FINANCE AND COMMERCE

THE CLOSING QUOTATIONS OF MONEY.

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

NEW YORK, Jan. 5.—Speculation at the Stock Exchange opened quiet and about steady, but subsequently, owing to a break in Missouri Pacific, the whole market declined. Missouri Pacific opened at 20⅝, rose to 21⅝, and then broke to 18⅝ on moderately large dealing. The room had it that the creditors of the company intended applying for a receiver. But President George Gould, of the company, and Russell Sage, who controls the bonded debt, stated positively that there was not a word of truth in the report. President Gould further stated that Treasurer Gallf would at once purchase all the February coupons presented less 6 per cent. interest. The company, he said, has the money in the bank. The refutation resulted in a rally to 19⅝. Louisville and Nashville was pressed for sale throughout, falling from 44⅝ to 41⅝. It is now believed that the directors at the meeting next week will formally pass the dividends. New England opened ⅝ per cent. lower at 9½ on a sensational story that the company had been unable to borrow money in Boston. Parties alleged to have been interested in the matter denied the rumors, and Receiver Platt said that there had been no new developments in the affairs of the company. Burlington and Quincy was forced down to 74⅝ on an unfounded report that the company has sold a block of bonds abroad. Western Union, in sympathy with Missouri Pacific, fell 1⅝ to 84⅛, and the other active stocks reacted ¼ to 1⅝ per cent. at the same time. The selling of Missouri Pacific ceased soon after 1 o'clock, and then there was a period of dullness. About delivery hour, under purchases to cover short contracts, a general rally of ½ to 1½ per cent. occurred, Missouri Pacific, Louisville and Nashville, Whisky, Western Union, and General Electric leading. Near the close Louisville and Nashville ran off to 41⅞, and the market left off about steady. In the specialties, Evansville and Terre Haute rose 8 to 55, and American Tobacco preferred 3 to 93. The total sales were 280,000 shares. Railway and miscellaneous bonds were active and firm.

Money on call easy, ranging from 1@1½ per cent., last loan at 1 per cent., and closing offered at 1 per cent.; prime mercantile paper, 4@4½ per cent.; bar silver, 68½; Mexican dollars, 54⅝. Sterling exchange is steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at 483¾@484 for sixty days and 485⅝ for demand; posted rates, 484@486½; commercial bills, 483⅝@484 for sixty days and 485 for demand. Government bonds firm. State bonds dull. Railroad bonds firmer. Silver at the board was neglected.

Treasury Balances—Coin, $57,149,000; currency, $29,817,000.

STOCK QUOTATIONS.

	Closing Bids.
American Cotton Oil	28½
American Cotton Oil preferred	64½@65½
American Sugar	78¼
American Sugar Refineries, pref'd	81½
American Tobacco	79¾
American Tobacco preferred	90
Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe	11⅝
Baltimore and Ohio	67½
Canada Pacific	72
Chesapeake and Ohio	17¼
Chicago and Alton	132
Chicago, Burlington and Quincy	74⅞
Chicago Gas Trust	62⅛
Delaware, Lack. and Western	164½
Distillers	23½
East Tennessee, Va. and Georgia	⅞
East Tenn., Va. and Ga. preferred	5
Erie	13
Erie preferred	28½
General Electric	32⅞
Illinois Central	90
Lake Erie and Western	13⅝
Lake Erie and Western preferred	62½
Lake Shore	121
Louisville and Nashville	41⅝
Louisville, New Albany & Chicago	8½
Manhattan Consolidated	129⅛
Memphis and Charleston	10
Michigan Central	96⅝
Missouri Pacific	19¼
Mobile and Ohio	17½
Nash., Chattanooga and St. Louis	62
National Cordage	19¼
National Cordage preferred	42
New Jersey Central	114¼
New York Central	97¼
New York and New England	40½
Norfolk and Western preferred	19½
Northern Pacific	4⅞
Northern Pacific preferred	17
Northwestern	98¼
Northwestern preferred	137
Pacific Mail	13½
Reading	19½
Richmond and West Point	2¼
Rock Island	64
St. Paul	56⅝
St. Paul preferred	117¼
Silver Certificates	69⅝
Tennessee Coal and Iron	15½
Tennessee Coal and Iron preferred	60
Texas Pacific	8⅛
Union Pacific	18
Wabash	6
Wabash preferred	13½
Western Union	84¼
Wheeling and Lake Erie	12½
Wheeling and Lake Erie preferred	47½

BONDS.

Alabama—Class A	95
Alabama—Class B	97
Alabama—Class C	96@97
Louisiana Stamped 4's	100
North Carolina 4's	96
North Carolina 6's	118
Tennessee Old 6's	60
Tennessee New Settlement 6's	100
Tennessee New Settlement 5's	96
Tennessee New Settlement 3's	72½
Virginia 6's	50
Virginia Ex-Matured Coupons	35
Virginia 2-3, 1991	56⅝@56
United States 4's, registered	112¼
United States 4's, coupon	112½
United States 2's, coupon	95

RICHMOND STOCK MARKET.

RICHMOND, VA., Jan. 5, 1894.

Reported by John L. Williams & Sons, Bankers and Brokers, No. 1000 Main street.

Government Securities.	Bid	Asked.
United States 4's	112½	....
State Securities.		
North Carolina 4's	96	....
North Carolina 6's	117	....
Virginia 3's, 1932	69⅝	69¾
Virginia 2-3 p. c. C. B.	55⅞	56⅞
City Securities.		
Richmond City 8's	129	124
Richmond City 6's	....	109
Richmond City 5's, R., 1921	....	106
Richmond City 4's	....	93
Railroad Bonds.		
A. and C. 1st 7's, R., 1907	111	....
A. and C. guar. in. 6's, R.	....	95
C. C. and A. 1st 7's, C.	98	....
C. C. and A. 6's, C.	....	101
Georgia Pacific 1st 6's	....	90
Georgia Pacific Consol. 5's	....	75
Georgia Pacific int. 1923	6	11
Petersburg, Class A., 6's	105½	....
Petersburg, Class B., 6's	108¼	....
R. and M. 1st 6's, 1921	....	80
W. N. C. 1st 6's, C., guar.	80	85
W. N. C. 1st 6's, C., 1914	80	85
Railroad Stocks.		
Atlanta and Charlotte	....	190
Chesapeake and Ohio	17	18
North Carolina	86	....
Petersburg	100	105
R. & P. & R., F. & P. Con.	72	....
R. F. and P. div. obligs.	112	114
R. F. and P. 6 p. c. guar.	140	....
R. F. and P. 7 p. c. guar.	150	....
Richmond and Petersburg	105	....
Bank Stocks.		
Citizens	....	29
Safe Deposit Fidelity Co.	105½	106½
Insurance Companies.		
Virginia Fire and Marine	....	37
Virginia State	17	22

DAILY COTTON LETTER.

NEW YORK, Jan. 5.—The following is the daily cotton letter of Atwood, Violett & Co. by private wire to C. W. Branch & Co.:

Local influences here to-day have depressed this market, taking advantage of the long interest that existed, and on that was created largely by the expectation of a light movement, and although this movement has been even lighter than the most sanguine bulls expected, at the same time we close 3 points lower than last night, and this notwithstanding the fact that the statistical position of cotton is stronger to-day than it has been any time this season. If cotton was like any other speculative commodity, where there was an unlimited supply, it might be understood that a weakness might occur when the situation would look the strongest, but when we consider that the world will consume 8,250,000 bales of American cotton this season, if they can get it, according to Mr. Ellison, the English authority on consumption (and that this crop only promises to be 7,250,000 bales maximum), it looks strange, indeed, that whereas American cotton supplies 70 per cent. of the clothing into which cotton enters in the manufacture, and that it has to protect contracts for all four of the future markets of this country and in Europe, the market can be manipulated to a lower range of values in view of the statistics as we presented them yesterday. The southern spot markets have for several days been getting stronger, and interior stocks, almost without exception, are smaller than last year, it should make the holder very tenacious. Interior receipts this week are 24,000 bales, against 27,000 bales last year, or 2,000 bales less than we estimated yesterday. The most significant feature of the situation is that the interior stocks are only 4,000 bales more than last year and 3,000 bales less than last week. This means that if twenty-four of the larger points in the South, including Memphis and St. Louis, have only this slight excess over last year, it is most presumable that the smaller points and plantations have less than one year ago, because we believe that the ratio of plantation and invisible stocks to the visible town stocks, is less this year than ever before. The amount that came into sight this week, according to New Orleans Exchange, is 220,000 bales, against 177,000 bales last year, or nearly 30,000 bales less this week than was expected. The information that was sent to this market yesterday, that receipts were delayed by roads, is disproven by our telegrams, which we received from all over the cotton belt to-day. Wagers are offered again to-day that next week's receipts at New Orleans will be so much, and the week following will be so much more.

THE COTTON MARKETS.

NEW YORK, Jan. 5.—Cotton quiet; middling gulf, 8 5-16; uplands, 8 1-16; sales, 57 bales. Futures closed quiet and steady; sales, 158,200 bales; January, 7.74; February, 7.78; March, 7.85; April, 7.97; May, 8.05; June, 8.13; July, 8.20; August, 8.25.

The following are the total net receipts of cotton at all ports since September 1, 1893: Galveston, 829,011 bales; New Orleans, 1,313,529 bales; Mobile, 162,682 bales; Savannah, 742,290 bales; Charleston, 338,633 bales; Wilmington, 163,686 bales; Norfolk, 357,128 bales; Baltimore, 34,322 bales; New York, 52,607 bales; Boston, 51,818 bales; Newport News, 20,121 bales; Philadelphia, 20,901 bales; West Point, 175,395 bales; Brunswick, 31,308 bales; Velasco, 7,442 bales; Port Royal, 47,038 bales. Total, 4,350,640 bales.

Deduct 48,558 bales from net receipts since September 1st, making the corrected total since that date 4,311,087 bales.

Cotton—Net receipts, 400 bales; gross receipts, 802 bales; exports to Continent, 600 bales; sales, 57 bales, all spinners; stock, 227,620 bales.

Weekly—Net receipts, 6,386 bales; gross receipts, 46,644 bales; exports to Great Britain, 18,650 bales; France, 400 bales; Continent, 9,025 bales; forwarded, 16,596 bales; sales, 3,551 bales; spinners, 251 bales.

Total to-day from all ports—Net receipts, 34,400 bales; exports to Great Britain, 26,825 bales; Continent, 772 bales; stock, 1,248,564 bales.

Total so far this week—Net receipts, 192,082 bales; exports to Great Britain, 136,733 bales; France, 10,962 bales; Continent, 38,174 bales.

Total since September 1st—Net receipts, 4,311,087 bales; exports to Great Britain, 1,605,261 bales; France, 363,835 bales; Continent, 885,774 bales; channel, 6,400 bales.

LIVERPOOL, Jan. 5.—Noon.—Cotton in moderate demand, freely met, and prices unchanged; American middling, 5-16; sales, 12,000 bales; American, 10,100 bales; speculation and export, 1,000 bales; receipts, 25,000 bales; American, 15,200 bales. Futures easy and demand moderate; January-February, 4 16-64; February-March, 4 17-64@4 18-64; March-April, 4 19-64@4 20-64; April-May, 4 21-64; May-June, 4 22-64@4 23-64; June-July, 4 24-64@4 25-64. Tenders, 5,600 bales new dockets.

4 P. M.—January, 4 15-64, sellers; January-February, 4 15-64, sellers; February-March, 4 16-64, buyers; March-April, 4 18-64, sellers; April-May, 4 19-64@4 20-64; May-June, 4 21-64, sellers; June-July, 4 23-64, sellers; July-August, 4 24-64@4 25-64.

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKET.

NEW YORK, Jan. 5.—Flour more active and steadier; winter wheat, low grades, $2.00@2.45; patent, $3.40@3.65; Minnesota clear, $2.50@2.90; patent, $3.80@4.30; low extras, $2.05@2.40. Southern flour quiet and steady; common to fair extra, $2.00@3.00; good to choice do., $3.10@4.20.

Wheat—Spot market dull and easier; No. 2 red; store and elevator, 66⅝@67c.; afloat, 67⅝@68c. Options advanced ⅝@⅞c., fell ⅝@⅞c., closing weak at ⅝@½c. under yesterday; trading moderate; January, 66⅝c.; February, 68c.; May, 71½c.

Corn—Spot firm and quiet; No. 2, 42½c., elevator; 43½@43¾c. afloat; steamer mixed, 42c.; low mixed, 42⅝c. Options dull, opening strong and advancing ⅛@⅜c. on better cables, falling ⅝@⅞c., with the West, and closing steady at ⅜@½c. under yesterday; January, 42¼c.; February, 42⅝c.; May, 44⅝c.

Oats quiet and steady at ⅛c. lower; January, 34c.; February, 34½c.; May, 35⅝c.; No. 2 white, February, 36c. Spot—No. 2, 34½c.; No. 2 white, 35½c.; mixed Western, 34½@34⅝c.; white do., 36@40½c.

Hay quiet and weak; spring, 55@60c.; good to choice, 70@85c.

Wool steady and quiet; domestic fleece, $2.00@2.25; pulled, 16@25c.

Beef dull and steady; family, $11.00@13.00; extra mess, $8.00@8.50; beef hams, $15.00@15.25; tierced beef dull; extra city, India mess, $19.00@20.00; cut meats firm and quiet; pickled bellies, $7.50@7.75; shoulders, $6.00; hams, $9.00@9.25; middles nominal.

Lard in moderate demand and firm. Western steam closed at $8.35; city, $7.37½@8.00; January, $8.15. Refined quiet and firm; Continent, $8.75; South America, $9.25; compound, $6.00@6.25.

Pork in moderate demand and steady; mess, $13.75@14.50;

Butter quiet and weak; State dairy, 17@24c.; do., creamery, 19@23c.; Western dairy, 16@18c.; do., creamery, 19@25½c.; Elgins, 26@25½c.

Cotton seed oil quiet and firm; crude, 29½c.; yellow, 34½@35c.

Petroleum quiet and unchanged.

Rosin quiet and steady; strained, common to good, $1.25@1.27½.

Turpentine dull and firm at 29½@30½c.

Rice steady and quiet; domestic, fair to extra, 3¾@5½c.; Japan, 4½@4¾c.

Molasses—Foreign nominal; New Orleans quiet and steady at 30@38c.

Peanuts quiet; fancy hand-picked, 3¾@4c.

Coffee—Options steady at 5@20 points up; January, $17.15; March, $16.40@16.50; May, $16.05@16.10; July, $15.00; September, $15.35. Spot Rio steady and quiet; No. 8, $18.37½.

Sugar—Raw steady and quiet; fair refining, 2⅝c. Refined steady and in fair demand; No. 6, 3 7-16@3⅜c.; standard A, 3 13-16@4c.; cut-loaf, 4 9-16@4⅝c.; crushed, 4 9-16@4⅝c.; granulated, 3 13-16@4¼c. Freights to Liverpool firm and fairly active; cotton, steamer, 5-32d.; grain, steamer, 3d.

BALTIMORE.

BALTIMORE, MD., Jan. 5.—Flour quiet and unchanged.

Wheat firm; No. 2 red spot and January, 65½@65⅝c.; February, 67c. asked; May, 70¼@70⅝c.; steamer No. 2 red, 62@62½c.; milling wheat, by sample, 65@66½c.

Corn firm; mixed spot, 40⅝c. bid; January, 40⅝c. bid; February, 41⅜@41⅝c.; March, 42¼@42½c.; May, 43½c. bid; steamer mixed, 38c. asked; southern country sample, 38@41c.; do., on grades, 37½@41c.

Oats quiet; No. 2 white, Western, 34@34½c.; No. 2 mixed, Western, 33@33½c.

Rye dull; No. 2, 48c.

Hay steady; good to choice timothy, $14.50@15.50.

Grain freights quiet and unchanged.

Butter weak; creamery, fancy, 28c.; do., fair to choice, 23@25c.; do., imitation, 22@23c.; ladle, fancy, 21c.; good to choice, 18@19c.; rolls, fine, 18@19c.; do., fair to good, 15@17c.; store-packed, 14@15c.

Eggs dull at 19@20c.

Coffee quiet; Rio cargoes, fair, 19½c.; No. 7, 18¼c.

Other articles unchanged.

Bonds—Virginia 3's, 55⅝ bid; Baltimore and Ohio stock, 68½ asked; Baltimore and Ohio Southwestern firsts, 102 bid; Consolidated Gas stocks, 53¼@54.

CHICAGO.

CHICAGO, ILL., Jan. 5.—There was a very irregular market in wheat to-day, and fluctuations frequent and the range wide enough to afford ample opportunity for the speculator to either make or lose money. Starting in at a decline of ¼c. from yesterday's close, with a liberal business being transacted at the recession, the market became firm, advancing ⅝c., eased off ⅞c., firmed again, and advanced ⅝@⅞c. Shortly before the close several large lots of long wheat, which were bought yesterday and the day before, went overboard, carrying values off 1⅛c. The close showed a net loss for the day of ½@⅝c.

Corn was guided almost solely by the changes in wheat. At the opening the feeling was steady at a slight decline from yesterday's close, rallied ⅛c., declined ⅛c., reacted slightly, again receded, and the close was ⅛@⅜c. under yesterday.

Oats started slightly lower, advanced ⅛c., sold off ⅜c., in sympathy with wheat, and closed quiet.

Provisions were firm all day and until within a short time before the close, when an easier feeling marked the trading. Prices were higher for live hogs, although the run was in excess of expectations. Armour bought considerable, and through this influence any prospective decline was checked. The small stock received credit for the steady undertone. May pork closed 7½c. under yesterday, May lard 2½c. lower, and May ribs 2½c. lower.

Cash Quotations—Flour market dull, prices easy, and favoring buyer; wheat, 61c.; No. 2 red 62c.; No. 2 corn, 34⅞c.; No. 2 oats, 30@30½c.; pork, $12.75@12.80; lard, $7.95@8.00; ribs, $6.50@6.55; shoulders, $6.25@6.50; sides, $6.75@7.00; whisky, $1.15.

	Opening.	Closing.
Wheat—		
January	61½	61⅜
May	66⅝	66⅝
July	67⅝	67½
Corn—		
January	35⅛	34⅞
May	38⅞	38½
July	39¼	38⅞
Oats—		
January	28⅝	28⅝
May	30⅞	30⅝
July	29¼	29⅛
Mess Pork—		
January	$12.82½	$12.75
May	12.77½	12.75
Lard—		
January	7.82½	7.80
May	7.60	7.57½
Short Ribs—		
January	6.60	6.52½
May	6.60	6.60

CINCINNATI.

CINCINNATI, O., Jan. 5.—Flour—Spring patent, $3.50@3.80; family, $2.30@2.60.

Wheat steady; No. 2 red, 59c.; sample, red, 57c.

Corn—Better feeling; No. 2 white, 39c.; No. 2 yellow, 37½c.

Oats firmer; No. 2, 31½c.

Pork—Jobbing rates, mess, $12.75; clear mess, $13.75; family, $12.75.

Lard steady; steam leaf, $8.12½; leaf lard, $8.25.

Bacon steady; shoulders, $6.75; short rib sides, $7.25; short clear sides, $7.75.

Whisky steady at $1.15.

ST. LOUIS.

ST. LOUIS, MO., Jan. 5.—Flour without change and steady.

Wheat firm and lower; January, 58⅝c.; May, 63½c.

Corn lower; January, 32⅝c.; May, 35⅛c.

Oats dull; May, 31¼c.

Pork—Standard mess, $13.25; on orders, $13.75.

Lard—Prime steam nominal at $7.87½.

Dry Salted Meats—Shoulders, $6.00; longs and clear ribs, $6.65; shorts, $6.80.

Bacon—Boxed shoulders, $7.00; longs, $7.25; clear ribs, $7.50; shorts, $7.62½@7.75.

ST. SAVANNAH.

SAVANNAH, GA., Jan. 5.—Turpentine market opened firm at 28¼c. for regulars, with sales of 270 casks, and closed firm at 28½c., with sales of 100 casks; all receipts taken.

Rosin market quiet and firm, buyers holding off, and no sales reported. Quote—A, B, C, D, and E, $1.00; F, $1.10; G, $1.25; H, $1.45; I, $1.80 and $1.85; K, $2.35; M, $3.15 and $3.20; N, $3.35; window glass, $3.55; water white, $3.85.

CHARLESTON.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Jan. 5.—Turpentine firm at 27c. to 27½c.

Rosin firm at 95c. for good strained.

WILMINGTON.

WILMINGTON, N. C., Jan. 5.—Rosin steady; strained, 95c.; good strained, $1.00.

Spirits turpentine firm at 27c.

Tar quiet at 90c.

Crude turpentine quiet; hard, $1.00; soft and virgin, $1.00.

TOBACCO EXCHANGE.

RICHMOND, VA., Jan. 5, 1894.

No offerings of tobaccos at auction on Change to-day.

Private sales reported to the secretary of the Richmond Tobacco Trade to-day: Fillers, 63 hogsheads.

The tobacco inspector reports to-day: Inspections—Bright, 51 hogsheads; dark, 40 hogsheads; Western, 7 hogsheads. Reinspections—Bright, 66 hogsheads and 1 tierce.

Shockoe, Planters', Alleghany, Old Dominion, Shelburne's, Crenshaw's, and Seabrook's tobacco warehouses report today: Receipts, 21 packages; deliveries, 47 packages.

United States internal revenue collections for the city of Richmond, Va., today: Cigars and cigarettes, $1,121.98; plug tobaccos, $4,289.43. Total, $5,411.41.

A small sale of dark loose tobaccos at Shockoe warehouse to-day.

Shelburne says: "The market is steady and all right; sold about 50,000 pounds of loose tobaccos to-day; nothing fine offered."

A fair sale of dark loose tobaccos at Crenshaw's tobacco warehouse to-day.

GRAIN AND COTTON EXCHANGE.

RICHMOND, VA., Jan. 5, 1894.

Offerings—Wheat, 858 bushels; corn, 684 bushels; oats, 500 bushels.

Sales—Wheat, 82 bushels; corn, 684 bushels.

Quotations—Wheat—Longberry, 63c. to 66c.; mixed, 62c. to 66c.; shortberry, 66c. to 68c.; No. 2 red, 65c.

Corn—White, Virginia (bag lots), 41c. to 44c.; No. 2 white, 43c. to 43½c.; No. 2 mixed, 41c. to 42c.

Oats—Winter (for seed), 34c. to 37c.; No. 2 mixed, 34c.; No. 3 mixed, 33c. to 33½c.

Rye, 53c. to 58c.

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

PORT OF WEST POINT, Jan. 5, 1894.

ARRIVED.

Steamship Essex, Taylor, Baltimore, passengers and general cargo.

Steamship Danville, Murphy, Baltimore, passengers and general cargo.

SAILED.

Steamship Essex, Taylor, Boston via Norfolk, passengers and general cargo.

Steamship Danville, Murphy, Baltimore, passengers and general cargo.

Virginia Notes.

We are in favor of the "Nicol bill" from the crown of our head to the soles of our feet. The Democratic masses feel that some change is absolutely necessary, and we believe this bill covers the whole ground, and we trust the Legislature will pass it.—Pulaski Lance.

The Dora furnace, of Pulaski, is making more pig iron now than ever before. For December she made more by 1,000 pounds than she did in the same month last year. In one week during the month she made 1,301 tons, or about 186 tons a day. This is beyond doubt the largest yield in the South.

The Hon. P. W. McKinney, ex-Governor of Virginia, may well feel impressed with the sincerity of the cordial welcome accorded him at his home, coming by his Farmville friends. The whole State exclaims: "Well done, thou good and faithful servant."—Roanoke Times.

The Norfolk Landmark suggests ex-Governor McKinney for the judgeship of the new court which the Legislature is asked to establish in Richmond. The Landmark pays McKinney the handsome compliment of saying that he "would make as good a judge as he made Governor."

The gravamen of the charge against Mr. K. C. Murray's Democracy, says a report in the Richmond Dispatch, was that in his paper he denounced fraud in elections. The Virginia Senate, fortunately for the Democratic party, did not sustain that test of Democracy. Whenever approval of election frauds shall become a test of Democracy it will be high time for all decent men to retire from the Democratic party and find other political associations.—Petersburg Index-Appeal.

One alleged objection to an income tax urged by the opponents of that tax in the North is that, if imposed, it would be collected in the North. As the North impoverished the South, and as the necessity for the tax arises from the immense sum that has to be paid to the northern soldiers by whom this impoverishment was produced, surely the alleged objection referred to cannot be sufficient to affect the vote of any southern congressman.—Alexandria Gazette.

A New Cooking School

has been started, which, recognizing the importance of having plenty of milk on hand for cooking purposes, has found its requirements fully met by Borden's Peerless Brand Evaporated Cream, prepared by New York Condensed Milk Company. It highly endorses it.

A Sore Throat or Cough,

if suffered to progress, often results in an incurable throat or lung trouble. "Brown's Bronchial Troches" give instant relief.

It is Hardly Worth Any One's While

to take the risk of waiting for a Cough, Cold, or any Lung Trouble "to go as it came," when a remedy, so sure and thorough as Dr. D. Jayne's Expectorant, is so easily procurable.

CONDITIONS UNALTERED

A CLOUD OF UNCERTAINTY HOVERS OVER TRADE.

Extent of the Decrease in the Various Branches of Business—Failures During the Past Year.

NEW YORK, Jan. 5.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade to-morrow will say:

The cloud of uncertainty does not lift as yet. Strong confidence is expressed in nearly all markets that trade must improve with the new year, but it is yet too early to expect important change, if it is really on the way. In the main, the conditions continue unaltered. But the proposal of an income tax is not calculated to inspire confidence, nor does it encourage hope that the uncertainty about revenue laws will be speedily terminated.

Money from the interior still floods this market, commercial inactivity still causes the amount of idle funds to swell beyond all precedent, and rates are so low that speculation might be dangerously stimulated if a feeling of hopefulness prevailed.

The Working Forces.

It is questionable whether the working force on the great industries has increased as yet, though about the first of the year considerable increase is expected. The number of mills starting and stopping work is about the same. Sales of wool for the week amount to 2,494,800 pounds, against 4,453,200 for the corresponding week last year, and since May 1st the decrease has been 49.6 per cent. Prices are somewhat weaker, and few works report satisfactory orders. Prices of cotton goods are further reduced to encourage purchases. Most of the shoe shops are moderately employed, and the decrease in shipments for the week is 17 per cent., against 20 per cent. for the last seven months of 1893. Still lower prices are recorded in iron and steel, both at Philadelphia and Pittsburg, without increase in volume of business. It is believed that the output of pig, though 40 per cent. less than a year ago, exceeds the present consumption. The volume of business represented by exchanges outside New York is 18.2 per cent. less than for the same week last year.

Decrease in Business.

The results of an inquiry regarding the extent of decrease in various branches of business during the last half of 1893 are remarkable. Actual sales have been reported by 1,117 houses or companies, aggregating $213,469,626 this year, against $304,469,103 in the same months last year, a decrease of 29.7 per cent. In textile manufactures the decrease is 41 per cent., over 47 per cent. in all woolens, 43 per cent. in silk, and 37.1 per cent. in cotton manufactures, 29.2 per cent. in hosiery, and 25.6 per cent. in mixed textiles. In dry goods the sales decreased only 19.2 per cent., stocks previously held having been much reduced, and the reported decrease in sales of clothing is only 12.3 per cent., but in hardware only 18.5 per cent. In boot and shoe manufacture the decrease is 16.6 per cent., but in the retail trade it was only 11.6 per cent. The decrease in furniture is 27.2 per cent., in jewelry 24.8 per cent., and in sales of hats only 18.6 per cent. It is an interesting and encouraging fact that sales of groceries are slightly larger than last year, though a little less at the East and West, but greater at the South. The fact that in most branches the decrease appears smaller at the West than at the East, and smaller at the South than at the West, is one of the curious results of this novel investigation.

Failures During the Past Year.

The final classified returns of failures for 1893 are not yet complete, but the reports received for the latter part of December have swelled the aggregate of commercial liabilities to $338,403,461, of which $167,515,985 are of manufacturing failures, $123,716,960 of trading failures, and $47,230,516 of other concerns.

For the past week the failures reported have been 511 in the United States, against 231 last year, and 41 in Canada, against 17 last year.

As to Bradstreet Sees It.

NEW YORK, N. Y., Jan. 5.—Bradstreet's to-morrow will say: General trade throughout the country has been somewhat less in volume than last week, an indication of its character being found in a report from Chicago that small mail orders constitute the bulk of the wholesale business. Stock-taking is also a feature, but the return of commercial travelers to the road is reported from nearly all points. Prices for iron and steel are declared to have been still further shaded at eastern centres since the beginning of the year, and while there has been no further depression in wool prices, concessions are obtained on offers to buy. Resumptions of work in industrial lines are very numerous, more than twice as many factories and mills having started up within the week as have shut down, but reductions of wages in industrial lines continue very numerous in establishments which remain at work. Orders for print cloths at eastern mills amount to only one-third of the quantity on the books one year ago, and the week's sales of wool at Boston are 65 per cent. less than in the like week last year. Woolen mills are doing a hand-to-mouth business on orders, and interest in the cotton market is centered on receipts, which have begun to fall off rapidly, although still ahead of last year. The low cotton crop estimates call for a further shrinkage of receipts. Eastern dry goods jobbers are preparing for the spring movement by ordering and opening supplies, while agents have begun to get goods forward. Bank clearings at sixty-five cities, for 1893, aggregate $54,165,000, a falling off of about 12½ per cent. from 1892, about 4 per cent. from 1891, and less than 11 per cent. from the total of 1890.

Business at Baltimore is very dull, and merchants predict the January volume of business smaller than last year. Merchandise stocks are very light. At Charleston commercial travelers have been going out on the road. There is more activity in tobacco at Louisville, and Kentucky jean factories are running with full forces and fair prospects. Atlanta manufacturers are resuming work, the demand for factory products at Augusta remains quiet, and collections are reported improving at Savannah.

Mobile and New Orleans report holding of cotton for higher prices, notwithstanding heavy receipts.

Snow Church Company.

The Snow-Church Company's Weekly Review of Trade says:

The year ended up with prospects not so bright as 1893, so far as general business is concerned. Merchants have for some years past extended their territory for doing business, but for the year just begun there seems to be a tendency to draw in and operate on a more conservative basis, and confine future trade to old fields.

The jobbers in dry goods report trade quiet at this time, being between seasons, with few or no salesmen on the road, but look forward with a trustful feeling for a fair spring business. Hardware merchants speak of a slight falling off in the net profits during the past year in their line of business, based principally on a decrease in the values of that kind of goods, and a corresponding expense to conduct business.

Collections by the Snow-Church Company during the past week show an increase in the total amount over former weeks, and reports on claims in process of collection from various points show steady business and favorable prospects for future collections. It is generally conceded by all parties interviewed that the present distrustful feeling exists more in the larger cities of the country, while the country merchants are going ahead, operating on a conservative basis, and protecting credit. Farmers are apparently less in debt at the beginning of this year than for some years past.

"When pain and anguish wring the brow A ministering angel thou"-Bromo-Seltzer

ADJUTANT-GENERAL WOLSELEY.

This Distinguished English Officer Asks for Confederate Records.

General Bradley T. Johnson, of Baltimore, was in Washington to-day on private business. General Johnson, upon request of Lord Wolseley, the eminent English military chieftain, has recently secured and had forwarded to him a complete set of the official records of the Federal and Confederate armies during the late war. These records have been prepared at great expense and care and regarded as of great importance in throwing light upon the conduct of the war by the two opposing armies.

General Johnson made the acquaintance of Lord (then Mayor) Wolseley when the latter visited Generals Lee and Jackson in 1862. By direction of the Confederate Secretary of War, Colonel Johnson took charge of Major Wolseley and conducted him to the army at Winchester. After a visit of some weeks, during which the English officer was industrious in intelligent inspection of Confederate troops, drill and organization, he returned to Canada, where he was then stationed. He has since become Lord Wolseley of Cairo, and is adjutant-general of the British army.

Since then a correspondence has been kept up at times between the two. Lord Wolseley is a close student of military history and science, and has given much study to the campaigns of Lee and Jackson. The records secured by General Johnson comprise eighty-eight volumes, with perfect maps of campaigns and battles. They will prove a valuable addition to Lord Wolseley's military library, as it is the most complete history of any war ever collected or published.—Washington special to Baltimore Sun.

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SUNDAY CHURCH NOTICES.

MARSHALL-STREET CHRISTIAN CHURCH.—Sunday-school at 9:30 A. M. Preaching by the pastor, Rev. A. R. Moore, at 11 A. M., and 7:30 P. M. Prayer-meeting Wednesday night, at 7:30 o'clock. ts

SEVENTH STREET CHRISTIAN CHURCH—JAMES HALL, Pastor.—Preaching at 11 A. M. and 8 P. M. Sunday-school at 9:30 A. M. Christian Endeavor 7:15 P. M. Sunday. Prayer-meeting 8 P. M. Wednesday. Sewing Circle, 11 A. M. Thursday. Young Ladies' Sewing Circle, 4 P. M. Friday.

SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH, CORNER Main and Sixth streets. Rev. W. W. LANDRUM, D. D., Pastor.—Morning worship at 11 o'clock. Evening worship at 8 o'clock. Annual church meeting at 3 P. M. Sermon to the students of the Medical College of Virginia

GRACE-STREET BAPTIST CHURCH (corner Grace and Foushee streets). Rev. WILLIAM E. HATCHER, D. D., pastor. Sunday-school at 9 A. M. Preaching by the pastor at 11 A. M. and 8 P. M. Prayer-meeting Wednesday night at 8 o'clock. Young People's Union Friday night at 8 o'clock. Young Men's Prayer meeting Saturday night at 8 o'clock.

PINE STREET BAPTIST CHURCH (corner Pine and Albemarle streets). Rev. J. B. HURSON, pastor.—Preaching Sunday at 11 A. M. and 8 P. M. by the pastor. Sunday-school at 9 A. M. Prayer-meeting Wednesday night, 8 o'clock. Young people's meeting Friday night, 8 o'clock. ts

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH—Corner Grace and Fine Sts. (Formerly Clay Street church). Rev. H. A. BAGBY, Pastor. Preaching at 11 A. M. and 8 P. M. every Sunday. Sunday-school at 9 A. M. Prayer meeting and lecture Wednesday night at 8 o'clock. Young Men's meeting Saturday night. Seats free and a hearty welcome to all.

EAST-END BAPTIST CHURCH (corner Twenty-eighth and R streets).—Preaching by the pastor, J. T. TUCKER, at 11 A. M. and 8:15 P. M. Sunday School at