STOCKS FOLLOW COPPER PLUNGE

Powerful Capitalists Unite and Prevent Disaster in Early Part of Day.

RELAPSE CAME LATER ON

Copper Dropped Back Again, and Though There Were Recoveries, Close Was Uncertain.

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, Dec. 13.—The Stock Exchange spent another bad half hour after the opening of the session to-day. Prompt and vigorous measures were adopted by powerful capitalists to avert a disaster, and the headlong downward plunge of prices was almost immediately checked. The entire market showed close sympathy with Amalgamated Copper throughout, and it was the determined support of that stock against the opening pressure that gave force to the supporting measures elsewhere after the first plunge. Amalgamated Copper fell back to last night's level for a moment after opening a point higher, but when it was perceived that it would not yield below that the whole market rebounded resiliently. This stock again demonstrated its effective dominating power of the market in the last hour of the trading. At that time a level of prices had been attained for the principal market leaders from 1 to 2 points above last night. Amalgamated Copper itself had risen 1 5-8 over the final price of yesterday. It was its abrupt relapse of over 2 points which gave the market its sudden chill again. When the sudden reversal in the movement of Amalgamated Copper was seen to be a false start there were recoveries almost as sudden as the reaction. But this was not entirely convincing to sentiment, and the closing evidenced considerable hesitation and uncertainty. The break at the opening cost the price level quite generally from 1 to 3 points.

There were much larger declines in some stocks, but they were not representative of the active list. Neither were they restored by the subsequent rally. Lackawanna lost 15 points in this way, Pullman 7 and American Express 5. These were generally recognized as due to the relinquishment of measures used to force a few stocks of this class to an unwarrantably high level for effect on the speculation in the general market. The morning break had the result of making some prices lower than those of the low point on Thursday last, but it could not be said that the average level of the market fell below that point.

Money was very easy and was not a factor in the market. Bonds declined early, but showed some recovery. Total sales, par value, $7,200,000. United States bonds were unchanged on call.

The total sales of stocks for the day amounted to 1,597,300 shares.

MONEY AND EXCHANGE—CLOSE.

Money on call steady at 2 1-2@3 per cent.; closing bid, 2 per cent. offered at 2 1-2 per cent.; time loans, easy and dull; sixty days, ninety days and six months, 3 3-4 per cent.; prime mercantile paper, 4 1-4@4 3-4 per cent. Sterling exchange firm with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.80.80@4.85.90 for demand and at $4.81.15@4.84.25 for sixty day bills; posted rates, $4.84 1-2@4.85 and $4.87 1-2; commercial bills, $4.81 1-8. Bar silver, 60 5-8; Mexican dollars, 48 1-4.

RICHMOND STOCK MARKET.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 13, 1904.

SALES

Virginia-Carolina Chemical Co. Col. Trust 5 per cent.—1,000 at 99; 3,000 at 99.

Virginia Securities—200 at 93¼; 2,100 at 93¾.

STATE SECURITIES	Bid.	Ask'd.
North Carolina 6s, C., 1919	150	152
Va. 3s, New, C. and R., 1932	97¾	98
Va. Centuries, 2-3, C. and R., 1991	93¾	93¾
CITY SECURITIES.		
Richmond City, 1903	108	108¾
RAILROAD BONDS.		
S. A. L. Con. 1st 4s, 1914	81	85
RAILROAD STOCKS.	Par.	
Atlantic Coast Line "A"	100	148 ...
Atlantic Coast Line pfd	100	112 ...
Atlantic Coast Line com	100	143 ...
R., F. and P. Div. Oblig	100	... 300
R., F. and P. 7 p. c. guar	100	298 ...
Seaboard Air Line pfd	100	37½ 38½
BANK AND TRUST COMPANY STOCKS.		
Bank of Richmond	100	120 ...
American National	100	123 ...
Broad Street Bank	25	26 ...
Merchants National	100	311 ...
Union Bank of Richmond	50	162 ...
MISCELLANEOUS.		
Va.-Car. Chem. pfd., S. p. c.	100	110 113½
Va.-Carolina Chemical com	100	22 ...
Va.-Car. C. Co. Col. Tr. 5 p. c.		95¾ 96½

BALTIMORE STOCK MARKET.

BALTIMORE, MD., Dec. 13.—Seaboard Air Line common, 12@12½; do. preferred, 36@36¼. Atlantic Coast Line common, 143½@145½.

COTTON MARKETS.

NEW YORK, Dec. 13.—The cotton market was less active than at any time since the government report, and prices fluctuated within a 10-point range. In a general way the situation seemed a little steadier and final quotations, while a little off from the best, showed a moderate gain for the day.

The opening was quiet but firm at unchanged prices to an advance of 5 points in response to steadier spot markets as reflected by private advices from the South and the Liverpool cables, which reported sales of 8,000 at an advance of 4 points, while futures in the English markets, responding to the local decline of the previous day, were about 1 to 2 points lower. After the opening here there was considerable support, believed to be covering by leading room shorts, and with New Orleans showing steadiness and Liverpool reporting a recovery from the earlier losses, prices gradually worked up until in the middle of the morning they were about 10@12 points higher on the active months. At the advance there was realizing by yesterday's buyers, and during the afternoon the market ruled irregular, fluctuating about 4 to 6 points under the high point of the morning. Toward the close covering by room shorts started prices slightly, and the final quotations showed net gains of 7@10 points.

Sales were estimated at 125,000 bales. The official advices from Southern spot markets, showing steady but generally unchanged markets in spite of moderate sales, helped to sustain the futures market, notwithstanding private wires from New Orleans claiming that factors were ready to sell, but there were few buyers. Receipts ran full, but xports were again fairly liberal and the general situat on appeared to be undergoing no material change from the conditions recently reported.

The unsettled condition of affairs in Wall Street is regarded as a bearish influence in some quarters, but seems to be chiefly instrumental in the way of checking business either way.

Receipts at the ports to-day were 69,518 bales against 82,388 last week and 63,018 last year; for the week 359,060 bales against 385,457 last week and 306,823 last year. To-day's receipts at New Orleans were 26,624 bales against 15,620 last year, and at Houston 19,893 bales against 26,167 last year.

Cotton futures opened quiet and firm and closed steady:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
December	7.55	7.63	7.55	7.60
January	7.65	7.70	7.60	7.67
February	7.70	7.75	7.75	7.74
March	7.79	7.88	7.79	7.85
April	7.85	7.86	7.85	7.90
May	7.92	7.99	7.91	7.97
June	...	...	...	7.99
July	8.04	8.10	8.03	8.08
August	8.02	8.06	8.02	8.06
September	...	...	...	...
October	7.95	7.96	7.95	7.96

Spot cotton closed dull; middling uplands, 8.00; middling gulf, 8.25; sales, 425 bales.

Cotton, steady; middling, 8.00; net receipts, 99 bales; gross, 3,750 bales; sales, 425 bales; stock, 101,661 bales; export to Great Britain, 1,905 bales; to the Continent, 1,013 bales.

Total to-day at all ports—Net receipts, 69,548 bales; export to Great Britain, 7,619 bales; to the Continent, 9,329 bales; stock, 1,017,150 bales.

Consolidated at all ports—Net receipts, 158,619 bales; export to Great Britain, 72,667 bales; to France, 15,000 bales; to the Continent, 93,626 bales.

Total since September 1st at all ports—Net receipts, 5,172,531 bales; export to Great Britain, 1,625,673 bales; to France, 296,453 bales; to the Continent, 1,381,066 bales; to Japan, 37,988 bales; to Mexico, 12,364 bales.

NEW ORLEANS, LA., Dec. 13.—COTTON—Spot cotton quiet; sales 2,750 bales, including 1,350 to arrive. Quotations unchanged.

The future market was very quiet, opening 4@7 points up. The highest range of prices from the opening, which was the lowest, did not exceed 4 points. January opened 7 points up at 7.69, declined to 7.57, advanced to 7.61 and finally declined to 7.59. The general belief among traders is that there will not be much activity in the market until after the holidays. The closing was quiet net gains 3@8 points.

Cotton futures steady: December, 7.53@7.65; January, 7.69@7.69; February, 7.67@7.69; March, 7.76; April, 7.81@7.83; May, 7.89@7.90; June, 7.93@7.95; July, 7.99@8.01.

Note—Heavy shipments of cotton are passing through this city direct to mills. Of 14,000 bales received by Illinois Central Railroad today there was none consigned to local merchants.

RICHMOND PRODUCE MARKET.

FLOUR—Receipts very light, market steady at unchanged prices. WHEAT—Receipts continues light, and market active. CORN—Receipts increasing, and market quiet. OATS—Continue quiet. RYE—Steady; light receipts. HAY—The very large proportion of the receipts are No. 2 and No. 3 grades, and this has a bad effect on the general market; only strictly No. 1 timothy and strictly No. 1 mixed and No. 1 clover are active.

EGGS—Receipts light, and market active; cold storage stock being offered, has a tendency to keep fresh laid eggs from going higher.

BUTTER—Light receipts, market continues active for high grades at prices quoted; low grades quiet.

POULTRY—Receipts of both live and dressed moderate; and both in good active demand.

VIRGINIA HAM AND BACON—Market fairly active for all good sound stock.

ORANGES—Receipts liberal; market active at quotations for fancy stock; off stock quiet.

POTATOES—Receipts increasing, but demand continues good.

ONIONS—Receipts light, but equal to the demand; market quiet but firm.

APPLES—All fancy grades are in demand at full quotations; receipts light.

RECEIPTS FOR THE WEEK—Wheat, 28,228 bushels; corn, 21,062 bushels; oats, 20,450 bushels; flour, 1,640 barrels; hay, 503 tons; mill feed, 75 tons.

STOCK IN ELEVATOR—Oats, 56,488 bushels.

POULTRY—LIVE AND DRESSED.

Turkeys, large and fat, per lb.	$ 14		
Turkeys, small, poor, per lb.	12	@	13
Chickens, per lb.	10	@	12
Hens, per lb.	10		
Ducks, large, per lb.	13		
Ducks, small, per lb.	11	@	12
Roosters, per piece	25		
Guineas, per piece	25		
Geese, per piece	45	@	60
Turkeys, dressed, undrawn lb.	16		
Ducks, dressed, undrawn, lb.	14	@	15
Geese, dressed, undrawn, lb.	10	@	12
Chickens, dressed, undrawn, lb.	12	@	14
Hens, dressed, undrawn, lb.	11	@	12

NOTE—Drawn poultry sells from 1@2c. per pound higher than undrawn.

GAME.

Venison, whole deer, per lb.	$ 10		
Venison, saddles, per lb.	15	@	17
Wild turkey, per lb.	13	@	14
Partridges, large, dozen	1.50	@	1.75
Partridges, small, dozen	1.00	@	1.25
Pheasants, each	50	@	60
Rabbits, large, fresh, each	15		
Rabbits, small, fresh, each	7	@	8
Squirrels, each	5		

BUTTER.

Choice family packed	18		
Fancy dairy packed	18		
Choice dairy packed	17		
Choice store packed	15	@	16
Medium	14		
Common	10	@	12
Choice yellow rolls	17	@	18
Mixed, white and yellow	15	@	16

EGGS.

Crates, nearby, fresh laid	27		
Crates, other sections	27		
Barrels and boxes	26		

FRUITS AND VEGETABLES.

APPLES—			
Per bbl., fancy, handpacked	2.25	@	3.00
Per bbl., choice, handpacked	1.50	@	2.00
Per bbl., medium, handpacked	1.25	@	1.50
Bulk, per car	1.50	@	2.25
LEMONS—Per box	3.50	@	4.00
ORANGES—Florida, fancy	2.00	@	2.25
Florida, choice	1.50	@	1.75
Florida, off grades	1.25		
BLACK EYE PEAS	1.05	@	1.15
BLACKEYE PEAS—			
Prime to fancy	1.50	@	1.60
Common to good	1.25	@	1.40
CLAY PEAS—Per bushel	1.00	@	1.10
MIXED PEAS	1.00	@	1.10
BEANS—			
Navy, No. 1 white	1.75	@	1.75
Common to good	1.40	@	1.65
Mixed, per bushel	1.45	@	1.60
Colored	1.45	@	1.60
POTATOES—			
Fancy, per bushel	45	@	47
No. 1 per bbl.	1.60	@	1.75
No. 2 per bbl.	1.00	@	1.25
Culls, per bbl.	75		
GRAPES—			
Concord, 5-lb. baskets	12	@	13
Catawbas, 5-lb. baskets	13	@	14
PEARS—Per bbl., eating var.	3.00	@	5.00
Keffer, fancy, per bbl.	3.00	@	3.50
ONIONS—Per bushel	80	@	1.00
CELERY—Large, fancy, doz.	50	@	60
CABBAGES—Per 100, fancy	2.00	@	2.50
Per ton	10.00	@	12.00

HAY.

No. 1 Timothy	14.00		
No. 2 Timothy	12.50	@	13.00
No. 3 Timothy	11.00	@	12.00
No. 1 clover mixed	12.50	@	13.00
No. 2 clover, mixed	11.00	@	12.00
No. 1 clover	12.50	@	13.00
No. 2 clover	nominal		
Virginia Timothy, No. 1	13.00		
Virginia Timothy, No. 2	10.50	@	11.50
Virginia mixed	9.00	@	11.00
Clover, Virginia	nominal		
SHUCKS—Baled, compressed	9.00	@	9.50
Baled, large bales	8.00	@	8.50
STRAW—Compressed	8.00	@	8.50
Loose-pressed, large bales	8.50	@	9.00

Load your cars so that hay at doors represents contents, and thus avoid rejections.

FLOUR.

Witner superior	3.75	@	4.00
Winter extra	4.40	@	4.65
Winter clear	5.10	@	5.25
Winter straight	5.40		5.65
Winter patent	5.75	@	5.90
BUCKWHEAT—Per lb.	2½	@	3
CORNMEAL—City sacked	70	@	72½
MILLFEED—	62½	@	65
Shipstuff, per ton, sacked	20.50	@	21.50
Bran	19.50	@	20.00

WHEAT.

No. 2 red	1.03	@	1.14
No. 3 red	1.10	@	1.12
Steamer	1.10	@	1.12
Rejected	90	@	1.10
Va. bag lots	1.00	@	1.12

CORN.

No. 2 white	56		
No. 3 white	52	@	53
No. 2 mixed	51	@	52
No. 3 mixed	50	@	51
Va. corn, on cob	50		
Va. corn, bag lots	50	@	53

OATS.

Winter seed oats	40	@	45
No. 2 mixed	34½	@	35
No. 3 mixed	34		
No. 2 white oats	35½	@	36
Rye	80	@	85

HIDES.

Dry flint, per lb.	13		
Dry salted, per lb.	11		
Green salted, per lb.	8		
Dry flint calf skins, lb.	10	@	10½
Sheep skins	85	@	90
Green salted calf skins	55	@	60
Lamb skins	45	@	50

COUNTRY PRODUCE—WHOLESALE.

FEATHERS—Live geese, lb.	45	@	50
Mixed, per lb.	30	@	35
SEEDS—			
Clover, wholesale, per bus.	6.75	@	7.25
Timothy, wholesale	1.25	@	1.35
Orchard grass, wholesale	1.25	@	1.35
Buckwheat, per bus.	80	@	90
German millet, per bushel	80	@	90
BEESWAX, per lb.	25	@	28
DRIED APPLES—Sliced, lb.	3½	@	4
Quartered, lb.	3½	@	4
Common to good, lb.	2½	@	3
DRIED PEACHES—Peeled, lb.	11	@	12
Peeled, dark, per lb.	9	@	10
Unpeeled, per lb.	4	@	5
CHERRIES—			
Pitted, new, dry order	11	@	12
RASPBERRIES—Per lb.	16	@	17
BLACKBERRIES	5	@	6
WHORTLEBERRIES	10	@	11
WOOL—			
Tub-washed, free of burrs	30	@	31
Unwashed, free of burrs	25		
Merino, unwashed	17	@	18

Burry, 2@3c. per pound less.

ROOTS—			
Ginseng, per lb.	6.00	@	7.50
Sneica, per lb.	40	@	45
Virginia snake, per lb.	20	@	25
May apple, per lb.	3	@	4
True pink, per lb.	10	@	12
Wild ginger, free of fibre	9	@	12
Wild ginger, natural	6	@	7
PEANUTS—Per lb. (farmers)	3½	@	5
BACON—Hams, small	15	@	16
Hams, large	13	@	14
Sides, smoked	10	@	11
Shoulders, smoked	9	@	10
DRESSED HOGS	5	@	6½
LARD—Country prime	8	@	10
FLAXSEED—Per bushel	1.20	@	1.40
TALLOW—Per lb.	4	@	4½
WALNUT KERNELS—Per lb.	12	@	14
BLACK WALNUTS—Per lb.	1 00		1½
CHICKEN COOPS	85	@	90
TURKEY COOPS	1.15	@	1.25
EGG CRATES	45	@	60
BUTTER BUCKETS—Per doz.	2.75	@	3.00

Other Produce Markets.

NEW YORK, Dec. 13.—FLOUR—Barely steady with demand light. Rye Flour—Slow. Buckwheat Flour—Steady. Cornmeal—Easy; fine white and yellow, $1.30@1.35. Rye—Nominal. Barley—Dull.

Wheat—Spot easy; No. 2 red, $1.16½ f. o. b. afloat. Options opened firmer. With the exhaustion of shorts, however, prices reacted and in the afternoon became heavy. Last prices were ½@½c. net higher. May closed at $1.15 15-16c.; July, $1.02½; December, $1.15⅝.

Corn—Spot easy; No. 2, 62c. Option market was dull all day and eventually weaker with wheat, closing ⅛@¼c. net lower. May, 50¾c.; December, 54⅝c. Oats—Spot quiet; mixed oats, 26 to 32 pounds, 34½@35½c.

Beef—Firm; family, $10.50@11.00; mess, $9@9.50; beef hams, $22@23.50. Cut Meats—Quiet; pickled hams, $9.00. Lard—Quiet; refined, steady. Pork—Barely steady. Tallow—Quiet. Rosin—Dull; strained, common to good, $2.8.@2.87½. Turpentine—Steady.

Coffee—Spot Rio, steady; mild, firm. The market for coffee futures opened steady at unchanged prices to an advance of 5 points and closed steady at an advance of 5@10 points. Sales, 74,000 bags. Sugar—Raw, firm; refined, firm. Rice—Steady. Molasses—Steady.

Butter—Quiet and unchanged. Cheese—Firm and unchanged. Eggs—Steady and unchanged.

Potatoes—Firm; Long Island, $1.75@2.00; State and Western, $1.25@1.55; Jersey sweets, $2@3.50. Peanuts—Steady; fancy handpicked, 5¼@5½c.; other domestic, 5¼@5¾c. Cabbages—Easy; flat Dutch, per 100, $2@3.00. Cotton—By steam to Liverpool, 12@15c.

CHICAGO, ILL., Dec. 13.—Liquidation by large interests was responsible for a drooping market to-day in the wheat pit. At the close May wheat was off ½@⅝c. Corn is down ¼@1¾c.; oats and provisions are unchanged.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
WHEAT—No. 2.				
Dec.	1.06¾	1.07¼	1.05⅝	1.05⅞
May	1.00½	1.10¼	1.08⅛	1.09⅞
July	98⅞	98⅞	97⅝	98⅛
CORN—No. 2.				
Dec.	47¾	47¾	45¾	47⅞
May	44⅞	44⅞	44¼	44⅝
July	45	45	44½	44⅞
OATS—No. 2.				
Dec.	28½	28½	28¼	28⅝
May	30⅞	30½	30½	30⅝
July	30⅝	30⅝	30½	30½
MESS PORK—Per bbl.				
Jan.	12.35	12.35	12.32½	12.37
May	13.02½	12.70	12.60	12.65
LARD—Per 100 lbs.				
Jan.	6.82½	6.82½	6.80	6.82½
May	7.05	7.07½	7.05	7.05
SHORT RIBS—Per 100 lbs.				
Jan.	6.42½	6.45	6.40	6.42½
May	6.65	6.70	6.62½	6.67½

Cash quotations were as follows: FLOUR—Slow. No. 2 spring wheat, $1.06@1.11; No. 3, $1.02@1.12; No. 2 red, $1.10½@1.13⅝. No. 2 corn, 45¾@46c.; No. 2 yellow, 46½@46¾c. No. 2 oats, 30¾@30⅞c.; No. 3 white 30¾@31¼c.; No. 3 white, 29½c. No. 2 rye, 76c. Good feeding barley, 39@40½c.; fair to choice malting, 41@46c. No. 1 flaxseed, $1.16; No. 1 northwestern, $1.24; prime Timothy seed, $2.70. Mess pork, per barrel, $11.12½@11.25; lard per 100 pounds, $7.50@7.62½; short ribs sides (loose), $6.25@6.50; short clear sides (boxed), $6.62½@6.75. Whiskey, basis of high wines, $1.24. Clover, contract grade, $12.50. Butter—Quiet; creameries, 16@26c.; dairies, 15@22c. Cheese—Quiet at 11@12c. Eggs—Easy at mark, cases included, 20@24c.; firsts, 26½c.; prime firsts, 27½c.; extras, 29½c.

BALTIMORE MD., Dec. 13.—FLOUR—Dull and unchanged. Wheat—Weak; spot, contract, $1.09¾@1.09½; December, $1.09¾@1.09½; southern by sample, 90c.@$1.06. Corn—Steady; spot, new, 50¼@50¾c.; new southern white corn, 45¼@50¾c. Oats—Steady; No. 2 white, 36½c. bid. Rye—Dull. Butter—Steady and unchanged; fancy imitation, 20@21c.; do. creamery, 27@28c.; do. ladle, 17@18c.; store-packed, 14@16c. Eggs—Weak and unchanged at 32c. Cheese—Firm and unchanged. Sugar—Strong and unchanged.

RICHMOND GRAIN MARKET.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 13, 1904.

QUOTATIONS.

WHEAT—			
Longberry (car lots)	$1.14	@	$1.15
Mixed (car lots)	1.14	@	1.15
Shortberry (car lots)	1.14	@	1.15
No. 3 red (car lots)	1.15		
Va. bag lots	1.00	@	1.14
CORN—			
Va. bag lots (new)	50	@	53
No. 2 white (car lots)	55		
No. 3 white (car lots)	52	@	53
No. 2 mixed (car lots)	51	@	52
No. 3 mixed (car lots)	50	@	51
OATS—			
No. 2 mixed (car lots)	34½	@	35
No. 3 mixed (car lots)	34		
No. 2 white (car lots)	35½	@	36
Winter seed	40	@	45
RYE	80	@	85

CATTLE MARKETS.

RICHMOND LIVE STOCK MARKET.

(Sales at Union Stock Yards.)

Richmond, Va., Dec. 13, 1904.

There was a fair run of cattle on the market. No really fat steers on the market. Eat a good fat steer would weigh 1,250 to 1,400 pounds would have brought 5@5½c.; medium to good steers, 4¼@4½c.; common to fair, 3¼@3½c.; best heifers, 4@4½c.; others, 3@3¾c.; bulls, 2½@3½c.; dry cows, 2½@3½c.; old, poor cows, 1@2½c.

Light run of hogs. Best, 4¾@4.90c.; rough hogs, 4@4½c.

Light run of sheep and lambs. Fat sheep, 3¾@4½c.; common, 3@3½c.; best lambs, 6½c.; others, 5@6½c. Fresh cows, $25@42.50; veals, 6@7c. per pound.

CHICAGO, ILL., Dec. 13.—CATTLE—Receipts, 8,000 head. Market steady. Good to prime steers, $6@7.60; poor to medium, $3.75@5.75; stockers and feeders $2@4.10; cows, $1.40@4.25; heifers, $2@5.25; canners, $1.40@2.40; bulls, $2@4.00; calves, $3@7.25; Western steers, $3.60@5.10. Hogs—Receipts, 25,000 head. Market stronger. Mixed and butchers $4.35@4.57½; good to choice, heavy, $4.60@4.82½; rough, heavy, $4.35@4.45; light, $4.30@4.50; bulk of sales, $4.40@4.55. Sheep—Receipts, 20,000 head. Sheep strong, lambs firm. Good to choice wethers, $4.60@5.75; fair to choice, mixed, $3.50@4.60; native lambs, $4.75@6.85.

NEW YORK, Dec. 13.—BEEVES—Receipts, 1,123 head. Nothing doing. Feeling steady. Dressed beef slow; native sides, 7@9½c. per pound; extra beef, 9¾c. per pound. Calves—Receipts, 214 head. Market steady. Veals, $4.50@9.00; grassers, $3.00. Dressed calves steady. City dressed, veals, 10@13c. per pound; country dressed, 7@12c. per pound. Sheep and Lambs—Receipts, 711 head. Sheep 10@25c. higher; lambs 25c. higher. Sheep, $3.50@5.25; lambs, $7.25@7.90; culls, $5.75. Hogs—Receipts, 2,663 head. Feeling firm; no sales reported.

BALTIMORE, MD., Dec. 13.—STOCK ON WHARF—Beef Cattle—Quotations were as follows: Beef cattle, first quality, per pound, 3¾@4¼c.; medium, per pound, 3¼@3½c.; bulls, per pound, 2@3c.; thin steers and cows, per pound, 3c.; oxen, per pound, 2@2½c.; milch cows, extra, each, $35@40.00; do. good, each, $25@35.00; common, each, $10@12.00. Calves—The demand was moderate and prices were steady. The quotations were as follows: Calves—Veals, choice light, per pound, 8@8½c.; good per pound, 7½@7¾c.; rough and heavy, each, $5@14.00. Sheep and Lambs—Prices were steady as follows: Sheep, No. 1 fat, per head, $2.25@2.50; do., per pound, 3@3½c.; No. 2 fat, sheared, per pound, 3c.; old bucks, per pound, 2c.; common, per head, $1@2.00; spring lambs, choice, per pound 6c.; common, per pound, 4¾@5c. Dressed Hogs—The demand showed more life and prices were firmer as follows: Choice, lightweights, per pound, 6¼@6½c.; do., mediumweights per pound, 5¾@6c.; do., heavyweights, per pound, 5½c.

UNION STOCK YARDS, PITTSBURG, PA., Dec. 13.—CATTLE—Supply fair and market lower. Choice, $5.25@5.60; prime, $4.85@5.10. Hogs—Receipts light; market steady. Prime heavy, $4.75@4.80; mediums, $4.70; heavy yorkers, $4.65@4.70; light yorkers, $4@$5@4.60; pigs, $4.35@4.45; roughs $4@4.30. Sheep—Supply light; market strong. Prime wethers, $5@5.25; common sheep, $3@3.60; spring lambs, $4.50@7.25; veals calves, $7@7.75.

CINCINNATI, O., Dec. 13.—HOGS—Quiet. Butchers, $4.55@4.60; common, $3.50@4.40. Cattle—Steady. Fair to good shippers $4@4.60; common, $2@2.15. Sheep—Strong at $2.50@4.50. Lambs—Active at 25@50c. higher; $4.50@7.00.

TOBACCO MARKET.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 13, 1904.

Dark-Fired Tobacco (New)—Receipts continue to increase, and market active at unchanged prices. Old—Receipts and offerings continue very light, and market quiet; very little doing. Sun-Cured—Market weaker, but we do not change quotations; fair receipts. Brights—Unchanged, firm; light receipts.

The quotations are as follows:

DARK FIRED TOBACCO—NEW.			
Primings	$ 1.50	@	3.70
Lugs	3.50	@	6.00
Short to medium leaf	6.00	@	9.00
Long leaf	10.00	@	14.00
DARK FIRED TOBACCO—REORDER.			
Lugs	4.50	@	5.20
Short leaf	6.00	@	7.50
Medium leaf	8.00	@	9.00
Long leaf	8.00	@	12.00
Wrappers and selection	10.00	@	14.00
BRIGHT TOBACCO.			
SMOKERS—Common	7.00	@	9.00
Medium	9.50	@	11.50
Fine	12.00	@	14.00
CUTTERS—Common	11.00	@	13.00
Medium	13.00	@	15.00
Fine	16.00	@	22.00
Fancy	20.00	@	22.50
FILLERS—Common	7.00	@	8.00
Medium	9.00	@	10.00
Good	10.50	@	11.50
Fine	12.00	@	14.00
WRAPPERS—Common	14.00	@	18.00
Medium	18.00	@	25.00
oGod	27.00	@	35.00
Fine	35.00	@	40.00
Fancy	40.00	@	45.00
SUN-CURED TOBACCO—NEW.			
Primings	1.50	@	3.50
Lugs, common to good	4.00	@	5.00
Lugs, good to prime	5.00	@	7.00
Short leaf	6.50	@	9.00
Long leaf	8.00	@	12.00
Wrappers	12.50	@	22.00

Lynchburg Tobacco Market.

Lynchburg, Va., Dec. 13, 1904.

Sales of loose tobacco on the Lynchburg market for the two weeks ending December 2d and 9th, reported by John L. Oglesby, of Lynch's Warehouse:

Sold week ending December 2d, 758,700 pounds; sold week ending December 9th, 826,000 pounds; increase for week ending December 9th, 37,300 pounds.

Sold from September 1, 1904, to December 9, 1904, 2,463,100 pounds; sold from September 1, 1903, to December 9, 1903, 3,676,200 pounds; decrease for 1904, 1,092,100 pounds.

The receipts last week were rather heavier than the week before. The condition of tobacco offered was considerably off much of it being in very high order. The quality continues quite good, though a large proportion has very undesirable color, which was caused by the lack of moisture while curing. Prices on all grades are fully up to quotations, yet a considerable portion is discounted in price because of the extreme high order. As the result of the rains of the past week the receipts will be quite heavy for the next few weeks.

The quotations are as follows:

Primings	$ 1.00	@	$ 2.50
Dark, common lugs	3.00	@	3.50
Dark, medium lugs	3.50	@	4.00
Dark, good lugs	4.50	@	5.00
Dark, common leaf	5.00	@	6.50
Dark, medium leaf	6.50	@	8.50
Dark, good leaf	8.50	@	11.00
Dark, fine	11.00	@	14.00
Dark, wrappers	16.00	@	22.50

Much of the better grades would bring higher prices but for being in such high order. There is no bright and but little good doppled tobacco being offered.

MISCELLANEOUS MARKETS.

DRY GOODS MARKET.

NEW YORK, Dec. 13.—The dry goods market presents no new features, but there is every evidence of firmness on the part of sellers who do not view the situation as at all disturbing. The jobber is experiencing an indifferent trade, as is natural at this time of year.

NAVAL STORES.

WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 13.—SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Steady at 47c.; receipts, 25 casks. Rosin—Firm at $2.45; receipts, 325 barrels. Tar—Firm at $1.80; receipts, 244 barrels. Crude Turpentine—Firm at $2.30@3.60; receipts, 88 barrels.

SAVANNAH, GA., Dec. 13.—TURPENTINE—Firm at 47½c.; receipts, 746 casks; sales, 318 casks; shipments, 201 casks. Rosin—Firm; receipts, 3,083 barrels; sales, 2,530 barrels; shipments, 1,921 barrels.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Dec. 13.—TURPENTINE AND ROSIN—Nothing doing.

COTTONSEED OIL MARKET.

NEW YORK, Dec. 13.—Cottonseed oil was moderately active at lower prices. Prime crude, f. o. b. mills, 17@18c.; prime summer yellow, 25@25½c.; off summer yellow, nominal; prime white, 28@29c.; prime winter yellow, 29c.

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

PORT OF RICHMOND, DEC. 13, 1904.

ARRIVED.

Steamer Brandon, Harney, Norfolk, merchandise and passengers, Old Dominion line.

Steamer Pocahontas, Graves, James River landings and Norfolk, merchandise and passengers, Virginia Navigation Co.

SAILED.

Steamer Brandon, Harney, Norfolk, merchandise and passengers, Old Dominion line.

PORT OF WEST POINT, DEC. 13, 1904.

ARRIVED.

Charlotte, Murphy Baltimore, passengers and general cargo.

SAILED.

Charlotte, Murphy Baltimore, passengers and general cargo.

PORT NEWPORT NEWS, DEC. 13, 1904.

ARRIVED.

Steamer Queenswood, Brunswick.

Barge Annie H. Smith, Providence.

Barge Easton, Providence.

SAILED.

Steamer Queenswood, Liverpool.

Schooner A. M. Lawrence, Boston.

Schooner Mary W. Bowen, Norfolk.

THE LEGISLATURE.

The Joint Assembly Is Overwhelmingly Democratic.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

RALEIGH, N. C., Dec. 13.—The Corporation Commission issues a statement showing that at the close of business November 10th the State, private and savings banks doing business in this State had resources aggregating $31,604,183, a gain of $5,435,901 over the report issued for November of last year. More than $4,000,000 of the increase is in the deposits.

The North Carolina State Fire Insurance Company, of Greensboro, was chartered to-day, with $100,000 paid up capital and $25,000 surplus, the general offices being in Greensboro. Among the incorporators are such well known business men as W. L. Grissom, E