

FINANCE AND COMMERCE

THE CLOSING QUOTATIONS OF MONEY.

Offerings and Sales at the Richmond Tobacco Exchange-Internal Revenue

NEW YORK, Jan. 4.-Prices of stocks showed a further decline today, and there was nothing to indicate that the decline was due to any other cause than the prevalence of those who desire to sell over those who desire to buy. There was some short selling by the professional bears, but no marked recuperation, such as would be caused by the covering of shorts, was effected, and the brokers, if they sold, were apparently content to leave their contracts open. The specialties continued to absorb the largest share of attention, but the market showed a broader tendency and the liquidation extended more generally through the list. Metropolitan Street Railroad was favored, and credit throughout, moving in a range of 25 points and closing with a gain of a fraction. The stock at one time shared in the weakness of the general list and fell 14, but later recovered, and the pressure all day after a momentary gain at the opening and fell to the lowest 130 only a little below the close with a feeble recovery. There was a general recovery against this stock. Net losses of a large fraction are general throughout the list and a number of prominent specialties and credits, including the Richmond Street and Southern Railway, and the latter shows net losses of a point or over. Yesterday's flurry in the money market, which caused the rates for money to be not repeated today, but rates were firm and the largest part of the day's transactions was made at 4 per cent. The clearing house statement discloses that the January interest disbursements resulted in the transfer of a bill over \$100,000,000 to the Treasury to the New York money market, as indicated by the sub-treasurer's debit balance. The day's exchanges at the clearing house ran up to the enormous total of \$20,721,285, and the total cleared up to \$18,500,000. To-morrow is Union Pacific payment day. There are not such confident predictions heard of an immediate easing of the rates for money as were heard last week, though the exchange market holds firm on a demand which is based on a presumption of lower rates for money at the close of the year. The demand for bonds was not heavy today, but prices were well held. Total sales \$1,200,000. United States old 4 1/2 registered, were bid, bid, to-day and 4 1/2's were a higher.

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1000 EAST MAIN STREET. LETTERS OF CREDIT furnished available in all parts of the world.

Table with columns for various financial instruments and their prices, including State Bonds, Bank Stocks, and various commodities.

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BONDS.

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Inventory Clearance Sale of Ladies' Silk and Velvet Waists. \$3.98. At \$3.98 we will close out a lot of Fine Corduroy, Velveta and Silk Waists, well made and elegantly trimmed. Waist, 36" to 40" long, for less than \$4.00, go now \$3.98.

INVENTORY CLEARANCE SALE OF CHILDREN'S AND LADIES' LEGGINGS, GAMBETTAS, &c.

Inventory Clearance Sale of Children's and Ladies' Leggings, Gambettas, &c. Children's White and Colored Knit Leggings, go now at \$1.25. Children's White and Black Knit Leggings, go now at 45c. Children's Leather Leggings, go now from \$1.00 up. Children's and Ladies' Fine Jersey Leggings, to be closed out now at 88c. Ladies' Gambettas, go now at \$1.00. Children's and Ladies' Fine Jersey Leggings, to be closed out now at 20c.

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Inventory Clearance Sale of Children's School Aprons. LOT 1-Child's Aprons, made of checked Muslin, Gritchen Wash, Edged around with blue and white lace, sizes 4 to 6 years, 25c, and larger sizes, 38c. LOT 2-Same styles as above, with Plain Skirt and Striped Muslin Yoke, sold in lots of 25, waist 36" to 40", now 25c, and... 38c. The Fine Aprons that sold at 88c, reduced now to 50c. The better \$1.25 Aprons we are closing out now at \$1.00.

MUSLIN UNDERWEAR.

Muslin Underwear. Clearance sale of odds and ends in Ladies' Gowns, Blouses, and Dresses. The prices are just half the usual asking.

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