..New York.. Stock Market

STOCKS GROW DULL AND BONDS ACTIVE

Advances in Leading Issues Almost Give Appearance of Strength.

MARKET REGARDED AS THIN

Commission Business on Floor of Exchange Is at Standstill.

BY BROADAN WALL.

New York, December 17.—Stocks grew very dull today with a turnover of only 153,000 shares. There was the same irregularity that has been noted for several days, with advances in leading issues that almost gave the appearance of strength.

The market is thin; bid and offered prices are often wide apart, and in the so-called inactive industrials specialists are without any bids at all on their books. This condition is a constant source of uneasiness to commission brokers, and causes many brokers to continue to loans carefully and reject the other industrials when offered as collateral in loans.

Early prices in London were quoted higher for American stocks, but little business or no business resulted. The selling of Canadian Pacific for foreign account ceased with a 2-point recovery here.

American Telephone continued its recovery, crossing 115. President Vail's statement was considered reassuring by stockholders.

Union Pacific, Steel and Reading were practically unchanged. Floor brokers claim that bankers' interests maintain a steady tone in the whole list by keeping these issues firm.

American Express fell to 100½, a new level, and the Wabash issues are fast disappearing from quotable figures. The common sold at 2½ and the preferred at 5. Rumors of a $40 assessment on these stocks were again current.

Bonds Unusually Active.

If stocks were dull, bonds were unusually active. A block of $1,500,000 Pennsylvania convertible 3½s was sold to an English house for investment at 97¼.

Over $250,000 Central Leather 5s were traded in between 93½ and 94. It is understood these bonds were bought in the interest of the Central Leather Company for sinking fund account. American Telephone and Telegraph convertible 4½s were actively traded in, advancing a point. New Haven convertible debentures 6s were heavy. United States Steels were quiet. Southern Railway, Burlington and Quincy joint 4s were in good demand. Rock Island collateral 4s fell sharply before the close.

Our own bond market is making a better showing than London's. British consols established a new low record in those territory yesterday at 57½. Unsuccessful Canadian issues are to doubt largely responsible for present uneasiness. Grand Trunk Pacific contemplates offering $10,000,000 seven-year 5 per cent notes at 97.

Mexican securities were weak in London on the fear that the January obligations of the National Railways of Mexico would be financed with the utmost difficulty.

The conference between James Speyer and President Wilson at Washington to-day was held, it is believed by the Street, to discuss this and other railroad problems.

Business exhibits at the Boston and Philadelphia shows, further falling off, indicating the contraction in general business.

Commission business on the floor of the exchange is at a standstill. A specialist, who watches three stocks, made $20 in commissions last month. While a well-known Wall Street house did a trade anywhere on the $2 broker, who will trade anywhere on the November of $40. And there is no immediate improvement in sight.

New York, December 17.—Speculation lagged and price fluctuations were small and irregular to-day on the Stock Exchange. Some prominent stocks moved as much as a point. Net changes in most cases were unimportant. The tendency at the outset was upward. Union Pacific and Canadian Pacific advanced sharply in response to gains in London and American Telephone made a further recovery from a sensational sag from the low level touched a few days ago.

Although the general list hardened, little progress was made. A relapse in American Telephone and signs of returning heaviness in New Haven halted the upturn. The market was less sensitive to the action of these stocks and the selling, which recent days had caused slumps, but traders were reluctant to bid up prices, fearing that a higher level might be utilized for renewed liquidation. Selling of this nature seemed to have been completed, however, and there were no signs of severe pressure. Rumors that any point American Telephone reversal might carry with it several other issues which have been sold heavily of late, made a showing of strength, the demand presumably coming from the shorts.

Monetary condition favored more active speculation, call loans renewing at 2½ per cent but time money for fixed dates were hard to obtain. The suggestion of the London investment market, resulting in a decline on consols to a new low record, suggested a possible unfavorable reaction on this market. Favorable inferences were drawn, however, from the market's reception of the forthcoming issue of New York State 4½ per cent bonds, which sold, when issued, as high as 105½.

Fluctuations in bonds were narrow and irregular. New York City issues were heavy, declining 2½%. United States 2s advanced ¼ on call.

New York, December 17.—Money on call steady at 2@2½; ruling rate, 2½; closing bid, 2½; time loans firm; sixty and ninety days, 3½; six months, 3¾@4. Prime mercantile paper, 3@4½. Sterling exchange firm at $4.84 for sixty days and at $4.87 for demand. Commercial bills, $4.83@4.84. Bar silver, 57½. Mexican dollars, 44½. Government bonds firm; railroad bonds irregular.

RICHMOND STOCK MARKET.

By Caskie G. Burch & Co., Stock and Bond Brokers, 101 E. Main Street, Richmond, Va., December 17, 1913.

SALES AT BOARD.

Virginia Railway and Power Co. com—100 at 36.

STATE SECURITIES.	Bid.	Asked.
Virginia 6s, old, coupon	100	...
Va. Centuries, 2-3 coupon	90	...
RAILROAD BONDS.		
A. C. L. R. R. Cons. Tr. 4s	81	...
A. C. L. R. R. Cons. Deb. 5s	91	...
A. and O. Gen. Mortgage 4s	80	...
Georgia, Southern and Fla. 5s	34	36
Georgia and Ala. Consol. 5s	90	...
Seaboard Air Line 4s	58	...
Seaboard Adjustment 5s	40	...
Southern Railway 1st 5s	93	...
So. R. Dev. and G. M. 4s	73	...
Western N. C. 1st 6s	110	...
STREET RAILWAY STOCKS.	Par	
Va. Ry. and Power Co. pfd.	100	93
Va. Ry. and Power Co. com.	100	36
INSURANCE COMPANIES.		
Virginia Fire and Marine Ins.	25	...
RAILROAD STOCKS.	Par	
Atlantic Coast Line com.	100	118
Chesapeake and Ohio	100	70
Norfolk and Western com.	100	140

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Sales.	Stocks.	Open.	High.	Low.	Bid. Closing.	Asked. Closing.
	Allis-Chalmers	...	...	...	7¾	8
	Allis-Chalmers, pfd	...	...	...	41½	43
8,200	Amalgamated Copper	70¼	70¾	69¾	69¾	69¾
	Am. Agr. Chem., com	...	...	...	44	46
	Amer. Beet Sugar, com	...	...	...	22¾	23¾
800	American Can	26½	26¾	26¼	26¼	26½
100	American Can, pfd	88	88	88	88	88½
	Amer. Car and Foundry	...	...	...	43	43¾
	American Cotton Oil	...	...	...	35½	37½
400	Am. Hide and Lea., pfd	21	21½	21	21	23
	American Linseed Oil	...	...	...	9½	10½
300	American Locomotive	28¼	28¼	28¼	28¼	29
	Amer. Malt Co., pfd	...	...	...	41	43
200	American Smelting	61¼	61¼	61¼	61¼	61¾
	American Snuff, com	...	...	...	154	160
	American Sugar	...	...	...	101½	102½
12,600	Amer. Tel. and Tel. Co.	114¾	115¾	113¾	114¾	114¾
450	American Tobacco, com	248	248	248	245	250
200	American Tobacco, pfd	101½	101½	101½	100½	102½
300	Anaconda Copper	34¼	34¼	34¼	33¾	34¼
1,400	Atchison	93	93	92¾	92¾	93
200	Atlantic Coast Line	119	119	119	117½	118
	A. C. L. of Connecticut	...	...	...	227	230
300	Baltimore and Ohio	91½	91½	91½	91¼	91½
	Bethlehem Steel Co., com	...	...	...	29	29½
	Bethlehem Steel Co., pfd	...	...	...	67	68¾
	Brit.-Amer. Tob. Co.	...	...	...	83¾	84½
600	Brooklyn Rapid Transit	86¾	86¾	86¼	86¼	86½
4,100	Central Leather, com	24½	25¾	24½	25	25¼
6,500	Canadian Pacific	218¾	219	217½	217½	218
	California Petroleum	...	...	...	16½	17
	Chesapeake and Ohio	...	...	...	56½	57
	Chicago Great Western	...	...	...	10½	11½
	Chi. Great Western, pfd	...	...	...	27	28
	Chi., Mil. and St. Paul	...	...	...	96½	97½
	Crucible Steel Co., com	...	...	...	13¼	14½
185	Crucible Steel, pfd	87½	87½	87½	87½	87½
100	Colorado Fuel and Iron	27	27	27	26½	27½
	Colorado and Southern	...	...	...	58	59
	Consolidated Gas	...	...	...	127½	128
100	Corn Products, com	8¾	8¾	8¾	8¾	8¾
	Den. & Rio Grande, com	...	...	...	17½	18
600	Erie	27¼	27¼	27	26¾	27
	Erie, 1st pfd	...	...	...	42¾	43
	Fed. Min. and Sm., pfd	...	...	...	38½	38½
300	General Electric	135	135¾	134¾	135	136
	Geo. W. Helme Tob. Co.	...	...	...	145	150
300	Great Northern, pfd	123½	123¾	123¾	123½	123¾
100	Great Northern Ore Ctfs.	31½	31½	31½	31½	32
	Illinois Central	...	...	...	103	103½
	Interboro-Met.	...	...	...	14¼	14¾
600	Interboro-Met., pfd	59	59½	58	58¾	59
500	Internat. Harvester, com	100½	100½	100½	100¼	101½
	Int. Mer. Marine, com	...	...	...	3½	4
100	International Paper	8	8	8	7½	8
	Internat. Paper, pfd	...	...	...	34	35
	Kansas City So. com	...	...	...	25½	25¾
2,000	Lehigh Valley	148¾	149¼	148½	148½	148¾
	Liggett & Myers, com	...	...	...	211	220
	Liggett & Myers, pfd	...	...	...	110½	115
	Lorillard Tobacco, com	...	...	...	158	165
	Lorillard Tobacco, pfd	...	...	...	108½	110
237	Louisville and Nashville	131	131	130½	130	130¾
1,000	Mexican Petroleum	44	45½	44½	44¼	44½
300	Miami Copper	21¼	21¼	21	21	21¼
	Mo., Kan. and Texas	...	...	...	19½	20
700	Missouri Pacific	25½	25½	25	24¾	25¼
	National Biscuit	...	...	...	118	120
7,500	New Haven	69½	69¾	68¾	68¾	68¾
1,600	New York Central	91¾	91¾	91½	91½	91¾
	N. Y., Ont. and eWstern	...	...	...	25½	26½
200	Norfolk and Western	102¾	102¾	102¾	102½	103
300	Northern Pacific	106½	106¾	106¾	106½	106¾
	Pacific Mail	...	...	...	23¾	24
300	Pennsylvania	106¾	106¾	106½	106½	106¾
100	People's Gas	116½	116½	116½	116½	116½
100	P., C., C. and St. L., com	80	80	80	79½	81
	Pittsburgh Coal, com	...	...	...	18½	18½
	Pressed Steel Car	...	...	...	24½	25
	Ry. Steel Spring, com	...	...	...	22¾	23½
17,800	Reading	162	162½	161½	161½	161¾
100	Republic Iron and Steel	19½	19½	19½	19½	19¾
100	Republic I. and S, pfd	78½	78½	78½	76½	78½
300	Rock Island	13¾	13¾	13½	13½	13¾
100	Rock Island, pfd	19½	19½	18¾	19½	19¾
100	Seaboard Air Line, com	16½	16½	16½	16½	17½
	Seaboard Air Line, pfd	...	...	...	44	47
100	St. L. Southwestern, com	20½	20½	20½	...	21
200	Sloss-Sheffield	25½	25½	25	25	30
1,900	Southern Pacific	86½	86½	85¾	85¾	86
220	Southern Railway	21½	21¾	21½	21½	22
	Southern Railway, pfd	...	...	...	74	75
210	Standard Oil of N. Y.	168	168	166	167	168
	Texas Pacific	...	...	...	12	13
16,300	Union Pacific	151½	151¾	151	150½	151
	U. S. Cast Iron Pipe, com	...	...	...	9½	11
	United Cigar Stores	93	94	92¾	93½	93¾
100	United States Rubber	54	54	54	53	55
25,100	United States Steel	56½	56¾	55½	55¾	55¾
400	United States Steel, pfd	104¾	104¾	104¾	104¾	105
100	Va.-Car. Chemical	25	25	25	25	26
200	Va.-Car. Chem., pfd	95½	95½	95	93	97
	Va. Ry. and Power, com	...	...	...	...	36
	Va. Ry. and Power, pfd	...	...	...	97½	...
200	Wabash	3	3½	2¾	3	3¼
2,500	Wabash, pfd	9½	9½	8	8½	9
1,000	Western Union	59¾	60	59½	59	59½
	Weyman-Bruton, com	...	...	...	200	275
100	Ray Con. Copper	17¾	17¾	17½	17¼	17¾
300	Tennessee Copper	25	...	...	25¾	26¼
	Total sales for day, 153,800 shares.					
	Total sales for week (three days), 649,400 shares.					

Seaboard Air Line pfd	100	44	...
Seaboard Air Line com	100	14	...
Southern Railway pfd	100	74½	...
Southern Railway com	100	21	...
BANK AND TRUST CO. STOCKS.			
National State and City Bank	100	200	...
Richmond Trust and Savs. Co.	100	...	93
Savings Bank of Richmond	25	85	...
Virginia Trust Company	100	158	...
West End Bank	25	44	45
MISCELLANEOUS.			
Va.-Car. Chem. pfd. $ p. c.	100	96	...

Quotations for interest-paying bonds are at a price to which interest must be added. Income bonds and certificates of indebtedness are flat.

BOND LIST

Atlantic Coast Line 1st 4s (bid)	89	...
Atlantic Coast Line L. and N. 4s	84½	...
A. C. L. conv. 4s (In Baltimore, bid)	93½	...
Brooklyn Rapid Transit 4s	61½	...
Chesapeake and Ohio conv. 4½s (bid)	77	...
Liggett and Myers 5s	96¾	...
Liggett and Myers 7s	117	...
Lorillard Company 5s	98¾	...
Lorillard Company 7s (bid)	116½	...
Norfolk and Western conv. 4½s	96¾	...
Seaboard Air Line stamped 4s	58½	...
Seaboard Air Line adj. 5s	31½	...
Southern Railway 4s	77¾	...
Southern Railway 5s	102¾	...
United States Steel 2nd 5s	97½	...
United States registered 2s, 1925 (bid)	97	...
United States registered 3s, 1918 (bid)	100½	...
United States Panama 2s (bid)	99¾	...
Virginia-Brown Bros. ctfs. (bid)	54	...
Virginia-Car. Chem. 1st 5s (asked)	92	...
Va. Ry. and Power Co. 5s (bid)	92½	...
Wabash deb. 4s	49¾	...
Wabash-Pitts. Term. 1st 4s (bid)	18	...

COTTON MARKETS.

New York, December 17.—The cotton market was again very nervous and unsettled today. Continued talk of large ginning returns and reports that spinners were showing little interest in fresh purchases seemed largely responsible for general liquidation or long pressure, which sent prices into new low ground for the movement.

Later, however, there was a good deal of covering, while there was also some talk of buying against spinners' calling. Prices rallied to 10 points higher with the close steady at a net decline of 2@7 points. January contracts sold at 12.29 on the midday break, or just about 7 points under the high price reached shortly after the publication of the government's crop estimate last Friday, and approximately $5 per bale under the high level of the season.

Relatively steady cables and reports that there had been little hedge selling in Liverpool encouraged covering during the early trading. There may also have been some buying on overnight reports of steady interior spot markets and private cables claiming a better business in Manchester. After opening steady at an advance of 1@3 points the market soon lost about six points net higher.

This reflected a gain of 16@18 points from the low level of Tuesday morning, which appeared sufficient to bring out increased offerings from bears, while after the close of Liverpool had shut out straddle buying the support was less active. The market weakened and selling became more general and aggressive as prices rallied lower. Stop orders were uncovered on a scale down particularly just under the low point reached on yesterday's break, and before the decline was checked active months were selling 10@13 points net lower.

Spot cotton—Southern holders were not following the decline in futures and a feeling that the technical position of the market had been weakened by the heavy liquidation noted since the opening Saturday. They seemed to inspire an increased demand from recent sellers, while there was also a little buying from trade sources and some trading for a reaction.

Cotton futures closed:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
December	12.62	12.65	12.49	12.58
January	12.35	12.40	12.26	12.38
February	12.42	...	...	12.38
March	12.68	12.70	12.48	12.57
April	...	...	...	12.56
May	12.60	12.61	12.45	12.55
June	12.56	12.61	12.49	12.49
August	...	...	...	12.31
September	...	...	...	12.25
October	11.78	11.78	11.70	11.70

Spot cotton quiet; middling uplands 12.90; middling gulf, 12.15.

Cotton quiet; middling, 12.90; gross receipts, 5,000 bales; stock, 91,708 bales; exports to the Continent, 4,199 bales. Coastwise, 3,000 bales.

Total today at all ports—Net receipts, 20,000 bales; exports to Great Britain, 12,850 bales; to France, 9,333 bales; to the Continent, 2,016 bales; to Japan, 2,000 bales; to Mexico, 1,000 bales; coastwise, 3,000 bales; stock, 1,000,000 bales.

Total since September 1 at all ports—Net receipts, 4,000,000 bales; exports to Great Britain, 1,000,000 bales; to France, 1,000,000 bales; to the Continent, 1,000,000 bales; to Japan, 1,000,000 bales; to Mexico, 1,000 bales; coastwise, 1,000,000 bales; stock, 1,000,000 bales.

New Orleans, December 17.—A bullish shortly after the opening, followed by a sharp break, leading the cotton market to-day. Early buying kept the market had a very good backing, it had displayed considerable strength in the early morning, during about a reaction from the decline. Gossip said that it was oversold, but after the close of Liverpool came cotton was offered than the first hour of trade. A break resulted.

The Liverpool market was better than due, when the American market opened and at over a large volume of buying for the shorts. At noon this buying lasted prices were well maintained, but when the market fell off. Private cable messages stated that Manchester was improving. The market closed steady at a net volume up on the good buying of the morning, but heavy rains in the western belt overnight. Shorts were inclined to buy in the early trading, and this was checked only by the market. At the highest the trading months were 10@11 points up, but the level selling orders increased and the market did not cease declining until it was 2@3 points under the highest levels of the morning. The break put the trading months 10@12 points under yesterday's quotations. In the afternoon the market was quiet. The close was steady at a net gain of 7@8 points.

Cotton quiet and unchanged; middling, 12.25. Sales, 300 bales. Net receipts, 1,000 bales; gross, 1,000 bales. Exports to arrive: Cotton, future, 1,000 bales. December, 12.38; January, 12.37; March, 12.56; May, 12.57; July, 12.51.

LOCAL MARKET QUOTATIONS.

Furnished by Levy Commission Co., Commission Merchants, Richmond, Va., December 17, 1913.

ACTUAL WHOLESALE QUOTATIONS OF MARKET.

LIVE POULTRY.		
Turkeys, live, lb	16 @	18
Chickens, all sizes, lb	13 @	16
Hens, lb	13 @	15
Roosters, each	40 @	45
Geese, fat large, each	75 @	85
Geese, small, each	65 @	70
Ducks, large, young, lb	14 @	15
Ducks, small, young, lb	13 @	14
DRESSED POULTRY.		
Turkeys, lb	17 @	18
Geese, lb	12 @	15
Ducks, lb	13 @	14
Chickens, lb	13 @	18
Hens, lb	14 @	15
EGGS—Crated.		
In crates, near-by, fresh, doz.	31 @	32
In crates, other sections, doz.	29 @	31
Guinea eggs, doz.	20 @	20
BUTTER.		
Family, choice, fancy, lb	23 @	25
Merchants', fair, lb	17½ @	18
LIVE STOCK.		
Veals, choice to fancy, lb	9 @	10
Veals, poor to fair, lb	8 @	9½
Calves, runners, lb	6 @	7
Sheep, lb	5 @	6
Lambs, spring, lb	7 @	7½
Cattle, fair to prime, lb	4 @	7
Hogs, lb	7½ @	8
GAME.		
Rabbits, each	15 @	22
Wild turkeys, lb	@	20
COUNTRY-CURED BACON.		
Hams, well smoked, small, lb	22 @	23
Hams, well smoked, large, lb	20 @	21
Sides, well smoked, lb	16 @	17
Shoulders, well smoked, lb	16 @	17
HIDES.		
Dry flint, lb	@	22
Dry salt, lb	@	20
Green, salt, lb	@	14½
Green, lb	@	13½
Green, damaged, lb	7 @	10
Tallow, lb	3 @	6
Beeswax	26 @	28
MISCELLANEOUS.		
Onions, dry, per bag	1 @	1.25
Potatoes, Irish, cwt.	1 @	1.10
Apples, bbl	2.50 @	6.00
Dressed hogs, lb	8 @	9
Spareribs and chines, lb	10 @	11
MARKET CONDITIONS.		

Poultry—Both live and dressed, especially turkeys, in heavy receipt and market slightly lower, and very dragging. Eggs—While the market is lower, owing to increased receipts, same is active. Rabbits, veals, hides—Country bacon in splendid demand. Dressed hogs very plentiful and market fully 1c. lower; demand also much lighter.

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKET.

New York, December 17.—Wheat—Steady; No. 2 red, $1@1.01. No. 1 northern, Duluth, 99½c. Corn—Firm at 1.74½. Flour—Steady. Wool—Steady. Hides—Steady. Leather—Firm. Petroleum—Steady. Rosin and Turpentine—Quiet. Rice—Nominal. Molasses—Steady. Sugar—Raw, steady; refined, quiet. Coffee—Spot, easy: Rio, No. 7, 9½c.; Santos, No. 4, 12½c. Tallow, quiet. Cotton—Steady, 12.15@12.25. Butter and Cheese—Steady. Potatoes—Virginia, late crop, $1.87@2.00; sweets, Southern, $2@2.25. Cabbages—Steady and unchanged. Freights and Peanuts—Steady and unchanged.

Cottonseed oil was firm and higher today, closing 3@8 points net higher for active months. Shorts, together with some new outside buying and professional support were responsible for the advance. Sales 19,200 barrels. Prime crude, 5.47 sales; prime crude, yellow, 5.5@5.72. December, 6.68; January, 6.68; February, 6.65; March, 6.62; April, 6.60; May, 6.59; June, 6.57; July, 6.59; prime winter yellow, 7.50@8.00; prime summer white, 7.50.

CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET.

Chicago, Ill., December 17.—A larger acreage estimate in the government report today than expected lowered wheat prices somewhat though not nearly as much as the news appeared to suggest. The close was steady, unchanged to 1@1½c. down. Corn made a net gain of ⅛@¼c. oats finished unchanged to 1-16c. higher, and provisions up a shade to 7½c.

Cash grain closed: Wheat—No. 2 red, 96½@97c.; No. 2 hard, 95½@96c.; No. 2 northern, 99@99½c.; No. 2 spring, 99@99½c. Corn—New, No. 2 yellow, 71@71½c. No. 3 white, 70½@70¾c. Oats—No. 3 white, 40½@40¾c.; standard, 41@41½c.

Leading futures ranged as follows:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
WHEAT—				
Dec.	89	89¼	88¾	88¾
May	92¾	92¾	91¾	92
July	89	89	88¼	88¼
CORN—				
Dec.	70¾	70¾	70¾	70¾
May	70¼	70¾	70¼	70¼
July	69½	69¾	69½	69¾
OATS—				
Dec.	35¾	35¾	35¾	35¾
May	42¼	42¼	42¼	42¼
July	41½	41¾	41½	41½
MESS PORK—Per bbl.				
Jan.	...	...	...	20.22
May	20.80	20.97	20.80	20.92
LARD—Per 100 lbs.				
Jan.	10.67	10.75	10.65	10.70
May	11.00	11.05	10.97	11.00
SHORT RIBS—Per 100 lbs.				
Jan.	10.80	10.82	10.80	10.82
May	11.05	11.12	11.05	11.07

Baltimore, Md., December 17.—Wheat—Quiet and steady; spot, No. 2 red, 96c.; spot, No. 2 red, western, 96¼@97c.; southern by sample, 93@93c. Corn—Dull; spot, year, 71c.; new southern white, 69@72c. Oats—Quiet; standard white, 44c.; No. 3 white, 44½@44¾c.

RICHMOND GRAIN MARKET.

Richmond, Va., December 17, 1913.

WHOLESALE QUOTATIONS ON CHANGE.

WHEAT—Car lots.		
No. 2 red, Western	$1.00	@
No. 2 red, Virginia	99	@
No. 3 red	95	@
Virginia, bag lots	87	@ 96
CORN—Car lots (new).		
No. 2 white	@	73
No. 3 white	70½@	
No. 2 mixed	70½@	
No. 3 mixed	@	73
Va., bag lots or on cob	75	@ 80
Corn on the cob (Western)	70	@ 71
Old corn will bring a small premium.		
OATS—Car lots.		
No. 2 mixed	@	45
No. 3 mixed	@	44½
No. 2 white	@	46½
No. 3 white	@	45
RYE—Car lots.		
No. 2	89	@
No. 3	87	@
Virginia, bag lots	87	@

RICHMOND HAY MARKET.

Richmond, Va., December 17, 1913.

The following are the quotations on the Richmond Hay Exchange:

Car lots—		
No. 1 Timothy	@	$20.00
Standard	19.00	@
No. 2 Timothy	18.00	@
No. 3 Timothy	@	15.00
Light Clover, mixed	15.50	@
No. 1 Clover, mixed	@	18.00
No. 2 Clover, mixed	@	15.00
No. 1 Clover	15.50	@
No. 2 Clover	14.00	@
HAY, Sample	Nominal	
STRAW—Compressed	@	8.50
Loose-pressed, large bales	@	10.50
SHUCKS—Compressed	@	12.00
Loose-pressed, large bales	@	11.00

CATTLE MARKETS.

RICHMOND LIVE STOCK MARKET.
(Sales at Union Stock Yards.)
Richmond, Va., December 17, 1913.

Report of the live stock market for the week ending December 15, 1913:

Best steers, 1@1½c.; medium to good, 6½@7½c.; common to fair, 5@6c. best heifers, 7½@8c.; medium to good, 6½@7c.; common to fair, 4½@5½c.; best cows, 5½@6c.; medium to good, 4½@5½c.; common to fair, 3@4c.; best oxen, 5½@6½c.; medium to good, 4½@5½c.; common to fair, 3@4c.; best bulls, 5@6c.; light, 4½@5c.; best calves, 9@10c.; fair to good, 7½@8c.; dicks, 5@6c. Cows and calves, $30@70.00 per head. Best hogs, 8½c.; light, 7½@8c.; sows and stags, 5@7c.; best sheep, 5@6½c.; medium to good, 4@5c.; common to fair, 3@3½c.; best lambs, 7½@8c.; common to fair, 5@6½c.

New York, December 17.—Beeves—Market steady. Steers, $5.50@8.65; bulls, $5@7.00; cows, $3@6.25. Calves—Market steady at $8@12.50. Sheep and Lambs—Weak. Sheep, $4.50@4.75; lambs, $6.75@8.00. Hogs—Market steady at $7.90@8.10.

Chicago, Ill., December 17.—Hogs—Market slow. Bulk of sales, $7.50@7.70. Cattle—Market steady. Cows and heifers, $3.30@8.40; calves, $7@11.00. Sheep—Active at $4@5.75; lambs $6.40@7.90.

RICHMOND TOBACCO MARKET.

Richmond, Va., December 17, 1913.

Following are the quotations on the Richmond Tobacco Exchange.

HOGSHEADS.		
Lugs	$ 5.50	@$ 7.50
Short leaf	7.00	@ 10.00
Long leaf	9.00	@ 11.00
Wrappers	12.00	@ 14.00
BRIGHTS.		
SMOKERS—Common	7.00	@ 8.50
Medium	10.00	@ 12.00
Fine	14.00	@ 16.00
CUTTERS—Common	14.00	@ 17.00
Medium	17.00	@ 20.00
Fine	25.00	@ 30.00
Fancy	30.00	@ 35.00
FILLERS—Common	8.00	@ 10.00
Medium	11.00	@ 12.00
Good	12.00	@ 15.00
Fine	16.00	@ 20.00
WRAPPERS—Common	18.00	@ 22.50
Medium	25.00	@ 30.00
Good	30.00	@ 35.00
Fine	37.50	@ 45.00
New primings	1.00	@ 3.50
SUN-CURED—NEW.		
Lugs, common to good	5.00	@ 8.00
Lugs, good to prime	8.00	@ 10.00
Short leaf	7.00	@ 11.00
Long leaf	10.00	@ 12.00
Wrappers	12.50	@ 20.00

MISCELLANEOUS MARKETS.

PETERSBURG PEANUT MARKET.

Petersburg, Va., December 17.—Peanuts—Spanish.—Farmers' Spanish firm at $1.17½ per bushel. Virginias—Fancy jumbo, 3¾c. per pound; fancy handpicked, 3½c. per pound; extra prime, 3¼c. per pound; prime, 3c. per pound; shelling stock, 2¾@3c. per pound.

DRY GOODS MARKETS.

New York, December 17.—Cotton goods markets were quiet and barely steady to-day. Worsteds and cotton yarns were dull and easy. In men's wear clothiers placed orders carefully. Nettings were in good demand and have been advanced sharply by foreign mills.

NAVAL STORES.

Wilmington, N. C., December 17.—Spirits Turpentine—Steady at 41¼c.; receipts 6 casks. Rosin—Steady at $3.45; receipts 1 barrels. Tar—Firm at $2.50; receipts 74 barrels. Crude Turpentine—Firm at $2@3.00; receipts 3 barrels.

Savannah, Ga., December 16.—Turpentine—Firm at 41½@42½c.; sales 649 casks; receipts 797 casks; shipments 18 casks; stock 25,827 casks. Rosin—Firm; sales 2,959 barrels; receipts 3,229 barrels; shipments 2,860 barrels; stock 164,370 barrels. Quote: A. B. C. D. E. F. G. H. $3.65.

STOREHOUSE DESTROYED.

Merchant in Stafford County Loses Entire Christmas Stock in Fire.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

Fredericksburg, Va., December 17.—Mr. Storck, a merchant at Storck Postoffice, Stafford County, lost his storehouse and contents by fire. Mr. Storck was in his home when he was aroused by the crackling of flames. In three hours the building was a mass of ashes. The residence was saved. Mr. Storck thinks the store was robbed and then set on fire. The loss is $2,000 and the insurance $500. Mr. Storck had just laid in his Christmas stock.

Isaac Harris, colored, who was recently convicted of criminal assault in the Corporation Court, was sentenced to five years on the public roads by Judge Goolrick. In passing sentence the court stated that in view of circumstances and the frank manner of the accused on the stand, he would give him the minimum sentence.

Mrs. Sherman Booth, of Chicago, suffragist, spoke on woman's suffrage in the Masonic Building here yesterday to a representative and interested audience. Mrs. Booth is one of four women to whom Illinois suffragists accord the credit for the passage of the suffrage bill by the Legislature of that State last summer. Mrs. Booth's parents formerly resided here. Her father was Samuel Knox, a brother of Robert T. Knox, of Fredericksburg, and her mother was formerly Miss Vena