.17½	4.17½
SHORT RIBS—				
Sept.	4.40	4.45	4.40	4.42½
Oct.	4.40	4.45	4.45	4.45

Cash quotations were as follows: Flour steady; winter patents, $4@4.20; straights, $3.75@4; bakers', $2.80@2.90; No. 2 yellow corn, 26c.; No. 2 spring wheat, 75c. nominal; No. 2 red, 76@78c.; No. 2 corn, 26¼@26½c.; No. 2 oats, 17¾@18c.; No. 2 white, f. o. b., 22¾c.; No. 3 white, f. o. b., 21¼c.; No. 2 rye, 37c.; No. 2 barley, f. o. b., 29c.; No. 4, 28¼c.; No. 1 flax seed, 76c.; prime timothy seed, $2.75; mess pork, per barrel, $7.55@7.60; lard, per 100 pounds, $4.02½@4.05; short rib sides (loose), $4.40@4.42; dry salted shoulders (boxed), $4.75@5; short clear sides (boxed), $4.62½@4.75; whisky, distillers' finished goods, per gallon, $1.19; butter steady; creameries, 10@14½c.; dairies, 7@12c.; cheese dull at 7@9½c.; eggs firm; fresh, 9c.

BALTIMORE MARKET.

BALTIMORE, July 17.—FLOUR—Firmer; western super, $2.60@2.85; do. extra, $3@3.10; do. family, $3.60@4.10; winter wheat patent, $4.25@4.50; spring do., $4.30@4.60; spring wheat straights, $3.95@4.10; receipts, 2,819 barrels; exports, 304 barrels; sales, none.

WHEAT—Strong; spot and month, 79¼@79½c.; August, 78¼@78½c.; September, 77¼@77½c.; steamer No. 2 red, 77¼@77½c.; receipts, 91,865 bushels; exports, 48,000 bushels; stock, 529,517 bushels; sales, 86,000 bushels. Southern wheat, by sample, 78@80c.; do. on grade, 78@80c.

CORN—Strong; spot and month, 30¾@31c.; August, 30¾@31c.; September, 31½@31¾c.; steamer mixed, 27¾@27⅞c.; receipts, 44,408 bushels; exports, none; stock, 678,332 bushels; sales, 45,000 bushels. Southern white corn, 32@33c.; do. yellow, 32@34c.

OATS—Firm; No. 2 white, 29@29½c.; No. 2 mixed, 26@26½c.; receipts, 12,128 bushels; exports, none; stock, 143,585 bushels.

RYE—Firm; No. 2 nearby, 40½c.; No. 2 western, 41c. bid; receipts, 285 bushels; exports, none; stock, 12,049 bushels.

HAY—Firm; choice timothy, $12.50@14.

GRAIN FREIGHTS—Quiet, advancing in grain checks business unchanged.

SUGAR—Firm; granulated, $4.96½.

BUTTER—Quiet; fancy creamery, 15@16c.; do. imitation, 12@13c.; do. ladle, 11c.; good ladle, 9@10c.; store-packed, 8@10c.

EGGS—Firm; fresh, 10½c.

CHEESE—Steady; fancy New York, 60 pounds, 9c.; do. 35 pounds, 9¼c.; do. 22 pounds, 9¾c.

WHISKY—Unchanged.

NAVAL STORES.

WILMINGTON, N. C., July 17.—SPIRITS OF TURPENTINE—Nothing doing; receipts, 346 casks.

ROSIN—Nothing doing; receipts, 719 barrels.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Firm at $1.00, $1.60 and $1.90; receipts, 345 barrels.

TAR—Steady at $1.15; receipts, 58 barrels.

CHARLESTON, S. C., July 17.—TURPENTINE—Firm at 23@23½c.; sales, none.

ROSIN—Dull; nothing doing; quotations omitted.

SAVANNAH, GA., July 17.—TURPENTINE—Firm at 24½c.; sales, 800 casks; receipts, 1,277 casks.

ROSIN—Firm and unchanged; sales, 2,841 barrels; receipts, 4,089 barrels.

TOBACCO EXCHANGE.

Richmond, Va., July 17, 1897.

Offerings at auction on 'Change for the week ending to-day, 186 packages of Caroline, Louisa, Goochland and Fluvanna county, Va., sun-cured tobacco. Highest price for the week ending to-day, $50.

Offerings at auction on 'Change for the week ending Saturday, July 18, 1896, 90 packages sun-cured tobacco. Highest price for week, $21.

Offerings at auction on 'Change for the week ending Saturday, July 20, 1895, 94 packages sun-cured tobacco. Highest price for the week, $13.25.

Offerings at auction on 'Change for the week ending Saturday, July 21, 1894, 206 packages sun-cured tobacco. Highest price for the week, $34.

Offerings at auction on 'Change for the week ending Saturday, July 22, 1893, 206 packages sun-cured tobacco. Highest price for the week, $32.

Offerings at auction on 'Change for the week ending Saturday, July 23, 1892, 274 packages sun-cured tobacco. Highest price for the week, $38.50.

Offerings at auction on 'Change for the week ending Saturday, July 18, 1891, 161 packages sun-cured tobacco. Highest price for the week, $25.

Private sales reported to the secretary of the Richmond Tobacco Trade to-day: Wrappers, 7 hogsheads; fillers, 2; leaf (dark), 22; lugs (dark), 1. Total, 32 hogsheads.

Private sales reported to the secretary of the Richmond Tobacco Trade for the week ending to-day, Saturday, July 17, 1897: Wrappers, 72 hogsheads; fillers, 69; smokers, 32; scrap (bright), 17; scrap (dark), 7; leaf (dark), 479; western, 12; burleys, 24; lugs (dark), 29. Total, 741 hogsheads.

Private sales reported to the secretary of the Richmond Tobacco Trade for the week ending Saturday, July 10, 1897 (last week): Wrappers, 33 hogsheads; fillers, 63; cutters, 10; scrap (bright), 102; leaf (dark), 310; stems, 15; lugs (dark), 83. Total, 616 hogsheads.

Private sales reported to the secretary of the Richmond Tobacco Trade for the week ending Saturday, July 18, 1896: Wrappers, 20 hogsheads; fillers, 10; cutters, 113; smokers, 120; scrap (bright), 21; scrap (dark), 16; leaf (dark), 1,000; western, 6; lugs (dark), 34. Total, 1,440 hogsheads.

Private sales reported to the secretary of the Richmond Tobacco Trade for the week ending Saturday, July 20, 1895: Wrappers, 26 hogsheads; fillers, 43; smokers, 14; scrap (dark), 1; leaf (dark), 369; sun-cured, 7; lugs (dark), 278; western, 2. Total, 750 hogsheads.

Private sales reported to the secretary of the Richmond Tobacco Trade for the week ending Saturday, July 21, 1894: Wrappers, 76 hogsheads; fillers, 316; cutters, 45; smokers, 34; scrap (bright), 29; scrap (dark), 8; leaf (dark), 245; lugs (sun-cured), 1; leaf (red), 1; lugs (dark), 68. Total, 823 hogsheads.

Private sales reported to the secretary of the Richmond Tobacco Trade for the week ending Saturday, July 22, 1893: Wrappers, 55 hogsheads; fillers, 18; cutters, 17; smokers, 8; scrap (bright), 1; scrap (dark), 10; leaf (dark), 347; lugs (dark), 243. Total, 699 hogsheads.

Private sales reported to the secretary of the Richmond Tobacco Trade for the week ending Saturday, July 16, 1892: Wrappers, 67 hogsheads; fillers, 32; cutters, 6; smokers, 112; scrap (bright), 19; leaf (dark), 943. Total, 1,179 hogsheads.

Private sales reported to the secretary of the Richmond Tobacco Trade for the week ending Saturday, July 18, 1891: Wrappers, 27 hogsheads; fillers, 673; cutters, 118; smokers, 262; leaf (dark), 316; western, 18. Total, 1,403 hogsheads.

The tobacco inspector reports to-day: Inspections—Bright, 23 hogsheads; dark, 23 hogsheads. Reinspections—Bright, 6 hogsheads.

And for the week ending to-day: Inspections—Bright, 180 hogsheads; dark, 479 hogsheads and 146 tierces; western, 40 hogsheads. Reinspections—Bright, 34 hogsheads; dark, 20 hogsheads and 4 tierces.

Total inspections for the week ending to-day, 690 hogsheads and 146 tierces; reinspections, 54 hogsheads and 4 tierces. Total sampling for the week ending to-day, 744 hogsheads and 150 tierces.

Davenport's, Shockoe, Crenshaw's, Seabrook's, Vaughan's, Old Dominion, Stonewall and Myer's tobacco warehouses report to-day: Receipts, 24 packages; deliveries, 161 packages.

The same tobacco warehouses, with Jones', Alleghany, Neal's, Planters, Farmers, and Williams & Rehling's added, report for the week ending to-day, Saturday, July 17, 1897: Receipts, 536 packages; deliveries, 651 packages.

Excess of the deliveries over the receipts for the week ending to-day, 115 packages.

Receipts for the week ending Saturday, July 18, 1896, 305 packages; deliveries, 377 packages.

Receipts for the week ending Saturday, July 20, 1895, 758 packages; deliveries, 855 packages.

Receipts for the week ending Saturday, July 21, 1894, 758 packages; deliveries, 626 packages.

Receipts for the week ending Saturday, July 22, 1893, 549 packages; deliveries, 777 packages.

Receipts for the week ending Saturday, July 23, 1892, 901 packages; deliveries, 644 packages.

United States internal revenue collections on tobacco for the city of Richmond, Va., to-day: Cigars and cigarettes, $162.90; plug tobacco, $854.88. Total, $1,016.78.

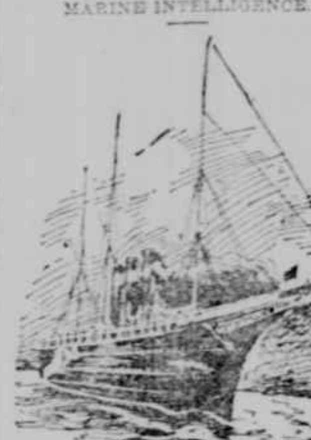
United States internal revenue collections on tobacco for the city of Richmond, Va., for the week ending Saturday, July 17, 1897: Cigars and cigarettes, $18,287.75; plug tobacco, $11,533.68. Total, $29,821.43.

United States internal revenue collections on tobacco for the city of Richmond, Va., for the week ending Saturday, July 18, 1896: Cigars and cigarettes, $14,805.25; plug tobacco, $11,997.71. Total, $26,803.06.

United States internal revenue collections on tobacco for the city of Richmond, Va., for the week ending Saturday, July 20, 1895: Cigars and cigarettes, $16,010.15; plug tobacco, $11,421.03. Total, $27,431.18.

United States internal revenue collections on tobacco for the city of Richmond, Va., for the week ending Saturday, July 16, 1894: Cigars and cigarettes, $11,237.2; plug tobacco, $12,876.75. Total, $24,112.87.

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.



July 18, 1897.

Sun rises	5:04 A. M.
Sun sets	7:24 P. M.
Moon south	2:30 A. M.
First high water	7:34 A. M.
Second high water	7:52 P. M.

July 19, 1897.

Sun rises	5:05 A. M.
Sun sets	7:23 P. M.
Moon south	4:17 A. M.
First high water	8:15 A. M.
Second high water	8:29 P. M.

PORT OF WEST POINT, JULY 17, 1897.

ARRIVED.

Steamship Accomac, Thompson, Norfolk, passengers and general cargo.

SAILED.

Steamship Accomac, Thompson, Norfolk, passengers and general cargo.

A GRUESOME CATCH.

A Human Arm and Two Dissevered Hands Caught by Fishermen.

ACCOMAC, VA., July 16.—Special.—A human arm and two dissevered hands were the gruesome catch, or find recently, of some fishermen on the seaside. These fragments are supposed to be a part of the remains of Savage Davis, a colored man, who was drowned on the second instant by the capsizing of his boat while attempting to cross Assawaman bar. Two others, who were imperilled with him in the capsized boat, were rescued by an oysterman from Chincoteague.

Mr. Solomon Hargis, of this county, dug 36 barrels of salable potatoes from a planting of less than five barrels.

A mass-meeting of Democrats at the July term of our County Court will elect delegates to the gubernatorial convention. It will also decide upon a plan and time for nominating a Senator and Representative.

The delegates will doubtless go up to the convention uninstructed as to choice for Governor, but an effort will no doubt be made to send a delegation solidly in favor of Smith for Attorney General. To send a delegation in the interests of Mr. Smith would not be a difficult matter, if it were not for a few party disturbers and factionists. They are trying to revive the diminishing factional feeling. There is no telling what the coming mass-meeting will bring forth.

One thing is certain, unless differences are adjusted and harmony cultivated by certain leaders, the people intend to reorganize the party and elect new leaders.

"The Farmer and Fisherman," of Belle Haven, this county, recently published an editorial, in which Major R. Taylor Scott was kindly mentioned. One of the disturbing factionists replied to the editorial in this week's issue of the Farmer and Fisherman. The writer signs himself "Democrat." That your readers may see the kind of Democracy this factionist is, and the kind of spirit that actuates these factionists, I clip the closing part of his article and send herewith.

It is to be deplored that such reckless, inflamatory writings and speeches are endorsed by—even if they do not emanate from—certain leaders whose official positions should influence—as it already obligates—them to do all in their power to adjust their differences and strive to unite the party that entrusts its interests to them.

Here is the clipping from the "Farmer and Fisherman" of this date, containing the closing words of the reply referred to:

"But this is not all. About two months ago Attorney General Scott and old Parson Massey, as members of the Virginia State Board of Education, defied and insulted the Democratic party of Accomac by riding rough shod over the edicts of two mass-meetings and the decree of a party primary duly held. It is one of the essential principles of Democracy that officers are the servants of the people to execute their will; but in this instance these two officials made it their duty to defy and thwart the will of the people. Now, Mr. Editor, I ask you in all fairness and candor, how you or any other one claiming to be a Democrat can expect the loyal Democrats of Accomac to support such men for re-election?"

DEMOCRAT.

Adjourned Till October.

The May term of the Circuit Court of the city of Richmond closed on yesterday and the next term will begin in October next.

A New Frog.

The New York Press has a very lively imagination, indeed. It says that "genius, like Shakespeare's toad, may be cut at the elbows and down at the heel, yet all the while wearing a precious jewel in its head." If Shakespeare ever had a toad that was cut at the elbows and down at the heel, we don't recall it.—Chicago Times-Herald.

NORTH CAROLINA NEWS

THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT IN SESSION AT RALEIGH.

The Railway Commission has Made no Decision in Valuation of Railways. The Sheriffs Will Meet in Force.

RALEIGH, N. C., July 17.—Special.—Judge Purnell held a regular term of the United States District Court here to-day. He received the bond of J. B. Fortune, as clerk of the court and administered the oath of office to him.

Judge Purnell also heard a motion for a receiver for the Cumberland Mills in the case against it by the Eastern Building and Loan Association, of Syracuse, N. Y.

The Judge says he has notified Clerk Shaw of the court at Wilmington that he will not be removed or disturbed. The Judge will be at Asheville three weeks longer, returning there Monday to hear the great case of Swift vs. the Western Land Company, involving title to over 70,000 acres of land in Buncombe, McDowell and Burke counties. The grant for this land was issued in 1796 to Samuel Tate.

The Railroad Commissioners say no decision is arrived at regarding the rate of valuation of railways and that none will be reached until the end of next week, during which time the commission will be in session at Round Knob, on the Western North Carolina railroad near Asheville.

THE SHERIFFS ASSEMBLE.

The State Treasurer says over half the sheriffs in the State and a great number of other county officials will attend the meeting at Moorhead City, known as the county officer's convention. Auditor Ayer went there to-day, to remain until it ends and to secure the largest possible attendance.

The Charlotte Artillery detachment, sixteen strong, armed with a Gatling gun, a howitzer and revolvers, is uniformed by the State as a light battery.

The fruit crop east of the mountains is not a good one. In the mountain counties it is excellent.

News comes in that great numbers of Populists are deeply disgusted at occurrences since January 1st last, and are ready to return to the Democratic party.

OPPOSED TO THE ELECTION.

Many persons elected as judges and registrars of election, decline to serve for the public school tax election, August 10th. Opposition to the election increases daily in many sections and is being favored. Large quantities of literature is being sent out by the press bureau in support of the election.

The man arrested at Mt. Airy on the belief that he was the murderer of Mrs. Springs, at Lexington, has proved his innocence and is at liberty.

The Seaboard Air Line it is now declared is making complete arrangements to build from Rutherford to Bristol, via Asheville, Burnsville and Cranberry.

Six white men who lynched Robert Chambers near Cranberry in Mitchell county are on trial in McDowell county for that crime. Under the new law persons accused of lynching must be tried in a county other than the one in which the crime was committed.

The capitol officials attempted to evade responsibility for removing all the veteran negro employes and putting in their places some who are partisans. But the attempt has failed. The Secretary of State says each appointed his own man.

The Salisbury Knitting Mill, long idle, resumes work Monday, with much new machinery.

DEATH OF A NOTED NEGRO.

He Held More Offices Than Anybody in the Section.

NEWPORT NEWS, VA., July 17.—Special.—Rufus S. Jones, a colored man, who had held probably more offices than any other man in this section of the country, died this morning at an early hour. Jones was an orderly sergeant in the regiment commanded by Colonel, afterwards General Armstrong, during the late war. General Armstrong recognized the ability of the young negro, and gave him opportunity to display his talents. When General Armstrong started the Hampton School he sent for Jones, who lived in Pennsylvania, to give him a position. On coming here, however, Jones went into politics.

He filled the office of clerk of courts of Elizabeth City county for six years, served four years in the Virginia Legislature, and was Inspector of Customs for four years here. He also was a justice of the peace for several years. At his request he will be buried in the cemetery of the Soldiers' Home to-morrow.

The Allan Line steamship Beverly, which arrived here some time since with disabled boilers, has been placed in trim at the ship-yard and will sail to-morrow for Port Antonio, Jamaica.

Yesterday afternoon, near Messic's, in York county, Wade Watkins, the twelve-year-old son of Mr. Sidney Watkins, was accidentally shot by Stephen Holloway, a young man about twenty-one years of age, while hunting. The load entered the side of Watkins' head, blowing it partly off. The lad died this morning at 1 o'clock. The boys were good friends and Holloway is almost beside himself with grief. Both belonged to families highly thought of in their community.

Postmaster-elect Fred Read will take charge of the postoffice about August 1st.

John Lester, colored, was sentenced for two years by the Corporation Court to-day for felonious shooting.

D. J. Trevy, a well-known citizen of Lynchburg, died here last night at the home of his son, Mr. J. L. Trevey, aged seventy-one years.

J. C. Michaux, a respected citizen, died yesterday, aged sixty-nine years. Mr. Michaux was a native of Powhatan county and was a gallant Confederate soldier.

MR. NUGENT IN GLOUCESTER.

A House on Piles One Eighth of a Mile From Shore.

WHITE MARSH, Va., July 14.—Special. The protracted drought has happily been broken, and corn and other vegetation already shows the benefit of the rain of two days since.

Rev. William B. Lee, assisted by Rev. Mr. Nugent, of Richmond, is holding a series of religious services at the chapel of the Holy Innocents, in Robin's Neck.

There are a good many cases of typhoid fever in Robin's Neck, caused (as the physicians think) from the liberal use of fish fertiliser and the drainage from the fertilized fields into the wells, most of which are shallow.

Already there have been several deaths from the disease.

Mrs. C. T. Brown who, with her family, has been visiting her uncle, Judge Fielding L. Taylor, at Rosewell, returns to-day to Richmond. While at Rosewell a sailing party was made up to pay a visit to Mr. and Mrs. Morris, at their unique home in King's Creek. The family was absent, but the visitors felt well repaid for their trip, for, in addition to the pleasures of the sail, they saw (for Virginia) the novel sight of a comfortable dwelling built upon piles about a furlong from shore. From its porticoes fish are caught in summer and wild fowl shot in winter.

Mr. Lewis Mayer had lately a narrow escape from a terrible death. In stepping from a railroad train he was knocked down by another train coming in the same direction unseen by him, and fell between the tracks, thus being saved. He was picked up insensible and taken to the hospital. After a week's treatment he was enabled to return to work, and but for a bandaged head and much cut face is himself again.

Mr. Mayer is the son of Mrs. Lewis Mayer (nee Jennie Deans), of this county.

Mr. A. W. Withers, wife and children and Miss Anne Vandegrift are spending the summer months on a yachting cruise along the coast.

Wheat threshing is being pushed and the yield generally is good, but spring oats are poor.

Have you investigated our new Class B, Interest-Bearing Instalment Stock? You pay $1 or more per share per month, we pay you 6 per cent. interest thereon and compound the principal and interest semi-annually. Call on or address The Metropolitan Building and Loan Association, No. 1103 east Main street.

Grand Annual Excursion from Richmond to Danville and Return via Southern Railway July 31st and August 2d, 1897. Fare for the Round-Trip, $2.00.

Train leaves Virginia-Street Depot at 11:00 P. M. Saturday, July 31st, returning leave Danville, Monday evening, 7 o'clock. Two day's trip and only one from business. Don't forget this; our annual excursion gives more time and a longer visit to your friends than heretofore and an opportunity to attend the revival meetings at the different churches on Sunday. There will be a game of base-ball in Danville Monday evening between Richmond and Danville teams. Special cars will be provided for white people and good order maintained.

WM. HANKINS and M'CORMICK,
Committee.

The German Ladies' Aid Society of the Virginia Hospital will have on Tuesday night, beginning at 6 o'clock the 20th of July at B. Hassel's place, 1502 Pleasants street, a Sommernachts Fest. Admission 10 cents. In case of inclement weather the entertainment will be postponed until the next night.

Christian Workers' Association, Black Mountain, N. C., July 20-30, 1897.

The Southern Railway will sell tickets to those wishing to attend the meeting of the Christian Worker's Association at Black Mountain, N. C., July 20-30, 1897, at rate of one first-class limited fare for the roundtrip ticket to be sold July 18th to July 28th, inclusive, final limit August 5, 1897. Black Mountain, N. C., is that beautiful scenic region of Western North Carolina called the "Land of the Sky" widely renowned for its rare and beautiful scenery and delightful climate. All who possibly can should avail themselves of this trip. For further information apply to Richmond Transfer Company, 903 east Main street, Southern Railway Depot Ticket Agent, or C. W. Westbury, Travelling Passenger Agent, 920 east Main street.

Wood—Long, Sawed or Split, sold by Gay & Lorraine Company, at lowest prices; also Anthracite, Gayton, Splint an Steam coals.

The ladies of Union-Station Methodist church will run their annual excursion to Old Point Tuesday July 20th, stopping at Williamsburg and Oriana each way. Train will leave C. & O. depot at 8 A. M., returning, leave Old Point at 7 P. M., giving parties ample time to visit Newport News, Ocean View or Norfolk.

This is given in the interest of their church debt, and will, no doubt, secure for them a large crowd. The pleasant trips they have previously given to this place is a sufficient guarantee for an enjoyable time to those who go with them.

Excursion Rates to Niagara Falls, N. Y., via York River Line and B. & O. R. R. July 28, 1897.

On Wednesday, July 28th, 1897, tickets Richmond to Niagara Falls, N. Y., and return at rate of $12 for round trip, good for eleven days, will be sold via York River line to Baltimore arriving there Thursday morning in time to connect with train carrying through Pullman Parlor cars from Baltimore to Niagara Falls. Do not miss this chance of seeing one of the most interesting points in the country.

Further information cheerfully furnished by Richmond Transfer Company, 903 east Main street, C. W. Westbury, Travelling Passenger Agent, 920 east Main street, or Arthur G. Lewis, Southern Passenger Agent Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, Norfolk, Va.

Are you investing money? Before doing so call and investigate the 6 per cent. Prepaid Interest-Bearing Class C Stock of The Metropolitan Building and Loan Association, No. 1103 east Main street.

Special Excursion to Atlantic City, Cape May and Sea Isle City, via R., F. and P. R. R. at Low Rates.

On Saturdays only, until August 28, 1897, round trip tickets will be sold for R. F. & P. 8:45 A. M. train to the above popular sea shore resorts at $8.50 each. Good going only on train leaving Washington via Pennsylvania railroad at 12:45 P. M. Good returning until following Tuesdays.

For further information apply to Richmond Transfer Company, 903 east Main street; Ticket Agent Byrd-Street Station, or

C. A. TAYLOR,
Traffic Manager.

The Jefferson, Richmond, Va., is conducted strictly upon the European plan for the summer months, with cafe charges as moderate as any first-class restaurant in the State. Good rooms can be had for $1.50 per day and upwards.

Summer Trips via the Southern Railway

In addition to the very attractive Summer Homes and Resorts folder lately issued by the Southern Railway, two new time-tables, one giving the through condensed schedules and the other the local schedules, are announced, giving the improved through train and car service between various points in the South. As announced some time since, very low-round-trip excursion tickets will be sold during the Summer from Richmond and other cities to principal resorts in the South and Southwest, to such places as Blowing Rock, Asheville, Hot Springs, and all other resorts reached via Southern Railway and its connections.

Detailed information in regard to any Summer Resort on or near the line of the Southern Railway, will be furnished upon application to any agent of that company, C. W. Westbury, T. P. A., 920 east Main street, or Richmond Transfer Company, 903 east Main street.

Grand Moonlight Excursion to Dutch Gap.

Nothing on a warm evening is more delightful than a trip down the James on the steamer Pocahontas. The ladies of the Church of the Covenant, who are noted for their energy and enterprise, would be glad to have their friends and the public to go with them on Tuesday evening, July the 20th. With string music, hot fish supper, and congenial company, they can promise all who go an enjoyable trip. Tickets for gentlemen 50c., ladies and children 25c. Boat leaves wharf at 8 o'clock sharp.

Have you seen the new Prospectus of the Metropolitan Building and Loan Association? New and attractive plans for investors. All estimates discarded. Call on or address The Metropolitan Building and Loan Association, No. 1103 east Main street.

Niagara Falls Tours via R., F. and P. R. R.

Round trip rate from Richmond only $14.00. Leaves Washington only on special trains via Pennsylvania railroad at 7:50 A. M. July 22d, August 5th, and 19th and September 4th and 16th, due Niagara Falls 10:50 P. M. same dates. Tickets good for twelve days from Richmond. Stopovers are allowed at Buffalo, Rochester and Watkins returning.

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We were the lucky purchaser of a large portion of stock sold by the receiver of George E. Anderson, Jr., on Church Hill. These goods were bought at half prices, and we sell them accordingly. Just read the great bargains. All goods guaranteed as advertised. Some of the few bargains are White A Sugar, 4c.; three pounds Good Green Coffee for 25c.; two pounds Good Green Tea for 25c.; Best Imported Cocoa, 7c. can; 10c. bottle Tomato Catsup, 4c.; Boston Baked Beans, 3c. Read our prices over carefully and see what cash will do for you.

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A GREAT HORSE.

Five Successive Races Won by Dr. J. A. Deane's Pacer, "Dyspepsia Pills."—An Original and Very Novel Advertising Scheme.

At Elmira, N. Y., last Saturday, Dr. J. A. Deane's sorrel pacing mare, "Dyspepsia Pills" (by Equinox, by Electioneer, dam by Nutwood), won a race against eleven competitors in three straight heats, and that was the fifth successive race she has won.

"Dyspepsia Pills" has demonstrated not only that she has speed, but staying qualities and courage in the highest degree, and if she does not meet with any bad luck during the season, will win lots of glory and money, and also do great advertising for Dr. Deane's Dyspepsia Pills.

As an advertising scheme it is original, novel, and will prove very effective.

"Dyspepsia Pills" is a handsome sorrel about 15.1 hands, without spot or blemish, and is as good and kind as she is fast—a woman or child can drive her. She is six years old. As a four-year-old she took a mark of 2:25 1-4; as a five-year-old she was not raced. She is now entered in several races in the .23 and .17 classes, and will have engagements each week during the season.—Kingston Leader.

$5.00—Excursions to the Seashore—$5.00

VIA PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD.

On Fridays and Saturdays during July and August, tickets will be sold for 11 A. M. and 12:45 P. M. trains from Washington for Atlantic City, Cape May, Ocean City, and Sea Isle City good to return to the following Tuesday at rate of $5. Tickets to above points, with same limit, will be sold for the 8:45 A. M. train from Richmond on Saturdays at rate of $8.50. Atlantic City tickets goods via Delaware Bridge route.

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