STOCK MARKET CLOSED LOWER.

Statement of Loss in Bank Surplus Caused a Recession.

BOND TRADING WAS IRREGULAR.

But the General Undertone Was Firm. Tone of Americans on London Exchange Was Strong—All Stocks Sold Off Sharply.

NEW YORK, March 4.—The market was working upward under the impetus of yesterday's movement until the appearance of the bank statement showing a loss of over $5,000,000 in the surplus reserve and another expansion in the loan account. Prices immediately gave way sharply in many shares, the recession being from 1 to 2 points to the best, and leaving the standard stocks fractionally below yesterday's figures, while in many other shares the net changes were mixed. A good tone prevailed on the London Exchange for Americans, but advices as to the nature of purchases were conflicting, some intimating that the movement was initiative from this side, while others affirmed it to be confident buying for English investment account. There were sharp advances early here in the Steel stocks, the Anthracite and Tobacco, Brooklyn Transit, General Electric and the prominent railways, the latter improving a point in some cases. Reports of some of the large bull interests seemed to lend support to Burlington and the steel stocks, the latter selling on the trading. New York Air Brake was a very strong spot. After the appearance of the bank statement everything sold off. Many of the earlier buyers threw over stocks, and the market closed weak at the lowest.

The bond trading during the week was very irregular, with a marked undertone of firmness. United States 3's and the 2's advanced ½, the new 4's registered ⅛, do. coupon ⅝, and the old 4's registered ½.

Total sales of stocks were 409,400 shares, including 6,500 Atchison; 34,450 do. preferred; 10,025 Chicago, Burlington and Quincy; 47,840 Reading first preferred; 6,800 Missouri Pacific; 18,400 Ontario and Western; 5,355 Reading; 5,400 Union Pacific; 23,875 American Tobacco, 34,625 Federal Steel; 10,134 do. preferred; 13,075 St. Paul; 9,358 Brooklyn Rapid Transit; 10,624 Sugar; 7,700 Tennessee Coal and Iron.

MONEY AND EXCHANGE.—Money on call easy at 2@2½ per cent.; last loan at 2½ per cent.; prime mercantile paper, 3@3½ per cent. Sterling exchange steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.85@4.85¼ for demand and at $4.83@4.83¾ for sixty days; posted rates, $4.84@4.85 and $4.86@4.87; commercial bills, $4.83. Silver certificates nominally 59@60; bar silver, 59½; Mexican dollars, 58½. Government bonds steady.

BANK STATEMENT.—The weekly bank statement shows the following changes:

Surplus reserve decreased	$5,706,775
Loans increased	9,602,800
Specie decreased	4,251,300
Legal tender decreased	446,000
Deposits increased	4,256,700
Circulation decreased	21,300

The banks now hold $24,578,125 in excess of the requirements.

STOCK QUOTATIONS.

	Closing Stocks.	
Atchison	22¾	
Atchison pfd	61¾	
Baltimore and Ohio	76½	
Canada Pacific	86¼	
Canada Southern	57¼	
Central Pacific	40¼	
Ches. and Ohio	27	
Chi. and Alton	173	
Chi., R. and Q.	140	
Chi. and E. Ill.	69½	
Chi. and E. Ill. pfd.	124½	
Chi., B. and L.	108¾	
Chi., Ind. and L.	2¼	
Chi., Ind. and L. pfd.	6¾	
Chi. and N. W.	141	
Chi. and N. W. pfd.	192	
Chi., St. P., M. and O.	88½	
Chi., St. P. and Om.	93	
Chi., St. P. and Om. pfd.	170	
Southern Pacific	30¾	
Southern Ry.	12¾	
Southern Ry. pfd.	48	
Texas and Pacific	21¼	
Union Pacific	46¾	
Union Pacific pfd.	76⅝	
U. P., D. and G.	12	
Wabash	8¾	
Wabash pfd.	21¾	
Wheel. and L. E.	11	
Wheel. and L. E. pfd.	33	

EXPRESS COMPANIES.

Adams Express	110
American Expr'ess	120
United States	55
Wells-Fargo	120

MISCELLANEOUS.

A. Cot. Oil	34½
A. Cot. Oil pfd.	91¾
American Sports	13¼
American Sports pfd.	37¾
American Tobacco	105⅞
American Tobacco pfd.	145
Cons. Gas	214½
Com. Cable Co.	180
Col. F. and Iron	32¾
Col. F. and Iron pfd.	94
General Electric	146¼
Haw. Com'l Co.	70
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	92⅞
International Paper	28
International Paper pfd.	80
La Clede Gas	80
Lead	34
Lead pfd.	112¾
Nat. Lin. Oil	30½
Pacific Mail	47
People's Gas	112¾
Pullman Palace	167
Silver Certificates	60½
Standard Rope and Twine	9½
Sugar	138¾
Sugar pfd.	114
Tenn. C. and Iron	105⅞
U. S. Leather	6¾
U. S. Leather pfd.	71
U. S. Rubber	39⅝
U. S. Rubber pfd.	110
Western Union	91
Federal Steel	51¾
Federal Steel pfd.	88
Oregon Navigation	70
Pacific Coast	48
Colorado Southern	16¾
Colorado Southern 1st pfd.	53½
Colorado Southern 2d pfd.	20⅜
Standard Oil	477½

BONDS.

U. S. new 3's	107½
U. S. new 4's, reg.	128⅝
U. S. new 4's, coup.	128⅝
U. S. 4's	111½
U. S. 4's coup.	112⅜
U. S. 2ds	96½
U. S. 5's, reg.	112
U. S. 5's, coup.	112
District 3.65's	114

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Alabama Currency	100
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Atchison Adj. 4's	83½
Can. So. 2ds, ex-int.	100
C. and Ohio 4½'s	92⅝
Chicago terminal 4's	96¾
C. and Ohio 5's	118½
D. and R. G. 1sts	108½
D. and R. G. 4's	100¾
East Tenn. 1st's	104¾
Erie General 4's	72½
F. W. and D. 1sts, C.	84½
General Electric 5's	112
G. H. and S. A. 6's	100
G. H. and S. A. 2ds	110
H. and T. C. 5's	111¾
H. and T. C. Con. 6's	111½
Iowa C. 1sts	107
La. new consols 4's	100½
L. and N. Unl. 4's	95⅞
Pacific Con. 5's	113½
M., K. and T. 2ds	67¾
M., K. and T. 4's	94
M., K. and T. 4's	101¾
N. Y. Central 1sts	135¾
Nor. and W. 6's	143
Northwestern consols	142
Northwestern Deb. 5's	122
O. Nav. 1sts	111
O. Nav. 4's	101¾
O. S. Line 6s, L. T.	128⅜
O. S. Line 5's, L. T.	120¾
Reading 4's	89⅝
R. G. W. 1sts	94¾
St. Louis and A. M. Con. 5's	111
St. L. and San Fran. Gen. 6's	123¾
St. P. Con.	161
St. Paul C. and P. 1sts	122⅝
St. Paul 5's	120⅜
Southern Ry. 5's	103¾
Standard Rope and Twine 6's	87½
Tenn. new settlement 3's	57¾
Tex. Pac. L. G. 1sts	113
Tex. Pac. reg. 2ds	33½
U. P., D. and Gulf 1st's	99
Wabash 1st 5's	115
Wabash 2ds	95
W. Shore 4's	112
Virginia Centuries	83¾
Virginia Centuries deferred	6
Wis. Central	67¾
Mobile and Ohio 4's	80
N. and W. consols 4's	92
Union Pacific 4's	104⅝
Central of Ga. 5's	95½
Central of Ga. 1st Ind.	41½
Central of Ga. 2d Ind.	22
Colorado Southern 4's	87¾

RICHMOND STOCK MARKET.

Richmond, Va., March 4, 1899.

SALES—500 North Carolina 4's at 107½; 700 Virginia Centuries at 84¼; 2,000 Georgia and Alabama consols at 104.

GOV. SECURITIES.	Bid.	Asked.
U. S. 4's, R. and C., 1907	112½	...
U. S. 5's, R. and C., 1925	107	...
STATE SECURITIES.		
North Carolina 4's, C., 1910	107	...
North Carolina 6's, C., 1919	134	...
Va. Century, 2-3, C. and R.	84	84¼
CITY SECURITIES.		
Rich. City 8's, R., 1904-1910	125	...
Rich. City 6's, R., 1904-1910	118	...
Rich. City 5's, R., 1920-1922	115	...
Rich. City 4's, R., 1920-1929	107	...
RAILROAD BONDS.		
A. and C. 1st 7's, R., 1907	120	...
A. and C. gu. m. 6's, R., 1900	103	...
Ga. So. and Fla. 5's, 1945	109	...
Pet. Class A 5's, R. C., 1926	115	...
Pet. Class B 6's, R. C., 1926	123	...
Rich. and Meck. 1st 6's, 1921	76	...
Southern Ry. 1st 5's, 1994	107	...
W. N. C. 1st 6's, C., 1914	117	...
Va. and Ala. pfd. 5's	107½	...
Va. and Ala. consols	105¾	104¾
Norfolk Street Ry. 1st 5's	108	...
RAILROAD STOCKS.	Bid.	
Atlanta and Charlotte	109	118 ...
Ches. and Ohio	100	27 ...
North Carolina	100	150 ...
N. and W. pfd.	100	65 ...
A. C. L. of Va.—A.	100	130
A. C. L. of Va.—B.	100	122
R. and P. and R., F. and P.		
Connection	70	110 ...
R., F. and P. com.	100	125 ...
R., F. and P. Div. Obl.	100	150 ...
R., F. and P. 6 p. c. guar.	100	160 ...
R., F. and P. 7 p. c. guar.	100	170 ...
Southern Ry. pfd.	100	48¼ ...
Southern Ry. com.	100	12 ...
Ga. and Ala. pfd.	100	69½ 70½
Ga. and Ala. com.	100	35¼ 36½
BANK STOCKS.		
Citizens Exchange	25	27½ 28½
City	100	250 ...
First National	100	160 ...
Merchants National	100	210 ...
Metropolitan	25	24 ...
National Bank of Va.	100	160 ...
Planters National	100	265 ...
Pet. Sav. and Ins. Co.	20	40
Security	100	110
State Bank of Va.	100	145 ...
Union Bank of Richmond	50	121 ...
Virginia Trust Co.	100	112¾ ...
Sav. Bank of Richmond	25	40
Rich. T. and S. Dep. Co., new		116
INS. COMPANIES.		
Va. Fire and Marine	25	40 ...
Virginia State	25	30 ...
MISCELLANEOUS.		
Amer. Tob. Co. pfd.	100	145 ...
Amer. Tob. Co. com.	50	131 ...
Old Dominion S. S. Co.	100	90 ...
Va.-Caro. Chem. pfd.	100	110½ 120
Va.-Caro. Chem. com.	100	75 77

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

GRAIN AND COTTON EXCHANGE.

Richmond, Va., March 4, 1899.

WHEAT—		
Longberry	70	@78
Mixed	70	@78
Shortberry	70	@78
No. 2 red	78	@
CORN—		
White, Va. bag lots	42	@
No. 2 white	42	@
No. 3 white	40½	@41
No. 2 mixed	39	@40
No. 3 mixed	38½	@39
OATS—		
No. 2 mixed	33	@
No. 3 mixed		@32½
Winter seed	35	@38
RYE	63	@65

NORFOLK PEANUT MARKET.

NORFOLK, VA., March 4.—PEANUTS—Farmers' stock—Fancy, 3½c. pound; strictly prime, 3c. pound; prime, 2½@2¾c. pound; common, none offered. Spanish—Shelled, 90c. per bushel. Tone of market firm; offerings very light.

COTTON MARKETS.

NEW YORK, March 4.—COTTON—The cotton market opened steady, with prices 1 to 4 points higher, and showed decided strength during the early part of the session on quite general buying, started by a much more favorable set of advices from the Liverpool market than had been expected. Private cables attributed the better feeling abroad to persistent rumors that Neil was shortly to issue a circular, in which he would put out a crop estimate several hundred thousand bales less than the one originally issued. On these stories shorts in the Liverpool market took fright and sought cover, giving special attention to the settling up of obligations in the near months. In addition to this information the local market was supported by light receipts at ports and interior towns, official reports of unsettled weather in the Mississippi Valley, further discouraging news regarding the progress of farm work. Shorts were more or less nervous for a time, and purchased the May and August deliveries with a free hand. Southern and foreign representatives were also seen to be buying these deliveries, believed to be against short sales made a long time ago. Commission houses were poorly supplied with orders, but the few reaching the market went almost without exception to the long side. The late market for futures was firm, with close steady 2 to 5 points net higher.

Estimated receipts at the ports for the day, 16,000 bales, against 18,078 last week and 12,888 last year.

For the week, 90,000 bales, against 96,681 last week and 143,522 last year.

To-day's receipts at New Orleans, 8,280 bales (1,800 due), against 4,020 last year, and at Houston 3,111 bales, against 1,255 last year.

COTTON — Futures opened steady; March, 6.32; April, 6.28; May, 6.30; June, 6.28; July and August, 6.20; September, 6.13; October, 6.14; November, 6.12; December, 6.15; January, 6.16.

Futures closed steady: March, 6.31; April, 6.29; May, 6.30; June, 6.28; July, 6.29; August, 6.29; September, 6.14; October, 6.14; November, 6.12; December, 6.15; January, 6.17.

Spot cotton quiet; middling uplands, 6 9-16; middling gulf, 6 13-16; sales, 106 bales.

COTTON—Quiet; middling, 6 9-16; net receipts, 453 bales; gross, 969 bales; sales, 108 bales; stock, 111,253 bales.

Total to-day—Net receipts, 16,848 bales; exports to Great Britain, 12,222 bales; to the Continent, 11,311 bales; stock, 751,628 bales.

Total since September 1st—Net receipts, 7,204,421 bales; exports to Great Britain, 3,067,863 bales; to France, 654,124 bales; to the Continent, 225,86[illegible] bales.

NEW ORLEANS, March 4.—COTTON—Futures steady; March, 5.91@5.93; April, 5.91@5.93; May, 5.95@5.96; June, 5.97 bid; July, 5.99@5.99; August, 5.86@5.88; September, 5.84@5.85; October, 5.84@5.85; November, 5.84@4.86; December, 4.86@4.88.

LIVERPOOL, March 4.—1 A. M.—COTTON—Closing: Spot in moderate demand; prices 13-32d. higher; American middling, fair, 3 13-32; good middling, 3⅜; low middling, 3¼; good ordinary, 3 1-16; ordinary, 2⅞. The sales of the day were 8,000 bales, of which 500 were for speculation and export, and included 6,500 American; receipts, 8,500 bales, all American.

Futures opened quiet, with moderate demand, and closed steady at the advance: American middling, l. m. c., March, 3 23-64 3/1 24-64, buyers; March and April, 3 24-64 3/1 24-64, buyers; April and May, 3 24-64, buyers; May and June, 3 24-64, sellers; June and July, 3 24-64@3 25-64, buyers; July and August, 3 25-64, buyers; August and September, 3 25-64, sellers; September and October, 3 24-64, sellers; October and November, 3 23-64, sellers; November and December, 3 23-64, sellers; December and January, 3 23-64, sellers; January and February, 3 23-64, sellers.

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKET.

NEW YORK, March 4.—FLOUR—Very dull and rather weak; winter patents, $3.75@3.80.

RYE FLOUR—Dull; good to fair, $3.15@3.30.

BUCKWHEAT FLOUR—Dull at $2@2.05.

CORNMEAL—Easy; yellow western, 84@85c.

RYE—Dull; No. 2, 67½c.

BARLEY—Dull; western feeding, 47@48½c.; malting, 55@60c.

BARLEY MALT—Quiet; western, 60c.

WHEAT—Spot dull; No. 2 red, 85c. f. o. b. Options ruled weak all the morning. Besides liquidation, prompted by weak cables, short wheat was put out on prospective bearish statistics for Monday. Closed weak at ½c. net decline. March closed at 82¾c.; May closed at 77; July, 71@71⅛c.

CORN—Spot steady; No. 2, 45½c. Options opened easy with wheat, and was generally weak all day, influenced by lower cables; closed weak at ⅛@⅜c. decline; March closed at 42⅝c.; May closed at 41⅝c.; July closed at 41½c.

OATS—Spot quiet; No. 2, 34½c. Options dull.

BEEF—Steady; family, $10@12; beef hams, $19@19.50.

CUT MEATS—Steady; pickled bellies, $5@5.75; pickled shoulders, $4.50@4.75; pickled hams, $6.75@7.50.

LARD—Weak; western steamed, $5.55; March, $5.50 nominal. Refined weak.

PORK—Steady; mess, $8@9.75.

BUTTER—Steady; western, 18@20c.; do. factory, 12@14½c.; Elgins, 20c.; imitation creamery, 13@18c.; State dairy, 13@20c.

CHEESE—Firm; large white, 11@11½c.; small white, 11½@11¾c.; large colored, 11½@11¾c.; small colored, 11½@11¾c.

EGGS—Steady; State and Pennsylvania, 28c.; western fresh, 28c.; do. southern, 28c.

POTATOES—Quiet; New York, $1.25@3; Long Island, $1.50@2.25; sweets, Jersey, $1.75@2.75.

PETROLEUM—Dull. Refined, New York, 87.5c.; Philadelphia and Baltimore, $7.20; do. in bulk, $4.80.

ROSIN—Steady; strained, common to good, $1.30.

TURPENTINE—Steady at 46½@46¾c.

RICE—Firm; domestic, fair to extra, 4½@6c.; Japan, 5@5¼c.

CABBAGE—Steady at $3@9 per 100.

COTTON-SEED OIL—Prime crude, 21c.; butter grades, 29@32c.

COFFEE—Options opened steady at 5 points advance on higher Havana and Hamburg markets, smaller receipts at Rio and Santos and continued large warehouse deliveries in the United States; speculation was small and local; some covering; closed steady, unchanged to 5 points higher; sales, 14,500 bags, including March at $5.25; April, $5.20. Spot—Rio quiet but steady; No. 7 invoice price, 7 jobbing, 6¾c.; mild steady; Cordova, 8@14c.

SUGAR—Raw firmer but not quotably higher; fair refining, 3⅝c.; centrifugal, 96 test, 4⅝c.; molasses sugar, 3 11-16c. Refined firm; mould A, 5¼c.; granulated, 5c.

CHICAGO MARKET.

CHICAGO, March 4.—The failure of the predicted cold wave to materialize to-day, together with large shipments during the week, weakened wheat, and May closed 8c. lower. Corn lost 3c., and oats ½@⅝c. Pork declined 12½c., lard 7½@8c., and ribs 5@7½c.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
WHEAT—No. 2.				
May	72½	72¾	72⅜	72⅝
July	71	71¼	70¾	71
CORN—No. 2.				
May	36½	36⅝	36¼	36¼
July	37	37	36⅝	36⅝
Sept.	37½	37½	37¼	37¼
OATS—No. 2.				
May	28	28	27⅝	27⅝
July	26	26	25⅞	26
MESS PORK—Bbl.				
May	$9.57½	$9.40	$9.30	$9.32½
July	9.50	9.50	9.47½	9.50
LARD—100 lbs.				
May	5.40	5.40	5.35	5.37½
July	5.50	5.52½	5.47½	5.50
Sept.	5.62½	5.65	5.60	5.60
SHORT RIBS—100 lbs.				
May	4.77½	4.80	4.75	4.77½
July	4.90	4.90	4.87½	4.87½
Sept.	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00

Cash quotations were as follows: Flour quiet; No. 2 yellow corn, 35½@36c.; No. 2 spring wheat, 68@71c.; No. 3 spring wheat, 64@70c.; No. 2 red, 75c.; No. 2 corn, 35½@35¾c.; No. 2 oats, f. o. b., 28c.; No. 2 white, f. o. b., 30½@33½c.; No. 3 white, f. o. b., 30@30½c.; No. 2 rye, 57c.; No. 2 barley, 42@50c.; No. 1 flaxseed, $1.15@1.18; prime timothy seed, $2.40; mess pork, per barrel, $9.15@9.20; lard, per 100 pounds, $5.22½@5.25; short rib sides (loose), $4.75@4.70; dry salted shoulders (boxed), $4.50@4.37½; short clear sides (boxed), $4.90@5; whisky, distillers' finished goods, per gallon, $1.20; sugars, cut loaf, $4.70; granulated, $5.20; butter steady; creamery, 14@20c.; dairy, [illegible]@17c.; 6@8 firm; fresh, 20c.; cheese steady; creams, 9¾@10½c.

BALTIMORE MARKET.

BALTIMORE, March 4.—FLOUR—Dull and unchanged.

WHEAT—Dull and easy; spot and month, 77¾@77¾c.; May, 77¾@77¾c. Southern wheat, by sample, 70@76½c.

CORN—Dull and easy; spot and month, 38⅝@38⅞c.; April, 39@39¼c.; May, 40c. asked. Southern white and yellow corn, 40@41c.

OATS—Dull and easy; No. 2 white, 30@37c.

RYE—Easier; No. 2 nearby, 60@60½c.; No. 2 western, 62½c.

SUGAR—Strong and unchanged.

BUTTER—Steady and unchanged.

EGGS—Firm and unchanged.

CHEESE—Steady; fancy New York large, 11½@11¾c.; do. medium, 12c.; do. small, 12c.

LETTUCE—Steady.

WHISKY—Unchanged.

NEW YORK DRY GOODS MARKET.

NEW YORK, March 4.—There has been no material change in the market for cotton goods. The demand for spot has ruled moderate, but a good demand again comes forward through other channels; the tone continues very strong, but little in the way of advances are quoted to-day in either staple or fancy lines. The demand for brown cottons for China shows signs of improvement. Print cloths are quiet as far as actual business goes, but sellers are as strong as ever. Men's wear worsteds firm on the announcement of combination of prominent worsted mills. Dress goods are steady in stables lines, while cottons and worsted yarns show an advancing tendency.

NAVAL STORES.

CHARLESTON, S. C., March 4.—TURPENTINE—Firm; sales, none.

ROSIN—Steady and unchanged; sales, none.

SAVANNAH, GA., March 4.—SPIRITS OF TURPENTINE—Firm at 44c.; sales, 223 casks; receipts, 145 casks.

ROSIN—Firm and unchanged; sales, 600 barrels; receipts, 1,783 barrels.

WILMINGTON, N. C., March 4.—SPIRITS OF TURPENTINE—Nothing doing; receipts, 16 barrels.

ROSIN—Firm at 90@95c.; receipts, 113 barrels.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Nothing doing.

TAR—Firm at $1; receipts, 158 barrels.

TOBACCO EXCHANGE.

Richmond, Va., March 4, 1899.

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

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Private sales reported to the secretary of the Richmond Tobacco Trade for the week ending to-day: Wrappers, 10 hogsheads; fillers, 48; cutters, 213; smokers, 28; leaf (dark), 145; burley, 13; strips (bright), 109; lugs (dark), 180. Total, 813 hogsheads.

The tobacco inspector reports to-day: Inspections—Bright, 101 hogsheads and 1 tierces. Reinspections—Bright, 4 hogsheads.

For the week ending to-day: Inspections—Bright, 270 hogsheads and 1 tierces; dark, 99 hogsheads and 2 tierces. Reinspections—Bright, 67 hogsheads and 7 tierces; dark, 6 hogsheads; western, 47 hogsheads and 5 tierces. Total inspections for the week ending to-day, 500 hogsheads and 3 tierces; reinspections, 120 hogsheads and 6 tierces. Total samples for the week ending to-day, 480 hogsheads and 9 tierces.

Davenport's, Seabrook's, Neal's, Allegheny, Vaughan's, Ridgewell, Shasker, Farmers, Williams & Bohling's, Crenshaw's and old Dominion tobacco warehouses report to-day: Receipts, 85 packages; deliveries, 586 packages.

The same tobacco warehouses with Tuckahoe, Crumb's, Planters, Star and Gilliam's added, report for the week ending to-day: Receipts, 224 packages; deliveries, 1,351 packages.

Excess of the deliveries over the receipts for the week ending to-day, 1,127 packages.

United States internal revenue collections on tobaccos for the city of Richmond, Va., to-day: Cigars and cigarettes, $127.61; plug tobacco, $1,086.48. Total, $1,214.12.

United States internal revenue collections on tobacco for the city of Richmond (Va.) for the month ending to-day: Cigars and cigarettes, $59,738.13; plug tobacco, $14,669.22. Total, $74,407.35.

The official report of the tobacco inspector for the month ending Tuesday, February 28, 1899, shows as follows: Receipts for the month, 670 hogsheads and 29 tierces; deliveries, 1,579 hogsheads and 75 tierces. Decrease in stocks for the month, 909 hogsheads and 55 tierces.

Receipts and deliveries for the five months ending Tuesday, February 28, 1899: Receipts, 4,886 hogsheads and 44 tierces; deliveries, 7,780 hogsheads and 402 tierces.

Stocks on hand in the several tobacco warehouses in the city of Richmond, Va., as of Tuesday, February 28, 1899: Stocks on hands—Inspected, 8,743 hogsheads and 379 tierces; uninspected, 2,165 hogsheads and 1 tierce. Total, 11,708 hogsheads and 380 tierces.

Stocks on hand for same period 1898: Inspected stocks, 11,251 hogsheads and 303 tierces; uninspected, 5,223 hogsheads. Total, 16,474 hogsheads and 303 tierces.

Stocks on hand for same period 1897: Inspected stocks, 13,394 hogsheads and 203 tierces, uninspected, 4,843 hogsheads and 71 tierces. Total, 18,237 hogsheads and 334 tierces.

Stocks on hand for same period 1896: Inspected stocks, 14,249 hogsheads and 298 tierces; uninspected, 4,231 hogsheads and 12 tierces. Total, 18,580 hogsheads and 250 tierces.

Stocks on hand for same period 1895: Inspected stocks, 15,501 hogsheads and 670 tierces; uninspected, 3,620 hogsheads and 43 tierces. Total, 18,986 hogsheads and 713 tierces.

Inspections and reinspections for the month ending Tuesday, February 28, 1899: Bright, 730 hogsheads and 2 tierces; dark, 208 hogsheads and 23 tierces; western, 56 hogsheads. Total, 1,074 hogsheads and 31 tierces.

Inspections and reinspections for the five months ending Tuesday, February 28, 1899:

Inspections—Bright, 1,888 hogsheads and 8 tierces; dark, 1,258 hogsheads and 59 tierces; western, 80 hogsheads. Total, 3,475 hogsheads and 67 tierces.

Reinspections—Bright, 562 hogsheads and 2 tierces; dark, 196 hogsheads and 2 tierces; western, 103 hogsheads. Total, 1,141 hogsheads and 4 tierces.

Total inspections and reinspections for the five months ending Tuesday, February 28, 1899: Bright, 2,939 hogsheads and 80 tierces; dark, 1,501 hogsheads and 61 tierces; western, 167 hogsheads. Total, 4,616 hogsheads and 71 tierces.

Total sales of loose tobacco for the month ending Tuesday, February 28, 1899, 488,755 pounds.

Total sales of loose tobacco for the five months ending Tuesday, February 28, 1899, 3,307,086 pounds; for same period 1898, 4,066,336 pounds; for same period 1897, 3,720,093 pounds; for same period 1896, 2,989,865 pounds; for same period 1895, 4,000,014 pounds.

Messrs. Frazer & Tompkins will offer by sample at their office on Monday morning, March 6, 1899, a break of twenty-five (25) hogsheads of fine dark tobacco, to which the attention of the trade is respectfully called.

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

Sunday, March 5, 1899.

Boston massacre, 1770.

Sun rises	6:36 A. M.
Sun sets	6:07 P. M.
Moon south	6:26 A. M.
First high water	10:25 A. M.
Second high water	10:24 P. M.

Monday, March 6, 1899.

Alamo fight, 1836.

Sun rises	6:31 A. M.
Sun sets	6:08 P. M.
Moon south	7:26 A. M.
First high water	11:25 A. M.
Second high water	11:23 P. M.

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ARRIVED.

Steamer City of Everett, Boston.
Steamer Western Belle, Boston.
Steamer Caravan, Boston.
Steamer Chickahominy, London.
Steamer Rappahannock, Liverpool.

SAILED.

Schooner S. P. Blackburn, Boston.
Schooner E. B. Weaver, Boston.
Steamer Katahdin, Providence.
Steamer Polana, Bristol.

PORT OF WEST POINT, March 4, 1899.

ARRIVED.

Steamship Accomac, Thompson, Norfolk, passengers and general cargo.

SAILED.

Steamship Accomac, Thompson, Norfolk, passengers and general cargo.

Last Night at Y. M. C. A.

The large and appreciative audience which greeted Professor Byron W. King last evening were held spell-bound by the matchless flow of language which came from the lips of this eloquent orator. Professor King was at his best in "Shylock the Just," and it is difficult to condense into a brief paragraph anything like an adequate idea of the lecture, so varied was its character, both in respect to matter and the manner of presentation.

Professor King has a pleasing address, is a ripe scholar, an eloquentoist of rare merit, and is a skillful impersonator. He has a fund of wit and anecdote, and dovetails them so ingeniously as to keep his audience in a delightful frame of mind. Aside from his ability as an orator, his practical and common sense views of life and its duties served to make the address one of great usefulness and worth.

Professor King will also address the men's meeting this afternoon at 4 o'clock, taking as his subject, "The Wealth of the World."

Every man in Richmond is earnestly requested to be present and hear this talented orator.

MUSICAL AND LITERARY NOTES.

Music is well said to be the speech of angels.—Carlyle.

Music is the mediator between the spiritual and sensual life.—Beethoven.

In Berlin a Haydn-Mozart-Beethoven monument will shortly be erected. It will be executed in marble and according to the idea of Professor Siemering. The same city will also soon have a monument to the great Richard Wagner. One hundred thousand marks (about $4,167) have been collected for this purpose.

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The seventh philharmonic concert at Bremen was conducted by Herr Kapellmeister Panzner, from Leipzig. The programme included Wagner's "Flying Dutchman" overture, Liszt's "Preludes" and Beethoven's "Fifth Symphony." The artistic rendition was greatly due to the able leadership of Mr. Panzner. A youthful pianist, Herr Waldemar Luetschg, rendered classical selections.

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"Foundation Studies for the Pianoforte," by Walter S. Sprankle, a very successful piano teacher of Indianapolis, Ind., has been published by the author. This is a very interesting and pleasing set of studies in the form of little pieces, carefully fingered and phrased, which develops the pupil musically as well as technically. It is a very useful book for all piano players.

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A new comic opera, "Der Glaubens-Krieg von Wuerburg," has just been completed by Professor Max Meyer-Olderslebon.

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Fred. Hummel's opera, "Assarpai," words by Dora Duncker, received its first performance at Darmstadt and was very pleasing.

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Wagner's "Walkuere" was given in Madrid, Spain, for the first time in Spanish, translated by Cadamis. The performance was elegant, all singers being Spaniards. The work made a deep impression.

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"Hoffmann's Catholic Directory" Almanac and Clergy List for 1899 has just come from the publishers, M. H. Wiltzius & Co., Milwaukee, Wis. This reliable official directory—the only one published in the United States—contains complete reports of all dioceses in the United States, Canada and Newfoundland, Great Britain and Ireland and the hierarchies and statistics of Mexico, Central America, West Indies, South America, Oceanica, Austro-Hungarian monarchy, German Empire and Switzerland. A map in colors shows the outlines of provinces of the Catholic church with the bishoprics of North America. The valuable book has been enlarged to 1,100 pages, the new edition being indexed. The price of $1.25 for the four numbers is very reasonable.

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Linz, the pretty Upper-Austrian town on the Danube, is doing wonders under the enthusiastic direction of Aug Goellerich. Liszt's oratorio, "Saint Elizabeth," was recently given in most creditable style with about five hundred executants.

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A Symphony Concert Society, numbering already fifty-six players, has been started at Cabals under the direction of Emile Camos.

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Anthon Rueckauf's three-act opera "Die Rosenthalerin" met with decided success at Strasburg.

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An original text-book for elementary and academic schools and for the help of parents in training their children at home has been published by R. F. Johnson Publishing Company, of Richmond. The valuable work is entitled "Manual of Bible Morality," by Shaler G. Hillyer.

This book is admirably suited for the purpose designed. It is a simple, clear presentation of the subject, free from technical terms and well suited to the child mind. There is nothing in the book that indicates the denomination of the writer, and so little of sectarian bias, that all denominations can approve it and use it for what it claims to be—a manual of morality based on Bible teaching. The work should be adopted as text-books in the schools; it will also do great good in all christian homes.

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Every genuine strain of music is a serene prayer, or bold inspired demand, to be united with all at the heart of all things.

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Emotion is the summit of existence, and music is the summit of emotion, the art pathway to God.

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One of the most important functions of music is that of weaning people from low and demoralizing pleasures.

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The important place now occupied by music in public worship, and the multiplication of choral services, have forced the church to recognize the need of musical training as an important element of the education for the ministry, and music now forms part of the course of study in the theological seminaries. In order to assist the priests of the English church, Edward Stubbs, M. A., has written a useful book: "How to Sing the Choral Service." Published by Novello, Ewer & Co., New York.

This "Manual of Intoning" for clergymen is the only book of its kind published, and will take an important place in the church work throughout the world. Says the Rev. H. H. Oberly in the introduction: "The author ought to receive the gratitude of the laity as much as of the clergy, or rather, in a much larger degree, since it is the laity who will be benefitted by a service sung by a priest who knows how to sing."

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C. Kuntze's "Der Wunderdoktor," comic operetta in three scenes for male voices, is rehearsed by the active members of the Gesangverein, and will be performed at the Easter entertainment.

CHAS Fr. MUTTER.

Foul-Smelling Catarrh.

Catarrh is one of the most obstinate diseases, and hence the most difficult to get rid of.

There is but one way to cure it. The disease is in the blood, and all the sprays, washes and inhaling mixtures in the world can have no permanent effect whatever upon it. Swift's Specific cures Catarrh permanently, for it is the only remedy which can reach the disease and force it from the blood.

Mr. B. P. McAllister, of Harrodsburg, Ky., had Catarrh for years. He writes: "I could see no improvement whatever, though I was constantly treated with sprays and washes, and different inhaling remedies—in fact, I could feel that each winter I was worse than the year previous.