LIVELY BOOM IN LAKE SHORE.

Great Activity in Vanderbilt Group.

TRACTION SHARES ALSO ADVANCE.

St. Paul and Northern Pacific Recovering From Recent Depression—Talk of a Metropolitan-Manhattan Deal—Money Firm.

NEW YORK, Nov. 21.—Certain quarters of the stock market today showed aggressive strength, while price movements in the general list were limited and irregular. The trading was not in large volume, but interest was quite well diversified.

At the opening of business a very irregular tone was displayed, and soon after the opening prices receded quite sharply, particularly in the instances of St. Paul and Union Pacific. With the course of the morning, however, the Vanderbilt group of stocks developed conspicuous strength and activity, and it was plainly owing to the movement in this quarter that the general recovery in prices ensued.

Rise in Lake Shore.

On very light transactions there was a spirited rise in Lake Shore stock, a movement which had been foreshadowed in the quotations during the last few days. No definite explanation could be obtained.

The dividends on the Vanderbilt stocks will be acted upon next month and as regards the movement in Lake Shore there was a divergence of opinion as to whether it foreshadowed an advance in the rate of dividend or whether it was ahead of a lump distribution of the company's surplus. In either event, New York Central would, of course, be the chief beneficiary as the holder of more than 90 per cent of Lake Shore stock.

Less was heard today of the rumored adjustment of the relations between the Vanderbilt corporations, but C. C. C. and St. Louis, Canada Southern, and the Nickel Plate stocks were decidedly strong. Toward midday the local traction shares developed increasing activity, with a particularly rapid advance showing in Manhattan Railway.

Traction Rumors.

The movement in the latter stock was attended by statements that close relations between the Manhattan and the Metropolitan street railway were being formulated, and most of these reports were along the lines that the Metropolitan would guarantee dividends on Manhattan Railway on an initial scale of 4 per cent, to be increased subsequently to 5 per cent and finally to 6 per cent.

There were again fairly large dealings in the anthracite coal stocks, with further substantial gains appearing in the higher priced shares of this group.

As already noted, both St. Paul and Union Pacific were sharply depressed in the early dealings, but subsequently both stocks found better support than they have shown in a number of days. Little further attention appeared to be paid to the apparent increase in disaffection in the Northwestern States toward the formation of the Northern Securities Company.

Specialties Weak.

Few movements of interest appeared among either the industrial stocks or the specialties. Amalgamated Copper, American Locomotive and People's Gas were weak, but nothing further was brought out in connection with the movements in these stocks. It was estimated that the taxation of the property of the People's Gas Company, if fixed upon the recent ruling of the Illinois Supreme Court, would require a sum equal to 2 1-3 per cent of the company's net earnings, an amount which would, of course, virtually involve a reduction in the dividend rate, but probably the last word has not been said even as yet in this matter.

There was a particularly sharp advance in Consolidated Gas and American Car and Foundry. American Smelting and Tennessee Coal and Iron continued steady.

The money market was comparatively easy throughout the day, with exceedingly large offerings on call around 1½ per cent.

Money Firm.

Sterling exchange was firm at a slight decline from yesterday's level, and this, together with the further reduction in the price of bar gold and coin at London, reduces the probability of gold shipments to a at point on Saturday. London was a negligible factor in the day's market.

New York Stock Exchange, Nov. 21.

	High-est.	Low-est.	Clos-ing.	Net ch'g's.
Amalgamated Copper	86¾	85	86¼	— ¾
Am. Locomotive	39½	37⅝	39⅛	— ¼
Am. Loco. pf	89	88¾	89	— ¼
Am. Smelting	47⅞	46	47	— ¼
Am. Sugar	130⅜	128½	130¼	+1½
Am. Woolen	27⅞	27	27⅝	— ¼
Atchison	80⅜	79¾	80⅜	+1⅛
Atchison pf	102	101¾	102	— ⅛
Baltimore & Ohio	104¾	103¾	104⅞	— ⅛
Brooklyn Rapid Trans.	69	67¾	69	+ ¾
Buff., R. & P.	116¾	115	116¾	— ⅛
Canadian Southern	84⅛	83	83⅞	— ¾
Canadian Pacific	117	114⅝	116⅞	— ¼
Chesapeake & Ohio	47	46¾	47	— ¼
Chi. & Alton	37¾	36¾	37¼	+ ¼
Chi. Great West.	19¾	19¾	19¾	
Chi. Great West. pf. A	49¾	49¾	49¾	
Chi., Ind & L.	38⅝	38⅝	38⅝	+1⅝
Chi., Ind & L. pf	74½	74½	74½	
Chi., M. & St. P.	169¾	167¾	169¾	+1⅝
Chi., R. I. & Pac.	147	145¾	147	+1⅝
Chi. Ter. Trans. pf	32¾	32	32¾	+ ¼
C., C., C. & St. L.	100¾	99¾	100¾	— ⅛
Consolidated Gas	214½	213	214½	+ ¾
Delaware & Hudson	176¾	175½	176¾	— ⅛
Del., L. & W.	244½	243	244½	— ½
D. & Rio G. pf	94⅝	94	94⅝	— ¼
Erie	42¾	42¼	42¾	— ¼
Erie 1st pf	77¾	77¾	77¾	— ¼
Erie 2d pf	66⅝	66	66⅝	— ¼
Great Northern pf	189½	187	189½	— ½
Hocking Valley	84⅝	83⅝	84⅝	+ ¾
Hocking Valley pf	80¾	78¾	80	— 1
Illinois Central	127¾	126¾	127¾	— ⅛
Illinois Central	129½	128¾	129¾	— ⅛
Int. Salvay Co.	73⅝	70	73⅝	+ 3⅝
Int. Silver Co. pf	42	39½	41½	+ 2½
Lake Erie & West	37⅛	36	37⅛	+ ⅛
Long Island	74	73	74	— 1
Louisville & Nashville	107¾	106¼	106¾	— ¾
Manhattan Con.	137¾	136½	137¾	+ ¾
Met. St. Ry.	169⅝	166¾	169⅝	+ ⅞
Mex. Nat. ctfs.	19¾	19¼	19¾	+ ⅜
Mt., St. P. & S. S. M.	54	54	54	— 1
Mt., St. P. & S. S. M. pf	88	87¾	88	— ¼
Missouri Pacific	102⅝	101	102⅝	+ ⅛
New York Central	156⅝	155¾	156⅝	+ ⅝
N. Y. C. & St. L.	30¾	30	30¾	+ ⅛
N. Y., O. & W.	36⅝	35⅞	36⅝	+ ⅛
Norfolk & Western	57⅜	57	57⅜	+ ⅛
Northern Pacific pf	199⅝	199⅝	199⅝	+ ⅛
Pacific Coast Co.	79¾	79¾	79¾	
Pennsylvania	147¾	146¾	147¾	+ ⅛
Pea. Gas of Chi.	99⅝	97¾	98⅝	+ ⅛
P. C. C. & St. L.	77	76	77	+ ¼
Pressed Steel Car pf	87⅞	86¾	87⅜	+ ¼
Reading	47⅝	46⅝	47⅝	+ ¼
Reading 1st pf	79⅝	79¼	79⅝	+ ⅜
Reading 2d pf	56¾	56¼	56¾	+ ½
St. L. & Adir.	128¾	128¾	128¾	— ⅛
St. L. & S. F.	54½	54	54	— ⅛
St. L. & St. F. 1st pf.	82	81½	82	— ⅛
St. L. & S. F. 2d pf.	73	73¼	73¼	— ⅛
St. L. South.	29⅞	29⅝	29⅞	+ ⅛
Southern Pacific	61	59⅞	60⅝	+ ⅜
Southern Ry.	33⅞	33¼	33⅝	+ ¼
Southern Ry. pf	90⅛	89¾	90¼	+ ¼
Tenn., C. & I.	63½	62¾	63	+ ⅜
Texas Pacific	41½	40¾	41½	+1
Union Pacific	104⅝	103⅝	104	+1⅛
Union Pacific pf	96¾	96	96⅝	+ ⅞
U. S. Steel	42¾	42	42⅜	+ ⅜
U. S. Steel pf	92½	91⅝	92⅜	+ ⅝
Wabash	29⅜	28¾	29¼	+ ⅝
Wabash pf	57⅜	57	57⅜	+ ⅜
Western Union Tel.	91¼	90⅞	91¼	
Wisconsin Central	21⅞	21	21⅞	
Wisconsin Central pf	43	42¾	42¾	— ⅛

Total sales of stocks, 720,965 shares.
+Advance. —Decline.

Government Bonds.

	Bid.	Asked.
U. S. 2's, R, 1900-30, Q. J.	108	109
U. S. 2's, C, 1900-20, Q. J.	104	109
U. S. 3's, R, 1908, Q. F.	108	109
U. S. 3's, R, 1908, R. C.	108	109
U. S. 4's, 1907, Q. J.	112¾	112¾
U. S. 4's, 1907, Q. J.	112¾	112¾
U. S. 4's, R, 1925	139¾	140 a
U. S. 4's, C, 1925	139¾	140 a
U. S. 5's, R, 1904	107¾	----
U. S. 5's, C, 1904, Q. F.	107¾	----

The Vanderbilt securities led a sharp advance in the stock market yesterday afternoon. There had been a morning of stagnation, with prices simply holding their own, and with the professionals alone doing the small amount of business transacted. The public and the large interests seemed to be waiting for easier money conditions or something more definite regarding the railway situation in the Northwest.

With little warning a boom began in New York Central that jumped it from 163 to 168 and a fraction, the buying being of the most important character. Other Vanderbilt stocks followed the lead of Central and in a short time the entire market was changing color from dullness to sprightly buoyancy. The close of the day was at near the best level and the outlook for an active and advancing market was much better than it had been at any time during the week.

Manipulation by Insiders.

Such a change of tone is always the result of manipulation, of course. The public does not ever come into the market together after keeping away for two or three days, and when there has been no news to cause sudden enthusiasm. The public does not act in concert. It follows the leaders always. The room traders very seldom work together, except when some important announcement has been made.

The important people, the big pool manipulators, working for themselves, or for the insiders, are alone able to produce results on a large scale in a short time such as the boom of yesterday afternoon.

The interesting question regarding yesterday's boom is, of course, what is the intention of the big interests in making the spurt. Some people said yesterday that they are simply taking up one group of stocks after another in order to hold the market up while they sell stocks. Another view is that they consider conditions now sufficiently good for an important advance and are beginning a bull campaign in earnest.

The Prosperity Arguments.

Looked at from the outside the arguments all seem to be in favor of the theory that the market will improve during the coming winter, whatever may be its immediate course. Business conditions continue good; but more than that—they continue to improve. Railway earnings are larger this month than they were last, and hence larger than they ever were before.

As Mr. Morgan is reported to have said the other day, the country has an abundance of gold, if not almost a superabundance. The iron and coal trades are booming, and the reports do not suggest that there will be any diminution in their prosperity throughout next year. The same activity is noted in nearly all lines of business.

And in addition to this excellent argument there is the other that Mr. Morgan and his friends, and the Harrimans and their friends, have a vast block of securities, new and old, that they must distribute some day, and the sooner the better, of course. These securities can not be sold to the public in a day or a week, and they cannot be sold in a year unless the market is broad and active, because the public will not buy in any other kind of market.

The Old Vanderbilt Rumors.

The old rumors were renewed regarding the Vanderbilt plans, but the street heard little new regarding them. The story was told again that there is to be a Vanderbilt holding company, similar to the Pennsylvania company, or to the Northern Securities Company, and that the New York Central will benefit by the new deal materially.

Another class of rumors had to do with the heavy earnings of the Lake Shore, and the possibility that the dividend of the company may be increased materially, or the surplus be divided in some other way. It is beyond dispute, as has been pointed out heretofore in this column, that the Lake Shore surplus must be considered a direct asset, and one of immense value to the New York Central.

The entire surplus could be given to the Central stockholders before the end of the present year if such a plan were desired. But even while the money continues in the name of the Lake Shore, it makes every share of Central stock so much more valuable intrinsically.

Manhattan Jumps Five Points.

Next to the Vanderbilt securities, Manhattan was the feature of the market. The stock advanced 5 points, to 135½, and closed at the top fraction for the day, making the record price since 1882. Metropolitan and Brooklyn Rapid Transit were strong, but made no such advance as Manhattan.

The boom in the one stock to the neglect of the others somewhat dampens the ardor of the theorists that have been talking of a combination of the New York traction companies. It gives added weight on the other hand to the talk of the large earnings of the Manhattan, and the outlook for still further increases in business when the new electric power is installed.

Bull Talk on Reading.

Rumors of important developments in Reading were heard in many quarters yesterday afternoon and persistent heavy buying of the securities of the company dispersed the street to credit them, in a measure at least. The statement of Wednesday that control of the Lehigh Valley has been secured was reiterated.

Another story was that the Jersey Central dividend is to be increased, which would add materially to the revenues of the Reading, of course.

The prosperity of the Reading company is sufficient to explain much strength in its securities, however. It is said that the October statement of the company will show a handsome increase over that of last year, and friends of the company say that a dividend on the common stock is among the possibilities of next year. The other coal securities were all strong and all closed practically at the best prices of the day.

May Join the Steel Trust.

One of the stories yesterday was that interests closely identified with the United States Steel Company are combining the steel plate concerns of eastern Pennsylvania with a view to their ultimate purchase by the trust. It is said, however, that a new company will be formed at first, with a capital of $25,000,000, and that the business will be run for a time independent of the United States Steel concern.

Shorts Run to Cover.

The bears were disposed at first yesterday to make more capital of the promised combination of the State Governors against the Northwestern railway deal, but they made no headway in depressing prices, and later in the day, when the general market began to grow buoyant, there was a general covering by the shorts that resulted in a material recovery. The friends of the Northwestern deal make very positive prophecies that there will be no hitch in it.

Gould Stocks Strong.

The Gould securities, under the lead of Missouri Pacific, were much stronger, the stock named advancing to 102⅝ and closing with an excellent net gain, though not at the best price of the day. Texas Pacific advanced more than a point to 41⅝ and closed at the top.

Copper a Weak Feature.

Amalgamated Copper was one of the few weak features of the session. It was supplied readily with no advance of price when the general market strength induced some buying orders.

Washington Stock Exchange.

Sales—Metropolitan Railroad A's: 1,808 @106. Metropolitan Railroad B's: $5,000@107⅝; $800@107⅞. Capital Traction: 5@105⅞; 5@106. Mergenthaler Linotype: 10@181⅝; 10@181¾; 10@181½. Lanston Monotype: 100@13⅜—Buyer 60; 100@13⅝; 180@13½; 1@13. American Graphophone Company Pref.: 74@7½.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA BONDS.

	Bid.	Asked.
Funding currency, 3.65's	125	....

MISCELLANEOUS BONDS.

Capital Traction R. R. 4's	106⅝	107¾
Wash. Trac. & Elec. Coll. 4½'s	65	70
Wash. Trac. & Elec. Receipts	....	....
Met. R. R. 5's, 1925	117	120
Met. R. R. Cert. Indebtedness	106	110
Met. R. R. Cert. Indebtedness B	107¾	108
Columbia R. R. 6's, 1904	116	....
Columbia R. R. 2d mort. 5's	104	108
City & Suburban R. R.	....	....
Anacostia & Potomac 5's	....	....
Wash. Gas Co., ser A, 6's, 1906-27	107¾	....
Wash. Gas Co., ser. B, 6's, 1901-29	107¾	....
U. S. Elec. Light, Deb. Imp., 1905	103¼	....
U. S. Elec. Light, Cert. Indebt.	104	104¼
Ches. & Pot. Tel., Con. 5's	106¼	106½
American Security & Trust 4's	103	....
Wash Market Co., 1st 6's, 1892	....	....
1911, $7,000 retired annually	110	....
Wash. Mkt. Co., Imp. 6's, 1912-'27	....	....
Wash. Mkt. Co., 6's, 1914-'27	110	....
Masonic Hall Ass'n 5's, C, 1908	104	108
American Graphophone Deb. 5's	91½	100

SAFE DEPOSIT AND TRUST COMPANIES.

National Safe Deposit	150	155
Wash. Loan and Trust	191	195
American Security and Trust	218	230
Washington Safe Deposit	....	....
Union Trust and Storage	105¼	107
Wash. Savings Bank	100	....

NATIONAL BANK STOCKS.

Bank of Washington	370	420
Metropolitan	725	800
Central	225	....
Farmers and Mechanics'	225	....
Second	165	....
Citizens	165	....
Columbia	170	185
Capital	150	170
West End	122	130
Traders'	130	150
Lincoln	127	....
Riggs	150	....

RAILROAD STOCKS.

Capital Traction	105¾	106
City & Suburban	....	....

INSURANCE STOCKS.

Firemen	25	....
Franklin	40	....
Metropolitan	70	....
Corcoran	62	....
Potomac	60	....
Arlington	220	....
German-American	250	....
National Union	7	8
Columbia	10½	10¾
Riggs	7⅜	8
People's	6¼	6¾
Commercial	4	5
Colonial	....	110

TITLE INSURANCE STOCKS.

Real Estate Title	85	100
Columbia Title	4¾	4¾
Washington Title	2½	2¾
District Title	4	....

TELEPHONE STOCKS.

Chesapeake & Potomac	69	73

GAS STOCKS.

Washington Gas	65	66
Georgetown Gas	15	18

MISCELLANEOUS STOCKS.

Mergenthaler Linotype	181¼	181¾
Lanston Monotype	13	13½
American Graphophone	4	5
American Graphophone, pfd	7½	8
Pneumatic Gun Carriage	.05	.10
Washington Market	14	16
Norfolk & Washington	175	200

*Ex-dividend.

THE CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET.

May Oats Reach the Highest Price on the Crop.

CHICAGO, Nov. 21.—Dullness has been the feature in wheat. The tone was steady most of the day in sympathy with coarse grains. The trade was considerably lighter than on previous days of the week. Traders were nervous, but inclined to the bear side on the large receipts and prospects of another heavy increase in the visible supply. They succeeded in closing the market ½c lower than last night. Advices from the Southwest were very bullish on large sales of cash, partly for export and home account. There was no business here, the seaboard reported twenty-five loads. Liverpool was steady, ½d higher. Paris and Antwerp unchanged.

Corn has ruled firm with a moderate trade. Light offerings, which came principally from local traders, were absorbed by commission houses and local professionals. The close was a shade under last night. While prices in the cash crowd were a little higher than yesterday, no sales were reported up to the close; 120 loads at the seaboard.

Oats were very active. The May price reached the top on the crop (41⅝c). Shorts were urgent buyers, influenced by the light country acceptances on last night's bids, which were the best that have been sent out. On the extreme high points there was fair profit-taking by longs. The cash demand was good; fully 100,000 bushels sold to go East.

There was a falling off in the trade in provisions, and under rather liberal offerings from packers and the selling of a line of January pork for a prominent local operator, prices yielded sharply and the closing was quiet at the decline. The buying was largely of a miscellaneous character, outsiders taking pork. Shippers bought against cash transactions, the shipping demand showing some improvement. The continued liberal hog movement is against a further advance at this time.

Chicago Grain and Provision Market

Corrected daily by W. B. Hibbs & Co., members of the New York Stock Exchange, 1419 F Street.

	Open	High	Low	2:15
WHEAT				
December	72	72⅝	72	72-⅞
May	73¾	75¼	73¾-¾	75¼
CORN—				
December	60⅝	60⅞	60⅝	60⅞
May	63¾	64¼	63-⅝	63⅞
OATS—				
May	42⅜	42⅝	40¾	40¾
December	41⅝	41⅞-¾	41¾	41⅞-¾
PORK—				
January	15.50	15.50	15.50	15.50
May	15.75	15.75	15.75	15.75
LARD—				
January	8.85	8.85	8.85	8.75
May	9.02	9.10	9.10	9.10
RIBS—				
January	7.50	7.50	7.50	7.50
May	8.05	8.12	8.05	8.12

New York Cotton Market.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
January	7.53	7.60	7.54	7.60
March	7.54	7.60	7.53	7.60
May	7.51	7.60	7.50	7.60

BALTIMORE PRICE CURRENT.

BALTIMORE, Nov. 21.—Following are today's quotations in the local wholesale provision and grain markets:

Wheat—Stock in elevators, 1,124,176 bus. Market for Southern today was firmer. Receipts were lighter. Sales on grade of No. 2 red at 76¾, steamer 2 red at 75¾c, and rejected at 77½c. Sample lots, as to quality and condition, sold at 73, 74, and 74½c.

Western wheat opened steady. November, 76@76½c. Foreign markets were ⅛c to ¼c higher. French included, while speculative on this side were hampered by narrow and undecided trade. There was a fair demand for cash and November, and sales were steady, made at 76c. December was 76¼@76⅜c; January 77¼@77⅝c, and May, 80@80¾c, but the options were flat. Private cables dull, with moderate enquiry. Market closed easier. Spot, November, 75¾c bid; December, 76c bid; January, 76¾c bid, 77c asked; May, 79¾c bid. Sales, 2,400 spot, 76c; 25,000 November, 76c; 2,000 do, 75c; 1,000 November, fresh, 76c; 1,000 steamer No. 2 red, spot, 75c. Settling price, contract, 76c; No. 3 red, 75¼c; steamer 2 red, 75¾.

Corn—Stock in elevators, 213,377 bus. Market for Southern today was strong. Prices were higher. Arrivals were less freer. Sales of cargoes on grade at 66c for No. 2 white, yellow, or mixed, 64¼c for steamer, 61¾c for No. 3 of either color, and 58¾c for rejected. Small lots of white sold by sample at 64c and 65c. Cob was firm at $2@2.10 per bbl for prime new yellow on spot in carload lots.

Western corn was quiet and firm. Cash, new crop, was in demand early at 65½c, but very little corn changed hands. Year sold at 64¾c, but only in a moderate way, and offerings of all descriptions were small. January was 63½@63¾c. Private cables dull. Market closed easier; spot (new), 65c bid, 65¼c asked; November (new), 63c bid; year, 63¾c bid, 63¾c asked; January, 63¼c bid. Sales, 10,000 year, 64¾c; 5,000 January, 63½c; car, mixed, to go in elevator, 65¾c; 5,000 January, 63½c. Settling price, mixed, 65¾c; new, 65½c; steamer mixed, 63¾c; No. 3, 60¾c.

Flour—Market steady. Western super, $2.40@2.50; Western extra, $2.55@2.90; Western family, $3.20@3.45; winter patents, $3.70@3.90; spring patents, $3.75@4.00; spring straights, $3.60@3.75; spring bakers', $3.00@3.25; Baltimore best patents, $4.60, Baltimore high-grade family, $4.50; Baltimore high-grade extra, $4.10; Baltimore choice family, $3.85; Maryland, Virginia and Pennsylvania super, $2.40@2.50; Maryland, Virginia and Pennsylvania extra, $2.55@2.90; Maryland, Virginia and Pennsylvania family, $3.30@3.45; city mills super, $2.35@2.45; Rio extra, $3.65@2.85; rye flour, medium to choice, $3.60@3.25.

Oats—The market was firm. Stock in elevators, 96,933 bus; white, No. 2, 49@50c; do, No. 3, 48½@49c; mixed, No. 2, 46@46½c; do, No. 3, 45@45½c.

Rye—Market was quiet. Stock in elevators, 178,825 bus; No. 2 nearby, in carlots, 55c; No. 3 rye, 53c; No. 4 rye, 55@56c; No. 2 Western rye, 60c; in export elevator.

Butter—Market was firm. Creamery, separator, extra, 26@27c; extra first, 24@25c; creamery first, 22@23c; do, imitation extra, 20 to 21c; Iowa and Northwestern ladle, extra, 18c; do, extra first, 16@17c; Western store-packed, 13@14c; Ohio rolls, first, 16 to 17c; second, 13@14c; West Virginia rolls, first, 14@15c; second, 13@14c; Elgin creamery prints, ½-lb, 27@28c; do, 1-lb, 27@28c; do, 2-lb, 26@26c; Maryland and Pennsylvania creamery prints, ½-lb, 25@26c; do, 1-lb, 24@25c.

Eggs—The market is firm. Strictly fresh, 26c; Western, 24@25c.

Poultry—Market dull. Old fowls, 7½@8c per lb; spring chickens, 8½@10c; roosters, 25c apiece; ducks, 9@10c lb; turkeys, large, 8c; do, small, 8@8½c; dressed, old fowls, 8c; springers, 9c; turkeys, 9@10c.

Green coffee—Market steady. No. 2 (Rio grade), 6¾@6¾c.

Roasted coffee—Market steady. Bulk roasted coffee—Pure Java, 32c; Maracaibo, 22c; pure Laguayra, 22c; pure Santos, 19c; African Java, 19½c; Rio blend, 18c; Peaberry mixture, 17½c; pure Mocha, 30c; Java-Mocha blend, 27½c. (These coffees are in fancy bags, paper lined.) If packed in cans of tubs, ½c higher.

Package brands—E. L. C., 100-lb cases, 11½c; 60-lb cases, 11 6-10c; 36-lb cases, 11 7-10c; Lion coffee, in 100-lb lots, 11.15c; in 50-lb lots, 11.25c.

Cotton—Market is steady; middling, 7¾c; strictly low middling, 7½c; low middling, 7½c. Stock in Baltimore, 14,873 bales.

BEGGED FROM RACEGOERS.

One-Legged Vagrants Had Plenty of Money.

Fred Hennessy, with one leg, and Charles M. Smith, with both his right leg and left arm missing, were charged in the Police Court yesterday with being vagrants. Hennessy is about thirty years of age; Smith is five years younger.

"These men were begging on the board walk leading from the cars to the Benning race track entrance yesterday, and when I arrested them Hennessy had $35 and Smith $2," a policeman told Judge Kimball.

"I used to live in Washington," explained Hennessy, "but have not been here lately. I've been traveling around."

"Tramping," suggested Judge Kimball; "$20 or sixty days each."

Fractured Leg in Bicycle Fall.

An unevenness in the surface of the asphalt at the corner of Sixteenth and H Streets northwest caused Walter T. Trithpoe, while riding his wheel, to lose his balance at an early hour yesterday morning. He fell from his bicycle and was badly injured. He was taken to the Emergency Hospital in the ambulance, where it was found that he had sustained a fracture of the bones of the left leg. Trithpoe is twenty-four years old and lives at 1745 Pennsylvania Avenue northwest.

The Oldest and Best.

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