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## MR. KELLEY AND FISCAL REFORM.

Two of the chief fiscal objects of Congress just now are to increase the revenue and to reduce the interest on the public debt. $\Lambda$ bill aiming to accomplish this desirable purpose has just been introduced into the House of Representatives by Mr. Kelley of Pennsylvania. Its professed claim to consideration is that it neither imposes new taxes nor sanctions any commissions to Syndicates for refunding the securities of the goverument. The plan is self-acting, and in this respect it is compared to the celebrated act of 1844, contrived by Sir R. Peel for the Bank of England. Mr. Kelley's bill proposes to repeal the sixth section of the act of June 20, 1874, which limits the circulation of United States notes to $\$ 382,000,000$; also to repeal the first and third sections of the act of January 14, 1875, which provide for the issue of silver coins instead of fractional
currency, and for the resumption of specie payment on the 1st of January, 18\%9. The bill proposes to enact the following provisions:
That the Secretary of the Treasury shall cause to be prepared bouds of the United States bearing interest at the rate of three and sixty-five one hundredths per cent, per annum, the interest thereon to be payable semi-annually or on demand as hereinafter provided, and that auy holder of legal.tender notes of the United States, on presenting to the Treasu rer of the United States, or any Assistant Treasurer thereof, such notes in sums of not less than $\$ 50$ or a multiple thereof, shall receive said bonds in like amount in exchange therefor, and that when any person shall demand of the Treasurer of the United States, or any Assistant Treasurer, redemption of any of said bonds, the said T'reasurer or Assistant Treasurer shall pay the principal of said bond or bonds, with accrued interest thereon, in said legal tender notes, and such Assistant Treasurer shall forth with cancel and forward the bonds thus redeemed to the Treasurer of the United States, in such manner as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Treasury. and the said Treasurer of the United States shall cancel said bonds so redeemed by bim, and it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Treasury to apply not less than seventy-five per cent. of the legal tender no es of the United States received in exchange for said bonds to the purchase or redemption of any bonds of the United States, the interest on which is payable in gold, outstanding at the passage of this act, or of $\underline{\rho}$ old wherewith to redeem such ontstanding bonds as he may, under existing laws, call for redemption.

This bill, though it has some novel features which commend it to public attention, is by no means new in its fundamental principles, which have been proposed many times before, and have been as often rejected as unsound and impracticable. In what way this project, were it practicable, could contribute either 'to augment the revenue or to dimmish the burdens of the people," Mr. Kelley would have no small difficulty to show. The scheme consists of three parts. First, it proposes to issue an unlimited amount of greenbacks. This is its chief expedient for aiding the finances of the country. Sccondly, it would repeal the section of the last finance bill which fixes 1st January, 1879, for the resumption of specie payments. This is a logical sequence from the first proposition. For there is no doubt that if we are to increase our paper currency we must put off resumption. Thirdly, Mr. Kelley proposes to stop all attempts to substitute silver coins for the fractional currency now outstanding. As to the first branch of this threefold scheme, it has the misfortune to reach quite beyond the powers of Congress in time of peace. The act of 14 th January, 1875, fixed the maximum of the greenback issues at 382 millions. Congress having established that maximum iy a solemuact of legiclation, the limit is fixed; and cannot be changed, except by way of further reduction.
The Federal Constitution gives no power to Congress to issue legal tender money except in time of war and for war purposes. This cardinal principle of our national polity is so well established, and has so often been implicitly affirmed by the Supreme Court of the United

States, that we need not here stay to demonstrate i ts truth. Prior to the act of 1875 above mentioned, Congress had prescribed by law no new limits to the greenback issues. These limits were fixed at 400 millions by the war legislation of 1862 and 1863, as was observed by Chief Justice Chase in the case of the Banks vs. The Supervisors (7 Wallace 26). Within these bounds the greenbacks were limited during the period of 13 years, from Feb., 1862, to Jan., 1875.

After the close of the war the only legislation competent to Congress in regard to greenback issues was for their withdrawal. In other words, Congress had the power to diminisk the aggregate below 400 millions, but it could not increase the aggregate beyond 400 mil lions. By virtue of this power the maximum was re duced 15th January to 382 millions, and when Congress again assumes to regulate or disturb the limits of the greenback issues, the change must involve a further diminution. As the limit was lowered from 400 millions to 382 millions, so hereafter it will be lowered from 382 millions to some smaller aggregate. These principles being so well established, we reed not examine Mr. Kelley's ingenious expedient of intervertible bonds, which he regards as an infallible specific against the inflation of prices by excessive issues of greenbacks. If Mr. Kelley's unlimited issues of new greenbacks camot be had, we need not follow him in his futile attempts to prevent their natural and necessary consequences. As the flood of paper money is stopped by the barrice of the Constitution, it is of little consequence how Mr. Kelley would check the inundation if he could be permitted to let it in upon us.
The best part of Mr. Kelley's bill is that which refers to the silver coinage. Our people do not wish to spend 40 millions of dollars in the work of substituting silver coin for their fractional currency. Mr. Kelley has also some excellent ideas as to the importance of protecting the money market against such troubles as are inseparable from incessant changes, arbitrary power, and unlimited authority in the Treasury. To these sound views, in all probability his self-acting scheme for regulating the currency, owes its origin.

But in guarding against a single foe he would let in a legion. Much as the public wish to lighten their fiscal burdens, and to diminish the interest on the national debt, they are too intelligent to pursue that object by the delusive path of paper money, even had not that path been closed by the Federal Constitution.

## TIIE SINKIVG FUND PROTECTION BILL.

The Committee of Ways and Means have just reported their new bill for the protection of the Sinking Fund. The difficulties which obstruct legislation on the subject are certainly perplexing. The bill would scarcely have been proposed at this late period of the session if the Secretary of the Treasury had not pressed it very urgently upon the attention of the Committec. Under this pressure there seemed to be no alternative but to refer the whole question to Congress, in whom the supreme responsibility rests. The proposition of the Committee as expounded ly Mr. Dawes in the House on Thursday, is simply to fulfil the obligations incurred to the public creditor under the Sinking Fund law. For this purpose 35 millions of dollars are computed to be necessary, and taxes to that amount are proposed in the bill. The Committee thus meet the objection to which we referred last week, shat public opinion would refuse just now to sanction any new taxes for the mere purpose of creating
a surplus to carry out the provisions of the recent Finance law. No such needless surplus is here contemplated. The proposed taxation is to raise money for the Sinking Fund, and for that alone. As the statutes controlling the Sinking Fund have been much discussed of late, and as by some persons they seem to be misunderstood, it may be well for us to understand exactly the present state of the law.
It is commonly supposed that there is but one statute on the subject, and that Congress has never passed any amendment to the law of 25th February, 1862, which first created the Sinking Fund. This is an error. Two subsequent laws were passed, the last of which, in section 6 of the act of $14 \mathrm{July}, 1870$, is of the chief importance for the present purpose. We will examine these three statutes in order:

As already stated, the act of 25 February, 1862, originated the Sinking Fund. It created a war debt of $\$ 650,-$ 000,000 , for the security of which it provided that the customs duties should be paid in coin. This coin was directed to be used for three purposes only. ${ }^{\circ}$ First, to pay the interest on the public debt. Secondly, for "the purchase or payment of one per centum of the entire debt of the United States, within each fiscal year after the first day of July, 1862, " the bonds to be set apart as a sinking fund, and the interest upon them to be in like manner applied to the purchase or payment of the public debt as the Secretary shall from time to time direct." Thirdly, the residue of the coin received for customs duties was directed "to be paid into the Treasury of the United States."
It is evident that this law contemplated the creation of a Board of Trustees or Managers, who should be empowered and commissioned to carry into effect its provisions. No such Board was created, and the law was a dead letter until Congress, by joint resolution of 1 th March, 1864, gave the Secretary of the Treasury permission to sell gold from the Treasury, but added a proviso that "the obligation should not be impaired to create the sinking fund, as provided in the act of 25 th February, 1862."
Congress passed no further laws about the sinking fund during the war, and no actual steps were taken by the Administration to establish any board for the management of any such fund. During all this time the coin received for customs duties was paid directly into the Treasury, and was used for the ordinary disbursements of the Government. On the 12th May, 1869, Mr. Boutwell, who was then Secretary of the Treasury, purchased one million of bonds for the sinking fund at 83.22 in coin. This was the first transaction under the Sinking Fund law. The last of these transactions took place under Mr. Richardson, on the 24th September, 1873. The bonds purchased during the interval of nearly four years and a half amounted to $\$ 323,253,800$, and cost in gold about $\$ 307,702,207$. Since September, 18 $7: 3$, no bonds have been purchased for the sinking fund, inasmuch as the Treasury has had barely sufficient revenue to meet its other disbursements, the surplus last year amounting to no more than $\$ 2,344,882$.

We are now prepared to examine the third law which was passed to regulate the sinking fund. It is extremely important, and constitutes the 6th section of the funding law of 14 th July, 1870. This law was passed when Mr. Boutwell, after carrying on his bond purchases during fifteen months, had accumulated about 131 mil lions in the sinking fund. By this statute, which is as follows, Congress required these bonds to be cancelled, instead of being allowed to accumulate as before :

Sec. 6. And be it further enacted, That the United States bonds purchased and now held in the Treasury in accordance with the provisions relating to a sinking fund, of section five of the act entitled "An act to authorize the issue of United States notes, and for funding the floating debt of the United States," approved February twenty-fifth, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, and all February ther United States bonds which have been purchased by the Secretary of the Treasury with surpius funds in the Treasury, Secretary nold in the Treasury of the United States, shall be canceled and destroyed, a detailed record of such bonds so canceled and destroyed to be first made in the books of the Treasury Department.
Any bonds hereafter applied to said sinking fund, and all other United States bonds redeemed or paid hereafter by the United States, shall also in like manner be recorded, canceled and destroyed, and the amount of the bonds of each class that have been canceled and destroyed shall be deducted respectively from the amount of each class of the outstanding debt of the United the am
In addition to other amounts that may be applied to the redemption or payment of the public debt, an amount equal to the interest on all bonds belonging to the aforesaid sinking fund shall be applied, as the Secretary of the Treasury shail from time to time direct, to the payment of the public debt, as provided for in section five of the act aforesaid. And the amount so to be in section five of appropriated annually for that purpose out of the receipts for duties on imported goods.

Such is the past legislation in regard to the sinking fund. Two questions arisé in regard to it. First, has the sinking fund been abandoned? To this we reply in the negative. France and England have each in turn given up their sinking funds; but the United States has not as yet even proposed to adopt such a policy. Indeed, there is no doubt that if the sense of our people could be taken on this subject there would be an almost unanimous opposition to abandon the security so solemnly given by three successive statutes, except indeed some equivalent support could be added to sustain the credit of the Government. It is not pretended that any such equivalent can be given. We may dismiss, therefore, the hypothesis of abandoning the Sinking Fund. It remains that this fund should be kept up by taxation. We by no means approve of the details of Mr. Dawes' bill, but if it is rejected the obligation of providing a substitute, and of devising some other expedient of equal value for protecting the credit of the Treasury, will return with new force in the next session of Congress.

## SPECIE IN THE UNITED STATES.

The recent exports of specie from this port, and the decrease in the amounts held by our banks and SubTreasury, are looked upon by some as indications of a speedy exhaustion. Without doubt the demonetizing of gold and silver in any country always has a tendency to drive the precious metals away from that country ; their use is much restricted, and their relative value-that is, their value as compared with ordinary commoditiesdepreciates, so away they go to a better market. Still, our production of gold and silver is large, and we can bear a very considerable drain. No doubt it is desirable that we should keep our supply at home, preparatory to returning to a specie basis, and such would be its natural tendency were there any indications that we seriously entertained any such purpose. In that case everything would adjust itself to that end, precisely as is now taking place in France.

But our present purpose is not a discussion of these questions. We desire simply to wring together a few figures, the most of which are familiar to our readers, to show that we have even now, notwithstanding our loose and lavish policy, a very considerable reservoir of precious metals to draw from. Where it all is, may be a question for future examination; and yet, even if we should not make that point clear, it by no means weakens the results our figures reach. We might ask, where is to-day the supply of the last two years-that is, the
production and imports in excess of our exports? If there is any truth in the statements published, we have accumulated many millions during that time, while our visible supply has decreased. But let us look at the subject more closely.

The Banks of the United States on the 1st of January, 1860, (not including California,) held in specie $\$ 83,594$,537 , and on the 1st of January, 1859, they held $\$ 104$,537,818 , or say for the two years an average of $\$ 94,000,-$ 000 . During the same period the balance in the Sub Treasury was about five or six millions. Hence we have a visible supply, say in 1859 , of about $\$ 100,000,000$. As to the amount then in the hands of the people, no accurate data can be given. On a previous oceasion we estimated it at one-half the bank circulation; which, being on the 1st of January, 1860, $\$ 207,102,477$, would make the supply of specie in the States outside of California at about \$200,000,000: The director of the Mint in 1861 estimated the stock of coin in the country at $\$ 275,000$,000. We do not know how he made up his estimate, but we believe it included Califormia. Secretary Chase, in his annual report of 1862 , gave $\$ 210,000,000$ as his opinion of the supply.
What has been the movement since 1859? The contribution of the mines for the years 1848 to 1873 , both inclusive, has been compiled by l'rofessor Rossiter W. Raymond, U. S. Commissioner, and there appears to be no reason for questioning his figures; for 1874 the statement of Messrs. Wells, Fargo \& Co. is generally accepted as authority. Using, then, these returns as the basis of our examination, we may obtain the following as the the production of gold and silver in the United States since Jan. 1, 1860 :

*The detailed statement for 1874 will be found in the Chronicle, January 23, 18i5, page 79 .

One other source of supply frequently included is the amount emigrants bring with them. We have on a previous occasion given our reasons for considering, the commonly received estimates on this point, exaggerain For instance, we find it stated in a speech made into the country in the pockets of emigrants during the previous eight years. When we consider, on the one hand, the ease with which bills of exchange are obtained, and on the other the large number who come expecting to find immediate employment, and requiring assistance if they do not, we cannot but think that our former figures of an average of $\$ 25$ each must be taken as more than covering the supply from that source. To balance this there are from thirty to fifty thousand of our people every year who make a tour of Europe, and take with them not less than $\$ 150$ each in coin; while many others carry small sums into Canada, making in the aggregate
a very considerable item. Taken together, then, we believe these movements so nearly balance one another, that it is not necessary to bring either into the account.
As to the foreign movement of coin and bullion during the period under review, the official figures show a total of exports amounting to $\$ 1,041,049,142$, and of imports amounting to $\$ 246,689,204$. The statement in detail is as follows:

Specie Exports and Imports from June 30, 1859, to June 30, 1874. EXPORT OF DOMESTIC PRODUCT.

| Year. | Coin. |  | Bullion. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Gold. | Silver. | Gold. | Silver. |
| 1860 |  |  | \$30,913,173 |  |
| 1861 | 10,488,590 |  | 13,311.280 |  |
| 1862 | *17,776,912 |  | $13,26128,739$11,385,033 |  |
| 1863. |  |  |  |  |
|  | \$86,143,921 | \$2,502,551 | \$10,985,703 | \$836,387 |
| Total to 1865 | \$185,056,630 | \$2, 202,551 | \$79,862,928 | \$836,387 |
| 1865. | 35,023,856 | 1,685,676 | 14,440,865 | 674.880 |
| 1866 | 49,395,993 | $1,683,053$ $2,892,990$ | 20,731,473 $13,867,641$ | $10,832,849$ <br> 15,853 |
| 1863 | $44,390,003$ | 2.536,506 | 23,841,155 | 12,978,311 |
| 1869. | 14,858.369 | 899,763 | 13,584,407 | 13,573,427 |
| 1870 | 12,768,501 | 3,554,32: | 15,812,108 | 11,748,864 |
| 1871 | 53,491 719 | 2,535,765 | 9,089, 959 | 17,285,916 |
| $18 \sim 2$ | 40,391,35\% | 1,691,081 | 7,986,145 | 22,729,657 |
| 1873 | $35,661,863$ $28.766,943$ | $1,674,442$ $4,555,418$ | $8,810,175$ $3,878,543$ | $27,759,066$ $22,498,782$ |
| Total from 1860 | †j24,167,269 | 26,211,580 | +2!1,905.399 | 156,771.669 |

* Gold only.
+ In 1860,61 and ' 63 the gold includes gold and silver as the official tables o not separate them.

| Year. | Coin. |  | Bullion. |  | Total Export of Coin and Bullion. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Gold. | Silver. | Golu. | Silver. |  |
| 1860 | \$1,448,007 | \$8,065,107 | \$51,181 | \$35,093 | \$66,546,2:9 |
| 1861 | 1,992,443 | $2.322,976$ | 6,100 | 42,826 | 28,164,835 |
| 1862 | 4,395,252 | *1,407,645 |  | 40,092 | 36,387,640 |
| 1863 | 6,169, 276 | 1.993, 223 |  | 550 | 64,156,611 |
| 1864 | 3,493,561 | 1,394,824 | 33,449 | 1,145) | 105,396,541 |
| Total to 1865... | 817,498,539 | \$15,183, 795 | \$91,330 | \$119,706 | \$301,151,866 |
| 1865. | 1,799,142 | 721,865 | 1,900 | 7505 | 54,348,184 |
| 1866 | 1,036,989 | 2, 2in ,52. | 32,854 | 75, 32.5 | 86,041,071 |
| 1867 | 2,796,951 | 3,076,286 |  | 18,939 | f;0.868.372 |
| 1868. | 4,070,678 | 5,703,873 | 94,508 | 169,068 | $9: 3784,102$ |
| 1869 | 7,541,576 | 6,124,518 | 19,146 | 233,174 | 57.138,380 |
| 1870 | 5,015,575 | 9,213,829 | 39,778 | 2,682 | 58,155,666 |
| 1871 | $2,104,530$ | 11,934.099 |  |  | 98,412,988 |
| 1872 | 1,166,478 | 5,744,00:3 | 4,780 | 164,0:3 | 79, 877,534 |
| 1873 | 1884,675 | 10,232,556 |  | 85,795 | 84,608,5i4 |
| 1874. | 1,396,9:34 | 5,508,785 |  | 25,000 | 66,630,405 |
| Total from 1860 | 44,812,069 | 76003,138 | 284,296 | 893,722 | 1,041,049,142 |



| Year. | Coin. |  | Bullion. |  | Total Coin and Bullion |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | :Gold. | Silver. | Gold. | Silver. |  |
| 1860. | \$2,015,599 | \$5,541,406 | \$493,187 | \$499,943 | \$8,550,135 |
| 1861.. | 13,588,052 | 28:3,855 | 40,908 | 112,498 | 14.025, 313 |
| 1862. | 12,497,28.3 | 2,258,433 | 1,4.1,728. | 249,608 | 16,415,052 |
| 1863 | 3,651.316 | 4,004,031 | 1,879,222 | 49,535 | 9,584,105 |
| 1864 | 8,664,134 | 1,872,12 | 2,512,635 | 66,716 | 13,115,612 |
| Total to 1865.. | \$10 416.88t | \$13,959,85? | \$6,335,680 | \$978,301 | \$61,690,217 |
| 1365 | 5,092,245 | T.53,21! | 2i,76 | 1,352,0i7 | 7,225.377 |
| 6 | 6,969,712 | 2,344,661 | 971,129 | 43,654 | 10,329,156 |
| 1867. | 15,053,221 | 4,983,611 | 1,971,645 | 61,998 | $22,070,475$ |
| 1868. | 6,952,907 | 5,360,515 | 1,784,536 | 90,410 | 14.188,368 |
| 1869. | 13,241,638 | 5.620,166 | 890,930 | 55,142 | 19.807,876 |
| $18 \%$ | 11,376,190 | 14,199,797 | 68, 760 | 162,432 | 26,428,179 |
| 1871 | 5,7u6,174 | 14,288,627 | 1,177,387 | 105,836 | 21,270,024 |
| 1872. | 7,315,251 | 4,645,322 | 1,372,207 | 380,909 | 13,743,689 |
| 1873 | 7,139,854 | 12,326,775 | 1,542,593 | 471,715 | 21,430,937 |
| 1874. | 17,888.468 | 8,114,086 | 1,614,669 | 337,683 | 28,454,906 |
| Total from 1860 | 137,182,044 | 86,588,703 | 18,378,300 | 540,1 | 246,689,20 |

In addition to the above, very possibly there were exports of specie direct from the South during the war, but the amount thus going out of the country must have been trifling, and would not materially affect the result. We have, however, divided all of the above tables with the year the war closed, so that any who desire may make deductions from the movement since that date. The conclusions will be found to be quite similar to those we have drawn. Collecting together, then, the foregoing items, the following result appears to be reached:

| Specie in the Atlantic States in 1869 | \$200,000,000 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Received from mines since. | 895,551,05, |  |
| mports during same period | 246,689,204 |  |
| Total supply to Jan. 1, 18\% ) | -- - | \$1,342,240,259 |
| Exports of specie for the fifteen years |  | 1,041,049,142 |
| Total sarplus |  | 301,191,117 |

able supply now on hand can be determined. Some portion of the above has been manufactured during the fifteen years under review, but precisely what portion cannot be definitely stated. . It strikes us, however, that very wild guesses are current on that subject. We have seen estimates published as high as $\$ 20,000,000$ per year. The only proper basis for an opinion is the census returns, and those figures are more likely to be an over statement than an under statement, as the inclination of every man is to magnify his business when describing it to another. We do not, however, find the precise figures we need in the census. The jewelers, silversmiths, \&c., are put down as using material of a certain value. What proportion of that material was gold and silver is not stated, and we have had to obtain outside information to determine that question ; that is to say, the total material being given, what proportion would be gold and whai proportion precious stones, \&c. With this explanation, we give the actual figures of total material of all kinds used, as per census of 1870 , with our own estimate thus made up of the portion of that material which was gold and silver:

| * | Total material used. Census 1870. | Gold and silver. <br> Estimaterd |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Manufactures of gold leaf and foil. | \$621,773 | \$500,000 |
| Silverware. | 1,22\%.428 | 900,000 |
| Watches. | 332,729 | 150,000 |
| Pens and pencils.. | 181,740 | 50,000 |
| Spectacles and eyeglasses, steel and gold. | 183,830 | 10,000 |
| Jewelry... | 9,187,364 | 3,000,000 |
| Plated war | 3,771,981 | 400,000 |
| Total.. | \$15,501,815 | \$5,010,000 |

If there is any reliance to be placed in the returns for this department of the census-and we know no reason for questioning them-the amount of gold and silver which entered into manufactures in 1869 (the year the census covers) could not exceed five million dollars. In 1860 the total would be considerably less; hence, if we put the average for the fifteen years at $\$ 4,000,000$, we think we shall not underestimate the actual consumption during the period in question.
We thus reach the conclusion that the stock of coin and bullion in the United States on the first of January, 1875 (not counting the supply in California in 1860) must have been about $\$ 250,000,000$, or say fifty millions of dollars more than in 1860, with the prospect of receiving about 75 millions from the mines this year.
For those who believe that there is no specie in the States except what is in the banks and in the Treasury, this further fact will be of interest, that since the first of July, 1873, the receipts from the mines with the imports have up to January 1 been about $\$ 40,000,000$ more than the exports, and yet the visible supply is considerably less, as may be seen from the following statement. The imports and exports for the last six months of 1874 are only for New York, as the complete figures are not yet made up:
Receipts from mining for eighteen months, being the whole of of 1874 and the half of 1873
\$110,276,000 Imports fiscal year ending Junc $30,1874$. 28,454,906 Imports six months ending January 1, 1875 (N. Y. only)........... $\quad$ 3.896,921

Total from mines and imports eighteen months............. $\$ 142,627,827$ Exports fiscal year ending June $30,1874 \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots . .$. ........ $86,630,405$ Exports six months ending Jan. 1,’75 (N. Y. only)..... 31,603,662 Total expoits eighteen months..

98,233,967
Excess of new supply over exports in eighteen months.......... $\overline{\$ 44,393,860}$ Visible supply-
Iu banks June 13 18~3
2;,950,386
In Treasury, June 30, 1873.
....... 87507,40

Total visible June 3n, 1873 $\qquad$ 115,457,498 In banks, January 1, $1875 \ldots$ 22,436,761 In Treasury, January 1, 1875.... 22,587,449

Total visible January 1, 1875. ......................................... ${ }^{\$ 105,024,210} 10,483,278$
Decrease in the eighteen months....................

The above shows that in visible supply there was a decrease of ten million dollars, while in the new supply thrown on the market there was an increase of thirty-five millions, after allowing nine millions for manufacturing purposes.

## railmoad earnings in January.

The returns of railroad earnings for January have been few and straggling. We only notice three roads in the list whose stock is dealt in to any considerable extent in this market. All the roads, except three, show a decrease in their traffic of greater or less importance, and it appears fromthis exhibit that the opening month of the year has not been promising. The severe weather and prevailing quiet in business, as well as the lower freight rates, have apparently been the chief influences affecting railroad business, and it is hoped that all of these will be of temporary duration.

*Three weeks only of January in each year.
The following earnings for December, and for the twelve months ended Dec. 31, have lately been given out by the respective companies:

| Earning | cember. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Atchison Tcpeka \& Santa $\mathrm{Fe} . . \mathrm{C}$ \$102,225 | ${ }_{\text {\$79,303 }}$ | Increase. | Decrease. |
| Denver \& Rio Grande.. ...... 29,993 | 23.071 | 6.922 |  |
| Philadelphia \& Erie. $\ldots . .$. | 247.538 | ${ }^{50,868}$ |  |
| St. P. \& S.City \& S. C. \& St. P. $\quad 62.171$ | 51,269 758,832 | 130,302 13827 |  |
| ion Pacific................ _897,159 |  |  |  |
| Total.............. .... . \$1,389,954 | \$1,160,113 | \$229,841 |  |
| increase............. ... |  | \$229,844 |  |
| earnings from january 1 to |  |  |  |
| Atchison Topeka \& Santa $\mathrm{Fe} . .$. | $\begin{gathered} 1873 . \\ \$ 1,240,249 \end{gathered}$ | Increase. $\$ 12,179$ | Decrease. $\$ \ldots . .$. |
| Denver \& Rio Grande... ..... 376,959 |  |  | , 148 |
| Philadelphia \& Erie.......... $\quad 3,506,919$ | 3,842,067 | 60.979 | 385,148 |
|  | ( $\begin{array}{r}764,522 \\ 10,266,104\end{array}$ | 293,776 |  |
|  |  |  |  |
| Total (excluding D.\& R.G.) \$16,141,7z8 | \$16,112,942 | \$366,934 | \$335,148 |
| et increasc. |  | \$31,736 |  |
| The net earnings of these roads were as follows : |  |  |  |
| cember--Twelve months.-- |  |  |  |
| 1874 | ${ }^{1873}$ | ${ }^{1874 .}$ |  |
| Atchison. Top. \& Santa Fe.. \$52.468 | \$32,449 | \$693,32\% | \$482,342 |
| Denver \& Rio Grande..... 13,989 | ${ }_{3}^{9,013}$ | $\dddot{9020}$ |  |
| Indianap. ${ }^{\text {Philadelphia }}$ \& Erie......... 164,425 | 61,155 | 1,068,786 | 428,756 |

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| EXCHANGE AT LONDONJANUARY 22. |  |  | . EXCHANGE ON LONDON. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ON- | tims. | RATE. | $\begin{gathered} \text { LATESTT } \\ \text { DATE. } \end{gathered}$ | time. | eate. |
| Amsterd | short. | 11.14\% @11 | Jan: ${ }^{2.2}$. | short. | ${ }_{25}^{11.82}$ |
| Autwerp. |  | ${ }_{20.65}^{25.4218 ®^{20.73 / 3}}$ | ". | 3 mos . | ${ }_{20.25}^{25.14}$ |
| Paris.... | shört. | 25.121 ${ }^{\text {® }}$ 25.2218 | " | short. | 25.16 |
| Paris.. | 3 months. | 25.42720.05.47 ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | Jan ${ }^{22}$ | 3 mos | 110.50 |
| Berlin. | $\cdots$ | $20.68{ }^{11} 0^{20.73}$ | Jan: | short. | 20.45 |
| Frankfort |  | 20.69 ¢20.71 | " | . | 20.45 |
| St. Petersburg |  | ${ }^{32} 9816{ }^{9-16011-16}$ | ". | .... |  |
| Lisbon. | 90 d̈ays. |  | $\cdots$ | .... | $\ldots$ |
| Milan | 3 months. | $28.00{ }^{2} \times 28.10$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ |  |
| Venoa. | . | 28.00@28.10 |  |  |  |
| New York |  |  | Jan. 15. | 60 days. | \$4.861/2 |
| Rio de Janeiro |  |  | Dec. 17. | 90 days. | 26\%@26\% |
| ${ }_{\text {Buenos }}$ Bahre |  |  |  |  |  |
| Vuenos Ayre |  |  |  | $\cdots$ |  |
| Pernambuco... |  |  |  |  |  |
| Bombay ${ }^{\text {montevide }}$ | 60 days. | 18. $10 \%$ \% ${ }^{\text {d }}$ d | Jan. 14. | 6 mos. | 18. $10 \%$ \% ${ }^{\text {c }}$ d. |
| Calcutta. |  | 18. $10 \%$ \% ${ }^{\text {d }}$ d | ${ }_{\text {Jan. }}{ }_{\text {Jan. }} \mathbf{1 1}$. | .... | 18. ${ }^{\text {4 }}$. $23 \%$ \% $d$. |
| Hong K |  | 48. $6 \frac{3}{4}$ d. | Jan. \%. |  | 58.83/ $d$. |
| Pena | ... |  | .... |  |  |
| Singapore |  | 0\% ${ }^{\text {a }}$. | Jan. 12. | $3 \dddot{\mathrm{mos}}$. | 12.963/2 |

[From our own correspondent.]
London, Saturday, Jan. 23, 1875.
Money continues in abundant supply and, in the open market the rates for the best three months' bills are nearly one per cent. beneath those current at the Bank of England; but the directors of the Bank have decided on making no alteratien in their rates of discount. The minimum quotation remains, therefore, at four per cent. After making two successive reductions of one per cent., it is no doubt judicious on the part of the Bank authorities to pause, more especially as the exchanges are less favorable to us, and as there is an increasing demand for gold for export. We all know that the close connection between the principal money markets, and the magnitude of the operations now conducted, lead to speedy changes, and the Bank directors must, therefore be accounted prudent in delaying for the present any further downward movement. The trade of this country, however remains extremely quiet, and until the relations between employers and employed become more satisfactory, there will be but little dispositiod shown to embark in large contracts, for fear that some trade dispute should prevent them being executed. Business in Spring goods ought now to be assuming a considerable degree of activity; but, as yet, no aniusation has been apparant, purchases being effected with considerable caution. It is probable, judging from the present appearance of affairs, that the season for Spring goods will pass by without any special feature presenting itself. Those-and they were many-who, as one of the results of a bountiful harvest and of a heavy fall in the price of wheat, looked forward to a more prosperous and active trade have, thus far, been greatly disappointed.
The supply of money seeking employment being largely in excess of the demand, the rates of discount are easy, as follows:
 Open-market rates:
30 and 60 dys'
3 months bills. 34 3...

4 and 6 months' trade bilis. $3 \%$ ab 4
The rates of interest allowed by the joint-stock banks and discount houses are as under:

Jointstock banks. $\qquad$ Discount houses at call 1 da.............. $\qquad$ Per cent
3 @... Discount houses with 7 days notice.
Discount houses with 14 days' notice $\qquad$ @…
Annexed is a statement showing the present position of the Bank of England, the Bank rate of discount, the price of Consols, the average quotation for English wheat, the price of Middling Upland cotton, of No. 40 Mule yarn fair second quality, and the Bankers' Clearing House return, compared with the four previous years :

 Clearing Honse return. $65,466,000108,679,000112,875,000137,187,000149,196,0$
The following are the rates for money at the leading cities abroad :

| per | Bank Open rate. market. cent. per cent |
| :---: | :---: |
| Paris.................. | 4 4 37/3 |
| Amsterdam ........... | 31/2 31/8 |
| Hamburg .. . . . . . . . . . | - 33 |
| Berlin................. | $5 \quad 33 / 4$ |
| Frankfort............. | 41/2 4 |
| Vienna and Trieste... | 41/2 $41 / 2$ |
| Madrid, Cadiz and Barcelona. | 6 6@S |
| Lisbon and Oporto... |  |
| St. Petersburg ........ | 51/2 |



Brussels...............
The supply of bills upon Continental cities being very small, some gold has been lately purchased for transmission to Paris, and as the rates of discount on this side tend strongly downward there is some reason to believe that the demand will increase. There is also an improving inquiry for the means of remittance to lndia. India Council bills have realized an advance of $1-16 \mathrm{th}$ the rupee, and the value of silver has had an upward tendency. The following prices of bullion are from Messrs. Pixley \& Abell's circular :
Bar Gold.....


Bar Gold. refinable.

Untedstates Gold Lnin...
 Spanish Dollars (Carolus).......................per oz..nnne here
Five Franc Pieces..
The action of Rubery vs. Grant \& Sampson was brought to a close on Monday last, the jury finding a verdict for $£ 500$ against the Times for libel. The jury were also of opinion that Baron Grant had not influenced Mr. Sampson to write the articles complained of. In spite, however, of this verdict, Mr. Sampson and the Times have conferred a great benefit upon the community in exposing a great swindle, for which benefit the Times has the honor of paying $£ 500$ and the costs of a protracted suit. The case has excited more than ordinary interest from the fact that large sums of money had been paid by Grant \& Sampson, and amounting in one year to not less than $£ 5,000.1$ It is well known that the late city editor of the Times has retired from his post with a fortune. The Solicitor-General, in his speech, spoke of him as a millionaire; but Mr. Sampson asks in the public prints on what authority he makes so bold an assertion. He admits, however, that with all family means to help him, he has acquired a moderate fortune, and asks the Solicitor-General what could have been thought of him if, after twenty-eight years hard work, he had retired in thiftless indigence. The proprietors of the Times are mortified at the disclosures that have been made, and in a leading article say that if they had had any idea of what was going on, Mr. Sampson's connection with the Times would have terminated long since.

Business in the stock markets has been somewhat irregular, but, on the whole, British railway shares have been firm in value. In foreign stocks rather a dull tone has been produced by the dispute now existing between Turkey and Montenegro; but Spanish stock is still rather firm, notwithstanding that there is at present but little hope of the public creditors being paid. United States Government securities have not varied in price to any important extent, but Erie and Atlantic and Great W estern securi ties have been dull and lower. The first mortgage bonds of the demand, and the quotations have ruled firm. The following were the closing prices of consols and the principal American securi.
ties compared with those of last week


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 fundel br.................... Testern 1st M., $\$ 1,000,7 \mathrm{~F} . . .1902$ $\begin{array}{cc}\text { Atlantic \& Great Western } & 1 \mathrm{st} \text { M., } \$ 1,000,78 \ldots 1902 \\ \text { Do } & \text { 2d mort., } \$ 1.000,7 \mathrm{~s} .1902 \\ \text { 2d mort., } \$ 1,000 \ldots .1902\end{array}$
 Atantic raiss Potomac (Main Line) 1st mort, 6 s .1911 do (Tunnel) 1st mortgage, 6s, (guar. by Pennsylvania \& No. Cent. Railway). 1911 Do $\quad$ California \& Oregon Div., 1st
Do
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Erie $\$ 100$ shares..................................
Do prefer
Do convertible goid bouds, 7s...................... 1904
Do 1st mortgage, 7 s .
Do 3d mortgage, 7s..
Galveston \& Harrisburg, ist mortgage, 6 c ..................... 1811
Illinois Central, $\$ 100$ sh Dois
Do
Do
Marietta \& Cincinnati Railway, is. ....... . . 189
Michigan Cent. Sinking Fund, 1st mort, 8s...id
bonds, English, 7s..............................1904 Mississippi Central consol. gold bonds, $7 \mathrm{~s} . . . .1912$
New York Boston \& Monireal, $7 \mathrm{c} . . . \mathrm{C} . . . . . .1903$
 New Orleans Jackson Hudson River mortg. bonds New York Central $\$ 100$ shares
Oregon \& California, 1st mort.
Pennsylvania, $\$ 50$ shares
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Pittsbarg Fort Wayne \& Chicago equipment bonds (guar. by Pennsylvania Co.). 8s.............. Union Pacific Railwas, 18t mortgage, 6 , $\mathrm{s} . . . . . . .1898$ 43 @ 45
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| IMPORTS. |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1874-5. | 1873-4. | $=1872-3$ | $\begin{gathered} 1871-2 . \\ 19325048 \end{gathered}$ |
| Wheat..................cwt. | 15.580,891 | $18,165,486$ $3,513,978$ | $\begin{array}{r} 21,003,161 \\ 7,505,607 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 19,325,048 \\ 4,651,959 \end{array}$ |
| Barley | $6,942.689$ $3,881,331$ | 3,497,232 | 4,005,642 | 3,809,180 |
| Oats. | $3,881,3,642$ | 3, 348,980 | 6, 620,243 | +27,477 |
| Peas | 959,600 | 2,198,563 | 1,032,348 | 1,552,430 |
| Beans | 4,537,343 | 6, $6.98,353$ | 9,558,974 | 8,452, 683 |
| Indian | 3,085,853 | 2,367,639 | $2.762,114$ | 1,458,495 |
| EXPORTS. |  |  |  |  |
| Wheat............. ....cwt. | 138,27\% | 1,434,050 | 115,441 | 1,709,726 |
| Barley | 138.879 | 31,919 | 25,042 | $5 \% .337$ |
| Oats.. | +10,162 | 7,129 | 3,185 | 4,68 |
| Peas.......................... | 1,04£ | ${ }_{5} 538$ | 728 | 1.48 |
| Beans. | 32,734 | 71,604 | 13.259 | 14,0 |
| Indian Corn | 30,405 | 74,316 | 9,637 | 32,6 | The official returns lately published show that in $18 \% 4$ we imported $41,479,460 \mathrm{cwt}$. of wheat into the United Kingdom, of which as much as $23.048,552 \mathrm{cwt}$. were from the United States. We also received $6,229,608 \mathrm{cwts}$. of flour, about a moiety of which came from the above-mentioned country. Wheat and flour to-

cwt．in 1873．The imports of barley bave increased from $9,232,485$ cwt ．in 1873 to $11,379,736 \mathrm{cwt}$ ．in 1874 ；of peas，from $1,211,068$ cwt．to $1,808,980 \mathrm{cwt}$ ．；but in Indian corn there is a decrease of about $1,000,000 \mathrm{cwt}$ ．，and in oats and beans of about $1,500,000$ cwt ．The estimated value of our imports of cereal produce in each of the last three years was as follows：

|  | 1872. | 1873. | 1874. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Wheat | 犮，946．876 | ¢23，446，689 | £25，201，062 |
| ley | 6，194，155 | 4，010，314 | 5，2660．096 |
| Oats | 4，212，086 | 4，801，118 | 5，1818．045 |
| Peas． | 1，186，066 | 1，265，784 | 1，118，193 |
| Beans．．．．．． | 8，696，362 | 6，621，720 | 7．484．178 |
| Flour．．．．．． | 4，092，189 | 6，839，197 | 5，709，820 |
| Total | £50，988，741 | £51，510，784 | £50，730，178 |

## English Riarket Reports－Por Cable。

The daily closing quotations in the markets of London and Liver． pool for the past week have been reported by submarine telegraph as shown in the following summary：
London Money and Stock Market．－65＇s and 67＇s advanced $\frac{1}{4}$ on Monday，which was maintained throughout the week．
The bullion in the Bank of England has decreased £467，000 during the week．

## Consols for money．．

 U．S． 6 s （5－20s，）1865，olU．S．10－40s．．
＇I＇ゃ э quotations for United．States 6s（1862）at Frankfort were

Liverpool Cotton Market．－See special report of cotton．
Liverpool Breadstufs Market．－This market closes dull and lower．

| sat． | Mon | Tues | Wed． | Thur． | Fr |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Flour（Western）．．．．．．．2p bbl 210 | ${ }_{21}^{8 .}{ }_{0}$ | ${ }_{21}^{8 .}{ }_{0}$ | ${ }_{21}^{\text {8．}}$ d． | ${ }_{21}{ }^{\text {s．}}$ d． | ${ }^{\text {d }}$ |
| Wheat（Red W＇${ }^{\text {n．spri）．．78 ctl }} 87$ | 37 |  |  |  | 8 |
| ＂（Red Winter）．．．．］＂197 | 97 | 9 |  | 9 | 9 |
| ＂（Cal，White club）＂ 9 | $9{ }^{6}$ |  |  |  | 34 |
|  | ${ }^{36} 0$ | 42 |  |  | 42 |

Liverpool Provisions Market．－Cheese advanced early in the week to 70 s. ，at which price it closed．Purk，bacon and lard are lower．

Beef（mess）new fip tce．
Pork（mess）new \＆bb！ Pork（mess）new \％${ }^{\text {Pbol．．．}}$ Lard（American） Cheese（Amer＇n fine）＂
 The following will show the exports of specie from the port of New York for the week ending Feb．6， 1875 ，and since the beginning of the year，with a comparison for the corresponding date in previous years


Theimports of specie at this port during the past week have heen as follow a：
Feb．1－Str City of

| Feb．1－Str City of Mexico | ．Vera Cruz．．．．．Silver．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | \＄9，00 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Vra Gold．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 1，000 |
| Feb．1－Steamer Claribel | Savauilla ．．．．．．Gold．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 3，541 |
| Feb．2－Steamer Cuba．． | Yera Cruz．．．．．Gold．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 600 |

Feb．1－Steamer Claribel．
Feb．2－Steamer Cuba．．．．
Savauilla
Yera Cruz
600


Western Union Telegraph．－The World says this company has $\$ 4,500,000$ seven per cent currency bonds maturing Nov． 1 \＆Co．a loan ot $\$ 5,000,000$ in six per cent gold bonds，for $\$ 1,000$ ，－ $\&$ Co．a loan of $\$ 0,000,000$ will be made April 1．The new loan 000 of which payment will be made April 1．The new loan，
besides retiring the maturing bonds，will restore to the income besides retiring the maturing bonds，will restore to the income
account about $\$ 250,000$ ，of the $\$ 750,000$ that have been put into account about $\$ 20,000$ ，of the $\$$ for the new bonds is about 95 in currency；and the arrangement is cheaper for the company than extending the seven per cent currency bonds．
－The bonded indebtedness of Texas，as shown by the report of the State Treasurer，is $\$ 3,035,4 \mathrm{E} 3$ ；taxable property in 1872， $\$ 207,000,000$ ；in $1874, \$ 241,841,860$ ；estimated true value for 1875 ， $\$ 275,000,000$ ．The population is estimated by some to have in－ creased during 1874 over 200,000 ．According to this it appears that Texas，in her increase of wealth and population，is among the most progressive States in the Union．The State has a pub－ lic domain yet unappropriated of about 79，000，000 acres of land， besics a permanent school fund of over $\$ 2,500,000$ in cash and besides a permanents，and 20，000，000 acres of land located in interest bearing assets，and State．The interest on State，city and county bonds of the State of Texas has been promptly paid at maturity，so far as we are informed，and owing to the rapidity with which it is increasing in population and wealth，they should improve in value as desirable investments．Attention is directed to the card of Mr．Wm．Brady in our advertising columns，offer－ ing for sale Texas State bouds．Mr．Brady is an old resident of Texas，identified with business interests in the State，and will Texas，identified with business ing on Texas affairs．
－We have received from Messra．Thomas Denny \＆Co．，bank－ ers and clealers in investment securitios， 39 Wall street，circulars in regard to the bonds of the Pacific Railroad of Missouri，and the stock and bonds of the St．Louis Alton \＆Terre Haute Railroad． A statement of earnings，expenses，and net protits of each of the A stave roads is given in the circulars，and by the figures it appears above roads that the Pacific of Missouri sh its mortgage．A detailed descrip－ $\$ 782,500$ above all interest on its mortgage．A detailed descrip－
tion is given of the securities of the St．Louis Alton \＆Terre tion is given of the securities of the St．Louis Alton \＆Terre
Haute Company，and an exhibit of earnings showing a surplus bal－ Haute Company，and an exhibit of earnings showing a surplus bal－
ance of $\$ 64,519$ above all interest payments．Messrs．Denny \＆ Co．will furnish the circulars on application．
－The thirty－eighth report of the City Bank，London，was made at a general meeting of the shareholders，held on the 19 th of January．After providing for interest on currentaccounts，on de． January．And and for bad and doubtful debts，the gross profits， posit ading $£ 3,55 \% 1 \mathrm{~s} .2 \mathrm{~d}$ brought forward from preceding half year， including $£ \pm, 04,09017 \mathrm{~s} .6 \mathrm{~d}$ ．Provision being made therefrom for cur－ rent expenses and rebate on discounted bills not due，the direc－ rent expenses a dividend at the rate of $£ 10$ per cent．per annum， free of income tax，and carried forward to the next account £3，905 12s． 1 d ．
－The attention of investors is called to the six per cent gold bonds of the city of New York，offered，as per card in our to day＇s issue，by the old and reliable house of George K．Sistare．These issue， should command the favorable notice of investors desiring a security of this class

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## NATIONAL BANKS ORGANIZED.

The United States Comptroller of the Currency furnishes the following statement of National Banks organized the past week: \%,221-National Bank of McMinnville, Tenn. Authorized capital, $\$ 50,000 ;$ pair Authorized to commence business Feb. 4, 1875.
2,222-First National Bank of McKeesport, Penn. Authorized capital, \$j0,000; paid in capital, $\$ 33,000$. William Whigham, President; ${ }^{\text {Penney, Cashier. Authorized to commence business Feb. 10, } 1875 .}$

## DIVIDENDS.

The following Dividends have recently been announced :

| Company. | Per Cent. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { WHEN } \\ & \mathrm{P}^{\prime} \text { AbLE. } \end{aligned}$ | Books Closed. <br> (Days inclusive.) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| - Reailroads. |  | Mch. 1 | Feb. 11 to Mch. 1 |
| Cleveland \& Pittsburg, new Ohio \& Mississippi, pref... | 31/2 | Mch. 1 | Feb. 13 to Feb. 27 |
| \#nstrance. | 5 |  |  |
| ng Fire.. | 5 |  |  |
| American Coal Company of Maryland. | 3 | Mch. 10 | Mch. 1 to Mch. 10 |

Fridax. February 12, 1875-6 P. M.
The IIoney Market and Financial Situation.-Con-
siderable discussion was raised to-day in banking circles by a dispatch from Washington to the Wall Street News Agency, stating that " the Deputy Comptroller of Currency and mambers of the Banking and Currency Committee hold that under the new currency bill the retirement of eighty per cent of greenbacks commences immediately, irrespective of the amount of national bank circulation outstanding. Neither does the witlidrawal of national bank circulation by banks count against any additional issues which may be made to banks already established, or that may hereafter be established."
We believe it had generally been supposed that no withdrawal of greenbacks would be made until the whole amount of national bank circulation outstanding exceeded the former prescribed limit. The section of the law applicable to this subject is as fol lows:
Sec 3. That Section 5,777 of the Revised Statutes of the United States, imiting the aggregate amount of the circulating notes of national banking associations, be and is hereby repealed, and each existing banking association may increase its circulating notes in accordance with to assong new banking associations may be out respect to saiz ance with the existing law, without respect to said aggregate limit and the provisions of the law for the withdrawal and re-distribution of national bank currency among the several States and Territories are hereby repealed, and whenever and so often as circulating notes shalliting notes, to ary such bank association, so increasing the duty of the Secretary of the Treasury to redeem the legal-tender United States notes in excess only of $\$ 300,000,000$ to the amount of 80 per centum of the sum of national bank notes so issued to any such banking association, as afore said, and to continue such redemption as such circulating notes are issued until there shall be outstanding

It is too soon to pass judgment on the matter yet, as the report is only telegraphic, and the actual decision arrived at may be explained much more fully by the mail reports.

The loan market has continued very easy at $2,2 \frac{1}{2}$ and 3 per cent, on call loans, and $4 \frac{1}{2} @ 6$ per cent. for prime commercial We have heard of an offer this week, by a banking house having hoth donestic and foreign connections, to loan $\$ 500,000$ on government collateral, at 4 per cent., for the balance of the present year.

Cable despatches from London, on Thursday, reported a further loss of $£ 46 \%, 000$ for the week in the bullion of the Bank of England, the discount rate remaining unchanged at 3 per cent. The Bank of France gained 72,041,000 francs in specie; the total subscriptions to the City of Paris loan of $250,000,000$ francs
 offered, or $10,500,000,000$ francs.

The last weekly statement of the New York City Clearing House Banks, issued Feb. 6, showed a decrease of $\$ 3,087,400$ in the excess above their 25 per cent. legal reserve, the whole of such excess being $\$ 12,90^{7}, 000$, against $\$ 15,994,400$ the previous week.
The following table shows the changes from the previous week and a comparizon with 1874 and 1873:

|  |  |  |  | 1874. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Jan. 30. | Feb. 6. | Differences. | $\underset{\$ 277 ; 237,100}{\text { Feb. }}$ | Feb. 8. <br> 293,939,000 |
| Loans and dis. \$286,452,800 \$291, 197,700 Inc. \$4,744,900 \$277;237,100 \$293,939,000 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Specie...... | $17,180,610$ 23,501806 | $15,162.400$ $23,642,200$ | Dec. $2,018,200$ | 26,903.800 | 27.520,600 |
| Circulation... | 236,191,200 | 2.38,123,200 | Inc. 1.432.000 | 239,958,800 | 220,299,200 |
| Legal tender | 57.861,600 | 57,275.400 | Dec. 586,200 | 59,052.900 | 45,107,700 |

United States isonds.-Government securities have been fairly active, closing on most of the issues at a fractional decline from the prices of last week. The higher price of gold has changed the relative positions of the home and foreign markets, and the foreign bankers have at times been purchasers here.
Closing prices of securities in London have been as follows

|  | Jan. 29. | $\begin{gathered} \text { Feb. } \\ 5 . \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Feb. } \\ & 12 . \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Since Jan. } 1,1875 .- \\ & \text { Lowest. } \end{aligned}$ |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| U. S. 6s, 5-20's, 1865, old .. | 107\% | 107/12 | 107\% $/$ | 10734 Jan. 2 | 108 | Jan. 30 |
| U.S. ${ }^{\text {U }} 68$, $5-20^{\prime} \mathrm{s}, 1867 . . . .$. | 107\%/8 | 1071/2 | 107\% | $1071 / 2$ Jan. ${ }^{12}$ |  | Jan. 4 |
| U. S. $5 \mathrm{~s}, 10-40$ 's ............ | $102 \%$ | 105 $102 \%$ | $1051 / 4$ $1023 / 4$ | 10434 102 Jan. Jan. 20 | 1051/4 | Feb. ${ }^{6}$ |

Closing prices dsily have been as follows:

*This is the price bid: no sale was made at the Board
The range in prices since Jan. 1, and the amount of each class of bonds outstanding Feb. 1, 1875, were as follows: of bonds outstanding Feb. 1, 1875, were as follows:

- Range since Jan. 1.-
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Registered. Feb. $1 .--~ C o u p o n . ~$
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$6 \mathrm{~s}, 5-20^{\prime} \mathrm{s}, 1865$ $6 \mathrm{~s}, 5-20$ 's, 1865 , 6s, 5-20's, 1867.
6s, $5-20$ 's, 1868 6s, $10-40$ 's. $5 \mathrm{~s}, 10-40$ 's.
$5 \mathrm{~s}, 10-40$ 's.
5 s . …… ,coup. funded 18
state and Railroad Bonds. -The market for Tennessees as been depressed by the discouraging advices from Nashville, nd there is a general feeling that the failure of cennessee to ong blow to Southern State bonds that has happened for a long ime. There is some demand for Louisian bonds from the State, and Georgia bonds are also in good demand from parties at home, and are at present about the strongest of the Southern list. New Orleans city is not now paying her interest, and we are informed that coupons since December are overdue.
Railroad bonds have been particularly active on Union Pacifics, nd the sinking fund bonds advanced to $86 \frac{1}{4}$; the other Pacific ssues have also been dealt in to a considerable extent. Among the defaulted bonds, prices are generally lower, and holders in clined to sell at what they can get. The bondholders of some of the first mortgages on parts of the Toledo Wabash \& Western road are to hold a meeting on the 13 th to consult as to the best method of proceeding. The St. Louis Division bonds are firmly held: The new eight per cent. equipment bonds of the Michigan Central road have been admitted to the call at the Stock Exchange.

The following table shows the prices of certain leading seurities, less the interest accrued on each to date, or accordng to the usual term, "flat." Also the cost of a $\$ 1,000$ bond; the per cent of interest realized per year on this cost and what would be approximately the accumulation of principal and interest in five years, and in ten years, provided interest was re-invested semi-annually immediately on its payment. In the case of gold bonds, the price is first reduced to gold and all the subsequent figures given in gold, as this is the simplest method For the purpose the cal sulation it is merely assumed that the value of the principal will remain unchanged, and that the bonds can ultimutely be sold at the same price tor which they are purchased.

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## since Jan. 1, here been as follows


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Reilroad and Miscellaneous Stocks.-The stock market has been irregular, and the tendency in most cases has been towards lower prices. The disagreement among members of the Board as to the regulation of commissions, has had something to do the past two weeks, with the unsettling of brokers business. Union Pacific has letely been about the strongest of the list, in donsequence of good earnings in 1874, and the company's proposiconseq settle with the Government, by paying $\$ 500,000$ per year, tion to aetd es inking fund arinst phe compan's obligations to be held as a singing fund held by the United States, which forms a second lien on the road. Western Union Telegraph has been quite steady, and closes at 727@73. Wabash and C. C. \& I. C. are lower. The Ohio \& Mississippi Rail way has declared out of earnings of past six months a dividend of $3 \frac{1}{2}$ per cent on its preferred stock payable March 1. The daily highest and lowest prices have been as follows

*This is the price bid and aske' : no sale was made at the Board
The entire range from Jan. 1, 1874, to this date, was as follows: N. Y. Cen. \& Hud. R.. Jowest. 1875, to diate- Highest. Lowete year 1874.-Harlem.
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Pacific Mail..
Adams Express:..
United States Express
The Gold Market.-Gold has been strong and tolerably steady throughout, the highest price of the week being $114 \frac{7}{8}$. There seems to be a divided opinion as to whether the late rise in gold is mainly due to clique intluences or to natural causes, but however this may be, a tendency has been shown this week by those having occasion to use gold, to keep a suppiy in hand to provide against a possible scarcity. Aside from speculative infuenuite the late firmness has undoubtedly been assisted by an idea quite generally prevalent that the stock of gold held increase in the and by the demand night famine" bas also been stimulated by newspaper idea of a "gold famine" has also been, stimulated by newspaper articles and by general talk on the subject. On gold loans the rates to-dえy were 1 and 2 per cent. for carrying, and also flat. Time loans of gold are quoted for 30 days $\frac{1}{4} @$ for use, 60 days $7-16 @ 9 \cdot 16,90$ days to 4 months, $5 @ \frac{5}{4}, 6$ months $\frac{8}{4} @ \frac{7}{8}$, and $1 \frac{1}{2} @ \frac{8}{4}$ for he balance of the year 1875. Customs receipts of the week have been $\$ 2,616,000$.

The following table will show the course of gold and perations of the Gold Exchange Bank each day of the past week:

 Current week.....
 demoralized, and it is hardly possible to account for the weakness in a manner altogether satisfactory; the principal cause assigned is the general desire to hold gold, which we reter to below. With this purpose, it is understood that bills have been sold very freely, and it is also reported that some of these were borrowed bills, and sold now with the express object of obtaicing gold. Nominal rates of leading bankers have been largely reduced, and rates in second hands are stir 60 days, and demand bills having sold to-day at $4.82 \frac{1}{2} @ 4.83$ for 60 days, and demand bills at $4.86\left(\begin{array}{c}0 \\ 4\end{array} .86 \frac{1}{2}\right.$. Nominal quotations are as follows :


The transactions for the week at the Custom House and Sub Treasury have been as follows:

| Custom Honse |  |
| :---: | :---: |
|  | Receipts. |
| Feb. | 6...... \$350,000 |
|  | 8....... 596,000 |
| " | 9....... 371,000 |
| " | 10....... 468,000 |
| " | 11....... 413,000 |
| * | 12....... 4:8,000 |
| Total....... $\mathbf{\$ 2}^{2}, 616,000$ |  |
| Balance, Feb. 5...... |  |
| Bala | nce, Feb. 12 |

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\text { Total...... } 82,616,000 & 3,545,714 & 90 & 5,870,38150 \\
\text { Balanee. Feb. } & 5 . \ldots \ldots & 45,70,373 & 99 & 47.358,968 \\
\text { Balance, Feb. } 12 \ldots \ldots & 44,464,588 & 39 & 49,034,703 & 18
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Now York City Banks.-The following statement shows the condition of the Assocsated Banks of New York City for the week ending at the commencement of business on Feb. 6. 1875:

| Banks. | Capital. | oans and Discounts. | Specie. | Legal Tenders. | Net <br> Deposits | Circulation. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| New York. | \$2,000,000 | 39,337,30J | \$2,485,600 | \$1,153.200 | 89.613,000 |  |
| anhat | 2,050,00 | 6,:17,400 | 399,360 | 665,700 | 3,887,400 | 9,700 |
| Merchant | 3,000,000 | 10,200,!00 | 628,000 | 663,400 | $7,2 i s, 000$ | 705.300 |
| Mechani | 2,000,000 | 7,297,10, | 201,900 | 1,055,500 | 5,319,500 | 359,700 |
| Union. | 1,500,000 | 5,118,300 | 220,100 | 1,536,200 | 4,394,200 | 270000 |
| America | 3,000,000 | 9,235,500 | 1.053 .200 | 1.375.100 | 7,098,000 | 454,900 |
| Phœnix | $1,800,000$ | 6, $\mathbf{6}, \mathbf{1}, 3,500$ | 1,10:,900 | 3.098,000 | 7,16,800 |  |
| City | 1,000,000 | 3,652,800 | -,295,500 | 231,100 | 2,178,900 | 745.000 |
| Fralton. | 1600,000 | 1,731,300 | 230,910 | 486,400 | 1,414,100 |  |
| Chemical | 300,000 | $8,104,100$ | 338,200 | 1,469,400 | 6.5.56,000 | 30.300 |
| Merchants' Exch'ge. | 1,000,000 | 3,885,100 | -44,200 | 893,800 | 2,014,000 | 4i5,000 |
| Gallatin, National.., | 1,500,000 | 2,355,000 | 46,000 | 457,000 | 1,674,400 | $2 \times 1.000$ |
| Mechanica\&Traders | 600,000 | 1,839,600 | 20,400 | 297,600 | 1,203,100 | 192,300 |
| Greenwich.......... | 200,000 | 1.003,200 | 447300 | - 12.12 .6000 | 1,007,500 | 250,900 |
| Leather Manuf | 600,000 300 | 3, $1,123,200$ | 56,400 | 209,500 | 1,038,000 | 172,600 |
| Seventh Ward. State of N. York | 2,000,000 | 5,173,700 | 356,100 | 1,167,600 | 3,822, 400 | 459,100 |
| American Exch'ge. | 5,000,000 | 12,259,500 | 82.700 | 2,530,300 | 9,956,900 | 798,200 |
| Commerce | 10,000,000 | 20,0il,300 | ${ }_{\sim 9} 9100$ | 2, 818.300 | ${ }_{3} .644,100$ | 2,885,100 |
| Broadway | 1,000,000 | 3,990,100 | 105,700 | 499,700 | 3,147,910 | 463,200 |
| erc | 1,422,700 | 2,220,000 | 10,000 | 700,100 | 2,29,600 |  |
| Republic. | 2,000,000 | 5,060,200 | 876,100 | 874.700 | 3,579, 00 | 796,700 |
| hatham. | 450,000 | 3,122, 300 | 19.000 | 216.600 | i, 117,200 | 5,500 |
| People's | 1.000,000 | 2,689,600 | 77.100 | 317,000 | 2, 288,400 |  |
| Hanover | 1.000,010 | $4,010.100$ | 56,700 | 932,200 | 3,657, 000 | 289,000 |
| Irving |  | 2,822,000 | 322,900 | 2,886,100 | 8,005,000 | 1,071,000 |
| Metropolitan. | 1,000, 600 | 1,595,600 | 21,800 | 2,530,800 | 1,5i6,500 | 138,300 |
| Citizens | 1,000,000 | 2,412,300 | 47,200 | 271,600 | 2,305,800 | 3,900 |
| Market | 1,000,000 | $2.95 \% .900$ | 89,900 | 35., 360 | 1,998,900 |  |
| St. Nicholas | 1,000,000 | 2,716,900 | 101,60 | 288.000 | $1.311,600$ | 7288,800 |
| Shoe and Leather.. | 1,000,000 | 4,35.320 | ${ }_{33,400}$ | 558,000 | 1,538,300 | 4,900 |
| Corn Exchange..... | 1,50000 | ${ }_{3,66!}$, 300 C | 84,500 | 618,000 | 2,'443,500 | 560.100 |
| Continental... |  | 1,641,600 | 6,000 | 210,100 | 1,261,600 | 4,000 |
| ienta | 400,000 | 2,574,500 | 113,510 | 500,000 | 2,241,G60 | 305.900 |
| Importers`\& ${ }^{\text {M }}$ Trad̉rs | 3 1,500,000 | 15.875 .400 | 176,800 | 4, 52992900 | 18,581,500 | 889,800 |
|  | 2,000,000 | 16.526,300 | 400,800 | 4,25,000 | 18,999,300 | 29\%,100 |
| Mech. Bank'g Asso | - 500,000 | 1-755,400 | 4 4,700 | 142,900 | 645,100 |  |
| Grocers | ${ }_{400,000}$ | 972.500 | 14,300 | 210,300 | 731,500 |  |
| East Rive | 350,000 | 946,200 | 20,200 | 162,500 | 591,000 | 189,300 |
| Manufact'rs'\& Mer. | . 800,000 | T2,200 | 1791500 | - ${ }^{1696900}$ | 16.338 .600 |  |
| Fourth National.... | - 5,000,000 | $21,171,700$ | 1777,600 61,000 | 36966.000 | 16,4i8.000 | 1,451,00 |
| Central National... | 2,000,000 | 1,969,900 | 61,00 | ${ }^{2} 415,000$ | 1,682,0'0 | 266,000 |
| Second National.... | - $1.500,000^{\circ}$ | - $6,772,700$ | 275900 | - 2,245,100 | 7,265,400 | 546.800 |
| Ninth National. | 1,50c,600 | 5,924,600 | 575.500 | 2,099,500 | 6,867.000 | 143,400 |
| Third National..... | . 1,000,000 | - 4,093,900 | 304,9c0 | 1,704,200 | 6,028,700 | 49,400 |
| N.Y.National Exch. | - 500,000 | 1,464,100 |  | -185,400 | 1,696,900 | 858.400 |
| Tenth National. | - 1,000,060 | - $\begin{aligned} & 1,84.400 \\ & 1214,000\end{aligned}$ |  | 0 25, ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | -960,500 | 2011.000 |
| Bowery National... | - 2000,000 | 1,109,000 | 200,000 | 0 38,cco | 1.001,000 | 180,000 |
| New York Co. Nat. | - $2,000,000$ | 5,099,200 | 3113,500 | 0 813,800 | 4,439,500 |  |
| Gry Goods.... | 1,009.000 | 2,227,600 | 16.400 | - 377,600 | 1,886,500 |  |

## Dry Goods..



* Same as last week. No report this date.

The deviations from the returns of previous week are as follows:
Loans.
Inc. $84,74,000 \left\lvert\, \begin{gathered}\text { Net Deposits. }\end{gathered}\right.$ $\qquad$ . Inc. ${ }^{81,932,060} 159,6(0$ Legal Tenders .Dec. $\quad 2,018.20{ }^{\circ}$
The following are the totals for a series of weeks past

dioston Pranks.-Below we give a statement of the Boston National Banks, as returned to the Clearing House on Monday, Feb. 8, 1875


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QUOTATIONS OF STOCKS AND BONDS IN NEW YORK.
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NEW YORK LOCAL SECURITIES.


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## STATE, CITY AND CORPORATION FINANCES.

## LTB EXPLANATION OF STOCK AND BOND TABLES.

1. Prices of the most Active Stocks and Bonds are given in the "Bankers' Gazette,"' previously.
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ound on preceding pages. Full quotations of all other securities will be 2. Government Securities, with full information in regard to each ssue, the periods of interest payment, size or denomination of bonds, and The Chronicle on the first of each month. 3. City Bonds, and iRank, Insurance, City Railroad and
Gas Stocks, with quotations, will usually be published the first three Gas Stocks, with quotations, will usually be published the first three 4. The Complete Tables of State Securities, City Securiwill be regularly published on the last Saturday in eqch month. The publication of these tables, occupying fourteen pages, requires the issue of a supplement, which is neatly stitched in with

Arkansas Finances.-Notice is given to the holders of Ar kansas State bonds as follows
"Under a recent act of the Legislature of Arkansas the under signed have been constituted a Board of Finance for the State, with authority to correspond with the holders of the bonds of Arkansas, in order to agree upon some uniform plan of consolidating and settling the just debts of the State. Holders of such bonds will do a favor to the board by conferring with them at an early day. All letters addressed to them on the subject will receive prompt attention. A. H. Garland, Governor, M. M. Rose G. N. Peay, ${ }^{\text {S }}$ State Board of Finance."

Florida Finances.-The report of the Comptroller, Hon. C. A. Cowgill contains the statements given below. Mr. Cowgill has bestowed much time and labor in getting the financial affairs of the State into shape, and we believe ihat he has worked with much integrity and ability: "My former report showed that $\$ 20,000$ of the bonds of 1873 had been exchanged for bonds of 1868, and the consolidation of the bonded debt has been partially accomplished by the further exchange of $\$ 171,900$, making a total of $\$ 191,900$ of these bonds exchanged for old bonds with interest due thereon upon the first day of January, 1874. There remain to be exchanged bonds of 1857 , held in trust by the United States
for various Indian tribes, amounting, with interest, to $\$ 312,522.50$. for various Indian tribes, amounting, with interest, to $\$ 312,522.50$.
" There have been exchanged for Comptroller's warrants under the provision of Sec. 3 of Chap. $1,979, \$ 17,300$ of these bonds.
"In January fourteen bonds were delivered to L. P. Bayne \& Co., (and with the proceeds twenty bonds of 1869 redeomed from hypothecation, which completed the amount sold to him, with the exception of one bond, No. 280, which is till retained as security for bond No. 553 of 1869, which was lost while in the custody of Mr. Bayne.
"On February 20, twenty bonds were sold to C. H. Foster, Treasurer, for the Sinking fund.
"This makes $\$ 300,000$ of these bonds which have been sold. BONDS OF 1868 AND 1869.
"During the past year twenty of the bonds of 1868 and 1869 have been redeemed and fifty nine exchanged. All the issue are now cancelled except fourteen.
'Of these No. 185 of 1868 and Nos. 107 and 153 of 1869 have not heen presented, but Nos. 106 and 108 to 117 of 1869 are held by Messrs. Baltzer \& Taacks of New York, and have been presented for exchange.
"This has been refused, because a committee o $o$. the Legislature of 1874 recommended 'that the Comptroller be directed to withhold payment of the same until they are properly accounted for.' I am, however, satisfied that these bonds were thrown upon the market by those having them in charge, and have passed through the hands of several different bona fide purchasers, and now constitute a valid claim against the State, and they will be exchanged unless the Legislature directs otherwise
"As the coupons detached by Gen. Littlefield from the 298 bonds when he hypothecated them with Bayne \& Co., had not been returned to the State, nor the note given by Gov. Reed to Gen. Littlefield for $\$ 134,79554-100$, and of certain other bonds some were known and others supposed to be in the possession of persons not entitled to them, the Comptroller published a notice cautioning parties against purchasing such bonds, in order to protect the State from any illegal claim.
"The thirty bonds payable to the South Florida. Railway Company mentioned in the advertisement were part of one million dollars of bonds executed by Gov. Reed, July 1, 1871, intended to aid the South Florida Railway Company in the construction of their work, and were taken to New York by C. R. Alton, State Engineer, and $\$ 970.000$ deposited with a Trust Company, and $\$ 30,000$ hypothecated for a sum of money used by Alton without any authority of law.

Now, 970 of these bonds $(\$ 970,000)$ are in the treasurer's office awaiting the action of the Legislature concerning their final disposition and the proper method to secure to the State the repay ment of the expenses incurred in obtaining possession of them.
"As to the thirty bonds not yet recovered, Mr. Yulee had suit instituted in New York for their possession, and I am informed by Mr. Dickerson that the State will soon obtain them.
"Mr. Littlefield declined to deliver the note given to him by Gov. Reed, but has made the following endorsement upon it: 'I relinquish all claim against the State of Florida on account of the within note, without prejudice to my rights against Harrison
Reed. Signed, S. Littlefield.' field a receipt for all moneys he had loaned the State upon the
hypothecation of the 1868 and 1869 bonds, or otherwise, and the receipt covered this note."
As to the interest and sinking fund tax the Comptroller says: "This tax has realized $\$ 95,14252$ from the assessments of 1878 and 1874, of which $\$ 17,815$ have been invested in bonds for the sinking fund, and after the interest due to-day is paid, about $\$ 30,000$ will remain in the treasury, partly in cash and partly in Comptroller's warrants, and if the State tax proper is reimbursed for its payment for school and seminary interest, $\$ 10,000$ will remain applicable to the payment of past due coupons upon bonds hereafter exchanged."
The details of the outstanding debt of the State are given in the monthly tables of The Chronicle.

- Messrs. L. P. Bayne \& Co., bankers, 54 Broad street, still have some of the six per cent gold bonds of the State of Florida for sale, which they offer at 80 and accrued interest.
Missouri State Bonds.-The Governor has just issued 300 funding bonds of $\$ 1,000$ each, numbering from 401 to 700 inclusive, authorized by the act of March, 1874, which provides for the issuing of funding bonds for the purpose of paying the State indebtedness maturing during the years 1874 and 1875, so far as the means otherwise provided by law for their payment shall prove insufficient.
North Carolina Special Tax Bonds.-The special tax bonds of North Carolina, issued to the North Carolina Railroad, have been decided by the Superior Court of Wake Co. to be invalid, on the ground, as near as we can gather from the rather indefinite statement of the case at hand, that the agent of the State exceeded his powers in issuing the bonds before the performance of precedent conditions by the railroad. There are three classes of these bonds dealt in on the New York Stock Exchange, but their value is nominal, class three having been to-day quoted at 7 asked and 3 bid, and classes one and two at 3 and $3 \hat{\gamma}$ bid. Our advices do not indicate whether or no the decision applies to all three of these issues.
It is reported by a correspondent of the Augusta Chronicle that some such flaw has also been discovered in the Georgia indorsed bonds of the Macon \& Brunswick Railroad. The decision of the North Carolina Court is in harmony with the recent Louisiana decision invalidating the State indorsed bonds issued to the New Orleans Mobile \& Texas Railroad, and with that of a committee on the validity of the State indorsement of Alabama \& Chattanooga Railroad bonds, the principle announced being that when the liability of a State is concerned, the appearance of authority and regularity of proceeding on the part of the agent is not sufficient to bind the State, but the conditions of his authority must be strictly pursued, and precedent conditions on the part of the grantee literally fulfilled, or the State will not be bound. Investors will see at a glance the importance, under this ruling, of obtaining the fullest information with regard to the circumstances surrounding the issue of this class of securities, before puting their money in them.-Journal of Commerce.
Tennessee Finances.-The new Govarnor, Mr. Porter, says in his message it is too late to discuss the wisdom of the policy under which the debt was created, but how to preserve the public faith and credit without an increase of the public burdens is the question of the greatest concern to the taxpayers; the rate of taxation cannot be increased without inflicting irreparable injury upon the people, and while this fact cannot be questioned. it must be understood that the people of Tennessee will never repudiate the legitimate debt of the State. The question was fairly presented to them during the late canvass, and they pronounced against it. There is an imperative necessity for a prompt reduction in the expenditures of the State Government. If this is done no doubt can exist of the ability of the State to meet promptly all its obligations.
Alabama \& Chattanooga.-The sale of the Alabama \& Chattanooga .Railroad was postponed on the 2 d inst. by special master commissioners until the second Monday of March next.
Atchison Topeka \& Santa Fe. - The Treasurer has issued the following circular to the stock and bondholders:
"The directors propose to publish a complete report of the condition of your property as soon as the accounts for the fiscal year ending Decembur 31, 1874, can be properly audited and reliable estimates be made of the probable earnings and expenses of the road for the present year. In the meantime, in answer to my letters and personal inquiries from parties in interest, we take plea. sure in informing you that the floating debt is paid, excepting the current liabilities in Kansas, to meet which we have ample cash assets in hand. Also, that the funding scheme has been already so far successful that only about seven per cent. of the coupons remain outstanding; and this amount is being daily reduced, as it becomes apparent to the holders that it is clearly for their interest to fund their coupons. It is well known that the past year has been unfavorable to the agricultural interest in many parts of the West, including Kausas. Notwithstanding this fact, our net earnings and our cash receipts from the sales of land have equalled our estimates made at the commencement of the year.
"The future prospects of the company are favorable, and from all the information in our possession we are oncouraged to believe that the company will hereafter meet its coupons at their maturity. The directors are now engaged in negotiations by which we hope to secure the building of a road from Granada to Pueblo, in Colorado. Pueblo is situated on the Arkansas River, at the foot of the Rocky Mountains, and is destined, at no distant day, to become the most important city of southern Colorado.
Boston \& Albany Railroad.-At the annual meeting of the Boston \& Albany Railroad Company, February 10, the directors were re-elected. The President announced that while the revenue of the company continued diminished, and until the business of the country was in a better condition no further expenditures
would be made, or improvements be begun ; but they desired to complete several works already under way, and for that purpose asked the authorization of the issue of $\$ 5,000,000$ in bonds. There were bills outstanding at the time of making up the annual report of $\$ 1,746,000$, which sum had been reduced to $\$ 1,300,000$. Money was needed to pay these. A number of bonds would fall due on the 1st of October, and money would have to be provided for these. Two thousand tons of steel rails have been bought and paid for. Eight thousand tons more would complete the entire track from Albany to this city. The President thought that not more than $\$ 2,500,000$ would be needed at the outside to do all this. A vote was then passed unanimously authorizing the loan.
Cedar Rapids \& Missouri Railroad.-In the suit of this Company vs. Courtright, the nited States Supreme Court holds that the act of Congress of May, 1856, granting public lands to the State of Iowa for aiding a railroad on a certain line, contemplated the sale by the company to be benefitted of a quantity of the land before the completion of the road; and that, the line of the road being fixed and the location of the alternate sections thus becoming certain, the title of the State acquired precision and at once attached to the lands. Hence, the State having ande a prant of lands in aid of the construction of the Iowa Central Air-line road, and that road having conveyed a portion of it to the defendant in error, a contractor, as compensation for work done, his title is good, notwithstanding the road was in no part completed as provided by the State law, as against the plaintiff, the company, who took from the State under a second grant, the State having annulled the original one and assumed possession and made a second grant to the latter company.
Chesapeake \& Ohio Railroad.-The former bankers and financial agents of this company, Messrs. Fisk \& Hatch, have issued a circular, urging upon the remaining bondholders who have not yet assented to the funding proposals, the importance of their doing so speedily. They say that there are now prospects of a very much enlarged business and profits, provided the company are left free to add the requisite facilities, equipments, \&c. To accomplish these results, and to enlist capitalists in the completion of the lines which are to connect the Chesapeake \& Ohio with Cincinnati and Louisville, and through them with the entire West it is an indispensable condition that the old disabilities growing out of the panic of 1873 should be first definitely disposed of. It appears that a large majority of the creditors and bondholders have accepted the plan of adjustment; but that a minority have neglected to take action in the matter.

It is not easy to see that any better plans could be proposed for the Chesapeake \& Ohio Railroad than those of its present managers, and as first mortgare bondholders preserve their ultimate lien and do not surrender their coupons absolutely, it appears that their interests would now be better served by funding than by litigation or inaction
Columbus Chicago \& Indiana Central.-W. R. Fosdick and J. A. Roosevelt, of New York, the trustees of the first consolidated mortgage of $\$ 15,000,000$, were appointed receivers of the franchise and property of the Cincinnati Columbus and Indiana Central Railroad, in the United States Circuit Court at Indianapolis, on the 4th inst. It is alleged in the suit that the ground of complaint is the failure on the part of the company to provide the sinking fund required by the terms of the mortgage, and because the lessees of the road, the Pittsburg, St. Louis \& (incinnati Railroad Company, has given notice that it will not hereafter operate the road under the leases, and that it will file a bill in the United States Court to be relieved of obligation to operate the road or pay the interest on the bonds under the lease, because of the failure of the Cincinnati, Columbus \& Indiana Central hoad to comply with its covenants to fund the second mortgage and other indebtedness into income bonds.

Detroit Hillsdale \& Indiana.-This railroad, 65 miles long, extending from Ypsilanti, Michigan, to a junction with the Fort Wayne Jackson \& Saginaw road, near Hillsdale, was sold at auction on the 28 th ult., for the benefit of the first mortgage hondholders, for $\$ 16,000$. This wipes out the stock and second mortgage, amounting to about $\$ 800,000$. The amount of the first mortgage is $\$ 1,152,000$, and the road, it is said, was purchased by an association of the first mortgagees, who will probably form a stock company.
Elizabeth Lexington \& Big Sandy.-The Fayette County ( Ky .) Circuit Court has issued an injunction prohibiting the company from issuing, selling or otherwise disposing of any of the bonds of the company. Also from releasing or surrendering any subscription to the stock and from pledging or mortgaging any property or franchises of the company. The officers are permitted to incur debts necessary for the operations of the road, and to make and collect calls on the stock.
Indiana \& Illinois Central.-By virtue of the joint decree of the Circuit Court of the United States for the District of Indiana and for the Southern District of Illinois, made in the foreclosure suit of the Union Trust Company of New York against this company notice is given by J D. Howland, master in Chancery that pany, notice is given by J. D. Howland, master in he will sell the road in Indianapolis, April $26,18 \pi$. The sale will include all the equipment and personal property of the company.

Leavenworth Lawrence \& Galveston.-The first mortgage bondholders are requested to send their names and addresses to either of the Committee before the 16 th inst. Suit for foreclosure has been commenced, and prompt action is needed to protect their interests. Mr. A. Corbin, No. 61 Broadway, is the member of the Committee in New York.
Indianapolis Cincinnati \& Lafayette-A comparative state-
ment of the earnings and expenses for the six months ending December 31, in 1873 and 1874, shows the following:

| July | July 1st to |
| :---: | :---: |
| Earnings: Dec. 31st, ${ }^{7} 73$. |  |
| Local passenger............ \$268, 573924 | 60,680 92 |
|  | 17,290 95-354,479 16 |
| Local freight .............. 347,916 37 | 33, 3 ,728 18 |
|  | 3t, $212129-431,178$ 5 |
|  | 5,205 95 |
| Mails...................... 14,856 49 | 21,338 99 |
|  | 11,597 69-66,142 62 |
| 93- 56,2312 | 1,3, 6 , |
| Total earninge. ...... <br> 988,15083  <br> 638,915 18 | ( $57 \cdot 92$ p.c.) $\begin{array}{r}9.951,80095 \\ 51313 \\ 92\end{array}$ |
| Net earnings.......... | \$400,486 43 |
| Other expenses- $\quad * 8,1355$ | *19,291 51 |
|  | +341,543 18 |
| L 7 ss on sale Harris'n Br.st' $\mathrm{K} \quad 77000-313,90194$ | 360,834 69 |
| Surplus........ Less deficit $J u n e$ $30,1874 \ldots \ldots . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . ~$ | $\begin{array}{r} \$ 39,55174 \\ 9,500 \\ 51 \end{array}$ |
| Surplus Dec | \$30,151 23 |

* In 1873, Indiana taxes were assessed annually in the Spring; in 1874, semiannually, this accounts for the increase in 1874 over 1873 .
$\dagger$ For six mothe and funded interest bonds the first coupon maturing March 1, 1874. Six months interest on these bouds is included in the statement for 1874.
Counting out the deficiency of June 30, and the extra taxes paid in the six months, the total surplus would appear to be $\$ 50,807$. One of the features of the report is an increase in local passenger business, while the receipts from through passengers were less.

Lehigh Navigation Company.-This company has, through the agency of E. W. Clark \& Co., sold one million dollars of its seven per cent. consolidated bonds, with the proceeds of which, and other means of the company, it is able to pay off its entire floating debt, which for the last seven years has been borne as an incubus apon the energies and prosperities of the company.
New York Central \& Hudson River.-This company is about to begin the construction of an immense gruin elevator, with a capacity of $1,500,000$ bushels, opposite the new cattle yards at Sixtieth street, North River. The cost is estimated at between $\$ 300,000$ and $\$ 400,000$.
Occidental \& Oriental Steamship Company.-A notice of this company, which proposes to run a line of steamships between San Francisco and China, was given in the Cirmonicle several weeks since. We quoted at that time from one of the daily papers, and stated that the contract between this company and the Pacific railroads had been signed. It appears, however, that this was premature at the time, and the Tribune now announces that the contract between the several companies has just been signed by Vice-President C. P. Huntington on behalf of the Central Pacific Railroad, Sidney Dillon for the Union Pacific Railroad, and David D. Colton for the Occidental \& Oriental Steamship Company. The steamship company is organized with capital of $\$ 10,000,000$, and by the terms of the contract the Pacific Railroad agrees to raise $\$ 5,000,000$, while Gen. Colton, on behalf of his company, undertakes to furnish the remainder. In view of the consummation of the contract, the three White Star steamers so frequently referred to as having been engaged, the Oceanic, Belgic and Gaelic, have been secured, and it is expected that they will soon be on their way to New York and China. Capt. George H. Bradbury, ex-President of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company, it is understood, will be the China agent of Stea Colton will administer the reneral affairs of the Company from. San Francisco.
Oil Creek Alleghany.-The annual meeting of stock and bond holders was held in Philadelphia this week. The annual report, read by the president, Mr. John Scott, slowed the follow. ing for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1874 :
Construction and equipment ASSETS.


Dat from agents.
Individuals and companies
Titusville \& Petroleum Centre Railroad company.
614,313 00

Capital stock..
liabilities.
Funded debt ......................
Mispaid vouckers and pay-r
Miscenans liabilities...
$\qquad$ $\$ 4,959,45000$ 136,755 88 136,75588
110,99577 1101,245 76
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$\$ 10,001,83222$
The earnings and expenses of the road during th
past year compare with those of the previous year as follows :

Freight.
Passenge
Express.
Miscelland telegraph
Total..
Total expenses

| 1874. | 1873. |
| :---: | :---: |
| \$651,925 78 | \$800,482 48 |
| 163,946 69 | 235,553 20 |
| 16,180 66 | 16,643 30 |
| 7,5:38 20 | 7,560 56 |
| 4,260 39 | 7,294 42 |
| \$846,851 72 | \$1.067,733 933 |
| \$562,119 68 | \$124,996 41 |
| \$284,732 04 | \$342,737 55 |

115 ming
71,606 51

The report say
'It will be noticed that the earnings decreased in 1874 as com pared with $1873 \$ 220,88224$, or $2068-100$ per cent, while the expenses were decreased $\$ 162876 \% 3$ or $2246-100$ per cent This reduction was made without causing any deterioration in the quality or condition of the road, but, on the contrary, about three times as much iron was laid in 1874 as in 1873 , and the track is now in fair order.
"The falling off in earnings was mainly in the early months of the yoar, the decrease in the first five months being over $\$ 160,000$ of the whole $\$ 220,000$, which seems to indicate that the period of greatest depression has been passed,
"The interest on the Consolidated Mortgage Bonds falling due May 1 was defaulted upon, there being no funds in the treasury from which it could be paid
'On the 12th of July, 1874, David McCargo was appointed by the Court of Crawford County receiver of the company, and he has courated the road with ability and economy. In view of a fore operate of the Consolidated Mortgage, arrangements are being made among all the parties in interest for a re-organization of the company

Notice of sale is given under a decree of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, in the suit of William G. Fargo and William G. Moorhead, trustees, etc. The decree was entered December 19 1874, and the sale will take place on Saturday, the 15th day of May, A. D. 1875, at 12 o'clock noon, at the Merchants' Exchange, in Philadelphia. The property will be sold subject to the three prior mortgages.
Pacific Mail.-The House of Representatives voted, Feb. 10, to repeal the act of 1872 granting the additional subsidy to the Pacific Mail Steamship Company, and directing the PostmasterGeneral to annul the contract for the additional service which has been made with that compa
Penusylvania Railroad.-This company has purchased sev-enty-five acres at Harsimus Cove, with a frontage on the North River of 1,500 feet. Eighty feet has a depth of 3,140
feet, and the remainder of 1,400 feet. The price paid was $\$ 1,-$ 000,000 . A pier has been built 2,320 feet long and 20 feet wide which is used by the Central Stock Yard and by the Transit Com pany as a stock yard and abattoir. Wharves are being con pany as a stock isted. There a covered pier for shipping grain, and it is proposed to build a grain elevator with a capacity for storing $4,000,000$ bushels, and for handling $\$ 1,000,000$ per day.-Nev Fork Timés.
Railroad Freight Rates from the West.-A press dispatch from Chicago, Feb, 11, says: "The freight war which has been carried on between the various lines leading from this city to the East has come to an end. After numberless ineffectual attempts at a settlement, the general freight agents of all the lines leading from this city to the East, including the Ba by the Baltimore \& road, to-day adopted the tariff suggested by the
Ohio, and pledged themselves in writing to maintain these rates Ohio, and pledged Ghe the new rates are higher than those charged during the last few weeks, they are very peasonable for this season of the year, and lower than they were during the last few winters. There were present at the meeting, beside the Chicago agents, J. C. McCullough, Vice-President of the Pennsylvania Company; J. Vilas, General Freight Agent of the Erie Railroad Addison Hills, General Freight Agent of the Lake Shore \& Mich igan Southern, and several other prominent Eastern railway men, who used considerable moral suasion with their Chicago agents to bring about an amicable settlement. The new rates on fourthclass freight and grain-the principal freights shipped from this city to the principal points in the East-are as follows: New
York, 40 cents; Philadelphia and Baltimore, 45 cents; Boston, 45 cents. The rates from Toledo, Indianapolis, Cincinnati, St Louis, Peoria, Louisville, Milwaukee, and common points will be regulated on the above basis.
Rockforl Rock Island \& St. Louis. - William N. Ferry, receiver of the Rockford Rock Island \& St. Louis Railroad, has filed a report in the United States Circuit Court in Chicago, of his receipts and disbursements during the month of January, In addition to this, he has paid $\$ 15,369.16$ for old matters, and now has on hand $\$ 25,435.29$. The receiver states that the road has been so long in operation without renewal, and the material of which it is composed has become so much worn-both iron and ties, and also the material of bridges-that when the frost goes out of the ground in the Spring there will be the most serious danger of accident and loss. In order the save the road and protect its patrons, the receiver thinks that the company by giving the number of cars employed, showing that he has in use $12 \%$ passenger, bacgace and way cars, valued at about $\$ 75000$ in their present condition, being sixty-five per cent. of their first cost.
Rome Watertown \& Ogdensburg.-The World says: "We are authorized to state that the Rome Watertown \& Ogdensburg Railroad Company has negotiated $\$ 1,000,000$ of its first mortgage consolidated bonds through Messrs. J. S. Kennedy \& Co., of this city. The sale of these bonds places the company in funds to complete its line of road to the Niagara River, where it
connect with the Great Western Railroad of Canada and the connect with the Greatrostern is expected the work will be completed and the line ready for through business by the month of October next. We take it that "through business" by this jine will reach New York harbor over the Delaware Lackawana is, therefore, of a third trunk line through the State of New York.'
Toledo Wabash \& Western-It does not appear that all the bondholders under the mortgages on the several divisions are bondholders of the Great Western and the Illinois \& Southern Iowa are to hold a meeting on Saturday, 13th inst. On the other band a report in the Journal of Commerce, states that in an inter view with Mr. Cox, the president of the Wabash road, that gen
tleman stated that there were a number of first mortgages on roads in the line representing various links in the systen. The majority of these mortgages could not be foreclosed, except at the expiration of six months after default, and the remainder required 60 days' notice. Among this latter class were such roads as the Great Western of Illinois, which literally began and ended nowhere, and if a link such as this were foreclosed, the property would be almost valueless for railroad purposes. If the affairs of the company were carried into the courts for adjustment it was the opinion of Mr. Cox that the right of all creditors would be protected and, unless fraud was shown-which has not been alleged-whoever was appointed receiver would doubt less be in accord with the general policy of the management. So far as the fuading of past due coupons was concerned, Mr. Cox stated that the propositions of the directors were generally being acceded to, and all was progressing harmoniously. The first mortgaces referred to by Mr. Cox are the Toledo \& Illinois, $\$ 900$, 000 ; the Lake Erie Wabash \& St. Louis, $\$ 2,500,000$; Great Western, west of Decatur, $\$ 4,000$; Illinois \& Southern Iowa, $\$ 300,000$; Great Western of $1859, \$ 2,495,000$; Quincy \& Toledo, $\$ 500,000$; Decatur \& East St. Louis, $\$ 2,700,000$

- A correspondent who objects to the funding scheme proposed by the company, suggests a different plan, which we give, as epresenting the views of one of the parties interested. He says : "The following proposition would be liberal, I think, under the circumstances
"1st. To pay the interest on the first mortgage bonds main line Toledo Wabash \& Great Western out of the first money received.

2d. To get an extension of six months on the interest of the second mortgages main line, Toledo \& Wabesh second, Great Western second

3d. To fund four years' coupons on the Consolidated Convertibles into eight-year scrip.

4th. To fund five years coupons on the gold bonds and equipment bonds into preferred stock.

5th. To fund the coupons on the leased lines according to the elative earnings of the roads. Those which earn their interest to be paid as soon as possible; those which do not to be funded for as long as may be necessary

6 th. The floating debt to be fanded into the new gold bonds at 85 , or carried along as the holders see fit. (No uneasiness need be felt on account of it, as the road is mortgaged for its full value; and, as they could not get anything by suing, their remedy is to wait.)

The above arrangement would be liberal and equitable to
the stockholdere."
Union Pacific.-The annual election for directors will take place in Boston on the 10th of March. As to the company's proposed settlement with the U. S. Government, the Tribune publish Sacretary Bristow, Feb. 10. The following are extracts:
Hon. B. H.
Sir: The existing relations between the Government and the Union Pacific Railr the injury of both. The Government, in the prosecution of what it deems to be its just rights, has instituted legal proceedings against the company for claims of different origin and widely divergent character, and dese caams Nothing cart be more distasteful to this company than to have even the appearance of reisting just demand of the Government.
The mort gare held by the Government, in its terms and by judicial decision of the United States Circuit Conrt, cannot be enforced mutil the maturity of the bonds. which is near the close of the present centil the principal is due accumulating an interest account, giso amount to the very large agaregate of over $\$ 77000,000$ thongh the actual amount advanced by the Government was only $\$ 27,236,512$. For thia very large amount the Government has only a second mertgage, and if it be allowed to accumulate withont any provision being made to meet it, the company will probably be utterly unable to pay it. The Union Pacific Railroad Company proposes to pay into the Treasary of the United States $\$ 500,000$ per annum on for twenty years and thereafter on with 1875, and to cor the payment siall be $\$ 750,000$. And the money so paid in shall be held by the Secretary of the Treasury as a sinking fand to the credit of the Union Pacific Railroad Company, specially devoted to the extinc tion of the Government mortgage, interest thereon at six per cent per annum lawful money, payable semi-annually andine fund to the credit of the Union to be carried to the account of the sinking fund to Paeific railroad Company. Antinued without delay or default until the Railroad to the credit of tiae company in the hands of the Secretary of the Treasury shall be equal to the full amount of the Government mortgage reck oned at simple interest to same date. The Government lien now exisancelled remain as security for the discharge or When the sinking find einterest; at which time said sinking fund shall be ment reckon to ard shall vest in the United States. And this payment shall be in fall discharge of all nbligations due from the company to the Government. Should this suggestion meet with your approva, 1 would respectinly re quest on behalt of the company that you lay the matter ben
wisconsin Railroad Law.-The memorial of the Chicago \& Northwestern and Chicago Milwaukee \& St. Paul companies Nately several mortgages and obligations assumed by the Chicago \& Northwestern Railway Company on the 565 miles it operates in Wisconsin, the sum of $\$ 1,350,135.3 \tilde{0}$ is annually required to pay he interest on the Wisconsin portion of the mortgages. 31 earnings upon the 565 miles for the year ending December 163 1873 , were $\$ 3,190,523.64$, and the operating expenses $\$ 2,162$, 578,21 , leaving for interest payments $\$ 1,026,945.43$, which wa $\$ 323,189.92$ less than the amount required to meet the interest. The actual loss to the Milwaukee \& St. Paul Railway Comp,any by conforming to the Potter law for the mond and December was $\$ 130,040.09$, and the revenue derived by the Chicago \& Northwestern Company during October and No ver 1874 from passengers, was 24 per cent., and from freight 26 per cent less than would have been received had the fares and 26 per cent. less than would have computed at the rates in force prior to Dctober 1, 1874.

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## OOMMEROIAL EPITOME.

F'riday Night, Feb. 12, $18{ }^{\prime} 75$.
General trade is dull and unsatisfactory. This is the result of many unfavorable circumstances. In the first place, much uncertainty exists respecting the action of Congress upon tariff and revenue bills. This of necessity checks business. Then again the weather has been intensely cold, causing a serious accumulation of ice in this and other Northern harbors, and snow storms have delayed transportation by rail. A decline in gold and exchange, and scarcity and higher rates of ocean freights have, in conjunction with the ice, impeded the export movement very materially. Thus every active influence has been adverse to regular business; only where some speculative influences have been at work have any considerable transactions been noted.

Groceries have been quite unsettled. The reports from Washington have indicated that the project to restore the duty on tea and coffee wou!d fail, and these articles have declined, closing wholly unsettled. Holders of molasses and sugars have on the contrary, been strengthened by the proposed increase of $t^{2} e \mathrm{im}$ port duty on these articles, but with pretty full stocks, and the new crop now coming forward, there has been no decided advance in prices. As the present Congress terminates on the 4 th of March the matter of import duties will soon be settled for the present.

Provisions have been less active, and "hog products" have lost a portion of the advance noted last week. The number of swine slaughtered for three seasons have been as follows:

Week ending February 6

| $1874-5$. | $18 r 3-4$. | $1872-3$. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| No. | No. | No. |
| 193,035 | 185,735 | 269.039 |
| $4,925,983$ | $5,000,558$ | $4,790,440$ |
| $5,124,018$ | $5,186,393$ | $5,059,535$ |

Total to February 6..........
There is, therefore, no great difference in the number of swine, but a deficiency in weight yet to be ascertained, although it is stated that the weight of those now marketed is nearly up to a full average.
The foreign exports of the new crop from Nov. 1 to Feb. 6, from the principal ports, have been as follows:

|  | 1873-74. | 1874-5. | Decrease. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Pork, lbs. | 21,557,400 | 12,002,000 | 9,555,409 |
| Lard, lbs | 63,311,780 | 62,844.468 | 467,312 |
| Bacon, lb | 139,794,071 | 99,788,923 | 40,005,148 |
| Total, | 224,663,251 | 175,635,791 | 50,027,860 |

New mess pork had sold at $\$ 1925$ on the spot, and $\$ 1955$ for May. Lard has moved freely at 141 16c. for spot and February, and $14 \frac{1}{8} \mathrm{c}$. for March, with some business for May at $14 \frac{8}{8} \mathrm{c}$. Bacon has been dull at $10 \frac{1}{8} @ 10 \frac{1}{4} c$. for long clear. Cutmeats have been firmer, but with only a moderate sale. Beef has had a moderate saie at steady prices. Butter has been drooping, but cheese more steady. Tallow sold at $813-16 c$. for prime city, and stearine at $14 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{c}$. for prime Western. To day, pork was quiet and unchanged, but lard firmer at $14 \frac{1}{8} c$., spot and February, and $14 ?-16 c$. for March. Bacon also stronger, with sales at $10 \frac{1}{2} @ 10 \frac{3}{8} c$. for long clear and $10 \frac{7}{8} \mathrm{c}$. for short clear. Butter more salable at $20 @ 35 \mathrm{c}$. and in cheese there has been a fair export movement this week at $10 @ 10 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$.

Ocean freights have been firmer. Room is scarce, with vessels on the berth, but vessels for charter are in supply equal to the demand. Our harbor is now almost inaccesible to sail vessels. Yesterday, the engagements embraced : Grain direct to the United Kingdom, 6s. $10 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~d}$. Refined petroleum to the Baltic 5s. 3d. per bbl. and in cases to Odessa, 30c. To-day, the market was dull and rates weak; to Liverpool, by steam, grain nominal at 101 $@ 10 \frac{?}{4} \mathrm{~d}$. and cotton 5-16d.

The market for Kentucky tobacco has continued dull, but prices are firm at $10 \frac{1}{2} @ 13 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{c}$ for lugs and $14 @ 27 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$. for leaf. It is proposed to increase the tax on this staple. The sales for the week embraced 450 hhds., of which 300 were for export and 150 for consumption. Seed leaf has been in moderate demand; sales embrace: Crop of 1872, 50 cases Connecticut at $8 \frac{1}{2} @ 12 c . ; 61$ cases New York on private terms, and crop of 1873, 200 cases Connecticut at 12@50c.; 112 cases Ohio at $101012 \frac{1}{2} c$., and 200 cases Pennsylvania on private terms ; also, 200 cases sundry kinds at 80550 c. Spanish tubacco has been quiet but steady ; the sales were 500 bales Havana at 871 c .@\$1.25.
Linseed oil has been in moderate demand and firm. Crude fish oils have been quiet. Hides have been quiet; dry Buenos Ayres quoted at $24 \frac{1}{2} @ 26 \mathrm{c}$. , gold, and dry Texas at $22 @ 22 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$., currency. Fish in fair demand for all descriptions. Whiskey advanced to $\$ 1.10$ on the proposition to increase the excise. Clover seed has been in good demand at $11 \frac{1}{4} @ 11 \frac{1}{2} c$. per lb.
Refined petroleum has experienced a decided " break," caused by the weak advices from the primary markeis and a falling off in the demand from exporters. Prompt delivery closes at $13 \frac{1}{2} c$ Crude in bulk has followed, and is now wholly nominal at $6 \frac{8}{4} \mathrm{c}$. Rosins have continued throughout the week to be very quiet, but figures are sustained by the steady Wilmington advices. Strained quoted at $\$ 210 @ 2$ 15. Spirits turpentine also had been very quiet, but about steady at $38 \frac{1}{2} c$. Layer raisins firm.

Turkish prunes are weak, owing to large stocks; quoted at 81 @ $9 \frac{1}{2} c$. Ingot copper closed quiet, but firm, at 22c., cash, for lake; other metals quiet ; American rails sold early in the week to the extent of 12,500 tons iron at $\$ 5050$, and 11,000 tons'steel at $\$ 7450$, currency, Hops and wool generaliy quiet, and without new feature

gicports or heading Articies from New Iork.
The followingtable, compiled from Custom House returns, shows the exports of leading articles from the port of New York since January 1, 1875, to all the principal foreign countries, and also the totals for the last week, and since January 1. The last two lines show total values, including the value of all other articles besides those mentioned in the table.




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Imports of Leading Articlen.
The following table, compilad from Custom House returns shows the foreign imports of leading articles at this port since Jan. 1, 1875, and for the same period of 1874 :
[The quantity is given in packages when not otherwise specified.]

|  | $\left\|\begin{array}{c} \text { Since } \\ \text { Jan. } 1,{ }^{\prime} 75 . \end{array}\right\| \text { ti }$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Same } \\ \text { time } 1874 \end{gathered}$ |  | $\begin{array}{\|c\|} \text { Since } \\ \text { Jan.1, } \end{array}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Same } \\ \text { time } 1874 \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| China, Glass and |  |  | Metals, \&c.Cutlery... | 409 | 483 |
| Earthenware- | 528 | 1,142 | Hardwaie. | 378 | 193 |
| Earthenware... | 1,754 | 1,870 | Irron, RR. bars... | 7723 | 30,051 30,460 |
| Glass.......... | 30,107. | 41,084 1,938 | Lead, pigs. | 86,946 |  |
| Glassware | 1,040 | 821 | Steel | 9,854 | 530 |
| Battons. | 673 | 487 | Tiil, boxes... | 93,882 | 73,749 |
| Coal, tons........ | 1,176 | 875 <br> 615 | Tin slabs, ibs.... | 1,204.8395 | 323,264 12,639 |
| Cocoa, bags.. | 121,466 | 6615 163,934 | Sugar, hinds, tes. ${ }^{\text {Rags }}$ |  |  |
| Coffee, bags. | , 407 |  | bbls. | 10,785 | 17,467 |
| Drotton, bales |  |  | Sugar, bxs \& bags. | 243,695 | 217,079 |
| Bark, Peruviar.. | 4,172 | 5,7\%\% | Tea ... | $\underset{\substack{146,579 \\ 4,377}}{ }$ | 10,404 |
| Blea. powders... | $\begin{array}{r}2,647 \\ \hline 443\end{array}$ | $\stackrel{2}{574}$ | Waste. | 272 | 448 |
| Cream Tartar | 10 | , | Wines, \& ${ }^{\text {c- }}$ |  |  |
| Gambier... | 1,233 | 19 | Champagne, bks. | - ${ }_{3}^{8,249} \mathbf{3}$ | ${ }_{5}^{11,523}$ |
| Gum, Arabic. | ${ }_{218}$ | 821 | Wool, bales.. | 7,118 | 2,365 |
| Indigo .. | 918 | 217 | Articles reported by |  |  |
| Oils, essen | 129 <br> $8+5$ | 1,75 | Cigars... | \$128,062 | \$153,499 |
| Oil, Olive. | 81 |  | Corks. | 7,194 | 5,555 |
| Opium.... | 2,600 | 1,000 | Fancy goods.. | 77,709 | ${ }^{69,717}$ |
| Soda, sal. | 2.858 | 2,692 | Fish. | 37,589 | 19,943 |
| Soda ash. | ${ }^{4,913}$ | 2,973 |  | 6,410 | 38.793 |
| Flax | 1,381 | 849 | Oranges. | 131,571 | 220,387 |
| $\underset{\text { Gunny coloth }}{ }$ | 350 | 14 | Nuts |  | (199,434 |
| Hair...... | - ${ }^{4944}$ | 344 8,162 | Hides, undressed.. | 1,335,327 | 1,485,961 |
| Hemp, bales | 19,877 | 8,162 | Rice........... | 17,021 | 44,225 |
| Hristles. | 74 | - 32 | Spices, \&c |  |  |
| Hides, dressed.. | 721 | ${ }^{711}$ | Cassia. | 9,533 | $\xrightarrow{23,639}$ |
| India mabber... | 5,785 <br> 30 | 5,041 | ${ }_{\text {Qepper }}$ | 90,093 | 4,160 |
| Ivory.... ${ }_{\text {dewelry }}$ c. - |  |  | Saltpetre | 9,430 | 15,664 |
| Jewelry |  | - 315 | Woods- | 40,680 |  |
| Watches. | 87,580 | 155,146 | Fustic | 4,2 | - 1,798 |
| Molasses... | 61 | 1,159 | Logwood | 37,628 16,898 | 8 ${ }^{54,213} 120$ |

Receipts of Domestic Produce.
The receipts of domestic produce since January 1, 1875, and for the same time in 1874, have been as follows

|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Since } \\ \text { Jan.1, } 75 . \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Same } \\ \text { time } 1874 \end{gathered}$ |  | $\underset{\text { Jan. } 1,75 .}{\text { Since }}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Same } \\ \text { time } 1874 \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ashes........pkgs. | ${ }^{7} 975$ |  | Oil cake.... pkgs. | 26,980 | 16,366 |
| Alour..... bbls. | 358,C47 | $\begin{array}{r}468,390 \\ 3 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | Oil, lard........... | 875 5,911 | 6,584 |
| Wheat.....bush. | 513,669 | 3,757,230 | Pean | 10:3,166 | 92,947 |
| Corn. | 2,905,907 | $1,334,808$ $1,045,743$ | Chees | 21,0:4 | 43,894 |
| Oat | 5,738 | 1, 76,750 | Cutme | 80,744 | 81,476 |
| Barley and malt. | 183.096 | 140,888 | Eggs. | 18,816 | 21,602 31,926 |
| - Grass seed.bags. | 23, 8.74 | 15,095 | Pork | 18,946 7,246 | 3,909 |
| Beans......bbls. | 8,500 12,729 | 11,021 | Beef. <br> Lard | TT, 7 \% 7 | 45,182 |
| Peas.......bush. | 12,72.9 | 16,2,3 | Lard................ | 1,480 | 5,786 |
| C. meai.... bbls. | 101,737 | 184,067 | Rice..........pkgs. | 2.154 | 4,929 |
| Hemp....... bales. | 45 | 288 | Starch............. | 28,040 | 28,235 |
| Hides..........No. | 275,806 | 350,000 | stearine |  | 16 |
| Hops........b.bales. | 3,424 | 3,614 | Sugar.. | $\stackrel{9,814}{5,843}$ | 96 |
| Leather. . . sides. | 397.921 | 377.693 | Sugar. | 2,580 | 5,907 |
| Molasses.. . bbls. | 17,207 | 19,591 |  | 15,738 | 21,231 |
| Cr. turp. . . bbls. | 651 4.830 | 1,944 7 7 | Tobacco .....inhers. | 2,535 | 3,907 |
| Spirits turpen... | 4, 41,830 | \%7,603 | Whiskey ..... ${ }^{\text {Whbls }}$ | - 25,151 | 25,775 |
| Rosin. | 51,868 2,079 | 3,534 5 | Wool.........bales | 4,155 | 5.813 |
| Pitch... |  | 42 | Dressed Hogs. . No. | 37,982 | 6i,992 |

## COTTON.

Friday, P. M., February 12, 1875.
By special telegrams received to-night from the Southern Ports, we are in possession of the returns showing the receipts, exports, \&c., of cotton for the week ending this evening Feb. 12. It appears that the total receipts for the seven days have reached 103,461 bales, against 108,152 bales last week, 115,700 bales the previous week, and 101,693 bales three weeks since, making the otal receipts since the first of September, 18;4, 2,739,233 bales, against 2,826,407 bales for the same period of 1873-74, showing a decrease since September 1, 1874, of 87,174 bales. The detail of the receipts for this week (as per telegraph) and for corresponding weeks of five previous years are as follows:

| Received this week at- | 19\%. | 184. | 1573. | 1872. | $18 \% 1$. | 1810. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| New Orleans.....bales. | S ${ }^{31,485} 10,983$ | 57,923 10,012 | 47,991 | 35,162 | 67,666 19,662 | $\overline{51,301} \begin{array}{r} 7,395 \end{array}$ |
| Mobile.... | 8,941 | 9,324 | \} 10,153 | 6,595 | 9,583 | 5,960 |
| Port Royal, \&c........... |  | 15,514 | 14,760 | 15,154 | 27,007 | 11,469 |
| Savannah................. | 11,27\% | 14,995 | $)^{14,101}$ | 5,603 | 8,680 | 6,05J |
| Indianola, \&c............. | ${ }_{5} \mathbf{3 1 6}$ |  | $)^{8,319}$ |  | 12,886 | 7.379 |
| Tennessee, \&c........... | 5,970 | 8, 706 | 8, 33.3 | 5663 | 814 | 533 |
| Florida ${ }_{\text {North }}$ Carolina............ | 2, $2 \cdot 9$ | 1,063 | 2,297 | i, $\mathrm{C}_{69} \mathbf{0 9}$ | 1,8i9 ${ }^{9}$ | 1,933 |
| North Carolina.......... Norfolk........... | 7, | 13,643 | 11,318 | 6,973 | \} 12,913 | 6.521 |
| City Point, \&c... | 439 |  |  |  |  |  |
| t | 103,161 | 132,205 | 122,052 | 86,235 | 161,095 | 98,544 |
| Totalaince Sen | 2,739,233 | 2,836,407 | 2,501,568 | 2,003,053 | 2,510,551 | 1,933,83! |

 of 71,406 bales, of which $5 \pi, 692$ were to Great Britain, 3,014 to France, and 10,700 to the rest of the Continent, while the stocks
as made up this evening, are now 839,253 bales. Below are the exports and stocks for the week and also for the corresponding week of last season.

| Week ending Feb. 12. | sported to- |  |  | Totalthis weuk. | $\mid \underset{1874 .}{ } \text { Samew'k }^{\prime}$ | Stock. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | G. Brit. | France | Contin't |  |  | 1875. | 1874. |
| NewOrle | 28, |  | 2,189 | 30,383 | 34,5 | 292,017 | 340,324 |
| Mobile. | 3,890 |  | 475 | 4,365 | 3,493 | 63,303 | 65,548 49,50 |
| Charleston | 8,790 | 3,0.4 | 2,470 | 6,260 | 11,331 | 105,145 | 83,975 |
| Galveston | \%,534 |  |  | 7,534 | 13.309 | 80,459 | 116,066 120,32 |
| New York. | 6,412 2,889 |  | 2,973 | 9,385 3,230 | 10,058 5,393 | $1,0.245$ 75,000 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total ${ }_{\text {Tince }}$ Septi | [ $\begin{array}{r}57,6931 \\ 1,136.411\end{array}$ | 179,455 | $\begin{array}{r} 16,70 \\ 229,267 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{\|} 71,406 \\ 1,515,1 \div 3 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 33,744 \\ 1,535,511 \end{array}$ | 839,233 |  |

*The exports this week under the head of "other ports" include from Balti54 bags sea island to Liverpool; from Philadelphia st3 bales to Antwerp.
L哹 Our telegram from New Orleans to-night shows that besides the above exports the amount of cotton on shipboard, and engaged for shipment as that port, is as follows: For Liverpool, 54,000 bales; for Havre, 32,000 bales ; for Continent, 50,500 bales ; for coastwise ports, 5,000 bales ; total, 141,500 bales; which, if deducted from the stock, would leave 150,500 bales representing the quantity at the landing and in presses unsold or a waiting orders.] From the foregoing statemont, it will be seen that, compared with the corresponding week of last season, there is a decrease in the exports this week of 12,298 jales, while the stocks tonight are 1,053 bales less than they were at this time a year ago. The following is our usual table showing the movement of cotton at all the ports from Sept. 1 to Feb. 5, the latest mail dates:

| PORTS | BRORIPTS sinoe sept. 1. |  | T. 1 |  |  |  | CoastPorts. | Stock. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 2833. | (eritain. | France. | For'gn | Total. |  |  |
| New Urleans.. | 745, | ${ }^{813}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Mobile. | ${ }^{256} 2 \times, 713$ | 322,667 | 141,640 | 23,657 | 1t, |  |  |  |
| Savann | 484,357 | 512,009 | ${ }^{187,336}$ | 2.496 | 48,667 | ${ }_{\text {2 }}^{2620}$ | ${ }_{1} 11,1,93$ |  |
| Cale |  | -93,262 | 180,660 | 4, 4.22 | 24,515 | 209,19 |  | 85 |
| F | 10.175 | 10.1023 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No. Caro | 306,966 | 341,599 |  |  | 533 |  | 245,501 |  |
| er p | 42, | ,609 | 88,825 |  | 14,103 | 52,933 |  |  |
| Total this year. |  |  | 1088,119 | , 431 | 8,567 | 3,117 | 871,858 | 833,459 |
| Total last yea |  | 2694,202 |  | 218,165 | 261,534 | 1451,807 | 38, | , |

$*$ Under the head of Charlestmn is included Port Royal, \&c.; under the head of
Galveston is included Indianola. \&c.; under the head of Norfolk is included City Galveston is
Point, \&c.
The market ruied very strong for cotton on the spot during the early part of the week, and on Tuesday quotations were advanced $\frac{1}{8} \mathrm{c}$ for good ordinary and low middling, new classification, but the demand fell off, and the advance was barely maintained. Holders were offering good lines of cotton with more freedom, but were not inclined to make any reduction in prices. Stocks begin to accumulate at this point, and under a decline in gold and exchange, scarcity of freight room, the obstructions to the spinning demand growing out of the strikes and cold weather, and the steady receipts at the ports and the interior towns of the South, there is less confidence felt by holders. To-day, the market was dull, and the sale of a short notice for February at $15 \frac{\mathrm{~g}}{8} \mathrm{C}$ demonstrated the weakness of prices, but there was no reduction of quotations. For future delivery prices have fluctuated. There has been a pretty strong party operating on the idea that a reduced crop is assured; while those holding the thonosite view have suffered such severe losses the past opposite few weeks, and have been so often disappointed in the matter of receipts at the ports, that they have lost courage. At the close
of Tuesday's business, however, with more liberal receipts at the of Tuesday's business, however, with more liberal receipts at the
interior towns at the South, and some indications of comparainterior towns at the South, and some indications of compara tively free receipts at the ports for the remainder of the week, the offerings on sale were increased, but they were quickly taken up, and the closing prices of Wednesday were the highest of the day, and really higher than the prices accepted after 'Change on Tuesday. But yesterday, with dull accounts from Liverpool, a decline in gold, and receipts at the ports showing a material inciease over comparative dates, some weakness was developed, though the faith of the operators for higher prices was by no means shaken. To-day, there was some irregularity-the early months showing some recovery, but for Summer deliveries weak ness was developed, but the decline in no case exceeding 1-32 per cent. After 'Change there were sales at $1523-3 . \mathrm{c}$ for February, 1525 32c for March, $16 \frac{1}{8} @ 161-16 \mathrm{c}$ for April, and 16 13-32c for May. The total sales for forward delivery for the week are 117,000 bales, including - free on board. For immediate delivery the total sales foot up this week 8,468 bales, including 4,776 for ex port, 1,923 for consumption, 1,266 for speculation and 503 in transit. Of the above, 1,450 bales were to arrive. The following are the closing quotations:

\begin{tabular}{|c|c|c|c|c|}
\hline New Classification. \& Uplands. \& Alabama. \& $\underset{\text { Orieans. }}{\substack{\text { New } \\ \text { Or }}}$ \& Texas. <br>
\hline Ordinar \& \& ${ }_{14}^{13}$ \& ${ }_{143}^{131}$ \& 183480 <br>
\hline tood Ordinary ................ \& 14429...: \&  \& 15\%\%9.... \& <br>
\hline M1dding. \&  \& 155\%...:
16\%

co... \&  \& ${ }^{16}$ <br>
\hline \#ood M1ddiling........................ \& 16690... \& 16\%9...: \& 17\% $17 \times$ ( \& <br>
\hline Fair.............................. \& 17¢9.... \& 17\% \& 17\% \& 17\%¢...' <br>
\hline
\end{tabular}

Below we give the sales of spot and transit cotton and price of Uplands at this market each day of the past week

| $\stackrel{\text { New }}{\text { Ne }}$ | sales. |  |  |  |  | PRIOES. |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Exp't. | Con-1 | Spec- ula' | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Tran. } \\ & \text { sit. } \end{aligned}$ | Total. | Ord'ry | $\begin{gathered} \text { Good } \\ \text { Ord'ry. } \end{gathered}$ | $\stackrel{\text { Low }}{\text { Midl'g. }}$ | Mid |
| Saturday | 1,40, | 176 | 150 |  | 1,725 | 13 | 143/8 | 15 尔 | 15\% |
| Mondsy......... | ${ }^{1,463}$ | 365 | 59 | $\ldots$ | , 684 | 13 | 1438 | 1518 | $15 \%$ |
| Tuesday........ | 2,5014 | 333 | 213 | 503 | 1,0 ${ }_{1} \mathbf{6 3 1}$ | $\stackrel{13}{13}$ | $114 \%$ | 151/4 | $15 \%$ 15 |
| Wednesday..... | 3 4 | 5395 | 110 | 503 | 1,75 | 13 | $11 \%$ | 151/4 | 15\% |
| Eriday ........... | 175 | 119 | 330 |  | 6.4 | 13 | 141/2 | 151/4 | 15\% |
| Total. | 4,776 | :,923 | 1,265 | 503 | 8,463 |  |  | $\ldots$ |  |

the past week has been pleasant. The rainfall has reached twenty hundredths of an inch, and the thermometer averaged 43.
Augusta.-We had two rainy days the first of the week, the latter part being clear and pleasant. The rainfall has reacbed one inch and thirty-eight hundredths. The thermometer has averaged 37.
The following statement we have also received by telegraph, showing the height of the rivers at the points named at 3 o'clock this afternoon (Friday, Feb. 12). We give last year's figurea (Friday, Feb. 13, 1874) for comparison :

|  | $\underset{\text { Feet. }}{ }$ | Inch. | Feb. <br> Feet | 1874.7. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| New Orleans.. Below high water mark. | 9 | 6 | 4. | 0 |
| Memphis. . . . . Above low-water mark. | 20 | 9 | 18 | 6 |
| Nashvilie!.....A Above low-water mark | 11 | 11 | 13 | 6 |
| Shreveport....Above low-water mark | 21 | 2 | 21 | 6 |
| Vicksburg. ....Above low-water mark | 28 | 3 | 35 | 6 |

Now Orleans reported below ligh-water mark of 1871 until Sept. 9, 1874, when the zero of gauge was changed tod high-water mark of April 15 and 16,1874, which is 6-10ths of a foot above 1871, or 16 feet above low-water mark at that point.

The Dry Goods Trade and Cotton Spinning.-However much we may endeavor to believe the contrary, the fact is beyond dispute, that the cotton goods trade continues in a very unsatisfactory condition. This is the more surprising when we consider the reduced production of the past four months. That we may the better understand the situation, let us bring together the facts affecting it.

1. It will be remembered that early in the fall efforts were made to have all the Northern mills run on short time, but these efforts were only partially successful. In October, November and December it was intended that there should be a uniform reduction of one-third ; some mills, however, especially those at Lowell, did not accede to the arrangement, and the reduction was unequal in those which participated. Hence, the average falling off in the consumption of cotton for all New England did not probably exceed 25 per cent for the three months.
2. Early in January most of the mills started to nominal full time, yet many had not reached that condition when short water interfered. The prolonged winter drought and extraordinary freezing of the water courses have now so reduced the active mill power, that it is said the average production of all the New Eng land mills (including those run by steam) is less than two-thirds of full capacity. The two days' thaw of last week (including part of one day of rain) was followed so sharply by hard freezing that the gain of water power in the mill streams was but slight and that quickly lost. It may therefore be safely estimated that for the past three weeks the running of cotton spindles in the average throughout New England is reduced by lack of water, by strikes and by voluntary reduction fully one-third of thei full capacity.
3. But the remarkable circumstance in the situation is that notwithstanding the production of cotton goods in the average, is thus only two-thirds of full capacity of spindles, while gold is advancing, cotton advancing, money superabundant for good borrowers at low rates ;-notwithstanding all this, the market refuses to take even the reduced production, and some leading styles of goods (New York mills and Wamsutta in the fine goods, and others in more common sorts) are compelled to drop prices to effect sales, and the mills that held surplus, say of 1,000 to 2,000 packages, not only fail to get the nominal advance of $\frac{1}{2} c$., but fail to close out the whole of surplus when offering it at the lowest prices of December. In a word, the condition of the people is such that they will not take the production. How and when is this to be changed?

Bombay Shipments.-According to our cable dispatch recelved to-day, there have been 20,000 bales shipped from Bombay to Great Britain the past week and 8,000 bales to the Continent, while the receipts at Bombay during the same time have been 45.000 bales. The movement since the 1st of January is as follows. These are the figures of W. Nicol \& Co., of Bombay and are brought down to Thursday, Feb. 11:

|  | -Ship | Co |  |  |  |  | $\mathrm{Th}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Gritai | tinea |  | Gritain | Con- |  | wh |  |
|  | . 20,000 | 8,000 | 28,000 | 95,000 | 51,003 | 146,000 | 45.000 | 198,000 |
|  | . 19,000 | 10,000 | 29,000 | 63,000 | 34,000 | 97,000 | 36,000 | 159,000 |
| 1873 | 27.000 | 4,000 | 31,000 | 72,000 | 28,000 | 10,000 | 36,000 | 157,000 |

From the foreroing it would appear that compared with last year there is a decrease of ' 1,000 bales this year in the week's shipments from Bombay to Europe, and that the total movement since January 1 shows an increase in shipments of 49,000 bales compared with the corresponding period of 1873.

Gunny Bags. Bagging, \&c.-There has been a considerable speculative demand for bagging during the past week and prices have advanced, closing firm, with $11 \frac{8}{4} @ 1 \% c$. asked for prompt delivery. The sales are 500 rolls in Boston at $11 \frac{1}{2}$ c. cash ; 1,000 rolls, June or July, at 12c.; in this market, 500 rolls, spot, at $11 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$.; 1,500 rolls, June, at 12c., and other reported sales, for future delivery, of 2,000 rolls at $12 @ 12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$. In bags there has been nothing doing. Jute butts have been active and higher, as expected, on the new tariff bill becoming a law. Sales the past week are 1,200 bales at 2\% f c., cash, and 29.16 c ., time, and one parcel at 213.16 c .;
also, 3 ,700 bales reported ex-Joshua at 214c., cash, but this lot is again offering on $9: 16$ @ c ., time, with a possibility of buying some lots at 2tc.
Visible Supply of Cotton as Made op by Cable and Tele-araph.- Below we give our table of visible supply, as made up by cable and telegraph to night. The continental stocks are the figures of last Saturday, Continent are this week's returns, and consequently brought down to Thursday evening; hence to make the totals the complete figures for to night (Feb. 12), we add the item of exports from the United States, including only

Of the above, the totals of American andother descriptions are as follows: American-

| Liverpool stock | 398,000 | 2!6,000 | 11ヶ,000 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Contivental st | 123,000 | 113,003 | 127,000 |
| , American afoat to Europe. | 442,000 | 661,000 | 483,000 |
| United States stock........ | 839,253 | 840,836 | 503,083 |
| United States interior stocks. | 137,530 | 153,096 | 89,012 |
| United States exports io-day......... ... | 9,000 | 13,003 | 28,006 |
| Total American................bales. | 1,918,753 | 2,001,902 | 1,352,130 |
| East Indian, Brazil, \&c.- |  |  |  |
| Liverpool stock... . .......... . ......... | 370,000 131,750 | 406,000 | 325,000 198,000 |
| London stock... | 131,750 185,750 | 185,550 190,250 | 198,000 340,000 |
| Continental stocks.... | 18,0,00 | 140,000 | 193,000 |
| Egypt, Brazil, \&c., afloat | 37,000 | 73,000 | 106,000 |
| Total East India, \&c.. | 907,500 | 935,000 | 1,162,000 |
| Total American...... | 1,948,783 | 2,001,902 | 1,352,130 |
| Total visible supply............bales. | 2,856,283 | 2,996,902 | 2,514,130 |
| Price Middling Uplands, Liverpool.... | \% $5 / 81673 / 4$. | 8d. | 93/4. |

 night, of 140,619 bales as compared with the samio date of 1874 and an increase of 342,153 bales as compared with the corresponding date of 1873.

Movements of Cotton at the Interior Ports.-Below we give the movements of cotton at the interior ports-receipts and shipments for the week, and stock to-night, and for the corres ponding week of 1874:
-Week ending Feb. 12, '75— —Week ending Feb. 13, 74 -

| Receipts. Shipments. Stock. |  |  |  | ceip |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Angusta. | 3,858 | 5,343 | 16,504 | 4,344 | 4,596 | 27,481 |
| Columbus | 886 | 1,715 | 12,850 | 1,210 | 2,168 | 15,927 |
| Macon | 854 | 1,868 | 9,407 | 982 | 1,103 | 12,260 |
| Montgomery | 739 | 1,337 | 4,881 | 313 | 845 | 3,435 4,473 |
| Selma..... | 997 | 1,633 | 5,786 | 1,114 | 1,665 | 4,4i3 |
| Memphis. | 9,319 | 8,639 | 69,374 | 15,478 | 17,193 | 71,477 |
| Nashville. ........ | 1,978 | 2,891 | 12,698 | 3,128 | 2,344 | 18,037 |
| Total, old | 18,631 | 23,426 | 137,530 | 26,575 | 29,914 | 153,096 |
| Shreveport | 4,260 | 3,857 | 6,269 | 3,994 | 3,8i0 | 8.522 |
| Atlanta ......... | 1,129 | 1,109 | 3,171 | 1,200 | 800 | 3,265 |
| St. Louis. | 2,45; | 4,205 | 29,846 | 3,679 | 2,302 | 15,449 |
| Cincinnati. | 2,023 | 2,499 | 16,400 | 10,045 | 9,968 | 16,349 |
| Total, new.. | 9,865 | 11,670 | 55,686 | 18,918 | 16,940 | 43,585 |
| Total, all... . | 28,496 | 35,036 | 193,216 | 45,493 | 46,854 | 196,681 |

The above totals show that the old interior stocks during the week 4,795 bales, and are to-night 15,566 bales less than the same periol last year. The receipts have been 7,944 bales less than the same week last year.

The exports of cotton this week from New York show an increase, as compared with last week, the total reaching 9,385 bales, ayainst 5,772 bales last week. Below we give our usual table showing the exports of cotton from New York, and their direction for each of the direction since Sept. 1,18\%4; and in the last column the total for the samo priod of the previous year.

Exports of Cotton(bales) from New York since Sopt.1, 1874

| sxported to | weer mindine |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Total } \\ & \text { to } \\ & \text { date. } \end{aligned}$ | $\underset{\substack{\text { Same } \\ \text { period } \\ \text { prev'us }}}{\text { year. }}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Jan. } \\ & 20 . \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Jan. } \\ & 27 . \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \mathrm{Feb} \\ 3 . \end{gathered}$ | Feb. |  |  |
| Liverpool | 3,082 | 9:112 | 5,772 | 6,412 | 187,072 | 260,266 |
| Total to Gt. Britain | 3,082 | 9,112 | 5,772 | 6,412 | 187,072 | 260,260 |
| Havre | 265 | 409 | .. | $\ldots$ | 4,022 | 6,234 |
| Other French por | $\ldots$ | . |  |  |  |  |
| Total French | 265 | 409 | .... | $\ldots$ | 4,022 | 7,935 |
| Bremen and Hanov | $\ldots$ | 148 | $\ldots$ | 833 | 10,993 | 12,943 |
| Hamburg. | 50 | $\cdots$ |  | ${ }^{1.2338}$ | 14,735 1,750 | 3, 593 |
| Total to N. Europe. | 50 | 148 |  | 2,973 | 27,478 | 16,729 |
| 8pain,Oporto\&Gibraltar\&e |  | $\ldots$ |  |  | 10 | 2,64 |
| All 0 | $\ldots$ | ... |  |  |  | 2,64 |
| Total Spain, de. | $\ldots$ | .... | .... |  | 10 | 2,647 |
| Grand Total..... .. | 3,397 | 9,669 | 5.772 | 9,385 | 218.582 | 287,57 |

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| NEW Y | ORE. |
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| This week. | Since Sept. 1. |
| 2,423 | 73,376 |
| 499 | 26,785 |
| 1,752 | 87.069 |
|  | 1,270 |
| 412 | 5.102 |
| 1.480 | 93,0:30 |
| 2,269 | 37,167 |
| 3.557 | 121,403 |
| 500 | 11,030 |
| 2,897 | 79,526 |
| 15,783 | 536,645 |
| 26.018 | 601,436 |

Below we give all news received to date of disasters, \&c., to vessels carrying cotton from United States ports :
Lessing, str. (Ger.), from New York, before reported aground on Juel's Sand, came off A.M., Jan. 17, and proceeded up wards.
ST. Lowis-The cotton forwarded to Liverpool per steamers Minnesota and wotore rg ex-edeamship sh. Louis, from New O:leans for Liverpool, worth about f12 per bule. That in the worst order in the first lot
whe brought $£ 915 \mathrm{~s}$. per bale. The average price realized for the whole shipment was $£ 1010 \mathrm{~s}$. per bale.
Vindicator, str, from New York for Philadelphia, arrived at Newcastle, Del., at $11 \cdot 40$ A.M., Feb. 7 , cut by the ice, above the guards, and commenced pumps keeping her free, and left A.M. 9th for Philadelphia, in tow of pumps-beping her free, and but was compelled to return to Newcastle.
J. L. Dimmodk, ship, Lincoln, from Savannan, at Havre Jan 21, experienced severe weather and lost jibboom.
inceron, ship, Flagg, for Liverpool, cotton laden, which was set on fire at in the hold agaid Feb. 8th, but it was extinguished with slight damage to 14 bales cotton. She was towed back to New Orleans 9th.
Royal Alice, ship (Br.), at Liverpool Jan. 21 from New York, shipped a sea during a gale 12th, which carried away part of bulwarks, stove in deckhouse, \&c.
Clifton, bark, ( Br ), from Galveston for Fleetwood with cotton, before reported, ran ashore on Roa Island, entrance to Piel Harbor, Jan. 20, havil:g 21st and towed into harbor. She encountered very severe weather in the Atlantic. with heavy seas, which carried away pert of bulwarks, started some of the covering board bolts, etc.
OLIVE MounT, bark, (Br), Jordan, from Norfolk December 10 for Liverpool, before reported as out of time, arrived at her destination Feb. 5 . Barcelo-
TARAGONA, bark (Span), Pascaul, from New Orleans December 13 for Bar
Von ${ }^{\text {na, }}$ DR HEYDT, bark, (Ger), Koepke, from Savannah for Helsingfors, is reported by cable to be icebound at swinemunde. The report that she had arrived at Helsingfors was premature.
Sibal, (Nor). The cotton eaved from the brig Sibal, from Wilmington, N. C., 20 , and realized from $£ 915 \mathrm{~s}$. to $£ 11$ is. 6 d . per bale.
hamburg, Jan. $20-$ A lighter, laden with bales of cotton from one of the Hamburg-American Company's New York steamers, filled last night below St. Paul's. Most of the bales have been saved, and are lying in charge of the Customs.
Cotton freights the past week have been as follows:

|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Sail. } \\ & \text { d. } \end{aligned}$ | $\overbrace{\text { Steam }}$ Save. Sail. |  | -Bremen.- $\sim$ Hamburg.- |  |  |  |
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| - ${ }^{\text {d. }}$ |  | c. | c. |  | c. |  |  |
| Saturday...9-32@5-16 | 1/409-32 | 7/8 |  | (a)5/4 | . comp. | $3 / 4$ |  |
| Monday.... $9-320$ (0,5-16 | 3/409-32 |  | $\cdots$ | . © ${ }^{3 / 6}$ | ... comp. | . ©3/3 |  |
| Tuesday... ..@5-16 | .@9-32c | p. 7/8 | $\cdots$ | ..83/4 | ..comp. | . $0^{3 / 4}$ |  |
| Wednesday ..@5-16 | .. ©9-32c | np. $7 / 8$ |  | Q3\% | ..comp. | .@3/4 |  |
| Thursday.. .@@s-16 | ..@9-32c | mp. 7/8 |  | .@3/4 | ..comp. | . $0^{3 / 4}$ |  |
| Fridsy......@5-16 | ..@9-32c | mp. $7 / 8$ |  | . @3/4 | ..comp. | $3 / 4$ |  |

Market quiet.
Liverpool, Feb. 12.-3.30 P. M.-By Cable from Liver-Pool.-The market opened with holders pressing sales, and closed dull to-day. Sales of the day were 12,000 bales, of which 2,000 bales were for export and speculation. Of to-day's sales 6,000 bales were American. The weekly movement is given as follows:

 of which exporters took........
of which speculators took.......
Total stock. of which American................. Total import of the we of which American.. Actual export.
Amount afloat.
of which American...

Indian corn has turther declined, and early in the week there were large sales of prime new mixed at 81c., after which the market ruled $\frac{1}{2} @ 1 \mathrm{c}$. better, but with less doing. Arrivals by rail have been pretty free, and the necessity of effecting prompt sales has, in view of the obstacles to making deliveries caused by the ice, compelled receivers to accept lower prices. Old corn is su entirely nominal that we drop it from our quotations. White corn is scarce. Receipts of corn at the West are smaller, and there are indications of an effort to check the decine. To day, there was a good business, at $81 \frac{1}{2} @ 82 c$. for new mixed.

Rye has been rather more salable at steady prices. Barley has further declined, with moderate sales of Canada West at $\$ 1.50 @ 1.52 \frac{1}{2}$. Canada peas have been dull.
Oats have slightly improved in business and prices, and yesterday choice white sold at 70 c , and prime mixed at $63 @ 69 \mathrm{c}$, to arrive and on the spot. To-day, there were large sales of prime Toledo mixed at 69 c .
The following are the closing quotations:
 No. 2.............f bbi.
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 Western Spring wheal
 do winter wheat Xand City shipping extras. City trade and family brands.
Southern Southern bakers and family orards Southern shipp'g extras. Rye fiour, superine.


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| Corn--Western mixed,.... 81 (1) |  |
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| Yellow,Western......... |  |
| Rye............... |  |
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| Oats-Biack. |  |
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| White $\qquad$ .. 68 |  |
| Canada West .......... 1470 |  |
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| State.... |  |

The movement in breadstuffs at this market has been as tol lows:

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Flour, bb
C. meal, Wheat, ous.
Corn,
Rye,
RBarley
\#B.
".
*Barley
Oats ...

| Forthe |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Since } \\ & \text { Jan. } \end{aligned}$ | Forthe | Since | Forthe | Si |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | week. |  |  |  |
| 53,338 | 358 | 468,390 | 32.964 | 212,846 | 44,138 |  |
| 3.819 |  |  | 2, |  |  |  |
| 120,048 | 513,669 | \% | 20 | 1,481,150 |  |  |
| 758.965 | 2,905,907 | 1,344,8:18 | 322,602 | 1,735,054 | 384, | 1,372 |
|  | 5.738 | 76,750 |  |  |  |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & 6,067 \\ & 90,680 \\ & 90,885 \end{aligned}$ | 183,096 729,009 |  |  |  |  |  |

Recenpts at New York' includes also malt.
The following tables show the Grain in sight and the move ment of Breadstuffs to the latest mail datog:
receipts at lake and river ports for the week ending FEb. 6, AND FROM AUG. 1 TO FEb. 6

|  | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Flour. } \\ \text { bbls. } \\ \left(196 \text { lhe. }^{2}\right. \end{array}$ | Wheat bush. (60 lbs.) | Corn. bush. (56 lbs. | Oats. bush. 32 lbs. | Barley bush. (481bs.) | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Rye, } \\ \text { bush } \\ \left(56 \mathrm{lh}_{\mathrm{l}}\right. \text { ) } \end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Chicago | 9,78i | 205,100 | 304,132 | 83,580 | 28.880 | 3.95 |
| Milwauk | 6,400 | 198,183 | 8.140 | 15,920 | 15.640 | 075 |
| Toledo. | 100 | 36.726 | 120,657 | 22,172 | 350 |  |
| Detroit | 4,652 | 29,244 | 15,426 | 20,032 | 13,017 |  |
| Clevelana** | 2,937 | 6,250 | 9,100 | 10,400 | 4,0100 |  |
| St. Louis | 26,894 | 67,163 | 82,563 | 50,36\% | 20,090 |  |
| Peoria. | 1,800 | 29,400 | 138,320 | 32,900 | 6,000 |  |
| Dul |  | .... |  |  |  |  |
| Total. | 52.620 | 662,066 | 678,343 | 235,671 | 88,587 |  |
| Provious weel | 72,413 | 942,371 | 1,489.312 | 304.031 | 15\%,047 | 41, |
| Corresp'ng week, 'ri. | 111,'74 | 1,319,216 | 589,121 | 289,544 | 169,002 | 41, |
| -6.73. | 91,556 | 550,224 | 921,507 | 432,587 | 192,073 | 31,8 |
| '72. | 53,188 | 174,351 | 715,731 | 187,752 | 85,791 | 28.7 |
| ${ }^{\prime} 11$. | 87,314 | 453,313 | 1,055.626 | 179,044 | 46,030 | 15,2 |
| '70. | 97,752 | 538,133 | 484,109 | 178,891 | 45,237 | 14, |

Total Aug. 1 to date...2,993,35s 39,176,635 23,933,349 13,310,156 4,859,617 $\quad 850,600$ Same time 1873-74. ..3,883,973 52,134, 600 30,451,068 14,458,061 5,690,184 1,256,60
 * Estımated.

Shipments of Flour and Grain from the ports of Chieago Milwaukee, Toledo, Detroit, Cleveland, St Louis, Peoria and Duluth, for the week ending Feb. 6, 1875, and from Jan. 1 to Feb. 6 :

## Week ending-

Feb. 6, 1875.
Jan. 30, 1875.
Corresp'ng week 1874 Corresp'ng week 1873 Corresp'ng week 1872
Corresp'ng week 1871 Total Jan. to date... Same time 1874.. Same time 1873.
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| ---: | ---: |
| bnsh, | bnsh. |
| 164,723 | 52,899 |
| 160,422 | 65,722 |
| 113,590 | 85,583 |
| 169.493 | 48,862 |
| 71,088 | 46,074 |
| 52,060 | 12,115 |
| 875,712 | 293,132 |
| $1,026,244$ | 485,757 |
| 977,060 | 361,788 |

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9,285
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5,753 5,930
6,242 8,242
89,961 $\begin{array}{lllllllll} & 199,755 & 2,510,805 & 551,883 & 203,342 & 67,563\end{array}$
RECEIPTS OF FLOUR AND GRAIN AT SEABOARD PORTS FOR THE WEEK ENDING FEB. 6, 1875, AND FROM JAN. 1 TO FEB. 6.

|  | Flour, | Wheat, | Corn, | Oats, | Barsey, | Rye, |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| At- | bbls. | bush. | bush. | bush. | bush. | bush. |
| New York | 55,538 | 129,240 | 729,184 | :8,755 | 43,222 | 1,400 |
| Boston | 22,451 | 17,600 | 126,58.5 | 15,850 | 2,000 | 80 |
| Portland* | 16,800 | 30,000 | 30,000 | 12,000 | 500 | 50 |
| Montreal. | 7,100 | 3,950 |  |  | 500 |  |
| Philadelphi | 14,360 | 48,400 | 108.400 | 61.200 | 7,500 |  |
| Baltimore. | 24,016 | 12,860 | 224.200 | 9,900 |  | 1,25 |
| New Orlea | 10,833 |  | 28,542 | 21,036 |  |  |
| Total. | 145,103 | 242.050 | ,246,911 | 198,741 | 53,722 | ,95 |

[^1]| Previoss week...... 1125,140 |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Tortal Jan. 1 to date. 881.848 | 1.330,262 | 6,956,912 |  |  |  |
| Same time $1874 . . . . .1,3,3$ | ${ }_{\text {5 }}^{5}$.096.5688 | 3,696.139 | 1,925,786 |  |  |
|  | ${ }_{1}^{1,054,} \mathbf{6 3}, 759$ | 4,7200,870 | (1, | ${ }_{363,633}^{46,58}$ | ${ }_{22,807}^{11,895}$ | granary at the principal points of accumulation at lake and seaboard ports, in transit by rail,

York canals, was, on Feb. 6. 1875 :

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Total....................



## THE DRY GJODS TRADE.

Friday, P. M., Feb. 12, 1875.
The market has been fairly active during the past week, and there has been a continued firm tone in all lines of cottons, which are strongly favoring sellers. The short supply of water in nearly all New England streams is having the effect of curtailing production, and this is strengthening the market by cutting down the supply of all makes and causing a real scarcity of some of the principal marks. This has stimu!ated buyers to operate rather more freely, though they are not disposed to go heavily into speculation. The Southern trade continue rather cautious in their purchases, though buying to the full extent of present running requirements. There is more liberality manifested in the purchases of Western buyers, and some of the larger jobioing concerns have gone heavily into the more staple productions. The jobbing sales are not very liberal as yet, as the severe cold has been the means of restricting the retailers from operating freely while the prospects of a demand from consumers remained so remote. The severe weather of the past week has been a damper on trade in all departments, but one which will be quickly recovered from with the return of a milder temperature.
Domestic Cotton Goods.-In the general market for cotton goods there has been continued firmness dnring the past wetk with few quotable changes. Brown goods are well reduced in stock, and many of the leading marks are selling "at value" only, in the absence of stock for immediate delivery. The production is very much lessened by the low stage of the water in the New England streams, and the market for bleached coods is also affected. The low prices at which some of the most popular marks have been placed has had the effect of clearing these gnods out completely and left the market bare of these goods which are now only offering by the agents "at value." and current quotations are, therefore, mostly nominal.
There has been no little excitement in prices on prints, and the market is very irregular. The strikes at Fall River have given an impetus to values in print cloths,and the advance on these goods has a tendency to force up prices on prints, though, as yet the improvement in quotations has been mostly on fancy lines rather than on standard fancies. Colored cottons rule firm, and there is a fair business doing in all kinds.
Domestic Woolen Goods.-The market is dull for the most part, and is without notable change in quotations. For fancy cassimeres the demand is very slack. Olothiers are buying very sparingly, and the season is not far enough advanced for retailers to make any selections as yet. For worsted suitings there is a moderate call, and there is a prospect that these goods will be wanted freely during the coming season. Worsted dress goods sell fairly, with prices ruling firm. Shawls and knit goods are firm, and there is a fair call for the small offerings that are making. Hosiery has sold to a fair extent at steady rates.
Foreign Goods.-The market is steady, with imports slightly exceeding those of last year. There is a little more animation in the market, with fair sales from first hands of the more staple qualities of goods. Dress goods are in fair request in heavy varieties. Silks move rather slowly, though there is a moderate
business for medium-priced blacks and fancy silks. Linens move steadily, aid all of the more staple varieties are taken by local and distant jobbers in fair aggregate amounts. White goods rule firm at full rates.
The importations of dry goods at this port for the week ending Feb. 11, 1875, and the corresponding weeks of 1874 and 1873 have been as follows:
entered for consumption for the were ending february 1:, 1875.


withdrawn from warehouse and thrown Manufactures of wool.... $\quad 848$ SAME PERIOD

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Manufactures of wool

| Manufactures of | wool. | 904 | 8398,190 | 1,051 | \$459,76\% | 79 | \$121,269 |
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| do | cotton.. | 998 | ${ }^{3060,173}$ | 846 |  |  | 103,049 |
| do | A | ${ }_{774}$ | - 304,688 | 195 | 186.233 <br> 281147 <br> 1 | 95 | 104,876 107071 |
| Migcoilaneous d | goods. | 4,016 | 77,938 | 2,797 | 47,274 | 7,971 | 54,617 |

 Total entered at the port $\overline{16,146} \overline{\varepsilon 5,095,845} \quad \overline{18,028} \overline{\{3,959,113} \quad \overline{19,573} \overline{\$ 3,773.782}$ We annex a few particulars of ieading articles of domesti manufacture, our prices quoted being those of leading joblers:

Ancona rancy
 do robes....
nchor shirt's... Anchor shirt's. do fancy...
do suiting. A dancies. do checks. do cheviot..
do shirtings Amoske......
do purples
Bristol fancies... Cocheco fancies do pinks. do robes...
do shirting do side b'nds Conestoga fancies Carleton
Dunnell's

| do | purples |
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| do | ruby.... |
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| do | procks... |
| do | pinks... |
| do. | purples.. |


| 81/2 | Garner's f |
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| 10 | do pur |
| 8 | Gloucester |
| -9 | do mourning. |
| 91/2 | do shirting |
| 93 | Hamilton |
| 91/2 | do chec |
| -8\% | do h'r cord. |
| 9 | do purples. |
| 9 | do shirt'gs. |
| 9 | Hartel's fancies.. |
| 81/2 | do Swiss |
| 9 | do ruby\& bk |
| 9 | do sol chks. |
|  | do grn\&oge. |
| 8 | do palm |
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| 8 | Lancaster cam |
| 8 | Miners' shirts |
| 9 | Manchester |
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| 91/2 | do F pk\&pur |
| 8 | do $G$ |
| 9 | do robes |
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|  | do side b'n 1 |
| 9 | Mallory pinks. |
| 9 | do buffs. |
|  | do frock |
| 7\%2 | do h'r cor |
| 9 | do checks |
| 81/6 | Oriental, D. fancy |
|  | do robes. |
| 9 | do purple |
|  | do ruby.. |

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## $\begin{array}{lll}\text { No. } 8 \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots & 26 \\ \text { No. } 9 \ldots \ldots \ldots . . . & 24 \\ \text { No. } 10 \ldots \ldots . . . & 22\end{array}$

## Light duck-

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Cordis awning .22\%-2 -20

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## PRICES CURKENT．

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BREADSTUFFS－Seespecialreport． BuIDING MATERIALS

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