FINANCE AND COMMERCE

THE CLOSING QUOTATIONS OF MONEY.

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

NEW YORK, May 4.—Speculation to-day while quiet was in the main strong at the Stock Exchange. Easy money, more favorable crop news, and the heavy over-subscription to the New York city 3½ per cent. gold bonds were the factors at work. The standard railway stocks cut but a small figure in the total dealings, and London operations were unusually light. The engagement of $2,150,000 gold for shipment to Europe had but little effect, and less attention was paid to the rumors that at least $10,000,000 will be forwarded the middle of June. Bay State Gas, Sugar, Tobacco, Leather preferred, Chicago Gas, and Rubber were most prominent in to-day's limited speculation. Bay State Gas bounded up from 25⅜ to 31¼, fell to 29⅝, and later rose to 32. Boston advices were to the effect that the fight between the Gas Companies had ceased, and this accounts for the rise. Sugar first ran off from 125 to 120⅞ on the reduction of 1-16c. in preferred and then rallied to 125. Tobacco dropped from 67¾ to 66⅞ an rose to 68. Rubber was heavy, breaking 2⅝ to 23⅜ for the common and 3½ to 84 for the preferred. Long stock came out on the announcement that ex-President Bantigan intended erecting a new million-dollar plant to compete with the company. Leather preferred was decidedly strong and rose from 62½ to 64¼. North American was more active and firmer than of late and rose to 6. The company, it is announced, has paid off $1,800,000 of its notes of late, and has still a moderate amount outstanding, which will be liquidated shortly. The liquidation is due to the recent sales of its holdings in the Milwaukee Street Railway and the Morgan syndicate. Speculation was strong at the close. Net changes in the railway list show gains of 1¼ to 1 per cent. The Industrials gained ½ to 6 per cent., Bay State Gas leading. Rubber common lost 1¾ and preferred 3½ per cent. Total sales were 116,750 shares, including 17,500 Bay State Gas, 14,000 Sugar, 11,900 Tobacco, 8,500 Leather preferred, 7,600 Chicago Gas, and 4,300 Rubber. Bonds were dull and firm. Sales footed up $919,000.

Money on call easy at 2@2½ per cent., last loan at 2 per cent., and closing offered at 2 per cent.; prime mercantile paper, 5@5½ per cent. Bar silver, 68. Sterling exchange steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at 487⅝@488 for sixty days and 488¾@489 for demand; posted rates, 488½@490; commercial bills, 486½@487½. Government bonds firm. State bonds dull. Railroad bonds stronger. Silver at the board was quiet.

Treasury Balances: Coin, $123,608,721; currency, $86,082,693.

STOCK QUOTATIONS.

	Closing Bids.
American Cotton Oil	13¾
American Cotton Oil preferred	58¾
American Sugar	124⅝
American Sugar Refineries pfd	103
American Tobacco	68
American Tobacco preferred	95
Atchison, Topeka, and Santa Fe	16
Baltimore and Ohio	17¼
Canada Pacific	60½
Chesapeake and Ohio	17¼
Chicago and Alton	154
Chicago, Burlington and Quincy	81¼
Chicago Gas Trust	70⅞
Delaware, Lack. and Western	161
Distillers	19
Erie	14¼
Erie preferred	38½
General Electric	36⅛
Illinois Central	96½
Lake Erie and Western	18½
Lake Erie and Western preferred	71¼
Lake Shore	150
Louisville and Nashville	52¼
Louisville, New Albany & Chicago	8½
Manhattan Consolidated	109
Memphis and Charleston	15
Michigan Central	96½
Missouri Pacific	28⅛
Mobile and Ohio	21
Nash., Chattanooga and St. Louis	68
United States Cordage	5
United States Cordage preferred	10
New Jersey Central	106½
New York Central	98½
New York and New England	40
Norfolk and Western preferred	9⅝
Northern Pacific	3⅞
Northern Pacific preferred	12⅝
Northwestern	106¼
Northwestern preferred	148½
Pacific Mail	27½
Reading	12⅝
Rock Island	71⅛
St. Paul	79
St. Paul preferred	128¾
Silver Certificates	68
Tennessee Coal and Iron	30
Tennessee Coal and Iron preferred	100
Texas Pacific	8½
Union Pacific	8⅞
Wabash	7
Wabash preferred	18½
Western Union	85¾
Wheeling and Lake Erie	7⅛
Wheeling and Lake Erie preferred	25½

BONDS.

Alabama (Class A)	106
Alabama (Class B)	106
Alabama (Class C) (Bid)	100
Louisiana Stamped 4's	97½
North Carolina 4's (Bid)	100
North Carolina 6's (Bid)	124
Tennessee New Settlement 3's	85
Virginia 6's, preferred (Bid)	5
Virginia Trust Receipts, Stamped	6
Virginia 2-3, 1991	61
United States 4's, registered	109
United States 4's, coupon	110
United States 2's, coupon (Bid)	94½
United States new 4's, registered	117⅝
United States new 4's, coupon	117⅝
Southern Railway 5's	93
Southern Railway common	9¼
Southern Railway preferred	31½
South Carolina 4½'s	106

BALTIMORE STOCK MARKET.

BALTIMORE, MD., May 4.—Virginia 3's, new, 72½@72⅝; do. Century, 61⅝@61⅞; Baltimore and Ohio, 17 bid; Baltimore and Ohio Southwestern firsts, 102½@102⅝; Consolidated Gas stock, 64½@65; do. bonds, 6's, 112½@113½; do. 5's, 103½@104¼.

LONDON BAR SILVER MARKET.

LONDON, May 4.—Bar silver closed at 31⅛d.; Consols, 110⅝ for both money and the account.

5 P. M.—Paris advices quote 3 per cent. rentes at 102 francs and 95 centimes for the account.

RICHMOND STOCK MARKET.

Richmond, Va., May 4, 1896.

Government Securities.	Par.	Bid.	Asked.
U. S. 4's, R. and C., 1907		109	...
State Securities.			
North Carolina 4's		104	...
North Carolina 6's		125	...
Virginia 3's (new)		72½	72¾
Virginia Century, 2-3		61¼	62
City Securities.			
Richmond City 8's		126	...
*Richmond City 6's		111	...
Richmond City 5's		109	...
Richmond City 4's		...	99
Railroad Bonds.			
A. and C. 1st 7's		118	...
A. and C. guar. in. 6's		100	...
C., C. and A. Ext. 5's		104	...
C., C. and A. 2d 7's		112	...
Petersburg, Class A, 5's		108	...
Petersburg, Class B, 6s		111	...
S. Railway 1st 5's, 1994		93	...
W. N. C. 1st 6's, C, 1914		112¾	...
Railroad Stocks.	Par.		
A. and C.	100	95	...
Petersburg	100	108	...
R., F. and P. div. obli.	100	115½	...
R. and P.	100	114	...
S. Railway pfd 5's	100	31	...
S. Railway common	100	9½	...
Bank Stocks.			
Citizens	25	...	27½
City	25	...	30
First National	100	172	173¾
Metropolitan	25	...	27
National Bank of Va.	100	...	109
Planters National	100	...	252
Pet. Sav. and Ins. Co.	20	20	...
Security	100	...	109
State Bank of Va.	100	...	138½
Union Bank of Rich'd	50	112	...
Virginia Trust Co.	100	108	110
Insurance Companies.			
Va. Fire and Marine	25	...	34
Virginia State	25	23½	24½
Miscellaneous.			
A. T. Co. preferred	100	96	...
A. T. Co. common	50	67	...

*Quotations are for bonds maturing in not less than ten years.

GRAIN AND COTTON EXCHANGE.

Richmond, Va., May 4, 1896.

Quotations: Wheat—Longberry, 75 to 77c.; mixed, 74 to 77c.; shortberry, 73 to 77c.; No. 2 red, 76c.

Corn—White, Virginia, 38c.; No. 2 white, 37½c.; No. 2 mixed, 36½c.

Oats—No. 2 mixed, 25c.; No. 3 mixed, 24½c.

Rye—42 to 45c.

THE COTTON MARKETS.

NEW YORK, May 4.—Cotton quiet; middling gulf, 8 9-16; middling, 8 5-16; gross receipts, 1,087 bales; forwarded, 99 bales; sales, 2,726 bales; spinners, 103 bales; stock, 138,635 bales.

Total to-day—Net receipts, 7,426 bales; exports to Great Britain, 8,112 bales; Continent, 4,097 bales; stock, 407,275 bales.

Total so far this week—Net receipts, 12,592 bales; exports to Great Britain, 17,358 bales; France, 4,911 bales; Continent, 4,097 bales.

Total since September 1st—Net receipts, 4,979,194 bales; exports to Great Britain, 2,059,761 bales; France, 449,526 bales; Continent, 1,603,092 bales.

Futures closed very steady; sales, 212,900 bales; May, 8.14@8.15; June, 8.17; July, 8.12; August, 8.12; September, 7.63; October, 7.44; November, 7.29; December, 7.29; January, 7.32; February, 7.35; May, 7.38.

NEW YORK, May 4.—The Sun's cotton review says:

Cotton advanced 12 to 14 points on the near months and 8 to 20 points on the new crop, closing very steady, with sales of 212,900 bales.

To-day's features: Speculation to-day was broader and more active. There was considerable new buying and several large firms here, supposed to be short of the market, covered heavily. Manipulation, however, was apparent. The large bull was again running the market. The rise was assisted by a higher market in Liverpool and increased activity in spot cotton. Then, too, there was considerable buying here for Liverpool and continental accounts. There was liberal liquidation in the summer months, while the next crop deliveries were in actve demand. September and October were the strongest months n the whole list. Further sales for export were reported to-day, though it is believed some concessions were made in prices. The exports were large. The receipts at the ports were rather free, and the weather at the South continues favorable to crop prospects.

NEW ORLEANS, LA., May 4.—Cotton futures steady: sales, 40,100 bales; May, 7.78; June, 7.76; July, 7.74; August, 7.65; September, 7.21; November, 7.01; December, 7.03; January, 7.06.

LIVERPOOL, May 4.—12:30 P. M.—Cotton market quiet and prices steady; American middling, 4 15-32; sales, 8,000 bales; American, 7,800 bales; speculation and export, 500 bales; receipts, 9,000 bales; American, 8,900 bales. Futures opened quiet and demand moderate; May, 4 20-64; May and June, 4 18-64; June and July, 4 16-64; Jul and August, 4 15-64; August and September, 4 12-64; September and October, 4 4-64; October and November, 3 62-64; January and February, 3 60-64. Futures quiet but steady.

4 P. M.—May, 4 20-64@4 21-64, sellers; May and June, 4 19-64, sellers; June and July, 4 17-64, sellers; July and August, 4 16-64, sellers; August and September, 4 12-64@4 13-64, buyers; September and October, 4 4-64@4 5-64, buyers; October and November, 3 63-64, value; November and December and January, 3 61-64, sellers; January and February, 3 61-64; February and March, 3 62-64. Futures closed steady.

NEW YORK DRY GOODS MARKET.

NEW YORK, May 4.—The week opens under very favorable weather auspices, and with, for Monday, a fair number of buyers in the dry goods market. From reports coming to hand, there is likely to be a noticeable increase in the attendance this week, as, apart from a growing interest in the general situation, trade auction sales during the next few days are more important and more attractive than for some time past. The aggregate business to-day in the way of spot transactions and through orders by mail and wire has reached fully average dimensions, and a fairly steady tone in general is noted.

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKET.

NEW YORK, May 4.—Flour dull and weak; winter wheat, low grades, $2.20@3.00; do. fair to fancy, $2.85@3.85; do. patent, $3.90@4.20; Minnesota clear, $2.50@3.15; patent, $3.45@4.35; low extras, $2.20@3.00. Southern flour dull and easy at $2.40@2.80.

Wheat—Spot market dull and easier, closing steady. Options were fairly active and closed steady at ⅛@¼c. decline; No. 2 red, May, 68½c.; June, 68⅝c.; July, 68½c.; August, 68¼c.; September, 68⅝c.; October, 69¼c.; December, 70¼c.

Corn—Spot dull and steady; No. 2, 34⅝c., elevator; 35⅝c. afloat. Options were dull and steady at ⅛@⅜c. decline; May, 34⅞c.; June, 35¼c.; July, 35⅝c.; August, 36⅛c.; September, 36⅝c.

Oats—Spot quiet and steady. Options dull and steady; May, 23⅝c.; July, 24c. Spot prices: No. 2, 24½c.; No. 2 white, 25¾c.; mixed western, 24½@25⅝c.

Hay firm; light receipts; shipping, 80c.; good to choice, 97½c.@$1.05.

Wool quiet; domestic fleece, 15@21c.; pulled, 15@33c.; Texas, 7@12c.

Beef inactive; family, $9.50@11.00; extra mess, $7.00@8.00; beef hams slow at $14.50@15.00; tierced beef quiet; city extra, India mess, $14.00@15.50; cut meats dull and steady; pickled bellies, $4.62½@4.75; shoulders, $4.50@4.75; hams, $9.00@9.25.

Lard quiet and firm; western steam, $5.05; city, $4.50; May, $5.00. Refined slow; Continent, $5.35; South American, $5.75; compoun, $4.25@4.62½.

Pork steady and in better demand; old mess, $9.00@9.50; new, $11.00.

Butter firm and in fair demand; State dairy, 8@15c.; do. creamery, 11@16c.; western dairy, 7@11c.; do. creamery, 11@16c.; Elgins, 16c.

Eggs weak; State and Pennsylvania, 10½@11½c.; southern, 8@9c.; western, fresh, 9@10⅝c.

Cotton seed oil dull; crude, 21½c.; yellow prime, 25¼@25½c.; do. off grades, 25¼@25½c.

Rosin firm and quiet; strained, common to good, $2.00.

Turpentine nominal at 28¼@28¾c.

Rice firm and fairly active; domestic, fair to extra, 3@5⅝c.; Japan, 4@4¼c.

Molasses firm; New Orleans, open kettle, good to choice, 27@37c.

Peanuts quiet; fancy hand-picked, 4¾@5c.

Coffee barely steady at 5 points down to 5 points up; May, $12.95; July, $12.50; September, $11.55@11.70; December, $10.90; May, $10.75. Spot Rio dull and steady; No. 7, $13.87½@14.00.

Sugar—Raw steady and quiet; fair refining, 3⅝c.; 96-test centrifugal, 4¼c. Refined 1-16c. lower; standard A, 5⅜c.; cut-loaf and crushed, 6c.; granulated, 5⅝c.

Freights to Liverpool quiet and steady; cotton, by steamer, 1-16d.; grain, by steamer, 1¾@2d.

Southern fresh fruits and vegetables:

Strawberries—Florida, quart, 6@12c.; do. North Carolina, quart, 7@18c.

Asparagus—North Carolina, dozen bunches, $2.50@3.00.

Beets—Florida, crate, $1.25@1.50; do. Florida and Charleston, 100 bunches, $5.00@7.00.

Carrots—Florida and Charleston, 100 bunches, $2.50@4.50.

Cucumbers—Florida, crate, $1.50@4.00.

Cabbages—Florida, crate, $1.50@2.25; do. Charleston, crate, $2.00@2.75.

Egg Plant—Florida, box, $2.50@5.00.

Kale—Baltimore, barrel, $1.00.

Lettuce—Florida, basket, 50c.@$1.25; do. Charleston, basket, 50c.@$1.00; do. Norfolk, basket, 40@65c.

Peas—Savannah, basket, 25@75c.; do. Charleston, do., 50c.@$1.25; do. North Carolina, do., 75c.@$1.50.

Radishes—Norfolk, barrel, $1.00@2.00.

String Beans—Florida, crate, $1.00@2.50; do. Savannah, crate, $2.50@3.00.

Spinach—Baltimore, barrel, $2.00@2.50.

Squash—Florida, crate, $1.00; do. basket, $1.00.

Tomatoes—Florida, carrier, $1.00@2.00.

Potatoes—Florida, $3.00@8.00.

CHICAGO MARKET.

CHICAGO, ILL., May 4.—Wheat bears were apparently content with the success achieved last week. They, at all events, evinced no aggressiveness to-day, the slight loss being rather due to the pressure of long wheat than to selling of short stuff. A comparatively steady tone predominated, although there were periods when weakness was quite pronounced. The news had in it nothing to relieve the drooping courage of holders. July wheat opened from 61⅛c. to 61⅜c., sold between 62c. and 61⅛c., closing at 61⅜c., ⅛@⅜c. under Saturday. Cash wheat was quiet and steady.

Corn—No news favorable to prices early in the session was received. A very heavy decrease in the visible supply (3,836,000 bushels) announced later in the session would, under ordinary circumstances, have created a better feeling than existed, but with the knowledge of large interior supplies, it fell flat. The falling off in stock was, naturally, due to the lake movement, just begun, and was, therefore, no unexpected. The tone of wheat was also an unfavorable factor in determining values. July corn opened at 29½@29⅝c., sold at 29⅜c., closing at 29⅝c., ⅛c. under Saturday. Cash corn was a shade easier.

Oats—Prices were quotably ⅛c. lower than Saturday. Oats travelled in the course of wheat and corn. No news particularly interesting was received and no feature developed. July oats closed a shade under Saturday. Cash oats were steady.

Provisions—The product market early presented a contrast to grain, the tone displaying decided strength and vigor. The explanation of the improvement lay in the reports of a better feeling in the hog trade. The later morning hours showed dullness and activity, with prices fairly well maintained, but before the close heaviness developed, and recessions took place. July pork and lard closed unchanged from Saturday and July ribs 5c. higher.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat—				
May ..	59⅝	60½	59⅞	60¼
July ..	61⅛	62	61⅛	61⅜
Sept ..	62⅝	62¾	62⅛	62½
Corn—				
May ..	28	28⅛	28	28
June ..	28¾	28¾	28⅝	28⅝
July ..	29½	29½	29⅛	29⅝
Sept ..	30⅜	30⅛	30½	30⅜
Oats—				
May ..	17⅞	17¼	17⅜	17⅛
July ..	18⅜	18¼	18½	18¼
Sept ..	19¼	19½	19¼	19⅜
Mess Pork—				
May ..	$ 7.97½	$ 7.97½	$ 7.85	$ 7.90
July ..	8.20	8.20	7.95	8.02
Sept ..	8.35	8.37½	8.17½	8.20
Lard—				
May ..	4.75	4.75	4.75	4.75
July ..	4.92½	4.92½	4.82½	4.87½
Sept ..	5.05	5.05	4.92½	5.05
Ribs—				
May ..	4.10	4.10	4.10	4.10
July ..	4.27½	4.28½	4.20	4.25
Sept ..	4.42½	4.42½	4.24½	4.40

Cash quotations were as follows: Flour dull and easy and prices unchanged; No. 2 spring wheat, 59⅝@60½c.; No. 2 red, 63⅝@64½c.; No. 2 corn, 28¼@28½c.; No. 2 oats, 18@18¼c.; mess pork, $7.90@8.00; lard, $4.75@4.77½; short rib sides, $4.10@4.15; dry salted shoulders, $4.50@4.62½; short clear sides, $4.12½@4.25; whisky, $1.22.

BALTIMORE MARKET

BALTIMORE, MD., May 4.—Flour weak; western superfine, $2.10@2.35; do. extra, $2.50@3.15; do. family, $3.40@3.70; winter wheat, patent, $3.40; spring do., $3.60@3.90; do. straight, $3.35@3.55.

Wheat unsettled; No. 2 red spot, 67⅝c. asked; May, 67⅝@67½c.; July, 67¼@67⅜c.; August, 67⅜@67⅜c.; southern, by sample, 71@72c.; do. on grade, 67@70c.

Corn easy; mixed spot and May, 33⅝@34c.; June, 34⅛@34½c.; steamer mixed, 32⅝@32⅞c.; southern white, 35@35½c.; do. yellow, 36½@37c.

Oats steady; No. 2 white, western, 25⅞@26c.; No. 2 mixed, western, 24½c. bid.

Rye firmer; No. 2, near by, 41@42c.; western, 43@44c.

Hay quiet at $17.00 bid.

Grain freights firm; steamer to Liverpool, 2@2¼d.; Cork for orders, 2s. 7½d., May.

Butter firm; fancy, creamery, 17c.

Eggs very quiet at 9½@10c.

Other articles unchanged.

NAVAL STORES.

WILMINGTON, N. C., May 4.—Rosin steady; strained, $1.40; good strained, $1.45.

Turpentine steady; machine, 25c.; irregular, 24½c.

Tar firm at $1.20.

Crude turpentine quiet; hard, $1.30; soft, $1.70; virgin, $1.90.

CHARLESTON, S. C., May 4.—Turpentine market firm at 24½c. bid.

Rosin firm. Quotations: A., B., C., and E., $1.45; F. and G., $1.50; H., $1.55; I., $1.60; K., $1.60; M., $1.70; N., $1.80; W. G., $2.00; W. W., $2.05.

SAVANNAH, GA., May 4.—Turpentine opened firm at 25c.; sales, 1,698 casks; closed firm at 25⅞c., with additional sales of 250 casks; receipts, 1,393 casks.

Rosin firm and unchanged; sales, 1,000 barrels; receipts, 2,094 barrels. Quotations: A., B., C., D., E., F., and G., $1.60; U., $1.65; I., $1.75; K., $1.75; W. G., $2.00; W. W., $2.15.

ST. LOUIS MARKET.

ST. LOUIS, MO., May 4.—Flour weak and unchanged. vmefypw vbgk mw and unchanged; patent, $3.65@3.75; fancy, $2.75@2.85; choice, $2.50@2.60.

Wheat lower; May, 59⅛c., nominal; July, 58½c. asked; September, 59⅝c.

Corn lower; May, 25⅝c.; July, 26⅝c.

Oats firmer; May, 17½c. bid; July, 17⅝c. bid.

Pork—Standard mess, new, $8.37; old, $8.00.

Lard—Choice steam, $4.60@4.70.

Bacon—Shoulders, $4.75; longs, $4.75; clear ribs, $4.37½; clear sides, $4.37½.

Dry Salted Meats—Shoulders, $4.37½; longs, $4.12½; clear ribs, $4.37½; clear sides, $3.37½.

High wines steady at $1.22.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK MARKET.

UNION STOCK YARDS, ILL., May 4.—Cattle: Receipts, 17,000; market stronger; common to extra steers, $3.40@4.50; stockers and feeders, $3.25@3.95; cows and bulls, $1.60@3.50; calves, $3.00@4.75; Texans, $2.65@2.90.

Hogs—Receipts, 29,000; market strong and 10c. higher; heavy packing and shipping lots, $3.35@3.55; common to choice mixed, $3.30@3.57½; choice assorted, $3.55@3.65; light, $3.40@3.65; pigs, $2.90@3.60.

Sheep—Receipts, 16,000; market strong and 10c. higher; inferior to choice, $2.50@3.80; lambs, $3.25@4.25.

CINCINNATI MARKET.

CINCINNATI, O., May 4.—Flour active; winter patent, $2.70@2.90; spring patent, $3.60@3.90.

Wheat dull; No. 2 red, 67@68c.

Corn active; No. 2 mixed, 31½c.; No. 2 white, 32c.

Oats steady; No. 2 mixed, track, 20½@21c.; No. 2 white, 22c.

Pork quiet; mess, $8.75.

Lard in fair demand; steam leaf and kettle, $5.15.

Bacon quiet; loose shoulders and loose short rib sides, $4.75; short clear sides, $5.00; bellies, $5.25.

Dry salted meats steady and quiet; loose shoulders and short ribs, $4.25; short clear, $4.25; boxed meats ¼c. more.

Whisky unchanged.

LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Richmond, Va., May 4, 1896.

Cattle—Receipts, 250; sales, 250.

Sheep and Lambs—Receipts, 250; sales, 250.

Hogs—Receipts, 400; sales, 300.

Prices: Cattle—Best, 3¾ to 4¼c. gross; medium to good, 3 to 3½c. gross; common to fair, 2 to 2¾c. gross; bulls, 2¼ to 2¾c. gross.

Sheep—3 to 4c. gross.

Lambs—5 to 6½c. gross.

Hogs—4½ to 5c. net.

TOBACCO EXCHANGE.

Richmond, Va., May 4, 1896.

Private sales reported to the secretary of the Richmond Tobacco Trade to-day were light.

The tobacco inspector reports to-day: Inspections—Bright, 26 hogsheads. Reinspections—Bright, 5 hogsheads and 1 tierce; dark, 22 hogsheads.

Myer's, Crenshaw's, Davenport's, Seabrook's, Planters, Shelburne's, Shockoe, Star, Alleghany, and Old Dominion tobacco warehouses report to-day: Receipts, 33 packages; deliveries, 60 packages.

United States internal revenue collections on tobaccos for the city of Richmond, Va., to-day: Cigars and cigarettes, $1,723.10; plug tobaccos, $2,898.54. Total, $4,621.64.

A break of bright loose tobaccos, in which there is some desirable tobacco, will be offered at Shelburne's warehouse to-morrow.

The committee of the Tobacco Trade of the city of Richmond, Va., will meet at the Tobacco Exchange to-morrow, Tuesday, May 5, 1896, pursuant to adjournment, at 12 M.

The navy contract for 150,000 pounds of plug tobacco was awarded to-day to our Messrs. Butler & Bosher, tobacco manufacturers at Richmond, Va. These gentlemen having had this contract and supplied the Government repeatedly before, is in itself a great feather in their cap, in that it argues that the powers that be recognize their integrity and ability, and, therefore, selected them from out of the great number of bidders to supply the United States navy this year.

The Petersburg Record of Saturday, May 2, 1896, says:

The exports of manufactured tobacco from this city during the month of April aggregated 427,389 pounds. Of this amount 386,560 pounds were exported through the office of the collector of customs, under the new bonded manufacturing warehouse system.

The following will show the movement of tobacco during the past week at the various warehouses:

Farmers'—Inspections, 4; receipts, 39; loose, 35,925. Oaks'—Inspections, 81; receipts, 44; loose, 19,269. Moore's—Receipts, 27,475. Total—Inspections, 85; receipts, 140; loose, 82,769.

Total inspections from the 1st of October, 1895, to April 1896, 165. Same time last year, 920.

J. B. McCULLOCH,
Inspector.

Messrs. Charles W. Bohmer & Co. report the Lynchburg, Va., tobacco market for the week ending Saturday, May 2, 1896, as follows:

Sales for week ending April 25, 1896, 495,200 pounds; sales for week ending May 2, 1896, 369,700 pounds. Decrease week ending May 2, 1896, 125,500 pounds.

Sales from October 1, 1895, to May 2, 1896, 14,066,200 pounds; sales from October 1, 1894, to May 2, 1895, 14,617,900. Decrease for 1895-'96, 551,700 pounds.

There was a good demand this week for all types of tobacco excepting low grades common fillers. Early in the season these fillers sold from $2 to $2.25 but have gradually come down, until now they can be had at $1 to $1.25, a decline of 100 per cent. Bremen fillers were decidedly more active, and may be quoted from 50c. to a dollar higher. Better grades of shipping leaf which was exceedingly scarce, also attracted more attention, and sold at a slight advance. The demand for real fine black wrappers we have never seen better. The several piles that sold from $22 to $23.50, though containing some unusually good tobacco, appeared rather high. Dark, heavy-bodied snuffer lugs were at east 25c. per hogshead above last quotations.

Mr. Alex. Harthill reports the Louisville, Ky., tobacco market for the week ending Saturday, May 2, 1896, as follows:

The conditions governing the burley market were about the same as last week, only more intensified this week by a continuance of dry, hot weather (most remarkable during the month of April), and much lighter offerings, for the most part in bad order. Better grades were in even smaller supply than last week, with absolutely no good to fine leaf offered. Speculators in search of brights of all grades were much disappointed at so few being offered, but any in desirable order were taken at prices fully as high as last week. The absence of nice colory and brights of all grades was never more marked than this week. Manufacturers continued to buy freely of trash and common lugs for low grade plug work, which keeps all such up to full prices. We look for no change in the market until we have good rains and a good handling season. In old burley only 116 hogsheads offered, mostly common and without change.

Twenty-eight hogsheads new and 24 hogsheads old burley sold privately this week.

Offerings of burley for the week:

New crop—This week, 1,514 hogsheads; last week, 2,527 hogsheads; week in 1895, 2,906 hogsheads; week in 1894, 1,850 hogsheads. Old crop—This week, 116 hogsheads; last week, 114 hogsheads; week in 1895, 67 hogsheads; week in 1894, 52 hogsheads.

Original hogsheads sold this week were 1,295, against 1,853 last week. Reviews, 750, against 1,270 last week.

Receipts this week were 1,000 hogsheads, against 1,354 hogsheads last week, and 1,800 this week last year.

Rejections were 297 hogsheads burley and 285 hogsheads dark, against 598 burley and 246 dark last week.

Percentage this week, 28; last week, 27.

Louisville quotations, May 2, 1896:

Dark crop of 1894—Planters' trash, $1.25 to $2; common lugs, $2 to $3; medium lugs, $3.25 to $3.50; good lugs, $3.75 to $4; common leaf, $3.75 to $4.75; medium leaf, $5 to $6.50; good leaf, nominal; fine, nominal.

Burley crop of 1894—Fillers, red—Trash, $2.50 to $3; common, $3 to $4; medium, $5 to $6.50; good medium, $7 to $9; good, $10 to $12.

Fillers, colory—Trash, $4.50 to $5; common, $6 to $7.50; medium, $8 to $10; good medium, $11 to $13.

Cutting colory to bright—Trash, $6 to $7.50, common, $7.50 to $9; medium, $9.50 to $12; good medium, nominal; good, nominal.

Smokers of 1894—Red—Trash, $1.50 to $2; common, $2 to $2.50. Colory to bright—Trash, $5 to $6; common, $6.50 to $8.

Green, mixed, and very soft hogsheads and light weights, 1-2c. to 1c. on lugs and 1c. to 2c. on leaf lower.

Burley crop of 1895—Fillers, red—Trash, $2.50 to $3.50; common, $4 to $6; medium, $6.50 to $7.50; good medium, $7.50 to $9; good, $10 to $12; fine, $13 to $17.

Fillers, colory—Trash, $3 to $3.50; common, $4 to $5.50; medium, $6 to $7; good medium, $7.50 to $9; good, $10 to $12; fine, $13 to $17; selections, nominal.

Cutting, colory to bright—Trash, $3.50 to $4.50; common, $4.50 to $5.50; medium, $6.50 to $8; good medium, $9 to $10; good, $11 to $15; fine, $14 to 18; selections, nominal.

Smokers of 1895—Red—Trash, $1.50 to $2; common, $2 to $2.50. Colory to bright—Trash, $3.50 to $5.50; common, $6 to $6.50.

Light weights, soft, mixed with green, and frosted 1-2c. less on lugs and 1c. to 2c. on leaf.

CLARKSVILLE, TENN., April 30.—Our receipts this week were 1,345 hogsheads; offerings, 885 hogsheads; sales, 462 hogsheads.

The general order of the breaks was good this week, but the quality rather lower.

The market was active, with a good demand for all useful leaf and the higher grades of lugs, without notable change in values.

The rejections were largely of the poorer sorts of leaf and lugs. Receipts continue to largely exceed the sales, and the warehouse stocks of unsold tobaccos are steadily increasing.

The weather has been showery all the week, and the young plants are growing fast, and will soon be ready to set out.

We quote:

Common lugs, $1.25 to $2.50; medium lugs, $2.75 to $3.25; good lugs, $3.50 to $.450; common leaf, $4.50 to $6.50; medium leaf, $7 to $9; good leaf, 9.50 to $11; fine leaf, $11.50 to $13; selections, $13.50 to $15.

HOPKINSVILLE, KY., May 1.—Receipts since last report, 758 hogsheads; receipts to date, 5,794 hogsheads; receipts to same time last year, 3,258 hogsheads; sales since last report, 577 hogsheads; sales to date, 3,175 hogheads; sales to same time last year, 1,917 hogsheads; stock this date, 5,556 hogsheads; stock this date last year, 3,537 hogsheads.

Offerings continue to show less good and fine tobacco than is wanted, and the market is very strong on all leaf of decided character, quality, and usefulness. The breaks consist very largely of low grades and undesirable leaf, and the rejections are confined almost entirely to these kinds. The weather has been showering a summer temperature for several weeks, and the plant-beds are in a flourishing condition, and in some neighborhoods there are already enough plants of sufficient size to make a small planting.

We quote:

Common lugs, $1.25 to $2.25; medium lugs, $2.50 to $3.25; good lugs, $3.50 to $4.50; common leaf, $4 to $6.50; medium leaf, $7 to $9.50; good leaf, $9.50 to $11; fine leaf, $11.50 to $13; selections, $13.50 to $15.

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"DAY OF CHRIST'S RESURRECTION."

Another Highly Interesting Lecture by Rev. Dr. R. P. Kerr.

A very large congregation at the First Presbyterian church on Sunday night to hear Dr. Kerr's lecture, in the series "Through Palestine with Christ." He announced that two more lectures would complete the series. Dr. Kerr spoke on the "Day of Christ's Resurrection." He said:

The first dim hint of day was discernible over Olivet, and the mailed Romans were on guard before the tomb. Unwelcome duty this to guard a grave, and that of one whose death had been attended with such portentous events in earth and sky.

The soldiers are glad, no doubt, that their three-days' task is nearly over. But behold, the earth trembles beneath their feet; two shining angels appear, and roll the great stone from the portal of the tomb, and the Crucified stands forth a living man. This was too much for their courage, and they fall back stricken with terror, and lie prostrate upon the ground; of all the strange scenes they had witnessed on many battle-fields, they had never looked on aught like this; and, as they gaze in horror at the open sepulchre, there sit the angel guards who had supplanted them, the one at the head and the other at the feet, where the body of Jesus had lain.

What became of the Romans we do not know, but they took flight to tell the chief priests the news, and returned to their barracks in the tower of Antonia. Yonder comes in the pale twilight a group of women, drawing nigh to the tomb in the garden. They are Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Joanna, and "the other women," and they bring spices to embalm the body of their Lord. They had watched to see where the burial would be, and, perhaps, did not know that Nicodemus had already used one hundred pounds' weight of myrrh and aloes in preparing the body for the tomb. But the spices of these women were destined never to be used in the way they intended. As they approach they ask one another, who shall roll us away the stone? for it was great. They did not know the angels had already done this task. Often when the loving heart goes forward in faith, feeling incompetent for what is before it, that heart finds the stone of difficulty gone, removed by power from above.

Mary Magdalene seems to have been the first to reach the sepulchre, and, seeing the cavern open, she turned at once, to fly to the city and inform Peter and John that the grave was empty. The other women now come up. Mary having probably returned by another shorter path direct to the place where she woud find the two leading disciples, and they go into the vestibule of the grave. Here they see the angels, who bid them fear not, but return and tell the disciples that Jesus had risen from the dead; also, that he would meet them all in Galilee. Special mention was made of Peter, for very obvious reason, in the address of the angels, for Peter would thereby be assured that in spite of his treason he was still a disciple, and beloved. Then these women hastened away to bear the glad tidings to the disciples in the city.

Mary Magdalene is standing without as they depart, and she is left alone, the saddest, yet the sweetest flower of love that bloomed that day in the garden around the tomb of Christ. What did Mary know? what could she do? She still believed the Saviour dead, and his poor body transported to some other place. She knew not where to go. She stands alone and sobs, while her flowing tears bedew the earth. Stooping down, she gazes into the tomb, and sees two angels, also called young men, clothed in garments of dazzling whiteness, sitting the one where the head and the other where the feet divine and holy had rested. There had been no haste; the folded clothes show that, and the angel guards might have indicated that if the body had been removed it was not without an order from on high.

The angels ask, and it is ever Heaven's question to earth since the resurrection, "Why weepest thou?" Mary replies, "They have taken away my Lord, and I know not where they have laid him." Then she turns and sees Jesus in the gray twilight, but takes Him for the gardener and begs to know where the body of her friend was laid. Jesus saith unto her, "Mary!" At the sound of her own name in the familiar tone she loved so well, she knows Him, and falls at His feet to worship, saying, "Rabboni, my Master." Jesus bids her tarry not now, even to worship, but to go and stop the tears of His disciples by telling of His triumph over death.

So Mary flies towards the city, like a glad morning star, to herald the rising of the Sun. Hail, Mary Magdalene! The Church doth ever honor thee, because the Lord loved thee, and thou lovest Him Who loves us all.

Next Sunday night Dr. Kerr's topic will be "The Forty Days and the Ascension." A week later the series will end with a lecture on "Palestine Since Christ."

To Occupy Historic Ground.

The site of the old Richmond Theatre has been cleared and the erection of Colonel John Murphy's handsome four-story building, which is to be occupied by the retail clothing firm of M. Arnold & Co., will be begun to-day. The new structure will rest upon the foundations of the old building, which are exceptionally firm and strong. The store front will be a novelty to this city in plate-glass effects being designed after the style affected by the mammoth retail establishments of Chicago.

Was Soon Extinguished.

Yesterday morning about 1 o'clock persons passing the corner of Tenth and Main streets noticed unusual volumes of smoke issuing from one of the chimneys of the Shafer building. Some one went to the Cary-street engine house and turned in a still alarm. A hose wagon was sent at once and a line was attached to the plug at the corner of Tenth, and the fire, which was of trifling charactr, was quickly extinguished.

There will be an important meeting of the Epworth League Union Council tonight at 8 o'clock in the parlor of the Young Men's Christian Association. Business of great importance is to be transacted, and all members of the union and of the Executive Committee are requested to be present.

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

MINIATURE ALMANAC, May 5, 1896.

Sun rises	5:10
Sun sets	7:02
Moon rises	1:43
HIGH TIDE.	
Morning	11:03
Evening	11:12

PORT OF RICHMOND, May 4, 1896.

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Schooner Grace D. Bennett, —, Baltimore, acid phosphate, Virginia and Carolina Chemical Company.

Schooner Peter C. Shultz, Lowry, New York,

ARRIVED.

Schooner Sunlight, Green, Philadelphia, railroad ties, Curtis & Parker.

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ARRIVED.

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SAILED.

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

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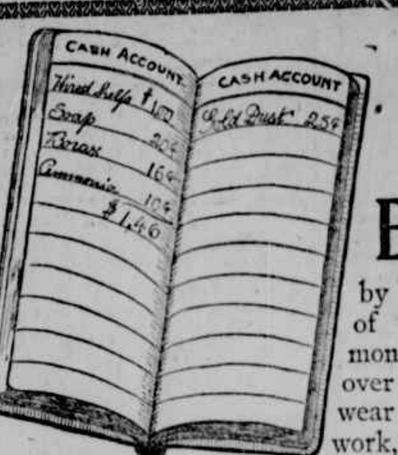

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Mrs. Matchmaker—Well, why don't you collect your bill first and then marry her?
Dr. Pillbox—My dear madam, she wouldn't have anything left to marry her for then.