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## REFUNDING AND OUR SURPLUS REVENUES.

Mr. Sherman in the Senate, and Mr. Randall in the House, has introduced a new 3 per cent funding bill. These measures differ quite materially in their spirit and details, but the partisans of each tell us that they are perfect in their way. We are inclined to give to such proposals the interpretation put upon the discussions of the "Monroe doctrine"-vox et preteria nihil, or attempts to create party platforms out of nothing. The people have no interest in either subject just now-they never did havo in the "expanded" Monroe doctrine; and as to fund. ing, the life of that question was extracted by the "Windoms." Perhaps after a while Congress also will see, that changing 6 per cent bonds into $3 \frac{1}{2}$ per cent options was a clever operation; but changing $3 \frac{1}{2}$ per cent options into 3 per cent bonds is quito another thing.

Especially in the present condition of the Government income account, does refunding, even at a still lower rate of interest than proposed, appear untimely. Secretary Folger in his report shows, for the year ending with next June, a surplus revenue, including amount due the sinking fund, of 130 millions; and for the following twelve
months, if wo only allow the same as this year for pen. sions, a surplus of 150 millions. Both of theso estimatea aro probably much less than will be realized, as our activities, and therefore our revenues, are on the increase. On the first of Dacember the interest-bearing dobt was only $\$ 1,561,305,200$ and on the first of July it will be less than $\$ 1,500,000,000$; so that our current income will pay off the whole funded debt, say in ten years, and all of the extended 5 s and 6 s inside of four years. At the present moment, therefore, how unfortunato it would bo to fand our options.

Hence as a preliminary, and before oven a discus. sion of funding could be in order, it is evident that wo must find some new way to dispose of our surplus. Under the present conditions, the money will come in and must have this outlet. To force the Secretary to buy bonds, with the debt so rapidly decreasing, would make him pay extravagant premiums, aud lose far more than the most successful funding measure could eave. is leavo tho accumulations in the Treasury would most effectually derange all the industries of the country. But probably Mr. Randall will say that he has a curo for the surplus receipts in a repeal of all interual revenue tax laws. The answer is, that that measure has not passed and there is no good reason to suppose it will pass. It will be time to discuss refunding after such a provision has been enacted. and not until then.

There are two parties in Congress, one for free trade and the other for protection. We seo the contest between them already begun, and our copious revenues are going to force that question as the leading one during this session of Congress. It would not surprise us if it were the leading one in the country the next four years. But out of the winter's discussions at Washington we doubt very much whether there will result any decrease in the revenue. The protectionists are determined to hang up the tariff in an outside commission, and, as wo said, take off the internal taxes; whilo the free traders advocato a commission for the tariff but one controlled by Congress, and a general lowering of the tax rate on both customs and internal duties. To this end Mr. Morrison, wo beliove, has brought in a bill proposing a ten per cent roduction all around. This is the way the question stands to-day, and we aro inclined to think it is sbout the way it will stand next summer when Congress adjourns.
But whether wo aro correct or not in the latter conclusion, it is evident that until that controversy is settled, and the revenues are disposed of, there could not be a moro untimely discussion than one about refunding. Our sur. plus, we repeat, must continue for the time being to havo the outlet the Windom options afford. Of courso the pro
tectionists will not admit a failure of their scheme; the belief is that by combining the bank, the whiskey and the tobacco interests they can push the measure through. They have on their side the fact that the idea of closing up the whole revenue system at one blow, is a pleasing one. Mr. Kelley argued it very we!l and very forcibly before the Protectionists' Convention in New York. But the measure will not bear discussion; the people will never consent to have spirits and tobacco untaxed while our customs duties are so heavy. As we said, however, comment upon these probabilities is out of place here, for a refunding measure ought not to receive a vote while any such uncertainty exists.

Furthermore, even if this question was settled, either of the proposed 3 per cent bills would still find strong opposition from the commercial classes. Refunding is an unsettling process. It precludes for the time being any calculations as to the money currents or the rate of interest, and leaves in the hands of the Treasury official the entire control of our money market. We have had two years or more of this uncertainty; it is distasteful to the people and disturbing to our industries. Besides, after the scheme is carried out, and refunding effected, all we have saved is five thousand dollars on each million, or one million dollars on 200 million, and for that amount we have given up an option that may be worth much more to us, and have thrown into our commercial interests an element of uncertainty.

Under these circumstances we do not concoive that there is any necessity for discussing the respective merits of these refunding schemes.

## THE TRUNK LINE RATE WAR.

Contrary to general expectation, the railroad war has not yet been settled. Within the past week another attempt was made to end the dispute, but it proved abortive. Representatives of the different roads chiefly concerned were actually brought together and the question discussed; but though an agreement as respects one class of business at least-the west-bound-was arranged between these representatives, it failed to meet the approval of their superior officers, the Presidents, or rather that of one President, Mr. Vanderbilt, who flatly refused to sign, because, as he said, it involved an at andonment by him of all that he had been contending for-the principle of the abolition of differential rates in favor of Philadelphia and Baltimore-and that he was not yet prepared to yield on a point of such vital importance to the interests of New York.

As a result, not only will there be no advance in westbound freight, but on east-bound freight a large reduction has again been rade, and rates are now as low as they were lefore the advance established in October by each line separately. The Baltimore \& Ohio has reduced its rates to a basis of 12 cents per hundred pounds on grain and provisions, and the Lake Shore and the Michigan Central have followed suit by promulgating a tariff on the basis of 15 cents to New York. The official figures ruling before the reduction, were 25 cents on grain and 30 cents on provisions; but it is not believed that these figures were anything more than nominal, shippers being accommodated on much more favorable terms. In this connection it is interesting to note that the usual winter schedule is 35 cents, or more than twice as high as the 15 cent rate now announced.

This latest action of Mr. Vanderbilt's we look upon as highly significant, for does it not place his recent course in an altogether different light from that in which it has quite generally been regarded? It is not to be denied
that among the Stock. Exchange public and even among merchants there has been not a little skepticism as to the sincerity of Mr. Vanderbilt's professions. It was argued that as, through the abolition of tolls on west-bound freight, the competition of the water route threatened to become more formidable than ever, to fight the canal was a matter of necessity to the Central, and that the idea of insisting upon equal rates to all the seaboard cities was merely an after-thought, cleverly used to cover up the real issue. Thus it was considered certain that with the closing of the canals a restoration of rates to the old figures would follow. But the water route is no longer a factor in the problem, and yet Mr. Vanderbilt adheres to his position and refuses to join the other lines in any agreement which does not at the same time place New York on an equality with Philadelphia and Baltimore. This is the only question in dispute. There appears to be no doubt that if Mr. Vanderbilt is willing to let that go by the board an understanding as to rates could easily be effected and higher figures at once established. That he is willing the contest should go on, rather than that the principle avowed should be surrendered, must certainly strengthen the conviction of those who have all along had faith in Mr. Vanderbilt's professions.

Mr. Vanderbilt's position is certainly a popular one here. It is simply this, that New York should enjoy equal advantages with the other ports in the way of transportation charges. And why not? With its larger capital, its splendid railroad facilities, its excellent terminal accommodations, and its superior advantages as a port, why should not New York insist upon being placed on an equal footing with the best? The determination to secure this; which Mr. Vanderbilt now announces, seems to us not only just in itself, but the only stand he can take. The position would no doubt be forced upon him some time if not assumed by him now, for the interests of the Central are inseparably bound up with those of the city. The policy of discrimination has already entailed some loss to New York, and it can be only a question of time how long the trade centring here could bear it. As Mr. Vanderbilt says, a system which compels David Dows \& Co. to open a branch house at Baltimore, to carry on their business, cannot be just. What's more, it cannot be continued indefinitely.

As far, therefore, as Mr. Vanderbilt is concerned, the railroad war would not appear to be so causeless and wanton as is generally supposed. Mr. Vanderbilt went as far as the interests at stake permitted, when he agreed to submit the whole question in dispute to disinterested arbitration, either to a committee of merchants, or to a person of undoubted repute like Charles Francis Adams, Jr. He would not make a concession of principle, but he was willing that if a committe or an arbiter in whose judgment and disinterestedness he had confidence, should decide that he was wrong, that decision should be final.

In the meantimo Mr. Vanderbilt seems to bo fortifying himself in various ways. By acquiring the Ohio Railway he added an excellent feeder to his system. His efforts to gain control of the Reading, it is asserted, are not only for the purpose of obtaining an entrance into Philadel. phia, but also to aid in the formation of a new through route from the West to that city, so as to be able to contend with the Pennsylvania in its own territory. There would appear to be considerable basis for such belief. The Reading would carry Mr. Vanderbilt to Harrisburg; from there to Pittsburg it is stated a line is now being built through the coke regions in the Vanderbilt interest; from Pittsburg to Youngstown the Pittsburg \& Lake Erie, in which the Lake Shore has a stock ownership, could be used;
arrived at Youngstown, easy connoction could bo had with tho Lake Shore, oither over a branch of that road or over the Painesville \& Youngstown, or a portion of the Now York Pennsylvania \& Ohio. Such a line, it is said, would be forty miles shorter than that of the Pennsylvania.
Should this schome be carried out thero can bo no doubt Mr. Vanderbilt will havo immensely strengthened himself as against the Pennsylvania in the present struggle. On the north the extension of the Credit Valley road in Canada to a connection with tho Canada Southern at St. Thomas, will, by furnishing the Canada Southern an outlot to Toronto, givo Mr. Vanderbilt increased power over tho Grand Trunk and the Great Western. But all this docs not show, as many appear to think, that Mr. Vanderbilt's declarations are not sincere and that he will soon recode from his position. On the contrary, it would rather seem to indicate that he was perfecting and enlarging his system of roads, to more effectually cope with his adversaries and compel them to recognize tie justice of his demands. His father before him engaged in the same fight and maintained it unto the day of his death. The son would now appear to be of the same mind as his father and equally determined. The outcome of the conflict is not doubtful. If fought out to the end the Central must be the gainer.

## THE FINANCIAL SITUATION.

Our money market reflects this week the action of the Treasury in letting out some of its surplus; but this would have been much less effective were it not for the quietness, not to say dulness, which has prevailed on our Stock Exchange. In fact, for the timeat least, there seems to be apparent in all business circles at this centre a cautious disposition, the main exception being in cotton, where speculation still prevails. Under theze circumstances the present demard for accommodation is limited; and our market therefore responds quickly to every influx of funds.

Even before the outflow from the Sub-Treasury there was less activity in money, the decreased urgency in the demand being partly attributable to the oversold condition of the stock market, but mainly to an absence of anxiety with regard to the future, which confined the demand to immediate and most pressing wants. The offers of bonds under the 106 th call on Wednesday, reached $\$ 5$.489,000 , all of which were accepted. Up to Friday morn. ing the amount presented and paid was $\$ 4,006,772$; the balance will probably all be presented and paid to-day. The opinion seems to prevail that the remaining $14 \frac{1}{2}$ millions will come in slowly and that next Wednesday it is not likely the whole 5 millious will be tendered. Still, judging from the action under the previous call, we may expect the offerings to be fairly liberal the coming two weeks. About $\$ 500,000$ has been paid by the Sub.Treasury during the week on the 105 th call, leaving almost $4 \frac{1}{2}$ millions still outstanding under that call. The delay of holders in parting with these securities is not surprising when we remember how and by whom they are held; but the fact remains the same that so long as these payments continue, the tendency must be to accumulate moneys in the Treas. ury and thus to extract funds from commerce.

The domestic exchanges at the leading interior cities are against New York except at Boston, where therc has been a change in our favor within a fow days. But the West and South have now smaller balances with us upon which to draw and consequently the movemont in those directions has been more restricted. We note an influx from the interior of this State and from near-by towns, together with some considerable amounts eent from scmoter points, making the total interior movement for
the week ended Decembor 15 th slightly againat this city, as may be seen from the following slatement.

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| Currenoy | $\begin{array}{r} 11,301,000 \\ 21,000 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1,218,000 \\ 425,000 \end{array}$ |
| Total | \$1,329,000 | 11,843,0 |

The Bank of America, the gold depository of the asso. ciated banks, received $\$ 1,000,000$ for deposit in the vanil, and paid out $\$ 300,000$, making a net increaso in the stock of gold of $\$ 700,000$ during tho week.

The Sub-Treasury operations for the week includo the reccipt of $\$ 2,000,000$ gold from Philadelphia, and show a net gain to the banks of $\$ 809,990$ 35. This, with the movement of gold and currency given above, will indicato the following as the changes in the bank reserves, except so far as the result may bo affected by including silver certificates, which are not counted as roserve

|  | Into Banks. | Outof Banks | Nel Cain. |
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| Sul-Treasury operations, net... | \$800,890 |  | 8900.930 |
| Interfor movement | 1,335,000 | 1,613,000 | -318,000 |
| Total... | \$2.13.1.890 | 81.643.000 | \$491.890 |

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There has been a supply of gold from foreign arrivals during the week of about $\$ 727,000$, having come in from Europe on Saturday and Monday. This probably includes about all that was afloat. The foreign exchange market has continued very steady. $\Lambda$ moderate supply of bills came from the negotiation of some railroad secarities in Holland, and within a day or two there has been a small amount of cotton bills offering, but the demand, chiefly from importers, has been sufficient to absorb the new bills and thus the market has been kept firm. The following indicates the margin of profit for cable transactions in securities, the table showing relative prices in London and New York at the opening each day.

|  | Dec. 12. |  | Dec. 13. |  | Dec. 14. |  | Dec. 15. |  | Dec. 16. |  |
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|  | Lond'n prices." | N.Y. prices. | Lontir prices." | N.I. | Lond'n prices." | $\left\|\begin{array}{l} \text { N.I. } \\ \text { prices. } \end{array}\right\|$ | $\left\|\begin{array}{l} \text { Lond'n } \\ \text { prices." } \end{array}\right\|$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { N.F. } \\ & \text { Prices. } \end{aligned}$ | Lond'n prices. | N.I. |
| U.8.4s, ${ }^{\text {c. }}$ | 118.31 | 118\% | :18-46 | 118\% | 118.46 | 118\% | 11749\% | 118: | 11748 | 1154 |
| U.S.s\%/s | 102.69 | 109 | 10263 | 1034 | 102.63 | 103 | 10268 | 103\% | 10268 | 10856 |
| Erle..... | $45 \cdot 57$ | 45\% | 43:39 | 45\% | 45.27 | 453: | 41\%0 | 45 | 45.02 | 44\% |
| 2 d con. | $101 \cdot 48$ | 100\% | 10073 | 101 | $100 \%$ | 100\% | 100-49 | 160\% | $100 \cdot 49$ | 100\% |
| 111. Cent. | 18351 | 134 | 133\%26 | 153k | 133*26 | 1334 | 133-26 | 133 | $183 \%$ | 138 |
| N. Y.C. | 1392 ! | 139 | 13836 | 188\% | 138.38 | 187\% | 138.42t | 15844 | 13808 | 138 |
| Readlag | 34.22t | B34 | 34.4 | 09\% | 9 50t | 6036 | $86.28+1$ | 653 | $36 \cdot 38$ ! | 08\% |
| texch'ge, cables. | 4.854 |  | $4 \cdot 854$ |  | $4 \cdot 8536$ |  | 4.853/ |  | 4.883 |  | - Expressed in their New York eqnivalent.

Reading on basis of $\$ 50$, par value.
Note.-The New York equivaient is based upon the highest rate for eable transfers, which ordinarlly covers nearly ali charges, such ns interest, insurance and commissions.

In the stock market there has been little disposition manifested to operate largely. The tone has bcen favorable and the feeling appears to be quito general that we are likely to see higher prices soon. But with money by no means abundant except on the very best collaterals, and with overy rise followed by a decline, the professional speculator is wisely disposed to hold aloof. Some claim that the leading operators are pleased with the situation, as it enables them to increase their holdings; but ideas of this kind are the usual gossip of the market, which it is well to receive with caution. Only two favorable facts aro established; one of them is that money is in less demand and is likely to remain so for a time; the other is that there must be considerablo money to invest during the next fow weeks which would naturally seek after our better class of securities.

An adverse circumstance, which unscttles investors' views, is the continuation in all its bitterness of the rato war. In fact, the leading piece of news of the woek is the announcement that the conference of managers of the trunk line rosds had resulted in a disagreement, the majority refusing to accept the proposition of Mr. Vander-

Bilt to refer the question of differential rates to arbitration. The proposal to arbitrate, it is argued, however, indicates that the differences are not insurmountable. Furthermore, the hope of a settlement, some think, finds encouragement in the reported statement that Mr. Vanderbilt has offered to compromise by allowing one half the difference claimed by the Philadelphia and Baltimore roads and by his apparent admission that he is willing there should be a difference, but is not willing that those roads should say what it is to be. Still, these are pretty unsubstantial reasons to build upon ; on the contrary, we are inclined to believe that the contest is to continue for the present at least. Great curiosity is felt to see the report of the earnings of New York Central to the State Engineer, which it is expected will be made public next week, as a similar report was published the corresponding woek a year ago. Those figures ought to help us to judge what effect this war is having on the Central's business. The disposition at the moment is to believe that the showing will be more favorable than has been anticipated.

In the meantime, it is manifest that east-bound business from the leading Western cities must be light whether the war is settled or not. The embargo on the movement of grain, seems to ensure that condition, and it will last so long as prices of breadstuffs are higher at the West than at the East. This dirth of business always tends to prevent a settlement between the roads. Then there is the competition just now of the Mississippi River route which operates in thesame way. The ruling rate from St. Louis to Liverpool via New Orleans is about 16 to 18 cents per 100 pounds for partial and from 20 to 25 cents per 100 pounds for full cargoes of grain. Even at these figures comparatively little grain is moving, for the reason that the export demand is so light. The rail rate from St. Louis to New York is 20 cents per 100 pounds, and 6 cents more will cover the ocean freight. It follows therefore that the rail rate even now must be reduced from 6 to 10 cents between St. Louis and New York in order to compete with the river route. But these charges via Mississippi River are exceptional, due to the little cotton being exported, and also, it is stated, to some vessels having reached the Gulf ports with railroad iron, and now desiring at any price to get a return cargo. In another column we give besides some special reasons why Mr. Vanderbilt may be indifferent to a settlement. We refer to undertakings he is reported to be engaged in which it is believed will strengthen his position and give him at no distant day a direct opposition to the Grand Trunk and the Pennsylvania.

The Bank of England return shows a gain of $£ 7,800$ bultion for the week and an iucrease of $5 \cdot 16$ in the proportion of reserve to liabilities. The Bank of France reports an increase of $1,350,000$ francs gold and a decrease of 470,000 francs silver. The following exhibits the amount of bullion in each of the principal European banks this week and at the corresponding date last year.

|  | Dee. 15, 1881. |  | Dec. 16, 1880. |  |
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|  | Gold. | Silver. | Gold. | Silver. |
| ank of England | $\stackrel{\boldsymbol{L}}{ }$ | \& | $\stackrel{2}{2}$ | ${ }^{2}$ |
| Bank of France. | 25,953,656 | 46,749,920 | 24,936,237 $21,706,554$ | 48,956,610 |
| Bank of Germany | 6,669,737 | 20,009,213 | 9,162,000 | 18,324,000 |
| Total this week. | 53,418,939 | 66,759,133 | 55,804,791 | 67,320,610 |
| Total previons week | 53,357,287 | 66,780,558 | 55,817,997 | 67,155,206 |
| T7 The above gold and silver divislon of the stock of coln of the Bank of Germany is merely popular estimate, as tho Bank itself givep no information on that polnt. <br> The payments by the Assay Office, through the Sub- |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Treasury, amounted to \$781,974, of which about \$700,000 |  |  |  |  |
| was for foreign gold, and the receipts by the Assistant |  |  |  |  |
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|  |  | Gold. | $\begin{gathered} U . S . \\ \text { Noles. } \end{gathered}$ | Silver <br> Dollar | Silver Certificales. |
| Dec. 9 | \$133,400 35 | \$317,600 | \$23,000 | \$1,000 | \$93,000 |
| " 10. | 309.96309 | 165,000 | 17,000 | 1,000 | 127,000 |
| " 12. | 438,001 05 | 330,000 | 16,000 |  | 91,000 |
| " 13. | 727,810 41 | 610.000 | 37,000 |  | 80,000 |
| " 14. | 369,158 29 | 292,00c | 15,000 | 1,000 | 62,000 |
| " 15. | 615,213 55 | 498,000 | 26,000 | 1,000 | 91,000 |
| Total... | \$2,893,546 74 | \$2,212,000 | \$134,000 | \$4,000 | \$544.000 |

Government bonds have been strong during the week, with a good demana for investment and a limited supply. The market was not influenced by the introduction of the refunding measures of Mr. Sherman and Mr. Randall, mainly for the reason that it is regarded as unlikely that any bill changing the character of the public debt will become a law at this session.

## PENSION CLAIMS.

Our revenues are so abundant that they naturally suggest tax reduction. This is always an agreeable subject, but in the present instance its discussion has given rise to quite opposite opinions as to the direction in which the relief should be extended. Some advocate a complete wiping out of the internal revenue system; while others wish the reductions confined mainly to our customs duties. We have said something respecting the condition of that controversy in another column; but there is a preliminary issue which in some degree controls the extent of that surplus.

We, of course, refer to the new claims which have been and are being filed under the Arrears of Pension law. This bill was passed in January, 1879; or, more accurately speaking, it was rushed through so nearly by a unanimous vote that resort to veto was useless. The estimates of probable requirements under it, ranged from the mere talk of some Congressmen, a few hundred thousands, to the 100 millions named by Secretary Sherman. The committee in charge of the bill put the amount at 18 millions; the Pension officials said 33 millions would be required at first and at least 50 millions before the end would be reached; 27 millions were appropriated. The previously existing law made pensions begin at date of death or of discharge, but provided that application must be znade within five years after the right accrued; otherwise the pension should begin at the date of filing the last evidence necessary to secure it. The Arrears act repealed this five-years' limitation, thus antedating a large mass of claims and facilitating fraud. And now we have the announcement that the Commissiouer of Pensions must have 235 millions to pay the remaining claims, 100 millions of which Mr. Folger puts in his estimate of expenses for 1882-3. Whether in the end this 235 millions will not be increased to two or three times that amount seems to be as little certain as were the original estimates; in fact, ex-Commissioner Bentley says he anticipates that the pension-roll, which was increased some 15,000 during the last fiscal year, will continue to grow until the number of pensioners on the rolls will be fully 400,000 .
Condemnation of this law is now of course universal. We criticised and opposed it earnestly at the time of its passage. But condemnation now is as useless as criticism -in fact, there is no room for criticism where the subject is all demerit. ' The measure was so foolish, untimely, and provoking, that to speak of it in moderation is not easy. Any avoidable line of action the cost of which is not ascertainable more nearly than 50 millions or so, ought to be sufficiently condemned by that fact alone outside of lunatic asylums; and what crowns the badness of the whole matter is that it puts a premium on fraud and that
the benefit goes chiefly to agents and speculators who never fought with the army, although some of them mest likely followed it.
But here the situation is, and what is to be done about it? Is tardy repentance come too late? In other words, did the law create unalterable obligatione, and is it itself irrepealable? It hardly needs argument to ahow that this does not fall under the operation of the constitutional prohibition of "irapairing the ebligation of contracts," for that only applics by implication to Congress, and there is no contract here at all. The fourteenth amendment declares unquestionable "the validity of the public debt of the United States authorized by law, including debts incurred for payment of pensions and bounty for scrvices in suppressing insurrection or rebellion"; ; but no debt has beon incurred yet, as would have been liad money been borrowed for pension purposes. At most, this obligation is neither contract nor deht, but only an announcement or a promise to bestow a gratuity. There is no consideration, and instead of becoming a recorded obligationsomething "owed" for value received-this is only a part of current exponditure. Whether the Government is bound, in law and justice, to pay these gratuitous sums, merely because Congress promised it would, and the claimants have filed papers accordingly, may perhaps be fairly open to question. If one promises to mako a gift-without more calculation of what he is doing than was used by the owner of the horse (in the old arithmeticexample) who agreed to pay a penny for the first nail in the shoe, two for the second, and so on-is he denied retreat? If so as to clains already filed, surely Congress may erect a barricr against the still indefinite series of those yet to be filed. And if even that cannot be done; most surely precautions and checks-hitherto, consistently, almost omitted-may be interposed against outright fraud.
To this latter end many devices have been suggested, but for detecting fraud we know nothing like publicity. Suppose, for instance, the names and residences of the pensioners residing in each Post-Office district were published in the newspaper of that district, also a printed list of them put up in the Post-Office and in ten other of the most public places in the district-how many could endure and pass the scrutiny which would thus be centered upon them? In villages and country towns such a publication would probably be all that was necessary to effectually detect the swindlers. But in our larger cities additional measures could be adopted for securing evidence of fraud. It seems as if some simple device of this kind would be a very uscful help in an investigation of these claims; and we presume they will be investigated, for the country will require it.
But if it is found that this act of folly cannot be evaded, then after the claims have again been sifted and the iraudulent ones taken out, it remains to provide for the payment of the remainder. When this point is reached it may be thought advisable to capitalize-to use a convenient but in this matter almost grotesquely satirical expression-the expenditure in a low-rate bond rather thar to leave it a running expenditure from year to year. We see no objection, if the thing cannot be helped, to Mr. Atkinson's suggestion to cover the yearly pensions for the present by selling terminable annuities. For example, supposing-on this plan-6 millions outlay is made for the new fiscal year on annuities instead of 100 millions cash expenditure; then tho tax and tariff question can bo treated indepcadently of this subject. But in some way there must be an accounting and an adjustment of the results of this blind financicring.

THE: BKOOKTIYN FIHIDGE MUDDLE:
Nearly three yoara ago, and at least onco sincu then, we expressed disbolief in the promiso of lie Brooklyn Bridge as a profitable picce of construction for the public, and disapproval of the methods pursued in the management of the work. These opinions have been since ainfly justified by the increase in cest, in money directly, and indirectly through increased time consuinod-interest alone, for example, is eating at the rale of two thousand dollars for every day in the year-and in the growing fenrs that tho bridge will after all preve of tnore practical injury and of less practical benefit than was represented all along.
During a few monthe past, dissatisfaction among the trustecs has been increasing, and the last three or four neetings have been chiefly occupied with the efforts of several of the New York members to find out somo important and mysterious things which appear to bo in fact though not on the record, and with the amiable efforts of the President and one or two of the Brooklyn memabers to soothe these aroused inquiries. The special meeting on Monday, at which 19 trustees were present-there having becn no such large attendance before in several months past-brought the matters at issue so sharply into. view that they have compelled an unusual public attention.
Before stating what these matters are, it is not out of place to remark that in a general way the New York trustees seem to be opposed to the Brooklyn. This division of the board by city lines is in part becanse the Brooklyn half of the board has been from the first more actively engaged in the construction, the President, Secre tary, and principal contractor, at least, being from that side of the river, and therefore the Brooklyn men are necessarily put on the defensive when any criticism of the management arises; furthermore, it appears-among the matters latcly discovered and now mado subjects for inguiry-that the transit of Pullman cars over the bridgh has been authorized, or decided upon, by somebody, awd some of the New York trustees think they see in the future an attempt to run freight cars through this city and across the bridge, to which they object (as also to the Pullmans car) in the interest of New York. This part of the subject we do not care to discuss now, and mention it in part because it strengthens the point we raised, long ago, that while the bridge might conceivably be a good thing for Brooklyn to build we were unable to see where any interest of this city which would justify taxation for it could be found.

The gist of the present trouble in the Board of Trustees is this: The appropriation has run out, in consequence of changes made in construction-that, however, is comparatively a trifle, for it is only the expected, as appropriations: have a known habit of running out in such matters, and the money already spent would pay for four higher bridges than this, on the basis of original estimates. Steel has been substituted for iron; the changed plans add 1,200 tons more of dead weight; and now tho engineer proposes to reduce the planking of the llooring from $3 \frac{1}{4}$ to 21 inches in thickness, expressly to save 120 tons on the weight of this bridge, which was to be six times or so as strong as its possible load will ever require. "The "change from iron to steel was forced threugh in such "haste (less than three weeks) that there was not time to "calculate every part exactly." This is what the engineer bimself says in a formal report, and thus be in part excusos the error as to weight. He also said, in an 1878 report, that "it was discovered that a Pullman car had not " head room by nearly three feet," and that "I held out for "three months against !his clange, but in vaiu." The dıtr-
culty again arises that the authorized limit of expenditure has been reached, and Comptroller Campbe!l has notified his associate trustees (substantially) that he must make a stand on this; so the Legislature will have to be again asked for more "to complete" this perpetually being completed structure.

This is trouble enough, of course, but not the worst. The towers, cables and anchorages are all finished; they were designed to sustain a definite weight of superstructure. The maximum load ever to be carried by the bridge in course of use was also calculated; the dead weight, the other weight to be carried, and a margin allowed for safety, make up the full strain equal to the resisting power of the structure. Twelve hundred tons, or any other number, of increased dead weight, involve the alternative that the bridge must be restricted to carry a proportionately less load than intended, or that the margin of safety must be less; that is, the bridge must do less work, or it must be less safe. The cables and towers being unalterable, this change in materials permanently deranges all the calculations; the bridge may be still safe and useful, but that it must be less safe or less useful is inevitable. Waiving the solution of this difficulty, which is a matter for professional skill, the question has arisen, who did it? Who forced the changes through, over the head of the engineer, in such haste that details could not be calcu. lated? Against whom did he hold out for three months in resistance to a certain change? This is what several New York trustees have been for some weeks trying to find out. They ask questions which their associates of longer membership cannot or do not attempt to answer definitely. The record does not appear to show. Somebody seems to have caused these steps without formal authority, and so one of the New York members, for the express purpose of finding out the mysterious person or persons, offered a resolution of censure-which lies over until the next meeting-the intention being that the persons who obeyed orders will come forward and expose those who gave the orders, to justify themselves.

That this trouble is not trifling is shown by an editorial, on Tuesday, in the Brooklyn Eagle, whose editor has been one of the trustees, and who is certainly not opposed to the bridge management. Says this article: "From the "discussions which have recently taken place at the meet" ings of the bridge trustees, it is now evident-if it never "was before-that there is something wrong in the prac"tical conduct of this great enterprise. Indecd, one " might go further and say that there is evidence of imbe"cility in it." The article further says that when the President was plainly asked, in a recent meeting, who overruled the engineer, he said he did not know; that "there was nothing to show that the board had taken any " action on the subject, but finally somebody remembered "that a report had been presented in 1878 , under which "it was thought the change was commended," but that the report is found to deal with quite another subject; and that the resolution of censure "would not have hurt "anybody, since the parties responsible are not known." The article concludes by remarking that the appropriations are "practically exhausted" but that "on the other "side we have the better news"—what? Why "that "the trustees and the wife of the chief engineer crossed " the bridge from tower to tower yesterday on the perma"nent roadway." After this test, the safety of the struc. ture under load will perhaps not bo put in question.

The position of the subject is not trifling. Imbecility is shown, according to this good authority; secrecy and irresponsibility appear to be; and confidence in the whole thing scoms irreparably destroyed. The end of it is of
course not reached yet, for the investigation is not concluded; but that the wrongful management is not a new thing was shown two years ago, when-as we narrated in February, 1880, page 180-a newly elected New York trustee resigned directly after attending his first meeting. At that meeting a resolution which he did not approve was passed, raising salaries of two employes, and he found that the increase had already been paid for several months to one of them, while the other had refused to thus receive it; also that pay-rolls lacked signatures, etc. All this convinced him that he could not afford to be associated with the enterprise.

We have left no space to add the moral to the foregoing, but perhaps the reader may have an old one with him which he can make answer, although it be secondhand.

## IRELAND AND THE IRISH LAND ACT.

It is very clear that as yet there has been no great or very perceptible change for the better in the condition of Ireland. Outrages, Boycottings, refusals to pay rent, and evictions, are still characteristic features of the general situation. There is an evident unwillingness among a large class to be satisfed with anything the government can do.

Mr. Gladstone on the other hand has revealed a marvellous amount of patience; and it seems to be his fixed determination that his administration shall not be stained by any blood unnecessarily shed. It was only when continued liberty of the leading agitators had become menacing to the peace of the empire that their imprisonment was deomed a necessity; and it is not at all improbable that rumor speaks truly when it says that the Prime Minister will on the occasion of the opening of Parliament give another illustration of his magnanimity by liberating some of the least offending and permitting them to take their seats.

Out of these two facts has grown an impression that the situation was passing beyond the control of the Prime Minister and that thenew Land act was a failure. Neither of these conclusions seems to us warranted. Mr. Gladstone's course is consistent throughout. He wishes to have the law work the cure, and proposes to give it the chance. - Nothing he has said or done is incompatible with its rigorous and unhesitating enforcement. Should Parnell and his associates, in the event of their liberation, again preach sedition, it will be to their own hurt; and should rioting ensue directly through their instigation, or other. wise, there will no longer be a question as to the propriety of using the military arm. It is the determination of the governinent that the new Land law shall have a fair trial, and that determination will be adhered to.

Such being the attitude of Mr. Gladstone, we are not disposed to make too much of the discontent which still prevails. It is quite true that among large numbers of farmers, particularly in the south and southwest, the question of arrears, the "no debt" question, threatens to be a fruitful source of trouble. But it is also and equally true that the pcople are all over beginning to look with favor on the Land Courts, and that they are deriving encouragement from the decisions of the Commissioners. The decisions, it must be admitted, so far as they have been reported, have been fair, at least to the tenant. In most cases the reductions have been considerable; and in no instance have they departed far from the favorite Griffith standard. It is not possible that such liberal action on the part of the Land Courts should fail favorably to influence public sentiment. As evidences of the growing faror and influence of
the new courts，wo call attention to tho increasing number of applications，and also to tho conduct of certain land－ lords who，in order to save time and oxponso，aro making privato and satisfactory arrangements with their tenants． Tako tho case of tho Earl of Dunraven，a nobloman well known in this country，who has arranged with his tenants on a reduction of thirty three per cent，conditionod on a rovaluation of tho land，and who has received from thom arrears of rent．Such examplos will be multiplied whon tho courts become moro crowded and when the policy pursued is felt to bo consistont，firm，and decided． There can be no doubt that many ovictions will be the consequonce of the non payment of arrears ；but vacater farms will be occupied by other tenants and government will presorvo tho peace．In this way also tho tenant who opposes the law will soon be brought to see that he only punishes himself．Slowly，therefore，but suroly，through the firm but humane action of the government，good order will triumph and Ireland enter upon a new ora of peace and prosperity．

One of the most hopeful signs of the times is the organi－ zation of the Property Defense Association，under tho auspices of the Lord Mayor of London．The existence of this society is sufficient proof that lawlessness will not be permitted in Ireland．

## IMPORTS AND EXPORTS FOR OCTOBER， AND FOR THE TEN AND TWELVE MONTHS ENDED OCTOBER 31， 1881.

［Prepared by the Bureau of Statlatios．］
Below is given the fourth monthly statement for the fiscal year 1881－82 of the imports and exports of the Untted States． The excess of exports of merchandise was as follows：

\＄91，663，531 130．473，603 217，8ヶ7，558 Twelve months endod Ootober 31， 1830 155，576，327

The excess of imports of gold and silver coin and bullion was as follows：
Month ended Octoler 31， 1831
\＄7，163，015
Month ended Octoher 31， 1830
Ton nonths ented October 31，1888i
rTwelve mouths cuded October 31,189
Twelve mouths cuded October $31,1891$.
Twelve months ended October $31,1830$. $44,77^{3} \cdot 111$ ， 44，090，803 $69,931,138$
$67,256,689$

The total ralues of imports and of domestic and foreign exports for the month of Oct．．1881，and for the ten and twelve months ended Oct．31， 1881 and 1889，respectively，are presented in the following tables ：
［Corrected to November 23， 1881.1
merchandise．

|  | For the month of Oct． | For the 10 mos ended Ocf． 31. | For the 12 mos．ended Oct． 31. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\begin{gathered} \text { 1831.-Exports-Momestic .... } \\ \text { Forejgr ..... } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \$ 66,799,465 \\ 1,215,113 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | 5670，93！，923 $\mathbf{1 5 , 4 7 2 , 0 9 8}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \$ 349,656,970 \\ 18.853,290 \\ \hline \end{array}$ |
| Total | \＄63．014，578 | $\longdiv { 7 6 9 6 . 4 1 1 , 9 2 6 }$ | \＄863，310， 260 |
| Imports ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | $\frac{58,743,042}{\$ 9,271,536}$ | $\frac{555.938 .323}{\$ 130,473,603}$ | $\frac{650,422,902}{\$ 2178 \times 735}$ |
| Excess of exports over imports Lixcess of tuports over exports | \＄9，271，536 | \＄130，473，603 | \＄217，8צ7，358 |
| 1830．－Experts－Domestlo ．．．．． | $\begin{array}{\|} \$ 84.279 .736 \\ 1,414.518 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \$ 696,348,933 \\ 10,938,155 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | \＄ $854,058,757$ 13，010，399 |
| Total | \＄55，687，254 | \＄707，785，083 | \＄367，969，180 |
| Imports． | 54，023，0＜3 | 602，322．597 | 712，392，829 |
| Excess of exports aver imports lixcess of imports over experts | \＄31，603，571 | \＄105，462，491 | \＄153，576，327 |

GOLD AND BILVER－COIN ANB BULLION．



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| 1891．－1：xyorts－1）omentie F＇urelgit．．．．．． | $\left.\begin{array}{r} 567,8,51,435 \\ 1,726,511 \end{array} \right\rvert\,$ | 8BR $1, \mathrm{man}, 140$ $10.311,111$ | $\begin{array}{r} +4 M, 853.300 \\ =3.1114 .642 \end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total | ， 160.5759 .01515 | 3703，100， 11.18 | 444， 0177.182 |
| Imports ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 177，471．413 | 617．7：19，507 | 710，611．024 |
| Fxeess of axports over linports <br> lixcess of imports over expurts | 82，105，503 | ¢43，451，494 | 147，656，220 |
| Exp | \＄30，3月， 01 | 8．0．0，30，1 |  |
| Forolga | 2，121．2：1 | 17．8：11．41A | $20.710 .4313$ |
| Total | क8．511，154 | W720， 541,532 | इ54 4，0， 5.276 |
| Imports | 71，3169，747 | 650，200， 914 | 70．3，735，037 |
| Fxcess of exports over Imports | \＄17，111，433 | 661，371，648 | \＄5y，310，015 |
| Excems of impmets over exports |  |  |  |

The following is a statement showing，by princlpal castomy districts，the valnes of merchandise imported into and exported from the Unlted States during the month of October，1891：

| Custom：Districts． | Imporls． | Domestic Eirports． | Foreign Eixporls． |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Batlmore，M1 | \＄1，455，108 | \＄2，762，920 | 8476 |
| Baogor，Malae | －6，842 | 10.705 |  |
| Beanfort．S．C |  | 251.783 |  |
| koston，de．，Mas | 4，609，183 | 4，433．370 | 34.910 |
| Brazos，\＆o．，Tex | 161，573 | 115，816 | 186，319 |
| Brumswiek， Bufalo Crcek， | 626.922 | 18，611 | 359 |
| Cape Vincent． $\mathbf{N}$ ． $\mathbf{Y}$ | 47，952 | 10.475 |  |
| Champlaln，N．Y． | 350，297 | 242.081 |  |
| Charleston，S．C． | 02，833 | 3，054，304 |  |
| Chieago， 111 | 101.331 | 236，101 |  |
| Corpus Christl，Texas | 80.577 | 157．732 | 37，620 |
| Cuynhoga，Ohl | 86.544 | 121．672 |  |
| Deiroit，Mleh． | 467.581 | 115，031 | 10.701 |
| Duluth，M1 | 12.840 | 31.762 |  |
| Erle，Pa． | 109，531 | 2，637 |  |
| Oal vestou，Tex | 378，506 | 2，159，774 |  |
| Gexessee．N．Y | 139，488 | 53， 543 |  |
| IIuron，Mich | 423，316 | 931，516 | 60,198 |
| Koy Wert， 1 | 39，590 | 51.403 |  |
| Miami，Ohio | 310 | 73，650 |  |
| Minnesota，Minn | 44，120 | 208.646 |  |
| Nobile，Ala | 3，109 | 248.896 |  |
| New Haven，Conn | 40．100 | －20，323 |  |
| New Orleana，If | 1，381，042 | \％．303．459 | 47.632 |
| Now York，N．Y | 38，313，574 | $27,118,543$ | 736，785 |
| Nlagara，N．Y | 30\％，003 | $5810{ }^{48}$ |  |
| Nortolk，do．，Va | 8，343 | 2，519，393 |  |
| Oregon，Oregon |  | 429.311 59.060 |  |
| Oswegatchie． N | 201.924 | $53.060$ | 78 |
| Oswego，N，Y．${ }^{\text {Pr }}$ | 2，368，838 | $100.871$ |  |
| Passamuquoddy， Pensacola，Fla． | 87.490 2,231 | 296，207 |  |
| Philadolphia，Pa | 1，054，8．15 | 3，334，744 | 3，161 |
| Plymonth，Mass | 90．15 | 77，181 |  |
| Portiand，\＆e．，M | 88，287 |  | 41，05 |
| Paget Bound，W． | 3，496 | 50.0 .17 |  |
| Richmond．Va． Saluria，Toxas | 20，351 | $\begin{array}{r} 34.871 \\ 30,090 \end{array}$ |  |
| Salnria，Toxas 8an Dlego，CaI | 20,270 14.801 | 43， 219 | 5，823 |
| 8an lirancisco，C | 3，579，875 | 4.743 .463 | 40．164 |
| Savannıh．Ga． | 87.460 | 8，798．978 |  |
| Vermont，Vt． | 551，739 | 154.361 |  |
| Willamette，Orego | 52，393 | 618.018 | 517 |
| Wliminglon，N．C All other customs | 200，313 | 179，020 | 4 |
| Totals | \＄．78．743，012 | 886，799，485 | 1．215．113 |

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BATES OF EXCHANGE AT LONDON AND ON LONDON
AT LATEST DATES．

| EXOHANGE AT LONDON－NO． 26. |  |  | ESOIIANGE OV LONDO．V． |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathrm{On}-$－ | Time | Rate． | Latest Date． | Time． | rate． |
| Amsterds＝n． | 8hort． | $12.21_{2} \quad 12 \cdot 3 L_{2}$ | Nov． 26 | Shart． | $12 \cdot 15$ |
| Amstercism． | 3 mos ． | $\begin{array}{ll}12.518 & 12.53 \\ 25.65 & 25.70\end{array}$ | Nor． 26 | 8 hnct ． | 85．29 |
| Antwerp．．．． | ＂． | $\begin{array}{ll}23.65 & 2.570 \\ 20.70 & 20.74\end{array}$ | Nor． 26 | 8 n \％t． | 20.43 |
| jiamburg | \％ | 20.70 20．74 | Nov． 201 | $\because$ | 80.43 |
| Franktort． | ＂ | 20.70 －0．74 | Nov． 26 | － | s0．43 |
| Coperhageo． |  | $18 \cdot 45$－18．48 | ．．．．．． | －．．． | ．．．．．．． |
| 8 Pl. Peters＇bg． |  | ${ }^{25}$ 25 2478 | Nor． 26 | 8hort． | 23.21 |
| Parts ．．．．．．． | 3 mos |  | Nov． 26 | 8 smort ． | $25 \cdot 284$ |
| Parls．．．．．．．．． | 8 hort． 3 mos． | 12.00 23．0219 | Nov． 26 | ghort | 118.50 |
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| Cadir． | ${ }^{6}$ | $46^{7} 88^{10148}$ |  |  |  |
| B1lbao．．．．．．． | $\because$ |  |  | 3 mos | 23050 |
| Genoa ．．．．－ | $\because$ | $26 \cdot 13{ }^{2} 17820 \cdot 25$ | Nov． 26 |  |  |
| Aloxandria． |  | 730314 | N゙○\％． 23 | $s$ mo． | 935＊＊＊ |
| New York．．． |  |  | Nov． 26 | 8 hort． | ${ }^{3}$ |
| Bombay ．．．．． | 60 dass | 18．770d． | Nov． 27 | 4 mos． | 14． 83 |
| Caleutta ．．．． |  | 13． $7^{7} \mathrm{ed}$ ． | Nov． 27 |  |  |
| Hodg Kong．． |  |  | Nov． 27 | 4 | 64． 14 d ． |
| 8hanghal．．．． |  |  | Nav． 2. |  | 0e．144． |

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Loxpos，Saturday；November 26， 1831.
The money market has become much frmer，and the rato of disconnt for three months＇bank blls，which has recently beou
as low as 3 per cent, has been as high as $4^{3} / 4$ per cent daring the cnrrent week, or within $1 / 4$ per cent of the official minimum. So sudden a change was by no means expected to take place, but rapid commanications necessarily lead to surprises, and these will probably be as frequent in the future as they have been in the past. The market closes with a somewhat quieter appearance, the demand for money having subsided since the publication of the Bank return; but the quotation for three months' bills is $48 / 8$ to $4 \frac{1}{2}$ per cent, and there seems to be some expectation that that quotation will be fairly maintained. Next week the money accumulated by the Indian Government to pay off the 4 per cent loan will be released, and that operation should produce some degree of ease in the market; but the recent improvement has been by no means entirely due to the requirements of the Indian Government, the movements in gold and the improved trade demand for money having had a more decided and more permanent influence. During the present week the movements in gold have been somewhat important. Some surprise was occasioned by the withdrawal of a moderate supply on Canadian and American account, but the operation is understood to have been quite exceptional. notwithstanding that the New York exchange on London has become less favorable to this conntry. Some additional withdrawals of gold have also been made, chiefly for South America, and on its foreign and Colonial operations the Bank of England has been a decided loser during the last few days. Coin is, lowever, retnrning from provincial oirculation, and the last Bank retura shows that, notwithstanding there had been an efllux on balance, according to the daily returns, of $£ 288,000$, the falling off in the total supply of bullion was not more than £70,273. Aboat $£ 218,000$ in coin had been retrrned, therefore, from provincial legislation. That return may have been hastened by the increase in the value of money in the London market, there having been much more demand for deposits among the disconnt houses. On Monday those establishments increased their rates for deposits to the extent of one-quarter per cent, thas retracing the step they took a few weeks previous when the money market assumed so very easy an appearance. The Bank return also shows a falling off in the note circulation of $£ 434,295$, and the result is that the total reserve has been augmented by $£ 364,022$. The proportion of reserve to liabilities shows a moderate improvement, it having increased from $39 \cdot 17$ to $40^{\circ} 44$ per cent. The probability seems to be that the demand for money will remain upon a fair scale, and that present rates will be very satisfactorily maintained. . Some are, indeed, of opinion that there will be a slight relapse in the course of a few days, bnt the close of the year is approaching, and the commercial inquiry for money is still increasiag. The gold movements are also uncertain, and our importations cannot be large. There are, therefore, reasons for believiag in a firm moner market and in the maintenance of the present very satisfactory quotations. The following are the present rates for money



the disconat houses have increased their allowance of interest for deposi:s to the extent of one-quarter per cent, and the quotations are now as under :
Joint-stock Wurds....
Discount housos at
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Annered is a statement showing the present position of the Bank of England, the Bank rate of dits) a ts. tit price of con-
 middling upland cotton, of No. it in il, tvist, fair second quality, and the Bankers' Clearin; II 1 ir retura, compared with the four previous years.

[^0]| $1881 .$ | $1880$ | $1879 .$ | $1878 .$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 25.551,2 | 26,136.0) | -7,306,115 | 28.75 |
|  | 5,479.311 | 3,140.664 |  |
| 22,289.797 | 25,219 . | 31.087 .300 | 27.060, |
| 13,244.014 | 14,86\%.0 | 17.290 .587 | 14,737. |
| 20,350,882 | 17.83\%. 13. | 12.2:7.535 |  |
| 10,809,471 | 15,81.<.8 | 1.i1) ${ }^{\text {a }} 000.1$ | 12 |
| 20,610,746 | 26,9 $13.9 \mathrm{~J} ;$ | i. 3 i 1,119 | 6503 |

The following are the current rates for money at the princicol foreign centres :

|  | Bank rate. Pr.cl. | Open market. Pr.ct. |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Bank } \\ & \text { rate. } \\ & \text { Pr.ct. } \end{aligned}$ | Open market Pr.cl. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Parls.... | 5 | 4314 | Madrid \& other |  |  |
| Amsterdain | - | $8{ }^{178}$ | St. Petersburg ... | 6 | 612 |
| Herlin.. | 510 | $4{ }^{12}$ | Geneva. | 6 | $5{ }^{1}$ |
| Hambury. |  | $4{ }^{4} 4$ | Genoa | 5 |  |
| Fraukfort. |  | 44 | Copenhagen. | 4 | 4 |
| Vieuna... | 4 | 4 | Bombay.... |  | 6 |

The increased firmness of the money market and renewed indisposition on the part of the banks to lend freely to the Stock Exchange have caused the stock markets to rule dull, and prices have had a downward tendency. The American market has been weak and a want of activity has been apparent in it. New York advices have not been favorable, and sales have, in consequence, predominated. British railway securities, however, though lower in value, can scarcely recede much in price, as the traffic receipts are very satisfactory and the balance sheets for the current half-year mast be gratifying to the shareholders. The earnings of the 14 priacipal railways of England since July 1 have amonnted to $£ 21,637,339$, against $£ 20,949,086$, being an increase of $£ 685,253$; while on the three Scotch lines since Augnst 1 they have been £2,105,033, against $£ 2,004,429$, or an increase of $£ 100,604$.
During the next session of Parliament, power will be sought for the construction of many works of public utility. There will be many applications to extend the existing railway system, and it is stated that Parliamentary agents have not been so busy as they are now for many years past. Many are of opinion, in fact, that we must go back to the year 1845 before we reach a period of similar animation. There will, undonbtedly, be mnch employmant for the working classes, not only next year, but also in future years, unless serions political complications should arise.
The weather during the past week has been mild but boisterous. Shipping disasters have been numerons; but agricultural work has made satisfactory. progress. Those farmers who commenced autnma work early say that the season has been unusually farorable, and that antumn sowing is being completed under very satisfactory conditions. Oar imports of wheat are liberal, and British farmers have delivered moderate supplies. The trade has, in consequence, been dull, and sales have only been practicable by submitting to lower prices. The quantity of wheat afloat to the United Kingdom is estimated at 2,444,000 quarters; flour, 106,000 quarters, and Indian corn, 164,000 quarters.

During the week ended November 19, the sales of home-grown wheat in the 150 principal markets of England and Wales amounted to 41,911 quarters, against 40,982 quarters last year and 40,065 quarters in 1879; while it is compated that they were in the whole kingdom 167,700 quarters, against 164,000 quarters and 160,260 quarters in the two previous years respectively. Since harvest the sales in the 150 principal markets have been 583,571 quarters, against 523,662 quarters and 327,553 quarters; the estimate for the whole kingdom being 2,334,300 quarters, against 2,094,640 quarters in the corresponding period of last season and 1,347,000 quarters in 1879. Without reckoning the supplies of prodace furnished ex-granary at the commencement of the season, it is estimated that the following quantities of wheat and flour have been placed on the British markets since harvest. The visible supply in the United States is also given :
Imports of wheat.owt 151881.1880 .1879. $\begin{array}{lrrrr}\text { Imports of Wheat.CWt.15,762,408 } & 16,174,948 & 19,406,599 & 13,326,531 \\ \text { Imports of flour...... } & 2,699,28 i \\ 2,830,779 & 2,973,764 & 1,717,960\end{array}$ Bales of home-grown
produce................. 10,115,25
Total..................
Deduct exports
wheat and flour.
28,576,942
0,076,80
5.8
5.835,100 1

12,626,500
 Result.............23,149,770
$23,605,478$
$27,947,865$
$27,021,668$
 Visinie supply of Wheat
in the U. 8.... hush. $21,100,000 \quad 23.200 .000$
The following return shows the extent of the imports and exports of cereal produce into and from the United Kingdom during the first thirteen weeks of the seasun, compared with the corresponding period in the three previous seasons.

IMPORTS.

|  |  | 1880. | 1879. | 78. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Whes | 5,762,408 | 16,579,348 | 19,400,599 | 13,32*,531 |
| B | 3,610,798 | 3,963.923 | 5,152,735 | 4,236,622 |
| Oats | 2,557,922 | 3,166,348 | 4,508,83a | 3,364,339 |
| Pe | 547,263 | 767.400 | 517,311 | 528,280 |
| Bean | 402,873 | 418.017 | 646.547 | 474,116 |
| Indiad | 7,319,887 | 9,872.878 | 5,629,189 | 9,601,697 |
| Flour. | 2,699,284 | 2.880,778 | 2,973,764 | 1,707,960 |
| Exports. |  |  |  |  |
|  | 1881. | 1880. | 1879. |  |
| Wheat.............cwt. | 387,688 | 134,674 | 231,304 | 624,627 |
| Barley | 13.405 | 4,045 |  |  |
| Oats. | 203,676 | 109.882 | 25,551 | $\begin{array}{r}35.495 \\ 5 \\ \hline\end{array}$ |
| Peas. | 23,36 ${ }^{\text {9,902 }}$ | 47,479 13,681 | 2.5,5190 | 2,368 |
|  | 50,935 | 56.490 | 292,454 | 86,966 |
| Flour. | 34.481 | 41.278 | 36.224 | 25.493 |

Enullsh Marker izeports-Per Cable.
The daily closing quotations for secarities, \&c., at London, and for breadstaffs and provisions at Liverpool, are reported by cable as follows for the week ending December 16:

| Loruton. | sat. | Hon. | Tues. | Wert. | TMurs. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 81tver par oz...... Conms fis mancy | ${ }_{\text {32 }}^{3,2_{10}}$ | ${ }^{317}{ }^{\text {818 }}$ | $\begin{gathered} 517_{1} \\ 899_{0} \end{gathered}$ |  |  | 0 |
| Cornoin for acomini. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 12 |  |  |  |  | \% |
|  | 124 <br> 137 <br> 13 |  |  | ${ }^{128} 4$ |  |  |
| Soif Central. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | ${ }_{4}$ |  | 35 | ${ }_{\substack{33 \\ 123 \\ 124}}$ |  |  |
| Liverpoot. | sat. | Hon. | Tues. | Wed. | Thurs. |  |
|  | $\left\{\begin{array}{cc} d & d \\ 10 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 8 \\ 0 & 8 \end{array}\right.$ |  | di. ${ }_{\text {d }}^{\text {d }}$ | ${ }_{4}^{1}{ }^{\text {d }}$ |  |  |
|  |  |  | 10.8 |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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## Coumuercialamdizxiscellaxeas Tews.

Nathmal Banks.-The following national banks have been organized
2,595-The First Natlonal Bank of 8torm Lake, Town. Authorizell cap 2,506-Tho Stalo Nallonal Bank of Logansport, Ind. Anthorized caplar, $\$ 100$, 40. Willian II. Johyenn, Presldent; John C. Ingram. Cabiler.
2,597-The First National Bank of Ogden, Utah Territory. Anthorized erpilat, $\$ 100,000$. 11. S. Eldredge, President; II. S. Young. Cashicr.
2,508-The Gartield Nat'onal Bank of the City of New York, N. Y. Authorized carlan, $\$ 200,000$. George H. Robinson, Prestdent;
2,599-The First National Bank of Wallogford, Coun. Authorlzed erpilal, $\$ 100,000$. Samucl Simpson, Presidont; WiLlam 11.
2,600-The Lancaster National Bank. Lancaster, N. II. Anthorized capitn, $\$ 125,000$. George R. Eaton, President; Frank D.
llatohins, Cashler.

Imports and Exports por the Week.-The imports of last week, compared with those of the preceding week, show an increase in dry goods and a decrease in general merchandise. The total imports were $\$ 0,993,643$, against $\$ 7,279,494$ the preceding week g.ad $\$ 7,481,000$ two weeka previous. The exports for the week ended Dec. 13 amounted to $* \$ 6,500,000$, against $\$ 7,100,090$ last week and $\$ 7,049,570$ two weeks previous. The following are the imports at New York for the week ending (for dry goods) Dec. 8 and for the week ending (for general merchandise) Dec. 9; also totals since Jannary 1:
formion imports at new york.

| For Week. | 1878. | 1879. | 1880. | 1881. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Dry Goods ${ }_{\text {Gea'l mer }}$ | $\begin{array}{\|c} \$ 1,177,106 \\ 6,094,464 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 1,634,220 \\ & 8,589,136 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 1,403,078 \\ & 5,994,214 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 1,207,108 \\ & 5,786,535 \end{aligned}$ |
| Total...... | \$7,272,070 | \$10,223,356 | \$7,402,292 | \$6,993,643 |
| Ury Goods..... | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 72.965 .464 \\ & 203.956,489 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 78,351,177 \\ 235,765,483 \end{array}$ | $\left\|\begin{array}{l} \$ 116,297,947 \\ 3.12,110,614 \end{array}\right\|$ | $\begin{array}{r} \$ 105,401,203 \\ 308,004,123 \end{array}$ |
| Total.. | \$276.922.453 | $\uparrow 324,116.660$ | \$458.408,561 | \$413,405,326 |

The following is a statement of the exports (exclasive of specie) from the port of Now York to foreign ports for the week eading Dec. 13, and from January 1 to date: EXPORTS FROM NEW YOBE FOR THE WEEK.

|  | 1878. | 1879. | 1880. | 1881. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Por the week. | $\begin{array}{r} 86.331,833 \\ 327.526,596 \end{array}$ | \$8,153,602 <br> $330.799,407$ | + ${ }_{\text {\$7,23, }}$ | \$ $56.800,000$ |
| Prov. roported.. | 327.526,596 | 330.799,407 | 300,157,908 | 353,601,330 |

Estmated. We have hoen unable to procure the figures from the Custom Kousc.
The following table shows the exports and imports of apecie
at the port of New York for the week ending Dec. 10 and since Jannary 1, 1881 extorts and imports of spegie at new york.


Of the above importh for the week in 1881, $877,223 \mathrm{wern}$ A morican gold coln and $\$ 16,303$ American milver coln. Of the exports for the same tlme $\$ 1,850$ were Armerican allver coln.

Clnclanatl's Coal Trade. Mr. Sidnay D. Bfaswoll, Saporin. tendent of the Cinclanatl Merchante Dischange, glven, for his fortheorning annual report, the following table, whowing the annual recelpts at Oinclunatl of the varlous klads of confln a period of four years:


Total................ $\overline{40,24,139} \cdot \overline{18,105,216} \overline{31,210,607} \overline{39,892,220}$ Princlpally Itocklng and Munkligurn Valleys. Waahiogton and
Plontrout coals, not oloowhero ainbrucell. Plentment coals, not olsowhere ainbruced.
 and 1830-81, is omiraced under the hom of "uther rocelph.
-Littelis Livisa Age pon 18S2.-Thls widely-known weekly magazine has been publlshed for nearly forty yearm, and during that long period has been prized by its numerons renders as a thorough compendium of the best thonght and literary work of the tinge. As periodicals become more numeroas, this one becomes the more valuable, as it continnes to be the most thoroagh and satisfactory compilation of the best periodical literature of the world. Its prospectns is well worth attentlon in selecting one's periodicals for the new year. New subseribers remitting now for the year 1882 will receive the interrening numbers gratis, and its clnbbing rates with other periodicala. are worthy of aotice. Llttell \& Co., Boston, are the publishern.
-Attention is called to the advertisement of Mensrs. Woods \& Murply in the Chroxicle of to-day. This firm, organized some eight months ago, is an active honse in dealings at the Cotton Exchange and in stocks and bonds. The partners of the firm were both origiually from the South where they have a large acquaintance ; Mr. Woods, however, has resided in Now York for many years, while Mr. Marphy was for a long time connected with one of the oldest banks in Californa.
-Messrs. John S. Barnos, 18 Wall Street, and Chase \& Higginson. 24 Pine Street, are offering for sale the 6 per cent frrit consolidated mortgage bonds of the Sonth Carolina Railway, dated Oct. 1, 1880, and having 40 years to run. The price is $1021 / 2$ and accrued interest.
-A dividend of $13 / 4$ per cent has been declared on the preferred capital stock of the Chicago St. Panl Minneapolis \& Omaha Railroad Co, payable at their office on the $19 t h$ of Jan., 1882. Books close Dec. 31, 1881 and re-open Jan. 23, 1882.
-Messrs. Geo. Wm. Ballou \& Co. offer \$200,000 Massachusetts Town Notes, mataring from 1886 to 1894; also a aeleetion of 6 per cent and 7 per cent city and railroad bonds for iavestment.
-The asaal $\$ 30,000$ dividend (for November) making a total to date of $\$ 1,200,000$, has been declared by the Homestake Gold Mining Company of Dakota.

The attention of bankers is called to the advertisement of "Stockbroker" on the foarth page of the Cirzowicle.

## BANKING AND FINANCIAL.

[T TAE OPENING OF A NEW TRUNK LINE FROM THE: ATLANTIO BEABOARD TO THE WEST to al ovent of so mach Importance that wo have taken more than our usual palms to lay the informatlon bofore our customers and correapogdeats.
Wo bave just inged a pamphlet, coples of which can be obtalaed at our office, giving an acconnt of tho complotlon of the CFIESAPEAKE \& OIIO RAILFAY to Newport Newe, nud alse of the ELIZABETITTOTF? Lexington b Big saidy rathroad, formig the connection between the Chesapeaze \& Ohlo and lts auted lines, West, southwest and Northwest.
The Chesapenke \& Ohlo now eaters the deld as a through truak lise and ss the ohertest routo to the eesbonrd for tea milulons of peoplo weet of the Alloghanies, with very light fixed charges and a raphly-dorelnplag local business.
The companj are now reads to eoll the $\$ 2,000,000$ ol $x$ per cent bond a of 1911 , issuel on the comploted road to Nowport Nows. Price, par ancl acerued inlerest. A desoription of tho boads will be found on page! 16 nad 18 of the pamphiet.

Fisk \& Hatch, No. 5 Naseau Street.

## Tht Mankers' Thaztte.

DIVIDEND:
The following dividends have recently been auzomuced:

| Name of Oompany. | Per cent. | When Payablc |  | Books Closed. (Days inclusice.) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Rallroads. <br> Boston \& Lowesl ........ | \$10 | Jan. | 2 |  |
| Chio. St. P. Minn, \& U. pref (qnar.) | 14. | Jan. | 19 | Jan. 1 to Jan. 22 |
| Georrla RR. \& Bauk. (quar.).... | \$2 50 | Jau. | 15 | Dec. 16 to - |
| Keokuk \& Des Moines pref. (quar.) | 13 | Dec. | 23 | Ded. 10 |
| Lehigh Valley (quar.).......... | $11_{2}$ | Jィп. | 15 |  |
| Mlissour Pacific (quar.)............. | $1 L_{2}$ | Jau. | 3 | Dee. 21 to Jan. ${ }^{\text {a }}$ |
| Panama...... ${ }^{\text {Patini............. }}$ | 6 | Jan. |  | Dee. 24 to Jan. 3 |
| Phlladelphla Wimington \& Balt. | $\stackrel{4}{2}$ | Jan. Jan. | 2 |  |
| Richmond Fredericksburg \& Pot. Hank. | 2 | Jad. | 2 |  |
| Orlental......................... | 5 | Jall. |  |  |
| Western Ualon Telegraph (quar.). | $11_{3}$ | Janl. |  | Dec. 21 to Jan. 16 |

## NEW YORK, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16, 1S81-5 P. M.

The Money Market and Flnanclal Situation.-The money market has relased during the past few days, and stocks, though sluggish, have generally maintained their prices, with some exceptional advances.
In the railroad war, history repeats itself, and now in December, 1881, we find the officers of the great trank lines at swords points over the same issue which was so bitterly fought out in the days of Commodore Vanderbilt, and was determined in his favor in December, 1876-a short time prior to his death. The question of one uniform freight rate from Chicago to the Atlantic cities is an issue of great simplicity, free from all technicalities and entangling circumstances, but it is one against which the Philadelphia and Baltimore people take a firm stand as on a question of vital importance to their interests. Mr. Vanderbilt has agreed to submit the matter to the arbitration of a distinguished gentleman named by himself, Mr. Charles Frarcis Adams; bat if Mr. Vanderbilt is willing in good faith to submit to arbitration, it is nbvious that the arbitrators must be chosen by the several parties to the dispute, and not by one of them alone. The decreased net earnings caused by the recent low freight rates recall forcibly to mind the effects of the former war, when, partly in consequence of its disastrons effects, the Erie Road went into the hands of a receiver, and the Pennsylvania and Baltimore \& Ohio suspended for some time the payment of cash dividends, while the New York Central \& Hudson in one year at least failed to earn its 8 per cent dividend, except by reducing the expenditnres on its roadway, ete., to an abnormally low figure. With the great changes which have since taken place in the business of the conntry and the growth of local traffic, it is doubtful if any war now could beattended by equally serions results.

In the early part of the week the rates for monery on call were still high, and stockbrokers paid 6 per cent and frequently a commission besides of 1-64 to 1-16 of 1 per cent, but the past day or two the prevailing rate has been $5 @ 6$ per cent; government bond dealers have obtained money throughout at $31 / 2 @ 4$ per cent. Prime commercial paper sells at 6@6/3 per cent.

The Bank of England statement on Thursday showed a gain of $£ 7,800$ in bullion, and the percentage of reserve to liabilities was 397/s, against 39 9-16 last week. The discount rate remains at 5 per cent. The Bank of France gained 1,350,000 franes gold and lost 470,000 francs silver.
The last statement of the New York City Clearing-House banks, issued Dec. 10, showed a further decline of $\$ 531,000$ below the legal limit, and the total deficiency was $\$ 961,975$, against $\$ 430,875$ the previous week.
The following table shows the clanges from the previons week and a comparison with the two preceding years:

|  | $\begin{aligned} & 1881 . \\ & \text { Dec. } 10 . \end{aligned}$ | $\left\lvert\, \begin{aligned} & \text { Diger } \\ & \text { prevu } \end{aligned}\right.$ | 'nces from ous wcek. | 1880. Dec. 11. | 1879. Dec. 13. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Loans and dis. | \$314.748.900 | Der. | \$532,800 | \$29:J,959,200 | \$275,750,100 |
| 8pecle........ | 54,833,900 | Dea | 4578000 | 33,933,200 | 54.069 .400 |
| Net deposits. | 286.245.100 |  | 98,200 192.400 | 18,483,200 | 23,483.800 |
| Legal tenders. | 15,740,400 |  | 121,300 | 12,570,900 | 13,403,900 |
| Legal reserve. | \$71,561,273 | Dec. | \$48,100 | \$66.596,300 | \$61,889,800 |
| Reserve hold. | 70,599,300 | Dee. | 70,200 | $66,513,100$ | 67,473,300 |
| Surplas. | Def.\$961,975 | Dec. | \$331,100 | Def. \$33,200 | \$5,583,500 |

Exchange.-The rates of leading drawers of foreign bills remain nearly the came as last week, but the tone is stronger. To-day the actual rates for prime 'bankers' sterling were about $4801 / 4$ and for demand $484^{1 / 4}$; cable transfers, $48433 @ 485^{2} / 4$, and prime commercial bills $4783 / 10478 \%$. For Continental bills:

Francs, 5 20汭@5 $21^{1} / 4$ and $5255 / 80526^{1 / 4}$; marks, $94 @ 94^{2} / 4$ and 947/8@95; and guilders $395 / 8401 / 8$.
In domestic bills New York exchange was quoted to-day follows at the places named: Savannah, buying $\frac{3 / 8}{}$ off selling ¹/4@1/8 off ; Charleston, buying $1 / 40516$ discount, selling par@ $1 / 8$ discount. New Orleans commercial, $150 @ 200$ dis., bank, par; St. Lonis, 50 disconnt; Chicago. 50 discount; Boston, 25 @40 prem.

Quotations for forelgn exchange are as follows, the outside prices being the posted rates of leading bankers:

| December 10. | Sixty Days. | Demand. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Prime bankers' sterling bills on London. | 480 a 181 | 4842485 |
| Prime commercial ....................... |  |  |
| Paris (francs) | 5264 @ $243^{8}$ | 5214 ¢ ${ }^{193}$ |
| Amsterdam (guilders) | 3012 ${ }^{\text {a }}$ - 393 |  |
| Frankiort or Bremeu(relehmarks)....... | 24 9414 |  |

United States Bonds.-The market for government secarities has been pretty active, and the purchases of bonds are only limited by the difficulty of obtaining considerable amounts withont advancing prices. The $3 \frac{1}{2}$ per cents continued have been a trifle weaker on the favorable consideration given to Secretary Sherman's 3 per cent bill by the Senate Committee, notwithstanding Secretary Folger's opposition to it. At the Sub-Treasnry on Wednesday the bonds of the 106th call offered amounted to $\$ 5,489,500$, and all were accepted. It is impossible to say what part of $\$ 5,000,000$ will be obtained next Wednesday, bat probably less than the fall amonnt, and still less in the week following.

The closing prices at the New York Board have been as follows:

|  | Interest Periods. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dec. } \\ & 10 . \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dec. } \\ & 12 . \end{aligned}$ | Dcc. <br> 13. | Dec. <br> 14. | Dec. <br> 15. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dec. } \\ & 16 . \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ont | J. | $1014^{8}$ | '101 | +101 | *100\% | ${ }^{+10034}$ | 10 |
| 58 , continued at 3 | Q.-Feb. | $102^{7} 8$ | 103 | 103 | $103^{18}$ | 103 | 102 |
| 4 488, 1891.........reg. | Q.-Mar. | +11412 | +11458 | *11458 | *1145 | 11412 | 1145 |
| $4198,1891 . . .$. . conp. | Q.-Mar. | 1142 | $111^{1}$ | *11448 | *11458 | 1145 | 11417 |
| 48, 1907..............eg. | Q.-Jan. | 1171 | 1175 | *11719 | 11758 | 1175 | 1178 |
| 48, 1907........ сонр | Q.-Jan. | $118{ }^{2}$ | $1181_{2}$ | $118{ }^{3} 8$ | 1185 | +1182 | $118{ }^{1}{ }^{2}$ |
| 68, our'cy, $1895 . . \mathrm{T} \mathrm{g}^{\text {a }}$ | \& J. | 1272 | 127 | ${ }^{1} 27$ | ${ }^{1} 127$ |  | * 127 |
| 68, car'ey, 1896..reg. | \& | * 128 | 128 | *123 | -127 | *129 | -128 |
| 68, cur'ey, 1897..r | J. \& J. | -12812 | *129 | - 128 | * 128 | -129 | +129 |
| 68, cur'cy, 1893..r | J. \& J. | 129 | *130 | -129 | * 128 | *136 | *130 |
| 6s, eur'cy. 1899..r | \& J | 130 | *131 | -129 | +129 | -131 | +131 |

* This is the prioe bld at the morning board; no sale was mads.

State and Railroad Bonds.-The transactions in Tennessees have been large at rising prices, and the renewed confidence is based on the fact that the bond case has been advanced on the Snpreme Court calendar at Nashville, and a decision is expected in favor of sustaining the funding law. Other Southern State bonds, on a moderate business, are generally firm. Railroad bonds hare shown some activity in the speculative issues and a well-distributed business at steady prices on the investment list.
Messrs. A. H. Maller \& Son sold the following at anction this week:

|  | Shares. 5 Manhattan lice Ins. co.. 104 |
| :---: | :---: |
| 500 Oswego \& Syracase Räi. | Bonds. |
| roul (quar.) ..........145 14014-2 | \$11,000 Terre Hanto \& Ind- |
| 200 National | lavapols R |
| 208 Shore Lide Railway Co.. ${ }_{250}{ }^{\text {a }}$ | 150 N.Y. L. Erie \& Wrat. R R. |
| 20 Metropelitan Gas-L. Co.. 156 | income bond serip |
| 5 Long Isiand Fire Ins. Co. 121 | 9,000 Third Avenuo P |
| 30 United States Fire Ins.Co. $144{ }^{1} 2$ | due |
| 40 Tradesmeu's Fire [ns. Co. $101{ }^{3}{ }^{3}$ | $50 *$ Worcester $R$ |
|  | land nod Virg |
|  | соирои 0n.................... 33 |

Ballroad and Miscellaneons Stocks.-The Stock Exchange markets have not shown any general activity, but in special stocks there have been, as usual, some exceptional movements. It is hardly to be expected that with a pretty close money market, and in the last half of December, we should have any extraordinary operations in the way of a bull or bear campaign, but as to the general feeling in regard to the course of prices in January, it seecos ratker to favor the idea of stronger prices. The support to the market by heavy capitalists is immense, and this counts more at any given time than the actual condition of the various companies, though in the long run net income must be the test for every stock.

Lovisville \& Nashville has been active and higher on the reports that the company has obtained control of the Chicago \& Eastern Illinois and connecting lines to Evansville. The Richmond \& Danville and the Richmond \& West Point T.R.\& W. Co. have been active at higher figures. The Oregon \& TransContinental among the new comers on the Board list has alvo shown considerable sales. The suits against the Manhattan Company to enjoin the new Metropolitan lease, which had not been sabmitted to the stockholders, is yet before the courto. The question involved-whether directors of a railroad can abrogate or change a lease without a vote of the stockholdersis one of the most important that can be bronght up in the law of corporations.
At the close to-day prices were rather weak and feverish.

RANGE IN PRICES AT THE N, Y, STOCK EXOHANGE FOR THE WRGK, AND SINCE JAN. 1.


QUOTATIONS OF STATE AND RAILROAD BONDS AND MISCELLANEOUS SECURITIES. STATE HONDS.


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Railroad Earnings.-The latest railroad earnings and the cotals from Jan. 1 to latest dates are given below. The statement inclades the gross earnings of all railroads from which returns can be obtained. The columns under the heading "Jan. 1 to latest date" furnish the gross earnings from Jan. 1 to, and including, the period mentioned in the second column:

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U. S. Sub-Treasnry.-The following table shows the receipts and payments at the Sub-Treasary in this city, as well as the balances in the same, for each day of the past week


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Coins.-The following are quotations in gold for various coins:

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New York City Banks.-The following statement shows the condition of the Associated Banks of New York City for the week ending at the commencement of business on Dec. 10.


The deviations from returns of previous week are as follows

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The following are the totals for a series of weeks past:
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Unlisted Stocks and Bonls. -The following are the reported quotations for securities that are not "listed" at the Stock Exchange Am. Cable Constr. Co. Bid. Asked. Am. Cable Constr. Co-

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## STATE, CLTY AND CORPOIRATION FINANCES.

The Investurg Supplemert onntains a complete exhibit of the Fiunded Debt of States and Cities and of the Stocks and Bonds of Railroads and othar Companies. It if pistishod on the lane Saturday of every other month- oiz., Februnry, April, June, August, October and Decomber, asd is furnishied wichout extra charge to all regular subscribers of the Cumoniole. Siagle copies aro sold at sis per copy.

## ANNUAL REPORTS.

Fitehbnrg Inllroad.
(Fur the year ending Seplember 30, 1881.)
The Railroar Gazette condenses the annual statement of thls company as follows :

This company worked during the year ending September 30.1581, the main line of 50.68 miles from Boston to Fitchburg, and 42.64 miles of branches owned, and the Vermont \& Massachusetts Road, 56 miles of main line and a branch of 9.80 miles. It also ran trains over the Trov \& Greenfield lioad, owned by the Stato of Massachusetts, making its main line $143 \not / 2$ miles the State of Massachusetts, making its main mileage, including the Troy \& Greenfleld Road, was 159 miles. The following fignies are from the report to the Massachusetts Commission:

The equipment includps 91 engines, 123 passenger-train cars. 3,020 freight cars and 167 gervice cars; an increase of 10 engines, 14 passenger, 599 freight and 41 service cars.
"The llabilities at the close of the year were as follows:

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- Dnring the jear atock was increazed by $\$ 450.000$, funded debt by $\$ 500,000$, and the carrent liabilities and floating debt by $\$ 723,411$.
"The report further shows that the new construction during the year amounted to $\$ 501,242$. There was also invested in the Hoosac Tunnel Duck \& Elevator Company $\$ 280,500$; upon the Vermont \& Massachasetts Division, $\$ 371,000$, and apon the great fruight yard in Somerville, $\$ 110,000$.
"The traftic for the year was as follows:

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位 619 , an increase of 9 per cent. The averaze rate per passenger per mile was 1.82 cents, a decrease of 4.7 per cent.
"The company reports 2,111 persons employed on the road. 26 persons were killed and 63 injared on the road, against 4 killed and 18 hurt in the preceding year.
"The earnings for the year were as follows :

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Fine important events in the history of the company are First, the contract entered into with the Ohio Central I?nilroad Company of Ohio, the Atlantic \& Northwestern Railroad Company of West Virginia and this company, for the consolidation of the three companies; the subseription of $\$ 5,000,000$ secured for the completion of existing lines; extension of Ohio Central to the Ohio River, bridging the Ohio and construction of railroad to Charleston, West Virginia. The projected ronte of the extension is from Eagle Rock, 17 miles west of Buchanan, following the valley of Craig's Creek, and by tunpel of one mile to the valley of Sinking Creek, a tributary of New River. This route admits of a line with a maximnmgrade of 30 feet. The length of the entire lines, consolidated and to be constructed, is stated at 800 miles.
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## Filmlagfon \& Weldea'R ilroad.

(For the year ending Sept. 30, 1SSI.)
In parsuance of resolutions passed by the stockholders at the annusl meeting, the directors recently passed the following: Resoloed, In accordance with the authority confrrred ipon the board of the stockholders at their meeting, W. F. Walters, D. Mackse and B. F. Newcomer are appolnted a committee
with power to advertise for proposals and to dispose of so much of the capital stock of this company as may be necessary to meet the expenditures made and to be made on the Scotland Neck Branch Railroad and to provide for this company's proportion of such sleeping car equipment for the Atlantic Coast line as may be deemed essential, the whole not to exceed $\$ 200,-$ 000 and not to be disposed of below par. Also to notify the holders of the $\$ 571,6007$ per cent bonds, recently issued, numbered from - to -, of their privilege to sell the bame to the company at 110, payable in capital stock at par, provided they notify the Treasurer at Wilmington of their desire to do 80 on or before the 5 th of January next.

The President's report says:
"At the last meeting of the stockholders, the anbject of the sterling debt due on the 1st of July, 18S1, was referred to the board of directors with full power to act. The board appointed $a$ committee to take the same into consideration. By the proceeds of 578 bonds the debt has been funded into 7 per cent bonds, as was provided at the time the mortgage was made
Gross earnings.

"The gross receipts have increased $\$ 147,741$, and the net receipts $\$ 114,908$. As rates on freight and passengers have been reduced during the year, this ingrease in receipts is due entirely to increased business. For steel rail purchased during the year $\$ 72,670$ has been paid. The new round-house has been completed at a cost of $\$ 20,331$.
"The business at Goldsboro has improved so much that it was found necessary to build a new warehouse and cotton platform there; and, possessing no suitable location, real estate had to be purehased. The warehouse and platform are now nearly completed. The road and equipment has never been in better condition."
"It is submitted whether it would not be good policy to make moderate dividends and complete the works, and renew temporary with permanent structures, so as to by in condition to pay dividends, even in such business depressions as followed the panic of 1873. It is further submitted that branch roads could be eunstructed at comparatively little cost that would add greatly to the net profits."
"For the past three years 3 per cent annual dividends have been paid. It is believed that a dividend of 6 per cent per annum can hereafter be paid to the stockholders, and the property, as far as necessary, be improved; any excess of earnings beyond that to be applied to the improvement of the road, replacing the old iron rail, as it wears out, with steel. With this policy it is thought that the stock can be relied on for permament dividends."
income agcount for the fiscal year ending sept. 30, 1881.
Assets at cammencement of the year.............................. $\$ 151,752$

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Wilmington Colnmbia \& Augusta.
(For the year ending September 30, 1881.)
The President and board of directors submit their second annual report since the reorganization of the company, which shows the following
Gross carnings. $\$ 040,956$ 505,039

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 \$135,917"From the foregoing exhibits it will be seen that the gross receipts have increased $\$ 33,510$. The net receipts are apparentlv $\$ 9,506$ less than last year, which is more than balanced by the payment of $\$ 42,900$ for sew locomotives, which has been charged to operating expenses. At the reorganization of the road, it will be remembered that the board of directors anthorized the ise of the profits for a certain time in making renewals of track and other repairs for the permanent improvement of the property. While the fnll quantity of steel rail has been parchased, it has not yet been put in the track, owing to delays in delivery. When this rail is laid, the track will be in excellent condition and require only the usual quantity for renewals. While seventy-five new cars have been added to our car equipmentiduring the year, the receipts of the road could have been materially increased with a greater number, whioh the company ought to bui'd as won as possible. They can build in their shops an average of about ten cars per month. To meet the requirements cf the passenger traffic fonr passenger cars ought to be built."
"It is recommended that a dividend of 3 per cent to the
stockholders be declared out of the net earnings of the past year, and that the balance of the net profits, together with any excess of earnings, over and above 6 per cert, for the coming year, be applied to the permanent improvement of the property.'
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## GENERAL INVESTMENT NEWS.

Buffalo New York \& Philadelphia. From the report made to the New lork State Engineer the following statement of earnings is mado :

|  | 1880-81. | 18:9-80. |
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| Tassengers. | \$173,116 | \$154,470 |
| Freight. | 938,009 | 846,512 |
| Mail, de. | 31,088 | 30,364 |
| Total | \$1,142,214 | \$1,031,347 |
| Eriouses | 634,495 | 687,424 |
| Net eard | \$507,718 | \$3\$3,922 |

The interest charge is $\$ 210,000$ per year, and the balance of earnings was in iuprovements. The control of this road is now held by the Buffalo Pittsburg \& Western syudicate.

Central Iowa.-The following circular to stockholders has been issued under date of December 10:
Portions of the branches mentioned in the last publication of the companys affars are nearing completion, and will, embracing 100 thrown out desizning further extensiens te eheek the encroachments o neighboring enriniations whose enterprise eannot bo overlooked. A line, designated the Chleago Burlington \& Pacific Railway, projected 140 milles, 60 of which is graded, has been secured to he received inte, form a part of, and enlarge the corperate limits and oarniag capacity of, the Coutral Lowa Rillway Compayy, and will be fluishod next season to the Mississipni River.
An arrangemont subsists whereby the holder of record December 20 , 18ailway Company stoek, may, uatil Dee. 31. 1881, be privileged to $\$ 800$ more oi said Central stock, unon suluseribing to and paymont for $\$ 1,000$ 6 per cent 30 -year bonds of a first mertgage unen this new line to be
made and lisued by the Central Lewa Raliway Company at the rate of $\$ 12,000$ per mifie of constructed read
Privileges belongiag to any number of shares may be assigned upon the form annexed. Send applications to Messrs. Taintor \& Ifolt, 10 Wall street. New York, accompaniod by an instalment of 10 per oont on
the sum suluserlbod. after which instalments will be payable at their oflice: 15 per cent Fobruary 1, 18S2; 15 per cent March 1,1882; 15 per cent April 1, 1832 ; 15 per cent May 1, 1882; 15 per cent Juae 1, 1882, and 15 per cent July 1, 1889.

Central of New Jersey.-At a meeting of the income bond holders, the Times reports it was claimed that, according to the agreement under which the bonds were taken by them, in 1878, "it was stipulated that they should be payable in thirty years from their date, bnt that in the bonds themselves the words, "or before," were wrongfully or by mistake interpolated, making a serions discrepancy in the two documents. The committee previously appointed reported progress, and asked that they be continued over until another meeting, which was done. By the middle of January, they said, the road would be out of the hands of the Receiver, and everything looked promising for a satisfactory and farorable termination of the present controversy. Mr. William Alexander Sinith, of the committee, recommended that the bondholders should not push matters too strenuously, but that they should insist by all means upon the correction of the error on the face of the bonds and the payment of back interest and income. Notices served by Man and Parsons, counsel to the committee, on the Receiver of the Central, demanding payment of the arrears of interest and a rectification of the error in the wording of the bonds, were read to the meeting, and an adjournment was then taken subject to the call of the chair.

Chicago Burlington \& Qnincy,-The statement of earnings for the month of October, and for the year to October 31, compared with corresponding time last year is as follows:

| For the month - | Grass carn's. | Hrpenses. |  |
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| Euding Oeteber 31,1881 | . $\$ 2,031.001$ | \$ 898,277 | \$1,132,723 |
| Endling Oeteber 31, 1880 | 1,931,762 | 780.560 | 1,154,201 |
| Increase. | 96,238 | 117,76 |  |
| Dcerease |  |  | 77 |
| For ten mon ths- From Jan. 1 to Oct. 31, | 17,454,832 | \$8,790,181 | \$ $\$ 9,664,651$ |
| Froai Jaa. 1 to Oct. 31, 1 | 17,061,616 | 7,823.287 | 9,241,329 |
| Increase. | 390,215 | 966,893 |  |
| Decrease. |  |  | 576,678 |

Cinclnuati Sclma \& Mobile.-A press dispatch from Selma, Ala., Dec. 13, reports: "An important meeting of
prominent railrond men was held in this elty yestorday It was the occasion of the lacorporatlon of the Clncin natl Selma \& Mobilo Rallroad Company. Mr. Fredorlck Wolfet and other gentlemen lacorporated the Cinclanatl Selina \& Mobiles Company, and olected Mr. lirederlck Wollfo D'resl dunt; Theodore Cooke, Vlce-Presldent; Maxlmillan Culm Secretary and Treasureri and George F. Doughty, Asslstant Treasarer. Messrs lirederick Wolffe of Montgomery, Aln. Theodore Cooke, Edgar M. Jolnnson, George IF. Duughty, Louls Krohn, and Thomas '1. Gaff, of Cinclnnati ; Samuel A. Carltou, of Boston, Mnss.; C. M. Sbelley, of Selma, Ala.; and Thomas R. Roulhac, of Greensboro, are the directors. The compaay will work the Cincinnati Southern to Chattanooga, the Alabama Great Southern from Chattanooga to Eutaw Springs, and theace the old Selma \& Green.sboro to this point. Connection with the Mobile will be secured.'
Mannibal 太 St. Joseph.-The Supremo Court of Missouri has denied the application of this Company for a writ to compel State Secretary Chappoll to give the company a recelpt releasing them from all indebtedness to the State, inasmuch as they have paid $\$ 3,090,000$ intu the State Treasury. The State holds that this money was receired on acconnt. The railroad company claims it corers their entire indebtedness to the State, and they ought to receive a receipt in full for it.
Long Island.-On Dec. 10 a consolidated flrst mortgage for $\$ 5,000,000$ was flled in Queens County covering the road, its effects and franchises, insluding the branch and leassd lines, Hempstaad. Locust Valley, Norihport, Port Jefferson, Sag Harbor, Valley Stream \& liar Rockaway, Brooklyn Rapid Transit, Smithtown, Flushing \& North Shore and Montauk roads. Thls mortgage, which is to take up all prior mortgages when they mature, is executed to the Central Trust Comnany of New York as trustee. The principal is payable in gold in 1931, and the rate of interest is 5 per cent, payable quarterly. The mortgage will cover all franchises that may hereafter come into possession of the Long Island Railroad.

Lonisvllle New Albany of Chicaco.-The Lonisville Courier-Journal reports the present mileage of this road as 288, which doe 3 not inelude the Indianapolis \& Chicago Division, as the earnings of that division are not included in the reports. The basiness of the company has been large this fall, and the rolling stock has been inadequate. The returns for September and October are accurate ; those for November are estimated, but are under rather than above what they will be when all arein. The expenditures for the maintenance of the roadway have been larger than will be necessary this month and next.


The interest on the bonded debt of this 288 miles is $\$ 180,000$, there being a $\$ 3,000,000$ mortgage bearing six per cent.

The road from Indianapulis to Chicago is being pashed forward vigorously. This will give the company excellent terminal facilities in Chicago, and their depot in that city, at Sixty-sixth Street, will be ready for occnpation Monday (19th), by which day the round-honse there will be completed. This will be a great advantage in every way, and must add largely to both freight and passenger earnings. The company expect to run through cars over their lines from Louisville to Chicago by Jan. 1. The Indianapolis \& Chicago Division is 156 miles long. After this cunsolidation the total mileage will be 444; the bonded debt $\$ 5,300,000$; the annual interest charge $\$ 318,000$; the stock $\$ 5,000,000$.

Minnesota Bonds.-St. Paul, Mina., Dec. 14.-"Another step was taken to-day in regard to the adjustment of the old railroad bonds under the ace of the recent Legislatore. A few days ago David A. Secombe, of Minneapolis, asked an injnnetion from the District Conrt restraining Governor Pillsbary from issning, and Selah Chamberlain, of Cleveland, from receiving any of the new bonds. Judge Lochren to-day filed an elaborate decision refnsing the injunction and ordering that the anit be dismissed so far as regards Governor Pillsbury. The application in regard to Mr. Chamberlain is still undecided."

Missourl Paclflc.-The following interesting cireular is issued

Dear Sir : It belog deomed milvigable to conoludo tho wortr of the International Rallway Inprovenuent Company, with the conaplation of
 o the City of Mexico, to be operated In conucetion with the railront known gs the "Southwest System," comprlatug the Missourt Pacitic, Missonr Knosis \& Tcxas, St. Louls Iron Mountaln \&i Southero, Toxas \& Paclite, New Orleans Preifle, and the Inecrnational \& Great Northern rallways. The railiroad will bo bult nuder a concesslon from tho Rextcan Government, and Will bo known as 'The Mexican Orlental Interceanlo \& Juternational Railroad. The concession provides for the payment by the Government, sa fast an suscessive porcions of constuollon Company nbout $\$ 12,000$ per mile; it also provides tho right to tinport materlal for constrnction pmrposes frce of all duties or taros. forcign or fromn the ralinadid company fair the Construction Company will recelvo its rallroalito be mate in the securitics of the railford company, as raay
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Missonri State.-The State Fand Crmminslorerr, on Dee. 3 called in for redemption, on the 3 tst Inst., 98 sinte repawale refunding $5-20$ bonds, numbered 940 to 1,043 , both inclnslve.
New Orleans Paclfle.-The last rall on the New Orleang Pacific Rallway, between Shreveport and Cheneyvillo, was laid Deo. 11. This gives an all-rail route from shreveport to Xiek Orleans, by counecting with Morgan's'Lin at Cheneyville Forty-two miles of New Orleans Paciftc remaln pet to be com pleted below Cbeneyville.
Now York Stock Exchange. -The Governing Committee has admitted to the list the following stocks and boads: Atlanta \& Charlotte Alr Lino Railway Company llat mortgare preference bonds ( $\$ 300,000$ ) and income bundy $(\$ 750,000)$, the Cormer payable April 1, 1897, and the latt-r April 1, 1900; Rio Grande Division bonds of the Texas and Pacilic Rallway Company, covering fifty miles of new road ( $\$ 1,250,000$ ); Buffalo \& Sonthwestern Railroad Company (leased and operated at the present time by the Erie) $\$ 943,800$ of common and preferred stock, equally divided, and $\$ 1.500,000$ of mortgage bonds; Wabash St. Louls \& Pacific Railway Company Lowa Division mortgage bonds, $\$ 2,269,00 \mathrm{n}$; Indianapolis Division mortgage bonds, $\$ 2,275,000$; Detroit Division mortgage bonds, $\$ 2,052,000$; Cairo Division bonds, $\$ 3,857,000$, and $\$ 2,500,000$ of the general mortgage bonds of the cornpany; Indianapolis Decatur \& Springfield Rallway Company preferred stock, issned under the plan of reorganizatlon ( $\$ 2,850.000$ ); Utah Central Railway Company, capital stock $(\$ 4,050,000)$ and first mortgage bonds of Utah Southera Extension ( $\$ 1,950,000$ ); Oregon \& California Railroad Company, $\$ 12,000,000$ of preferred and $\$ 7,000,000$ of common stock ; Chicago Milwaukee \& St. Pan! Iailway Company, $\$ 178,000$ additional flrst mortgage extension bonds Rome Watertown \& Ogdensburg Railroad Company Farmers' Loan \& Trast Company transferable certiff cates, $\$ 5,293,900$, and bearer certificates, $\$ 5,500,000$. These certificates are issued under a plan of reorganization providing for the deposit with the trast compauy of the firs consolidated mortgage bonds and stock. Denver $心$ Rio Grande Railway Company $\$ 2,000,000$ additional first consolidated mortgage 7 per cent bonds. Oregon \& Trans-Continental Company $\$ 15,760,000$ of fully paid stock, of the par value of $\$ 100$, the anthorized capital being $\$ 50,000,000$, the last of which is called for payment on May 1, 1882. Columbia \& Greenville Railroad Company common stock, $\$ 1,000,000$; pieferred stock, $\$ 1,000,000$ first mortgage 6 per cent bonds, $\$ 2,000,000$; second mortgage 6 per cent bonds, $\$ 1,000,000$. The St. Lonis Kansas City \& Northern Railway Company St. Charles Bridze first mortgage bonds, stricken from the list in consequence of a notice of payment, which was anbsequently modifled, were restored
Norfolk \& Western.-Comparisoa of earnings, expenses and net earnings from Febraary 1 to October 31.

Gross earnings.
1880.

Total expenseg
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## \$ $\$ 775,015$


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The large saving in expenses for the year 1881 is duo to the very greatly improved condition of the roadway and equipment.
Northern Paclfic.-The western end of the track is now aid eight miles beyond Fort Keogh, and will get to the Little Roscbad by December 31, thirty-five miles west from Miles City. There are now 2,000 men at work on the grade to the tannel this side of Bozeman, which will be reached by Jnne 4 , and the ties are distributed. On the west coast 295 miles of road are completed and accepted by the Government. This route is from the junction with the Oregon Railway \& Narlgation Company, near Snake liver, where it empties into the Columbia River, to Lake l'end d'Oreille. During the calendar year 370 miles of track have been laid, including 295 miles on the Pacific coast, 100 miles west of Glendive, and 45 milles east of Glendive, besides the 15 miles from Thompson Junction toward Superior City. Track-laylng will probably stop at Superior City for the present. The Wisconsin Central wants to anticipate the building of an eastern ontlet for the Northern Pacific by constracting from a point of latersection with their IIne eastward to Montreal River. Nothing has as yet been de-cided.-Pioneer-Press.
-Mr. Villard said to a Philadelphla Press reporter in regard to the dividend on preferred stock:
"I will tell you all about that. At the board meeting last before my accession to the presidency, an accounting was ordered to ascertain definitely what credit the preferred stockholders were entitled to in the way of earnings in the past which had been spent in the construction of branches, \&c. A report was accordingly made by the principal accounting office of the company and presented at the meeting of the directors in November. In order to test the accuracy of the compatation, the account was referred to another officer of the company for examination. It is expected that the exact figures will be reported to the board at the meeting in January, when definite action will probably be taken. Whatever is done will be made known to the preferred atockholders by special circular. No doubt the preferred stock is fairly entitled to what the figures, yet to be definitely fixed upon, will show, and that the amount will be distributed sooner or later. The accounting has been made only to June 30 of this year, and we don't know what earnings have been made since applicable to this distribution. As faras made, the account shows an amount to pay an 8 per cent dividend."
"Will the Northern Pacific use the Oregon Railway \& Navigation Company's line after striking the head-waters of the Colnmbia River?"
"It will nse for the present the Oregon Railway \& Navigation Company's line from the confluence of the Snake and Colombia rivers, and along the south of the latter for a distance of abont 200 miles. The Northern Pacific propose bnilding a line of its own on the northern bank of the Columbia, which it will, of course, use when it is completed.'
Pliladelphia \& Reading.-A bill in equity was filed in Philadelphia, Dec. 14, by McCalmont Brothers \& Co. against the Philadelphia \& Reading Railroad Company, William L. Mactier and John Walker, Jr., asking that a master be appointed to preside over the next annual meeting of the company.

Richmond \& Petersburg.-The earnings for the jear were as follows :


Net earnings................................. $\$ 3$ ®̄,926 Dividends of 6 per cent were paid on the stock of $\$ 1,009,300$.
Sallna \& Nortliwestern,-A dispatch to the Globe-Democrat from Topeka, Kan., December 8, said: "The Salina \& Northwestern Railroad, the charter of which was filed yesterday, is designed as a feeder to the Union Pacific and the Missouri Pacific. The company organized with a capital stock of $\$ 5,000$,000. The main line runs from Salina, by way of Lincoln Center, through the counties of Saline, Lincoln, Russell, Ellis, Graham, Sheridan, I'homas and Sherman, to the west line of the State at a point on the west of Sherman County. The company also intend to baild a branch line from Lincoln Center to the west line of Cheyenne County, by way of Delphi, Osborne County, passing through the connties of Lincoln, Osborne, Rooks, Norpassing through the connties of Lincoln, Osborne, Rooks, Northe main line is 300 miles, and that of the branch 275 miles. The directors of the road are Sidney Dillon and Jay Gould, of New York; S. H. H. Clark, of Omaha; S. T. Smith, of Kansas City; J. P. Usher, of Lawrence; O. L. Williams and H. P. Dillon, of Topeka."

Western Unlon Tolegrapli.-The directors met and declared the quarterly dividend of $1 \frac{1}{2}$ per cent, payable Jannary 16 to stockholders of record on Dec. 20. The following is the report for the quarter ending December 31, 1881 :
In the report presented by the execative committee at the last quarterly meeting of the board, held September 14, 1881, the net revennes for the quarter euding September 30 (Augnst being partially and September wholly estimated) were stated at $\$ 1,949,89461$.
The official returns for the quarter (ended September 30) showed the net revenues to be $\$ 2,104,635$, or $\$ 154,741$ nore than the estimate.

The following revised statement, based upon complete returus, will show the condition of the company at the close of the quarter ended September 30, 1881 :
Burplins July 1, 1881, as ner last quarterly report. .
$\underset{2,104,635}{\$ 127,258}$
Set revenues, quarter ended Sept. 30, 1881 ..............
$\overline{\$ 2,231,894}$
From which dedocting regular approprations .. $\$ 1.642,134$
Loss portion of sinkiug fund for the honds of
1900 (which was set aside previously), re1900 (which was set aside prevlously). re Trustees, because of the drawn boade not har ing been presented for redemption.........

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The net revenues for the quarter ending Dee. 3i, instant. based npon officlal returns for Oetober, nearly complete returas for November, and estimating the business for add aurplus, October 1 ,
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## COMMERCIAL EPITOME.

Friday Night, December 16, 1881.
The state of trade is without important rariation except that it partakes more and more of a holiday character. The weather has been first warm and now wintry, and between these extremes stormy. Speculative confidence in the future of values for Western farm products has been somewhat weakened, although exports have been increased through a better supply of freight room by the arrival of overdue steamships. The money market has shown less uniform stringency. Rio coffee has been in moderate demand at the quotations of a week ago- $10 \frac{1}{2}$ e for fair cargoes; mild grades have sold fairly at gemerally steady prices. Tea sold yesterday at steady prices at the auction; to-day at a sale of 9,000 packages prices were 1 . @2c. lower, however. Rice has been moderately active and steady. Foreign dried fruits have been quiet at some decline. Spices have remained dull. Molasses has been dnll and nominal for foreign, but a fair business has been done in new crop New Orleans, and as high as 64c. for fancy has occasionally been obtained, though 64c. has generally been the extreme. Raw sugar, after falling to $7^{1 / 4}$ c. for fair refining, has latterly re-acted to 738 c ., and the tone generally shows some improvement, consequent on a larger trade in refined and a better inquiry from refiners; the market closed steady.
 Refined, as stated, has sold more freely of late, and prices have shown greater firmness; crushed closed at $95 / 893 / 4 \mathrm{c}$., powdered at 958 c ., granulated at $9 @ 9{ }^{1} / 4 \mathrm{c}$. and standard soft white " $A$ " at $87 / 8 \mathrm{c}$.
Kentacky cobacco has been very quiet, and sales for the week are only 126 hhds., of which 42 for consumption and 86 for esport. Prices are firm; lugs, $6 @ 7 c$., and leaf, $7^{1 / 4 @ 15 c . ~ T h e ~}$ demand for seed leaf has continued moderate, and sales for the week aggregate 1,250 cases, all from the crop of 1830, as follows: 300 cases Pennsylvania fillers, 6@7c.; do. wrappers, 161/2@35c., and do. assorted, 1212@18c.; 120 cases New England wrappers, 16@38c.; 650 cases Ohio fillers, $33 / 4 @ 4 \mathrm{c}$. ; do. wrappers, $10 @ 14 \mathrm{c}$, and do. assorted, 6@912c., and 180 cases Wisconsin, 3@12c; alsn 350 bales Havana, 87c.@\$1 20.

The specnlation in lard the past week has been fitful and variabl , and the regular trade fair, but uot sufficient to prevent a downward tendency to values; and other "hog products" have been dull. The pork-packing for the first six weeks of the current season is set down as showing a decrease of 650,000 swine, or about 20 per cent from last siason. The average weight is about the same as last season. The exports, however, show a rednction of about 40 per cent. To-day the erer, show a rednction of abset dull and depressed. Pork was nominal; nuw mess offered at $\$ 1850$ for Feb., withont bids. Bacon was quoted at $9 \mathrm{~s} / \mathrm{c}$. for long clear. Cut meats were wholly nnsettled. Lard closed dull; prime Western $\$ 1120$ per 100 lbs. on the spot. $\$ 113212 @ 1135$ for January, $\$ 114712 @ 1150$ for February, and $\$ 1160$ for March; total stock, 74,111 tes.-a large increase. Tallow firm at 73/8@7 7-16c. Beef and beef hams dull. Butter Tallow firm at $738077-16 \mathrm{c}$. Beef and beef hams dull. Butter Nov. 1 to Dec. 1 were as follows:


Strained rosin has been quiet at a decline to $\$ 2$ 20@ $\$ 225$, bat closed frmagain at $\$ 220 @ 225$. Spirits tarpentine has been quiet but firm latterly at $54 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. Pig iron has been very firm, bot rather quiet. Rails have been quiet but firm; American mannfacturers are rot disposed to advance prices for fear of attracting sapplies from England, where there is sald to be a burdensome stock; but they are, nevertheless, quite firm at the present quotations. Ingot copper has been firm at 193/2c. Tin and tin plates have sold freely at higher prices. Spelter has been in good demand and firm. Hops have been quiet and though the higher grades are generally held at firm prices, owing to farorable news from England, the lower grades are
somewhat weak and irregnlar. Wool has been quiet but abont somewhat weak and irregnlar. Wool has been quiet but abont steady. Hides have been quiet but firm. Leather has been active and firm. Grass seeds have been quiet at some decline. Refined petrolenm has been dull at $71 / 8 \mathrm{~s}$.; certificates have been active and close at $823 / 4 @ 827 / 8$ c.

Ocean freights enjoyed a season of comparative activity for several days following the arrival of overdue steamers and sail vessels detained by the recent stress of weather, but at the close the market is very dull. To Liverpool, by steam, grain, $3 @ 3^{1 / 2 d . ; ~ c o t t o n, ~ 5-32 @ 9-32 d . ; ~ l o u r, ~ 18 . ~ 3 d . ~ p e r ~ h a r r e l ; ~ h e a v y ~}$ goods,12s.6d.@17s. 6d. per ton. Grain to London, by steam, 6@ $6^{1 / 1}$ d.; petroleum, by sail, 3s. 3d. Grain to Cork, for orders, 48.@4s. 3d.; petrolenm to the Continent, 3s. 6d, and to Bath, 48 .

## COTTON.

Friday, P. M., December 16. 1881.
Tirs Moveneant of this Crop, as Indicated by our telegrams from the Shath to-night, is given below. Hor the weak ending this evening (Dec. 16), the total receipts have reached $236,5 i 5$ bales, agninst 233,341 bales last woek, 216,170 bales the previoas week and 221,876 baley three weeks since; making the total recelpts since the 1st of September, 1881, 2,739,603 bales, agninst $3,019,681$ bales for the same period of 1880 , showing a decrease Hince September 1, 1881, of 280,081 bales.

| Recelpis al- | sal. | 3 ron | Tues. | Werl. | Thurs | Frl. | Totat. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Oalveston ..... | 2,838 | 5,069 | 2,601 | 3,939 | 3,300 | 2,898 | 20.603 |
| Indlanoln, ©c. |  |  |  |  |  | 433 | 439 |
| New Orloans... | 15.059 | 17,312 | 6,279 | 8,007 | 11, 119 | 13,313 | -0,918 |
| Mobilo | 1.601 | 5,896 | 1,720 | 2,681 | 2,012 | 2,177 | 16,057 |
| Florlda . |  |  |  |  |  | 1.411 | 1.411 |
| 8arannah.... | 0,276 | 5.736 | 5,963 | 6,217 | 5,665 | 5,666 | 35.523 |
| Brunsw'k, de. |  |  |  |  |  | 200 | $\underline{00}$ |
| Caraston ..... | 3,639 | 3,7\% | 2,974 | 3,315 | 3,850 | 3,211 | 20,316 |
| Pt. Royal, \&c. |  |  |  |  |  | 366 | 366 |
| Wilmington | 1,682 | 1,147 | 1,960 | 830 | 63 | 381 | 6,917 |
| Moreh'd C.sce |  |  |  |  |  | 1,001 | 1.00 .1 |
| Norfolls. | 4,938 | 5,375 | 4,451 | 4.180 | 3,133 | 4,510 | 28,719 |
| Clty Polnt,sco. |  |  |  |  |  | 1,421 | 1,421 |
| New York...... | 1,190 | 1,907 | 1,332 | 1,725 | 2,350 | 770 | 9,250 |
| Bestou | 1,657 | 2,316 | 3,454 | 1,701 | 1,835 | 1,811 | 12,810 |
| Baltimor |  | 336 | … | 87 |  |  | 423 |
| Philadol $\mathrm{p}^{\prime} \mathrm{s}$, \&cc. | 520 | 788 | 205 | 103 | 420 | 1,481 | 3,577 |


For comparison, we give the following table showing the week's total receipts, the total since Sept. 1, 1881, and the stocks to-night and the same items for the corresponding periods of last vear.

| Receipts to December 16. | 1881. |  | 1830. |  | Slock. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | This Treek. | $\begin{gathered} \text { Since Sep. } \\ 1,1881 \text {. } \end{gathered}$ | TAls Week. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Since Sep. } \\ & 1,1880 . \end{aligned}$ | 1881. | 1880. |
| Quivento | 20,665 | 271,080 | 26,525 | 320,260 | 107,055 | 95,095 |
| Indlamola, | 439 | 9,915 | 514 | 8,916 |  | $\therefore$ ㄷ.. |
| New Orlean | 76,918 | 729,238 | 74,201 | 681.569 | 315,503 | 269,461 |
| Moblle | 16,087 | 168,623 | 21,066 | 208,479 | 54,018 | 46,435 |
| Florida | 1,411 | 10,361 | 1,791 | 13.415 | 09 | 2,586 |
| Savanna | 35,523 | 492,144 | 30,252 | 557,110 | 109,413 | 135,183 |
| Brunawick | 200 | 5,866 | 181 | 3,553 |  |  |
| Charleston | 20,816 | 351.329 | 23,310 | \$12.800 | 117,323 | 104,461 |
| Port Royal, | 366 | 13,917 | 2,060 | 31,819 | 22 | 8,749 |
| Wrimington | 6,017 | 92,504 | 5,053 | 87,082 | 21,745 | -9,458 |
| M'head Clty, *e | 1,004 | 10,37: | 842 | 14,827 |  |  |
| Norfolk. | 23,710 | 363,538 | 31,305 | 422,872 | 69,053 | 50,563 |
| City Point | 1,421 | 33,297 | 8.726 | 123, 910 |  |  |
| New York | 9.230 | 33,616 | 3,797 | 40,315 | 209,515 | 132,887 |
| Boston | 12,310 | 90,840 | 5,118 | 49.325 | 4,600 | 2,388 |
| Baltimor | 123 | 10,023 | 1,797 | 14,570 | 47,239 | 36,183 |
| Phlladalphi | 3,575 | 27,393 | 1,889 | 20,742 | 21,283 | 0,261 |
| Total.. | 236.376 | 2,739 | 238.490 | 3,019,684 | * | 021.7 |

Total.
1,079,758.
In order that comparison may be made with other years, we give below the totals at leading ports tor six seasons.

| Recelpls ul- | 1881. | 1880. | 1879. | 1878. | 1877. | 1876. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Gnlveat'n, \&o. | 21,101 | 27,039 | 20,187 | 21,973 | 30,330 | 25,498 |
| New Orleans, | 76,318 | 74,201 | 59.967 | 71,535 | 73,392 | 36,104 |
| Hobllo | 10,037 | 21,066 | 17,773 | 21,284 | 25,65* | 19,017 |
| Savannah. | 35.523 | 30,232 | 28,38 | 23,691 | 31,2 12 | 27.215 |
| Charl'st's. \&c | 21,182 | 25,370 | 22.631 | 20,376 | 23,810 | 24,861 |
| Wlim'gt's, \&c | 7.021 | 5,895 | 4.763 | 3,862 | 7,822 | 6,353 |
| Norfolk, do.. | 30,148 | 40.09? | 38,638 | 2.1.812 | 26,037 | 21,436 |
| All others. | 27,701 | 14,573 | $26.50{ }^{-}$ | 11,866 | 13,253 | 10.900 |
| Tot.this w'k. | 236,576 | 239,490 | 218,907 | 201,882 | 231,501 | 171,596 |

8ince Sept. $1 . \overline{2730.603} \overline{3019.634}-\overline{2304.949} \overline{2376,135}-2108,281 / \overline{2399,430}$ Gaveron ingludes Indianola; Charleston inciudos Port theyal, see.
Filingiva tacluden Morehead City, \&o.; Norfolk inoludes City Polut. do
The exports for the week ending this evening reach a total of 132,904 bales, of which 81,780 were to Great Britain, 26,737 to
France and 21,381 to rest of the Continent, while the stocks as made up this evening are now $1,079,758$ bales. Below are the exports for the week and since Soptember 1. 1881.

| Exports from- | Week Ending Dec. 16. Dxported to- |  |  |  | From Sept. 1, 1881. to Dec. 16, 1831. Exporter to- |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { Oreat } \\ & \text { Brit'n. } \end{aligned}$ | Prance | Cont nent. | Tblal | $\begin{gathered} \text { Great } \\ \text { Britaln. } \end{gathered}$ | France | Conet nent. | totat. |
| Galperton. | 0.4 |  | 875 | 7,706 | 6,033 | 6,440 | 87,798 | 0,329 |
| New Orleana. | 33,287 | 25,433 | 5,015 | 61/86: | 224,169 | 100,122 | 20,414 | 432.710 |
| Mabile |  |  |  |  | 7.070 |  |  | 7.173 |
| Modid |  |  |  |  | S,400 |  |  | 3,830 |
| gayaduab. | 2,901 |  | 7,441 | 10,312 | 68,011 | 12,5)3 | 100.487 | 189.003 |
| Charleston *... | 7,200 |  | 2,006 | 9,809 | 81.228 | 14,331 | 88,5 5 | 151,328 |
| Wumbinaton... | 4.420 |  | 1,06s | 0,492 | 25.778 | 1,430 | 5,093 | 84.880 |
| Nortoly.... .. | 18.709 |  | 2.0 .8 | 23,808 | 157,828 |  | 13,030 | 131.738 |
| Net York | 6.118 | 304 | 1,350 | 8.78: | 110.533 | 11.05 | 25,203 | 169,893 |
| Booton | 2,094 |  |  | 1,991 | 87.779 |  |  | 37,78) |
| Baltimor |  |  |  |  | 25,680 | . | 14,881 | 10,801 |
| Phlladelp'asto | 9,128 |  |  | 3.15 | 16,181 |  | 50 | 18,231 |
| Total ....... | 84,788 | 20,i37 | 21,3+1 | 182,908 | 83, 058 | 157, 3 | 351,420 | 1,916,487 |
| Total 180... | 94, 831 | 20,40n | 80.815 | 103.0861 | 1,030.4691 | 227.7 | S2n mio | $\underline{1.715815}$ |

In addition to abovo exporta, nur tislegrams to-nfeht aleo ketan as the followins aminntis of cottoa on whiphoard, not elonsed. at the porta named. We add mimilar tIgneme for Now York, whiloh are prepared for onr apoclal uns by Memrs. Caroy, lialo ts Lambert. 60 13avar Sireet.

| Dec. 10, AT- | On \$hlybourd, not elearmb-for |  |  |  |  | foraelng stock. |
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|  | Oreat Brltala, | France. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Oiner } \\ & \text { rorelgn } \end{aligned}$ | Onatclace. | Tolal. |  |
| Now Orlean | 11.060 | 2,801 | 9,559 | 1,3.3 | 24,734 | 246,760 |
| Moblio.... | ${ }^{5} 5.968$ | 6,000 | Nunc. | 22000 | 13,1084 | 40,10:9 |
| BnYnnå | 3,100 | 1.000 |  | 1,9600 | 19, ${ }^{19} 0$ | 99,7315 |
| Galveston........ | 14,701 | 2.039 | 9,40. | 9,917 | 39.411 | 71.46 |
| New York | 4.000 | 200 | 2001 | Nomm. | -5,700 | 203 -8is |
| Other | 3,000 | Nome. | 3,000 | 2,800 | 11,003 | 153,423 |
| Total | 55,270 | 14,452 | 36,652 | 21.170 | 129,0:3 | 850.70: |

- Incluted in than mmount thoro are 1,200 bales if juemes for forelga portw, the destinadou of whith we cannot leara. depressed on Shturday last by the comparatively free movement of the crop and quiet reports from Llverpool. But on Monday the reports from the Soathern Cotton Exchanges, whloh had been public on that day and Satarday, bronght on beying orders from the South and West, and from operators on the Stock Exchange, and these cansed a demand to cover contracts. upon which there was some advance. The market was dull and weak on Tnesday and thruaghont the most of Wednesday, but on Wednesday evening a violent storm in the Mississippl Valley, which threatened to end picking for the season in that section, together with some falling off in the interior movement, cansed a slight advance. Yesterday the market was sloggish till after the Bureau report appeared, when an advance began which continued to near the close of to-day's business, thongh without much activity. Cotton on the spot has been dnll; and ander acenmulating stocks prices declined 1-16c. on Wednesday. To-day there was an advance of $1 / 3 \mathrm{c}$., middling nplands closing at 12c.
The total sales for forward delivery for the week are 652,400 bales. For immediate delivery the total sales foot op this week 7,924 bales, including 825 for export, 1,661 for consamption, 1,010 for speculation and 4,423 in transit. Of the above, 300 bales were to arrive. The following are the official quotations and sales for sach diy of the past week.

| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dec. } 10{ }^{10}{ }^{10}{ }^{\text {Dec. } 16}{ }^{2} \end{aligned}$ | UPLANDS. |  |  | NEW ORLEANS. |  |  | TEKAS. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Sat. | Cou | Tuen | S8 | Mon | Tuen | sa | Mod | Tues |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Striot Ord | $10{ }^{5}$ | $10^{58}$ | ${ }^{105}{ }^{13}{ }^{18}$ | ${ }_{1010}^{10}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| 8tr. G'dord | 1116 | 1115 | 1116 | 118 | 1138 | 1138 | 113 | 113 |  |
| Low Mid $\mathrm{l}^{\text {ch }}$ | 1120 | $11{ }^{\circ}$ |  | $1113_{10}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| 8trew M |  |  | $1{ }^{12}$ | 12116 | ${ }_{1218}^{121}$ | ${ }^{121218}$ | $121{ }^{1216}$ | ${ }_{121}{ }^{1} 16$ | $1{ }^{121} 10$ |
| middiln | ${ }_{1211516}{ }^{125}$ |  | ${ }^{115}$ | ${ }_{12}{ }^{12}{ }^{3}$ | $12{ }^{12}$ | ${ }_{123}^{121}$ | ${ }_{12}^{124}$ |  | 121 |
| Good M1 |  |  | ${ }_{29}{ }^{18}$ | ${ }_{1278}^{12}$ | ${ }_{12}^{12}$ | ${ }^{12}$ | ${ }_{127}$ | 12 | 12 |
| Midd'g Far |  |  | 31 | $13{ }^{3} 8$ | 1338 | 1338 | 133 | 133 | 13 |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mifle........ } \\ & \text { Fall } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | 16 |  | 1 | $4^{1 / 8}$ | $14^{18}$ | 1438 | 1418 | 14\% | 1428 |
|  | -d |  |  |  | Th | Fri. | Wod | Tt | Fri. |
| Ordin'y. $\overline{2}$ ab 8trlet ori.. |  | 0 | ${ }^{85} 5_{18}$ | 93 | ${ }_{0}{ }^{18}$ | 10 | 9i, |  |  |
|  | ${ }^{93}$ |  |  | ${ }^{1011} 16$ | 1014 | $1_{11}^{103}$ | 10118 | ${ }_{101}^{10}$ | ${ }_{11} 1^{316}$ |
| atrlet Orl. Gnord Ora. 8tr. G'd Ord | 16 |  | 1129 | $11^{8}$ | $113^{8}$ | 117 |  | $118_{16}$ | 11 |
| 8tr. G'd Ord Low Mldil'd |  |  | 119 | 11.8 | 12 | 1178 | 11.4 | 114 |  |
|  |  | 1 | $1{ }^{1318}$ |  |  | 12 |  |  |  |
| L <br> ser. ITw Mid <br> Middlline |  |  | 12 | ${ }_{12} 2^{3}$ |  | ${ }_{121}^{12}{ }^{6}$ |  |  | 121 |
|  |  |  | $12{ }^{2}$ | $12{ }^{13}{ }^{16}$ | 121 | $12{ }^{16}$ |  | $1215^{\circ}$ | $1{ }^{121818}$ |
| Good Mtla Str. G'd Mid Midd'g Fait Falr. | 2 |  | $13 \%$ | ${ }_{1} 3^{5} 16$ | ${ }_{13}{ }^{3} 16$ |  |  |  |  |
|  | STAI:IED |  |  | $13^{7}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | Sax. | Mon | T | Wed | Th. | Fri. |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 81316 |  |  |  |
| Giood O <br> 8trict Ctood Ordinary <br> Low sildding. |  |  |  | ${ }^{01518}$ | ${ }^{91}$ |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 10 | ${ }_{1}^{107^{18}}$ | 10718 |  |
| Low ridd ding. ... ................ |  |  |  |  |  |  | 117 | 17 |  |

MAREET AND RALES.

|  | BPOT MARKET close: |
| :---: | :---: |
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| Mon. | Qutet............ |
| Wed. | Dull $\mathrm{at}^{1} 18$ deo... |
| ${ }_{\text {Thurs }}$ |  |
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| BALA OP SPOT AXD TRANSIT. |  |  |  |  | roter |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\left\|\overline{E_{2}}\right\|$ | Concump. | $\begin{array}{\|c\|} \hline \text { Apea } \\ \text { ulicm } \end{array}$ | Transil. | Tolat | Sales. | D_HO |
|  | 31.3 | 40 |  | 88.5 | $10.8 .900$ | 400 |
|  | 52.1 237 | 19 |  | 432 | 81.800 | 1,100 |
| 720.5 | 35 |  | $\ldots$ |  | 103.200 | 900 |
| 100 | 234 318 | 373 | 4,128 | 8,319 | 105.200 | 1,100 |
| 825 | 1.631 | 1,010 | 4.423 | 7.92 | 85,40 | 4.800 |

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The Sales and Pricrs of Futures are shown by the follow－ ing comprehensive table．In this staternent will be icund the daily market，the prices of sales for each month each day，and he closing bids，in addition to the dailv and total sales．

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|  | $\left\|\begin{array}{\|c} 0 \\ 0 \\ 10 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{array}\right\|$ |  |  |  |  |  |  | ٌ |  |
| $\left\|\begin{array}{c} \infty \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{array}\right\|$ | $\left\|\begin{array}{l} n \\ \stackrel{2}{2} \\ 8 \\ 8 \\ 8 \end{array}\right\|$ |  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 60 \\ & 00 \\ & 00 \\ & 100 \\ & 100 \\ & 000 \\ & 0.0 \\ & 8.4 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | \％ |  |
| $\left\lvert\, \begin{gathered} - \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{gathered}\right.$ | $\left\|\begin{array}{c} - \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 8 \end{array}\right\|$ |  |  |  | 낭 ผ్రీ 103 H゙だもO ట్ట山心 |  |  | \％ | $y$ |
| $\begin{array}{\|c} 1 \\ \\ \text { N } \\ \text { Non } \\ 8 \end{array}$ | $\left\|\begin{array}{c} 1 \\ \hline \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 8 \\ 8 \end{array}\right\|$ | Ko ต่ㅜㅜ $1 \otimes 6$ NNO $0_{6}^{\circ}$ |  |  |  |  | Hin禺它 18 Nivio gide |  | 掝 |
| 0 <br> 0 <br> 0 <br> 0 <br> 0 <br> 0 | $\begin{array}{\|c\|c\|} \hline \stackrel{0}{0} \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 & \\ \hline \end{array}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | No <br>  <br> 10：3 <br> NNO <br> $\omega_{\omega}$ |  |  |  |  | dod |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { O } \\ & 0 \\ & 0 \\ & 0 \\ & 0 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\left\lvert\, \begin{aligned} & \infty \\ & \infty \\ & 0 \\ & 8 \end{aligned}\right.$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | － |
| $\left\lvert\, \begin{gathered} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{gathered}\right.$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1 \stackrel{2}{2} \\ & 8 \\ & 8 \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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＊Ineludee sales in September，1881，for September，314，000；Septem－ ber－Gotober for Oetober． 416.400 ；Beptember－Norember for November， 11，200；also gales for November．1882，500．
A Includee for November， 1882,900 at $11.53 @ 11.39$ ．
C Inoludes for November， 1882,100 at 11.55.
C Inoludes for November，1882， 100 at 1157 ．
E Inoludes for November，1882， 100 at $11 \cdot 53$ ．
F Includes for November， $1882,1,500$ at $11.59 a 11.6$
Traneferable Orders－Saturday，11．90；Monday，11．95：Tuesdas 195；Wednesday，12；Tuursday，12；Friday， $12 \cdot 15$.
Bbort Notlees for December－Saturday，11．87＠11．85；Monday， 11.80
11.84 ；Wedresday， 11.86 ． 11．84；Wedneaday， 11.86 ．
The following exchanges have been made daring the week：
41 pd．to exeh．2，000 Jan．for Mar． 19 pd．to exch． 100 Dce．for Jan． 42 pd．to exch．1，200 Jan．for Mar． 16 pd ．to exch． 200 Mar ．for Amr． 70 pd ，to exeh． 300 Jan ．for May． 22 pd ．to exeh．3，500 Jan．for Feb． 22 pd ．to exch． 2,000 Jar．for May． 22 pd．to exch． 1.000 Jan ．for Feb 41 pd ．to exch．1，000 Jan．for Mar．${ }^{14} \mathbf{~ p d . ~ t o ~ e x c h . ~} 500$ Dcc．for Jan．

The Visible Supply of Cortor，as made up by cable and telegraph，is as follows．The Continental stocks are the figures of last Satnrday，but the totals for Great Britain and the afloat for the Continent are this week＇s retarns，and conseqnently brought down to Thursday evening；hence，to make the totals the complete figures for to－night（Dec．16），we add the item of exports from the United States，including in it the exports of Fridar only

|  | 881. | 1880. | 1870. | 1878. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Stock at Liverpool．．．．．．．bales． | 487，000 | 426，000 | 366，000 | 333，000 |
| Btac | 37，000 | 33，700 | 42，6 | 33，000 |
| Tolal Great Br | 521，000 | 464，700 | 408，664 | 386，000 |
| Stook at Hav | 120，000 | 97，000 | 47，560 | 77，750 |
| 8took at Marselli | 3，500 | 6，800 | 1.213 | 1，500 |
| stock at Barcelon | 16，200 | 33，300 | 6.356 | 8，000 |
| Stook at Hamo | 13，000 | 2，300 | 1.800 | 2，50 |
| 8 toc | 48，400 | 20，000 | 10，16 | 5，750 |
| ook | 10.000 | 9，800 | 13，500 | 25，250 |
| 8 too | 680 | 5，000 | 1，360 | 6，750 |
| Stookat | 2，090 | 881 |  | 3.250 |
| 8took a | 8，400 | 5，950 | 1，358 | 5.300 |
| tal con | 222，270 | 131，131 | 83，307 | 136.25 |
| Total European etocke | －46，270 | $6 \times 5.831$ | 491,971 | 522，250 |
| India cotton afloat for Europe． | 92，000 | 51，000 | 79.719 | 59，000 |
| Amer＇n cotton afloat for Eur＇po | 441，000 | 626，000 | 670，98．） | 659，000 |
| Egypt，Brazil，\＆o．，alt for E＇r＇po | 52，000 | 45，000 | 47.626 | 13，000 |
| 8took in United 8 tates perts ．． 1 | 1，079，753 | 920，593 | 809，498 | 761，079 |
| Stook in U．8．interior porte．．． | 397，533 | 294．224 | 343，503 | 280，957 |
| United 8tates exports to－day．． | 19，300 | 24，000 | 18，000 | 17，000 |

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\text { Total vislble oupply......... } \overline{2,827,866} \overline{2,606,643} \overline{2,466,302} \overline{2,311,286} .
$$ Of the above，the totale of American and other desoriptlons are as follows ： American－

|  | 374，000 | 321.000 | 250，000 | 202，000 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Continent | 98，000 | 104，000 | 31，000 | 96，000 |
| American afloat | 441，000 | 626，000 | 675，935 | 658，000 |
| atted 8ta | ，079．758 | 920，593 | 809，49 | 761，079 |
| United 8tater in | 397，538 | 294，224 | 343，503 | 280, |
| Unit | 19， | 24，000 | 18，000 |  |

Totai Amerloan．．．．．．．．．．．．．$\overline{2,400,596} \overline{2,289,817} \overline{2,130,986} \overline{2,015,036}$


Liverpool stook．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．$\quad 13,000 \quad 105,000 \quad 116,000 \quad 131,000$ $\begin{array}{llrrrr}\text { London Atock．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．} & 37,000 & 33,700 & 42,664 & 53,000\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{lrrrrr}\text { Continental stocks ．．．．．．．．．．．．} & \mathbf{1 2 4 , 2 7 0} & 77,131 & 49,307 & \mathbf{4 0 , 2 5 0} \\ \text { India afloat for Europe．．．．．．．．} & 92,000 & 51,000 & 79,719 & 59,000\end{array}$ Egypt，Brazil，\＆o．，afloat．．．．．．$\quad 52,000 \quad 45,000 \quad 47,626 \quad 13,000$

Total East Indla，\＆$\ldots . . . . \overline{418,270}-316,831-335,316-296,250$ Total American．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．2，409，396 2，289，817 2，130，986 2，015，036

Total Fistble enpply．．．．．．．．$\overline{2,82 \overline{7,866}} \overline{2,606,648} \overline{2,466,302} \overline{2,311,286}$ Prioe Mid．Upl．，Liverpool ．．．．$\quad 6{ }^{2}{ }_{16}$ d．$\quad 613_{16}$ d． $6{ }^{13}{ }_{18} \pi . \quad 51_{10} d$ ．
［雨 The imports into Continental ports this week have been 38,100 bales．

The above figures indicate an increase in the cotton in sigh． to－night of 221,218 bales as compared with the same date of $\mathbf{1 8 8 0}$ ， an increase of 361,564 bales as compared with the corres－ ponding date of 1879 and an increase of 516,550 bales as com－ pared with 1878.

At the Intrrior Ports the movement－that is the receipts and shipments for the week，and stocks to－night，and for the corresponding week of 1880 －is set out in detail in the following statement：

|  | Weck ending Dec．16，＇81． |  |  | Week ending Dec．17，${ }^{\text {＇80．}}$ |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Receipts． | Shipm＇ts | Stock． | Reccipts． | Shipm＇ts | stock． |
| Augusta，Ga | 8，406 | 4，927 | 33，390 | 6.269 | 6，202 | 20，849 |
| Columbus， G | 4.319 | 870 | 27，383 | 5.582 | 3，446 | 23，397 |
| Maeon，Ga． | 2，394 | 1，327 | －9，807 | 2，057 | 1.269 | 8，045 |
| Montgom＇ry，Ala． | 3，365 | 3.219 | 12，492 | 5，742 | 3，091 | 13，732 |
| Selma，Ala． | 4，366 | 3，813 | 12.696 | 5.522 | 4，073 | 9，722 |
| Memphls，Tenn．． | 19，941 | 11，357 | 95， 214 | 24，802 | 16.922 | 81，295 |
| Nashville，Tenn． | 3.680 | 2，882 | 17，164 | 3.262 | 3，407 | 14.142 |
| Dallas，Texas． | 929 | 1，483 | 5，916 | 3,327 | 1，851 | 5，597 |
| Jettersou，Tex． | 1，467 | 1，367 | 3，098 | 2，421 | 1，385 | 3，414 |
| 8breveport，La．． | 3，977 | 1，729 | 14，792 | 4，829 | 3，621 | 8.081 |
| Vielsburg，Miss． | 7.59 | 6.770 | 14，365 | 5，784 | 6，001 | 7，184 |
| Columlus，Miss．． | 1，328 | 9.11 | 11，127 | 2，445 | 508 | 6，079 |
| Eufaula，Ala． | 2，15．1 | 2，403 | 3，209 | 3，116 | 2，326 | 3，560 |
| Griffin， | 1，732 | 1，876 | 4，796 | 1，200 | 1，393 | 2，600 |
| Atlanta，${ }_{\text {d }}$ | 4.33 .4 4.208 | 3,154 3,400 | 30.928 | 5.866 | 5,402 4,013 | 17，659 |
| Rome，Gia．${ }_{\text {Charlotte，}}^{\text {Co．}}$ | 4，208 | 3，400 | 12，922 | 6,113 1,493 | 4,013 1.453 | 17,157 1,040 |
| 8t．1 fouis，Mio．．． | 22， $2+5$ | 17：318 | 78.896 | 18，394 | 16，547 | 34，678 |
| Cineimuati， | 19，325 | 18,427 | 8，623 | 12.998 | 8，941 | 15，994 |
| Total，old porte．． | 118，990 | 91，093 | 397，538 | 121，422 | 92，174 | 294，224 |
| Newherry， 8 C | 42.5 | 473 | 744 | 522 | 496 | 285 |
| Raleigh，N．C． | 2，064 | 3，500 | 2.113 | 2，425 | 3，200 | 4，083 |
| ＇ctersburg．Va．． | 1，596 | 832 | 5，469 | 593 | 674 | 630 |
| Lonisville，Ky． | 1，812 | 1，201 | 8,715 | 1，335 | 996 | 5，239 |
| Little Iock ${ }^{\text {a }}$ Ark． | 1，364 | 1，602 | 3，105 | 1，751 | 1，509 | 1，384 |
| Brenham．Tex．．． | 906 | 1，125 | 2，602 | 1，532 | 993 | 3，027 |
| Houston，Tex． | 24，398 | 21，183 | －25，250 | 29，085 | 21.497 | 27，958 |
| Total，now porte | 32，56J | 29，915 | 47，998 | 37，216 | 32，365 | 42，603 |
| Ot |  |  |  |  |  |  |

The ab ve totals show that the old interior stocks lave increasech during the week 27,291 balca, and are to-night 103,314 bales more than at the same perind last year. The recuipts at the sanu: towns have been 2,432 bales less than the same week lant year.

Fiegeipts fron tirs Plantations.-The following table in prepared for the purpose of indicating the actual movement each week froin the piantations. Receipts at the outports are some. times malsleading, as they are mado ap more largely one year than another, at the expense of the interior stocks. We rinch, therefore, a safer conclusion through a comparative statement like the following. In reply to frequent inquiries we will add that these ligures, of conrse, do not include overland receipts of Sonthern consumption; they are simpiy a atatement of the weokly movement from the plantations of that part of the crop which finally reaches the market through the ont-ports.
heceipts fhom plantationg.


| Recelpts at the Ports. |  |  | Stock al Intertor Ports |  |  | Rec'pts from Planl'ns. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1859. | 188 | 1831. | 1879. | 18 | 1881. | 18.6 | 1830. | 1391. |
| 162,303 | 172.221 |  | 52.207 | 78.735 | 105,384 | 173.736 | 180,987 |  |
| 100,408 | 109,091 | 170.810 | 68.915 | 108,088 | 152,673 | 188,114 | 223,44: | 168.449 |
| :81.714 | 210,367 | 185,056 | 81,227 | 121,803 | 160,150 | 101,028, | 289,170 | 221.212 |
| 214,461 | 233,511 | is 4.531 | 95,093 | 152,765 | 198,095 | 230,227. | 297,211 | 211.487 |
| 215.013 | 254.830 | 203,241 | 115.735 | 170.650 | 218,150 | 205,355 | 231,711 | 225.290 |
| 225.05 | 251.769 | 216,885 | 139,903 | 301.730 | 251.438 | 243,257 | 276,851 | 233,473 |
| 220.210 | 215,842 | 221,420 | 187.120 | 227,185 | 285,408 | 273.437 | 238,218 | 254.890 |
| 218,10 | 250.615 | 221.837 | 218,488 | 242.520 | 306.758 | 250,250 | 271.800 | 240,187 |
| 218.152 | 205,192 | 221,570 | 261.183 | 247.911 | 325,903 | 294,837 | 210.77 | 241,021 |
| 216.168 | 218.511 | 216.170 | 25\%.109 | 248,885 | \$50,364 | 239,098 | 219,293 | 240,831 |
| 234,87 | 213.157 | 233,944 | \$17,488 | 205.246 | 370,247 | 265,28s 2 | 2:9,548 | 253,227 |
| 219,037 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 126s,887 |

The abore statement shows-

1. That the total receipts from the plantations since Sept. 1 in 1581 were $3,101,603$ bales; In 1880 were $3,292,965$ bales; in 1879 were $3,141,150$ bales.
2. That, although the receipts at the ont-ports the past week were 230,576 bales, the actual movement from plantations was 263,867 bales, the balance going to increase the stocks at the interior ports. Last year the receipts from the plantations for the sarne week were 267,438 bales snd for 1879 they were 244,942 bales.

Weather Reports by Teleoraph.-The weather has continued favorsble during the past week throughont the greater portion of the South. There has been rain in most sections, but with few exceptions the rainfalt has been small.
Galveston, Texas.- It has been showery on one day during the past week, the rainfall reaching forty-two hundredths of an inch. Picking is about finished everywhere. The thermometer has ranged from 42 to 75 , sversging 62.
Indianola, Texas.-We have had showers on three days of the past week. About all of the crop has now been secured. Average thermometer 70, highest 78 and lowest 42. The rainfsll reached thirty-three hundredths of an inch.

Dallas, Texas.- It has been showery on one day of the past Week, the rainfalt reaching twenty-five handredths of an inch. About all the crop has now been secured. The thermometer has ranged from 38 to 75 , averaging 55.
Brenham, Texas.- We have had showers on one day of the past week, the rainfall reaching twenty-five hundredths of sn inch. Abont all the crop has now been secared. The thermometer has averaged 55, the highest being 75 and the lowest 38 .

Newo Orleans, Louisiana.- We have had rain on four days of the past week, the rainfall reaching two inches and forty-one hundredths. The thermometer has averaged 59.

Shreveport, Louisiana.-Telegram not received.
Vicksburg, Mississippi.-We hare had rain on two days during the past week. The weather has been cool and pleasant.
Columbus, Mississippi.-It has been showery constantly on two days of the past week, the rainfall reaching one inch and seventeen hundredths. The thermometer has ranged from 32 to 68 , averaging 51.

Little Rock, Arkansas.-Three days of the past week have been clondy, with rain on two days, and the remainder of the week has been clear and pleasant. The thermometer has ranged from 29 to 67 , averaging 47 , and the rainfall reached one inch and forty-nine handredths.
Nashville, Teunessee. - We have had rain on three days of the past week, the rainfall reaching eighty-five hundredths of an inch. The thermometer bas ranged from 30 to 68, averaging 49.

Mobile, Albama.-It has been showery on one day and has rained severely on two days of the past week, but as the week closes there is a favorable change in the weather. The rainfall reached three inches and twenty-two hundredths. Average thermometer 5S, highest 70 and lowest 37.

Mfontgomery, Alabama.-We had rain on fonr days the early part of the past week, but the latter portion of the week has boen elear and pleasant, with light frost last night. The rainfall reached three inches and seventy-seven handredths. The thermometer has ranged from 37 to 71, averaging 55.
Selma, Alabama.-It has rained on two days of the past week, the rainfalt reaching two inches and two hnndredths. Planters are marketing their crop freely. The thermometer has aversged 51.
Madison, Florida.- We had rain on one day the early part of the past week, but not enough to do much good; the balance of the week has been clear and pleasant. We have had a frost this week, but not a killing frost. The thermometer has averaged 55, the highest being 70 and the lowest 40.

Macon, Georgia.- It ban rainnd on three dayn doring the pant week. Crop acconnta are lem favorable. It fo clalmar that about three-quartern of the crop haw ixan marketed. Average thermometer 5.5 , highent 70 and lowent 86.
Columbels, (foorgia. - We have had rain on two dayn of the past, week. Thas thermometer hav averaged 60 , ranglag from 48 io 60, and the ralnfall reached two ineben and forty-four hun. dredihs.
Savannah, Georgin.- Wa havo had rain on thren lapa of the past week, and the balance of Cle wewk han been plename The rainfall reached thirty-four hundredtha of an lneh. The ther mometer has averaged 56, the highent being 76 and tho lowest 83. Augusta, Georgia.-lt rained lightiy on three days the eirly part of the past weck, but tha latter portion han been clear and pleasant. The rainfall reached thirty-nine hondredths of ad inch. The crop is nearly all in, and tha prevaifing estimato hers is that it will be abont twenty per cent less than lant nenson. The thermometer has ranged from 39 to 74, averaging 53.

Atlanta, Georqta.- We have had rain on two dayn of the past week, the rainfall reaching two inches and nine hindredths. the thermometer has ranged from 82 to 65 , arrsaging 49.
Charleston, South Carolina.-it has rained on two days of the past week, the rainfall reaching one inch and thirty-one hundredths. Average thermometer 5.5 , highent 74 sid lowest 41. The following statement we have also received-by telegraph ahowing the helght of the rivers at the points named at $30^{\prime}$ clock December 15, 1881, and December 16, 1880 .


New Orleans reported below high-water mark of 1871 until Sept. 9,1874 , when the zero of gange was changed to high-water mark of April 15 and 16, 1874, which is $6-10$ ths of a foot above 1871. or 16 feet above low-water mark at that polnt.

New Orleaxs Cotrox Exchavor.-At the recent annual meeting of the New Orleans Cotton Exchange, the offcers were able to make an extremely farorable showing in every particular.
First-As to the income of the Exchange proper, the receipts the past year were nearly four times as large as ever before, being 210 thousand dollars in 1880-81, against 55 thousand dollars in 1879-80; other receipts for special purposes brought the total up to nearly 285 thonsand dollars, sgainst 126 thousand a year ago.
Second-In membership the new additions for the year ending October 31st, 1881, were 207, of which 164 were full memberships, 24 visiting memberships, and 19 for the admisslon of paid attorneys of members. The roll of the Exchange now numbers 415 full members, 74 visiting members and 21 powers of attorney. This shows a gain during the year of 125 full members, a loss of one visiting member and of eight attorneys. Of course, this substantial addition to the membership indicates the source of the decided growth in the income account.
Third-The bosiness of the Exchange has slso largely increased, as might be gathered from the facts just stated. We need searcely state that the additional activity was mainly due to the new vigor shown in the business for futures. The devel opment of this department has been very rapid, proving how desirable its insugaration was for the prosperity of the Exchange. It is now ahont two years since these sales began. The first year they aggregated abont 4 million bales, we believe; the last year the total was $12,609,200$ bales; and the coming year they are estimated, and with gond reason, to reach at least 20 million bales.
Fourth-The Exchange intend to be in their new bailding about October 1, 1882, which, it is expected, will cost, when completed, 350 thonsand dollars. A new sensation in the way of a public work is contained in the bullding committee's report, which states that the raising of money on bonds for the building-as was anticipated when it was begun-may be wholly unnecessary. That is to say, the committee hope to get all the money needed ont of income. If they do so, it will be one of the first recorded instances of a public body finishing a job without absorbing all the funds within its reach. Evidently they have no Brooklyn Bridge Commission down in New Orleans to take lessons of.
All these facts put togethar would seem to make about as favorable a record as any Exchange could desire.
New York Cotiox Exchanos Meybersitip.-The new members, referred to last Saturday, who were to be submitted to the ballot, and have been elected since, are:
W. M. Johnston, of J. T. Wilson \& Co., city of New York.

Charles J. Lewis, New Orleans, Ia.
James Maybrick, of Maybrick \& Co., Norfolk, Ya.
Next Monday, December 19, three other applications will ba reted on, leaving two candidates for election the week after.

The Cotion Crop-Aaricultual Departaient.-The following statement, showing the extent of the cotton crop, was issued by the Department of Agriculture, December 15:

The condition of the cotton crop, as reported to the Department of Agriculture, is lower than in any season since 1866. The general average of condition in October, which, with certain limitations, affords the best indication of ultimate product, was 66. The nearest approach to this figure in fiffeen years was in the short-crop Year 1874, when the average was 72.
In Jone and July the crop was within five points of the standard of last year, when severe and general drouth set in, reducing heavily the prospect, causing premature development of bolls and arrest of growth. Blight and rast naturaliy reoulted. When rains came the second growth was too late to produce much fruit. In addition to drouth there was some loss from bull worms and mach more from caterpillars. The latter were reported in southern and middle connties of South Carolina, many of the western and sonthwestern counties of Georgia, eastern and middle of Alabama, the river district of Mississippi, a few scattered tracts in Louisiana and Arkansas and eastern and southern Texas. No reports were received from Tennessee and North Carolina.

The December returns of prodnct compared with last year are as follows: North Carolina, 71; South Carolina, 77; Georgia, 80; Florida, 92; Alabama, 83; Mississippi, 73; Jonisiana, 83 ; Tezas, 66; Arkansas, 50, and Tennessee 53.

The returns of condition in October and the yield per acre estimated in November are more favorable than the December returns of comparative product, which are usually conservative and somewhat lower than the ontcome warrants. Taking the reports of the season together, up to December 1 the indications point to a crop of about $4,900,000$ bales, and a somewhat higher product appears to be possible.

Rainfall and Thermometer Records and Cotton Crop Estmates.-The writer of this was not in the United States from the middle of July until about the first of October. For that reason we have felt greater hesitancy than asual in expressing opinions with regard to the yield. Siuce our return we have been attempting more carefully than ever before to pat ourselves in possession of the facts which mark the season. To-day we give our friends some of the results, and in doing it the reader will notice that we have been able to extend very considerably our records. We have added two stations in North Carolina, three in Georgia, one in Alabama, one in Mississippi, one in Arkansas, two in Tennessee, and one in TexasAnother month we expect to have still more.

But from what we now give it is easy to see that the yield must be quite uneven. Take North Carolina as an illnstration. The rainfall in July and Augnst this summer at Greensboro, North Carolina, was only forty hnndredths of one inch each of those months, while the thermometer averaged two degrees higher than for the same months of 1880 . On the other hand, at Wiimington, of the same State, there was plenty of rain. Again, in Tennessue, in the same months, the rain was very short everywhere and the temperature was high; while at Mount Ida, Arkansas, in August and July together, only one inch and five hundredths fell, although at Little Rock there was rain enough apparently to keep cotton alive.

With such conditions existing, had not the plant been very well started in the spring, it must have died absolntely at the points of least rainfall and lost substantially all its frait. One can readily understand, therefore, and fully believe, the reports from such sections of largely-decreased yield and of no top crop, although we never had a better season for growing one. Furthermore, it is also presumable from the records and confirmed by outside reports that the rains of the past summer were everywhere remarkably local in their natare, while the temperature was high; and hence that in each State the crop is short in spots, in some cases even adjoiaiag plantations ohowing quite different results. On the other hand, bottom lands have as a general rale prodnced well; many instances are reported where growth has never stopped through the season; and in a very considerable portion of the South there has been a good top crop, as it is called, secured.

We intended to leare these facts, with the foregoing explanatlons, to speak for themselves, having no desire for the reputation of a prophet. But all the crop estimates that have been issued strike us as being 80 far from the trath that we must express our entire disbelief in them. Certainly, none of the - information we have received wonld warrant us in drawing any ouch conclusion.

Weatirr Record for November.-Below we give the rainfall and the thermometer record for the month of November and previous months of this year and last year. The figures are from the records of the Signal Service Barean except at points Where they have no station, and at those points they are from the records kept by our own agents.

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Norfoll. Va,-Light frost on the 16th and heavy frost on 17th.

Weldon, N. C.-First ice of the season on November 16 th .
Atlanta, Ga.-The frost on the 18th was very destroctive to
regetation, but there was littic cotton lost, however.
Columbus, Ga.-Killing frost on November 4th.

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Forsylh, Ga,-Cothon bloming and green on the 2th, and all other vecetation on that dato looking an it urnally don In early antomn; but on the ash wo hadkilline front and th gronod was frozen hard. Last year wo had fllilng froit November $16 t \mathrm{~b}$.

Cedar Keys, I'la.-Preclpitation amall and weather dry dapmonth. Low temperatare with frost on the 25th.

Montgomery. Ala.-Ice formed on the 2 th and 25 th. IIeavy frosts, killing regetation, on the 27 th and $2 s t h$.

Iobile, Ala,-Klling frosts on the $25 \mathrm{th}, 20 \mathrm{th}$ and 27 th
Newo Orleans, Ia.-Ice formed on the zith. Sugar cane ffered from the freeze.
Fayette, Biss,-Frosts: on 4th light, klling nothlag "killing" on 24th (ice) 25th; severe, ice $1 / 2$ inch thick; do. on 26th. Several thnoder storms passed orer thts atation on the 11 th between 1 and $33 / 2$ P. M. ILainfall, 1.60 loches. Wiad, $\mathbb{S}$. S. E.-3. Four miles northeast of this a cyelone fell mon moddenly in a neighbor's yard that be hardiy bad time to think before it was over. It blew down all his shade trees and an ontbouse and broke things ap in the dwelling; bat the honse belag open and a strong frame it was not materially damaged. An ejewitness stated "That he never caw anything like lt, for the als was full of iimbs, tec., whirling abont, and it passed of rery
swiftly," \&c. IIere it seemed to rise, sind to fall again at the 8wifty, ec. Here it reemed to rise, and lo fall again at the house of a negro which tt blew away, and nlso blew away bts cotton-honse, and all his cotton in the seed. A lady baw the air full of bed clothes, wearing apparel, \&c. Track narrow length heard from, 8 miles. Strange to any, nelther rain no hail attended it. November, 1880, was a quiet month, with frosts on the 1st, 7 th, 8 th, $15 \mathrm{th}, 16 \mathrm{th}, 18 \mathrm{th}, 19 \mathrm{th}, 2 \mathrm{st}, 22 \mathrm{nd}$ and 23rd

Vicksburg, Mriss.-Frost on November 4th, 20th, 24th, 3uth, 26th and 27 th
Nashville, Tenn.-Killing frosts on November 4th, 13th 14th, 15 th, $16 \mathrm{th}, 20 \mathrm{th}, 25$ th and 38 th , and light frost on the 29 th Memphis, Tenn.-Heavy frost on the 20th; ualrersally destroyed vegetation in this vicinity.
Ashwood, Tenn. - Frost on the 13th, 14th, 15 th and 16th. On the 16th kiling.
Austin, Tenn.-No nnasaal phenomena daring the month.
Cotton Exctiange Reports for Decrmaer.-We pablish be low the Cotton Exchange condition reports for December 1:

## Norfolk Department.

The Norfolk Cotton Exchange throagh their Committee on Information Snd Statisties composed of Louis Hillard, Claifman, John C. Maximow S. F. Penrec , 1 . C. Y. Parker, A.J. Iarrell, and Norman Bell, Becretary following Counties in Norlh Carolna: Rutherford, Lincoln. Catuwhu, Rowan, Davidson, Iredell, Burke, Whkes, Caldwell, Alcyander, Davle Forsy the, Youkln, Stokes, Surrey, Rockinghain, Caswell, Porson, Granville, Warren, Franklin, Nash, Wako IIyde, Pitt, (ireen, Cartaret,
Craven, Beaufort, 'tyrrel, Washingtod. Marth, Bertic, Chowan, 1'mavo Craven, Benufort, Tyrrel, Washingtod. Marth, Berte, Chowan, 1amau
tank, Camdon, Curritack, Gates, Hertiord, Northampton and Halifax.
Nortlı Carolina and Firginia.-58 replies from 33 countles; arerage date Norember 30.
Thirty-three reples show weather gencrally warm and dry, 25 genec ally wet and unfarorable. favorable and 21 less favorable than last year, Forty-ivo replles show
 15th Decenber, 3 ulckiag will bo thalshed by ist Janaary, 1582. Fort ona replics areraged show total yield at 69 per cent as compared With last yoar, 10 onme yleld as last year, 5 allght lncrense in
yleld over last year, 1 giows increase of 100 per cent over last jear. yleld over last year, 1 showa increase of 100 per cent over lakt jear.
Forty-avo rcplies show no damage done by front, 15 slight daunge, Forty-uive replies show no damage dive showa that 70 per cent of the erop has heon markoted. Tho replios show that labor is scarca, anil that picting would havo progressed more ravoraby whe belag too lato to mature emall and lusignificant, in oonsogueuco of belag too late to mature. Hicking is reported finished in 17 oountics.

## Charleston Department

 covers the State of South Carolina, and is prepared nad Iasued by theCharleston Cotton Exchange, through their Comunltee on Information Charleston Statisties, composed of A. Norden, Chairnaa, E. Wilms, and E. C. Wilitams.

## Sontl Carollna- 54 replies from 27 counties; average date

 November 30.All excepling 11 report the character of the weather laring November as iavorablo, and, in comparison with tho mane timo last year, more favorable for gathering the crop. Foriy-three stato that a top erop has been mado, but somo thaked oin tho $15 t 11$ December by 14 . Whilo 29 ing is expected to bo tibished on tho istiy December by italyield as rephort ared wheh iasi year is catimated to bo tho samo by 2, nereu cighth. by 3, three fourths by 14, two thirds by 23 and one half by 10 . Froan camo too lato to do any dunsgo, except having kiled somo unmatured top orop. The proportion of the crop marketed foprorted by 2 to be ono quarter, by 6 ono half, by 7 two thirds, by 21 three quartere, and by 18 soven elgiths, showide that itu the average about three fourtus of the yiold has ijecn marketed.

## Sarmnali Department.

This roport covers Norihern, Miadle and Southuesiern Georgia, (betog all of Geurgin exeept the twenty-elght countics in chargo of the Angusti Cotton Exchange) and the entirg Sate of Forida. The report is greparcd and lissued tyy tho Savannah Cotton Exchanes, throngh treir Cume mittco on Inforinition and statistics, composen of J.
Clavius I'hilips, J. J. Wilder, F. M. Farley and I6. C. Wood.

## ( reotgla.-61 replies from 38 conaties.

Tho weather during the noath of November Fan dry and warm, Fery fine for larvestittg the hanaco of tho cropl, rad mach inone favorable ghan ingt year. but orer tife greater jortlon of the teriltory the top erop was a completo fiblure. Ploking was gonernity tiaishiml by Ilecember 1 , axcept in very fow sections, where it will be complated by Deecasber 15 . The replles intiento an damaco of coasequenco from frost, and that tha ylod. is compared the crop las been markete 1.

Florlda-18 replies from 12 counties.
During the month of Norember the weather has been dry and generally favorahhe. Ten replies roport wo ton orop, 8 a light top crop. Fourteen replles report inat pleking Was completed by December 1, and 4 replles that plekiog will he finished by Deember 20. No damage from frost. The yield, as compared with last yenr. 12 to 1.
deorease. Alout 70 per cent of the crop has bean marketed.

## Augusta Department

covers the Counlies of Georgia not Jacluded in tho Saoannah Report, and is issned by the Angusta Cottou Exolange. through their Committee on Iuformation and statistief, composed of L. Zulaveky, ChairJordan.
Georgia.-44 replies from 16 counties; average date Nov. 30. Ten reports state the woather ns unfavorable, owing to too mueh rain; 34 as gond and favorable, fairly dry and warm. Frosts reported zenerfavoravle thau last year, 3 as same and 37 as better and much more favorable. Twenty-seren correspondents roport a top erop. hint of no great extent, most of them but little, of whieh about one third is reported as having matured. In some places a good top erop reported eut short by rorms and rrost; 27 correspondonts
 will be fivished in a few days, geuerally naming Decemher 15 . Where there is sthll some picking to be done, it is stated to be the top crop. It is almost impossible to arrivo at an arerage; 11 reperts
 per cent lebs; 1 as $12 L_{0}$ per cent less; 3 as same as last year; 2 as 10 per cent more; 1 as $2 J$ per cent more. The average points to a decrease fron last year of about $\% 8$ per cent. Three correspondents report the kiling day fose or ep gllght as not to ve worth mentiontag. Five report as 50 per cont marketed; 6 as 60 per cent; 21 as 75 per cent; 6 as 80 per cent; 6 as 90 to 95 per eent, indicatlig an average of 73 per cent. From remarks of our correspondents, we conclude that the crop is turuing out better ia many localitles, theugh not alt, lhan was auticipated two months ago, and would havo been much better but for destruction of late eotton by tho worma, and of much top crop by the killug frost of Novemher 25. In many instanees frost eamo too late to do damafothere Wae nothing to damage. some fields were already ploughod up or stock turacd into them at hat thme. 100 to 150 tounds $-t 0$ make a bale of lint than last year. But owiug to excellent picking weather alt throngh, cotton was pleked vory promptly and in much better and cleaner condition, and wastage in iho flelds was hardly any. Where worias were bad a good deal of leafy cotton was pliked, however.

## Mobilo Department

covers the State of Alabama as far north as the eummit of the sand Mountains, and the following Counties in sississippi: Wayno, Clark, Jasper, Luuderdale, Newtou, Kenuper, Neshobn, Nebaboe, Winston, Prentiss. Alcorn and Tisliamingo. The report is prepared and issued by the Mohile Cotton Exchange, through their Committee m Information and Statistles, composed of T. K. Irwin, Clairman, Julius Buttuer, B. Haas, G. Thos. Cox avd Geo. L. Ifopling.
Alabama.-56 replies from 39 counties.
The weather during November was favorable for gathering the crop in 30 counties, and unfavorahle in $9 ;$ but it wae geucrally more fayorabie than during the bave period last year in all or the countica. In 11 none. Picklug has been tiniehed in 28 counties, and wilt be completed in the remaining 11 about the middie of December. The total yield, as compared with lust year, in repurted as the same in 3 , and 25 per cont countieg as 27 por cont less. Little or no damage was done by frost. Ia 19 of the more productive conntios 67 por cent of the erop is irpported as
having been marketed, and in 20 less productive counties 76 per ecut.
Mississippi. - 29 replies from 10 counties.
The weather has becu generally favorahle for gathering the cropmore so than last year. A shaill top crop is reported in Waytu Couotr, none in the otherg. Picking is about fimshed in all of the counties excent 1tawamba, and will ho completed abont December 10. The total yield, as comparel with last year. is estimated at 22 per cent less. Little or
ao danage has heeu done hy frost. About 70 per cent of ihe crop is so danage has heeu done by frost.
reported 凡s having been marketed.

## New Orleans Department

covers that part of the Stale of Mrississippi not apportioned to the Memphis and Monile Cotton Exchanges; the cutire Stute of Louisiana, and the Stale of Arliansas 6outh of the Arkansas River. The report is prepared and issued by the Now Orleans Cottou Exchange, through their Chairman, Chris. Chaffe, Jr., W. H. Haweott, W. A. Peale, Chas. Hollard Chairman, Chris. C
Lonisiana.- 72 replies from 32 parishes; average date Nov. 30. The wenther during the month has beeu very favorable; compared with last year deeidedly more favorable. There is no top cron. Tho picklng is generally finished. This yield is 31 per oent less than last Year's. There has beeu no d
Mississlppi. -127 replies from 33 counties; average date November 30
The weather has been generally favorable, much more thau inst jear, when it was very wet and unfavorablo. The fair prospect for a top erop will be generally finished by December 1 . The yield is 26 per cent less than last year's, which indieates a decrease of 8 per cent, since the report last month. Bixty-elglit per ceut of the crop has beea marketed.
Arkansas.-111 replies from 31 counties; average date November 30.
The weather during tho month has been geuerally favorable, and comcrop, hut it hat bear destroyed by frost and worms. The pleking is finishad. The yicld 1850 per cent less thau last year's. Sixty-ive per cent of the crop has been marketed.

## Galveston Department

Corers the Shete of Texas, and was prepared and issued by the Galveston Cotton Exchange, throngh their committec on Information and Statistice, composed of J. V. Skinner.

Texas.-104 replies from 77 counties; average date Nov. 30. and 38 as wet and unfavorable. The weather has been more favorable for gathering the crop than at the same time last year' in 52 countles, and less favoralle in 25 . Fourtcen counties report a top crop, 21 some and 42 none. Pieking is over la 54 countios aud will be frinizhed in 23
by the l5th of December. The total yleld as compared with last year,
iy it is estimated, will average 40 por cent less. Thirty-four countles renort dmmazo hy frost, and 43 repurt no dimasc. Screnty-six per cent

## covere the State of Memphis Department

lowin De Soto, Tunics Benton the Arkansas liver. The report is nrepared and tsened wy the Morth of Cotton Exchange, throngh their Committee on Information and Statisties, composed of Henry Hotter, Secretary and Superinteudent George II Lath, J. T. Pertit, R. L. Coffia, ©. B. Clarze mad G. S.

West Tenuessec.-27 responses.
Weather- 22 report the weather for the month of Novenber as baving been farorable for plekias und 5 unfavorable. Compared zoith 1850All report more ravorable. Top crap- 21 report na tolp crop, 6 report a top crop, but it cid not mature. Ficking Progress- 33 report that piek16 th to 15 th , and 4 report that it wil be thished nem December parcd with tast year is 56 per cent less. Frost- All report frost hut no damire has becu done. Crop Marketed-Respouses indieate that 73 per cent of the crop has been marketed.
North Mississippl.- 25 responses.
ble able. Tompared wilh 1880-21 report more favorable, and 4 about the mot mature. Picking Progress-20 report that pieking ls eonppleted, and 5 renort that it will we mimbed rom December 5th to 15 th. Yield Compared with 1880 -The estimated yield is 37 ner cent less, Frost-All report frost, but no damage has been done. Orop 1 Irrlected-liesponses
North Arkansas - 24 responses.
Wrather- 17 report the weather favorablo for pleking and 7 unfavorsame. Top Crop-21 report no 20 report more favorable and 4 about not maturo. Pieking Progress-15े roport that pleking ls comniered and 9 report that it will be finished from Decemher 5 to 15 . Field Comreport frost, but no damage has beeu doae. Orop Marketed-Responsea report trost, hut no damage has been done. Orop Markel

## Aggregate- 76 responses.

1. Weather- 58 report the weather for the month of November as having beon faverable far pieking and 18 unfarorable.
2. Comparca will $180-68$ report more favorable and 8 ahout same. not mature.
3. Picking Progress-58 report that plekjug is completed, and 18 report that it will be thished from December 5 to 15
4. Yeeld conpared wilh 1880-The estimated yield co
5. Fros 44 Ali per eent iess.
6. 

. Orop Marketed-Reaponses indeate that 70 per ceat of the crop hat
Jute Butrs, Bagging, Etc.-But little change has taken place in the market for bagging, and nothing of interest has occurred. Tie demand is of a jobbing nature, but there is no inquiry for large parcels. Prices are about steady, thongh no great strength is shown, and at the close holders are quoting $83 / 4 \mathrm{c}$. for 13 lbs ., and $93 / 4 @ 10 \mathrm{c}$. for 2 lbs ., and $10^{3} / 4 @ 1 \mathrm{c}$. for standard grades. Butts have not been active, but a fair amount of business is doing, and though the lots are small, in the aggregate a considerable amonnt of stock has been placed. Some 3,000 bales are reported as being taken at $25 / 4 @ 3 c$., as to quality, and sellers are now asking $2^{3} / 4$ c. for bagging qualities, and 21/8@3c. for paper grades.

Comparative Port Receipts and Daily Crop Movement. A comparison of the port movement by weeks is not accurate as the weeks in different years do not end on the same day of the month. We have consequently added to our other standing tables a daily and monthly statement, that the reader may constantly have before him the data for seeing the exact relative movement for the years named. The movement each month since September 1, 1881, has been as follows:

| Monthly | Year Beginning Seplember 1. |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| s. | 1881. | 1880. | 1879. | 1878. | 1877. | 876 |
| 8ept'mb'r | 422,05 | 458,478 | 333,643 | 288,818 | 95,491 | 23 |
| Oetobe | 827,819 | 968,315 | 888,402 | 689,264 | 578,533 | 675 |
| Novemb'r | 937,578 | 1,006,501 | 912,272 | 779.235 | 822.493 | 201 |
| Total year 2,187,484 <br> Perc'tage of tot. port recelpts Nov. 30 .. |  | 2,433,297 | 2,161,407 | 1,757,347 | 1,493,5:7 | 81 |
|  |  | 41.42 | 43:27 | 39.51 | 31.50 |  |

This statement shows that ap to Nor. 30 the receipts at the ports this year were 245,813 bales less than in 1830 and 23,077 bales more than at the same time in 1878-79. By adding to the above totals to Nov. 30 the daily receipts since that time, we shall be able to reach an exast comparison of the movement for the different years.

|  | 1881. | 1880. | 1879. | 1878. | 1877. | 1876. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Tot.Nv. 30 | 2,187,481 | 2,433,297 | 2,164,407 | 1,757,319 | 1,499,517 | 1,813,520 |
| Dec. 1 | 36,867 | 26,647 | 52.479 | 8. | 21,387 | 30,824 |
| " 2.... | 45,332 | 29,216 | 30,886 | 39,978 | S. | 21,089 |
| " 3. | 34,006 | 48,897 | 28,110 | 40,894 | 40,703 | S. |
| " | s. | 30,346 | 25,675 | 23,532 | 27,179 | 44,873 |
| " | 51,134 | 8. | 49,608 | 30,938 | 20,760 | 6t2 |
| " 6. | 31,799 | 63,166 | 36,046 | 58,291 | 36,219 | 32,325 |
| " 7 | 30,136 | 36,174 | 8. | 25,563 | 28,111 | 24,767 |
| " 8 | 40,865 | 29,263 | 43,236 | 8. | 22,78 4 | 33.072 |
| " | 42,40t | 25,055 | 34,502 | 58,56 ! | 8. | 26,981 |
| 10 | 39,377 | 59.133 | 37,914 | 28,693 | 47,969 | 8. |
| ${ }^{4} 11$. | 8. | 41,993 | 33,164 | 30,836 | 35,846 | 12,863 |
| " 12. | 50,059 | 8. | 50,014 | 30,614 | 25,895 | 29,247 |
| 413. | 30,942 | 42,522 | 37,733 | 46,02t | 39,011 | 23,426 |
| " 14 | 32,913 | 30,650 | s. | 26,923 | 31,300 | 33,977 |
| " 15.... | 36,960 | 33,332 | 45,221 | 8. | 32,893 | 35.642 |
| "16. | 46,325 | 40,452 | 30,412 | 52,468 | 8. | 23,479 |
| Total | 2,739,603 | 2,970,143 | 2,699,437 | 2,250,604 | 1,909,580 | 2,253,747 |
| Percentag mont Tee'n | of total nte Deg. 16 | 50\%56 | 53.9\% | $50 \cdot 60$ | 43.91 | \$5. 81 |

This atatement shows that the recelpts aince Supt. 1 up to to-night are now 2:30,5:10 bales less than they were to the same day of the inonth in 1830 and 40,106 bales more than they ware $t_{0}$ the mane day of the month In 1879. We add to the table the percentages of total port receipts whleh had boen recelved to December 16 in each of the years named.
inda Citton Movbment prom all Ports.-The fignres which art now collected for as, and forwarded bry cablo each Friday, of the shipments from Calcutta, Madras, Tutioorin, Carwar, \&co., enable us, in connection with our previousl 7 -recelved report from Bornbay, to furnish our readers with a foll and complete India movement for each week. We Hirst glve the Bombar statement for the week nad year, bringing the figures down to Dec. 15
buwnir aeceriprs and shriments fon four years.


According to the foregoing, Bombay appears to show an increase compared with last year in the week's receipts of 13,000 bales, and an increase in shipments of 8,000 bales, and the shipments since January 1 show an increase of 63,000 bales. The movernent at Calcutta, Madras, Tuticorin, Carwar, \&c., for the same week and years has been ay follows
oiloutta, madrag, tuticorin, oarwar, ranomon avd kurbaoneg.

| Year. | Shipments this tocek. |  |  | Shipments since January 1. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Greal Britain. | Contiнен. | Tolal. | Oreat <br> Britain. | Onninen. | Tota. |
| 1831 | 2,000 | 3.000 <br> 1,000 | 5.000 10.000 |  |  |  |
| 1889. | 8,000 | 1,000 | 10.000 | $\begin{aligned} & 283.000 \\ & \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 87.000 \\ 112.000 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 310.000 \\ & 325,000 \end{aligned}$ |
| 1878 |  | 1,000 | 1.000 | 144,000 | 72,000 | 218,000 |

The above totals for this week show that the movement from the ports other than Bombay is 5.000 bales less than same week last jear. For the whole of India, therefore, the total shipmente this week and since Jan. 1, 18s1, and for the corresponding weeks and periods of the two previous years, are as follows.
exports to europe from all inda.

| Shipments to ail Eturope from- | 1831. |  | 1880. |  | 1870. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { This } \\ & \text { wecel. } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Since } \\ & \text { Jen. } 1 . \end{aligned}$ | This week. | Since Jun. 1. | This woek. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Since } \\ & \text { Jan. } 1 . \end{aligned}$ |
| Bumbay...... | $\begin{aligned} & 9.020 \\ & 5,400 \end{aligned}$ | 957,000 307,000 | 1.006 10,000 | $\begin{aligned} & 894.000 \\ & 310,000 \end{aligned}$ | 11,000 | $\begin{aligned} & 63,000 \\ & 325,000 \end{aligned}$ |
| Tota | 14,000 | , | 11,000 | 1.204,000 | 11,000 | 964.0 |

This last staternent alfords a very interesting comparison of the total movement for the week ending Dec. 15, and for the three years up to date, at all India ports.
Albtindria Recbipis and Shipmbats.-Throngh arrangements we hare made with Messrs. Davies, Benachi \& Co., of Lirerpool and Alexandria, we now receive a weekly cable of the movements of cotton at Alexandria, ligypt. The following are the receipts and shipments for the past week and for the corresponding week of the previons two years

| Alexartiris. Fiymut, Dec. 15. | 1891. |  | 1380. |  | 1879. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{array}{r} 170.000 \\ 1.537 .530 \\ \hline \end{array}$ |  | $\begin{array}{r} 1413.020 \\ 1.3 \times 3.500 \\ \hline \end{array}$ |  | $\begin{array}{r} 200.000 \\ =.110 .000 \\ \hline \end{array}$ |  |
|  | This week. | $\begin{array}{\|c\|} \text { Since } \\ \text { Sepl. } 1 . \end{array}$ | This ucek. | $\left\|\begin{array}{l} \text { Since } \\ \text { Sept. } \\ \hline \end{array}\right\|$ | This wecl: | since Seph. 1. |
| Exporta (batar)2'o Liverpool... To Contlueat.. | 7.500 5.401 | 90.000 <br> 42,351 <br> 182.351 | 17.000 7.765 | 92.000 31.992 | 11,000 10,020 | 146.606 63,850 |

Total Europe...... $\overline{12,964}|\overline{132,351}| \overline{24,761}|\overline{123,092}, \overline{21,000}| \overline{215,458}$ A cantar le 98 1bs.
This otaternent shows that the receipts for the week ending Dec. 15 were 170,000 cantars and the shipments to all Europe were 12,964 bales.
Manchestbr Market.-Our report received from Manchester to-night states that there has been a slight decline in prices of twists, and that the market is qniet. We give the prices of to-day below, and leave previous weeks' prices for comparison:


Tus Kxpoits of Cormax from Now liork thin wack whow a decrease, as compared with lamt wook, thm lolal remching B,78 bales, against 10,173 balen lant week. Hsolow we givo our oncal table showing the exports of cotton from Now York, and thals directlon, for each of the lant fonr wonku; almo tha cotal exporth and direction alace Septeraber 1, 1881, and in the last colareo the total for the same period of the prevloun year:
Exports of Cotrox (balesi froy New Yonk rivon Brys. 1, 1831.

| Exporled 10- | Wieek eurling- |  |  |  | Joial since Arpe. 1. | Man* perins prevtim: year. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Now. 23. | No. 30. | Dec. $7$ | nre. 14. |  |  |
| Liverpool.... Other British | $\begin{array}{r} 0,037 \\ 150 \end{array}$ | 8,802 | P. 352 | 6.118 | $\begin{array}{r} 107,143 \\ 3,10 \mathrm{H} \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 130.235 \\ 0,035 \\ \hline \end{array}$ |
| Total to Great Beitain | 9,400 | 6,802 | 0,951 | 6.118 | 110,533 | 145,009 |
| Marre........... Other Fresich por | 375 |  | 25 | 1.301 | 14,032 | 10,918 |
| Total | 375 |  | 25 | 1,301 | 14,032 | 10,018 |
| Rremen and Manovor.... IJambirg | 015 | 1,015 | 217 | 5.59 | 12.058 | 17.517 |
| Other po | 31 | 101 | 250 | $\begin{aligned} & 300 \\ & 300 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 10.257 \\ 2,210 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 13,296 \\ 1,042 \end{array}$ |
| Totalto Nortr. | 910 | 1,148 | 497 | 1,339 | 21,556 | 34.833 |
| Spain. Op'rto, Glbralt'r, de <br> All olher. |  | 200 |  |  | .37 | $460$ |
| L Brain, |  | 200 |  |  | 737 | 1,111 |
| Grand Total | 11.020 | 7.238 | 10.173 | 8.781 | $149.89{ }^{3}$ | 100.003 |

Thb Followiva ars the Receipts op Comtor at New York. Boston, Phlladelphia and Baltirnore for the past week, and since September 1, 1881:

| Receipls from- | New Iork. |  | Boston |  | Phlindelphia. |  | Ballimare. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | This week. | $\left\lvert\, \begin{gathered} \text { Since } \\ \text { Srpt. } 1 \end{gathered}\right.$ | This uccek. | since $\text { Sept. } 1 .$ | 2his weed. | $\begin{array}{\|l} \text { Since } \\ \text { Sepl. } \end{array}$ | This week. | Sinee Seph. 1. |
| N. Orl'a |  | 110 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Texas.... | 4.005 | 57.769 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Savanaab Mebite | 13,7E0 | 131,901 |  |  |  |  | 4,771 | 1 |
| Elori | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 8. Carlln | 5,0.37 | 83,972 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| N Car'lia | 3,163 |  |  |  |  |  | 1.001 |  |
| Virchaia. | 35 | 0 2,36 |  |  |  |  | ! |  |
| Tean..dte. |  | 3, | 601 | 51,299 | 3.358 | 18.121 | 8 | 72 |
| E | $19 \%$ | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | 23,951 | 171 |  |  |  | 110.656 |
| Last yoar | +17.01 | 312.4 | 12.013 | 128,0 | 2.791 | 26.01 | 8,831 | 114.116 |

Silippina News.-The exports ot cotton from the United States the past week, as per latest mail retarns, have reached 127,819 bales. So far as the Southern ports are concerned, these are the same exports reported by teleraph, and pablished in the Chronicle last Friday. With regred to Now Yoek, we include the manifests of all vessels cleared up to Wednesday night of this week:

Tolat bates

 To Mavre, per 61

6,118

To Autworp, per steamer De liay ter, 500 ........................öo W URLEAss-To Liverjmol, por atcanera Bernari irall, 6,000


To Bremsa, per ahip Friphrioh, of io
T'0 Genaa, per bark Jaac. 2,210



Island.....jumes Kenway, 1,066 Upland.... .blaris, $1,15: 3$ Upiand.... Ninnlo, 2,100 Upland and 100

 To Sobastopol, per ateaners Redewater, 3,980 Uplaud.... 1,021 To Barcelons, por bark Ninevo Borinquan............... Ựinud..... per brlga Naevo Provldearla, 3.10 Upland.... Perro, 30 is Upland..

To Regral, per बleamor Azalea, 5,40 , Uplami.
To Gothenburg, per oteamer Lomhard, 5,000 Ü jhiad.
To Bareelona, por nteamer Vidal Sala, 3,000 Ugiand.....per
brig Sobereno III., 1,100 Upland.
Texas-To Llverpool, per bark Glint, $2,139 \ldots$.
To Tavre, per bark 8 vea, $1,579 . . . . . . . . . .$.


To buroclona, per barkentine hattic Jolinson. $4.379 . . .$.

To Bareelona, per bark 1'. Borotan. $136 . . . . . . . . . . .$.
 (forclga).

The particulars of these shipments, arranged in our usual corm, are as follows:

| f follows: |  | Bremen Reoal d |  |  | Barce- |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Liver- |  | Ham | Sebas- | Goth- |  |  |  |
| pool. | Havre. | burg. | topol. | enburg. | lona. | Genoa. | Total. |
| 6,113 | 1,304 | 859 |  |  |  |  | 8,781 |
| 17,073 | 5,775 | 5,289 |  |  | 918 | 2,240 | 33.090 |
| 16,433 | 1,903 |  | 7,900 |  | 2,246 | 1,200 | 30,710 |
| 8,878 | 3,055 | 4,149 | 5,400 | 5,000 | 4,100 | ...... | 30.032 |
| 2,139 | 1,579 | ....... | ....... | ...... |  | ....... | 5.010 |
| 4,794 10,003 | ......... |  |  | ........ | 1,530 936 | ...... | 6,324 10,939 |
| 10,003 |  | 2,725 |  |  | 936 |  | 10,939 2,725 |
| 158 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 158 |

Total... $\overline{65,698} 13,621 \quad \overline{13,022} 13,300 \quad \overline{5,000} \quad \overline{9,730} \quad \overline{3,440} \overline{127,819}$

- Included in the above totals are from New York to Antwerp, 500 bales; from New Orleans to Vera Cruz, 1,195 bales; from Charles

Below we give all nows received to date of disasters to vessels carrying cotton from United States ports, etc.:
Glesdevon, steamer (Br.), May, before reported, from Norfolk for Liverpool, whioh was towedinto Queenstown with loss of propeller, Guilke, arrived at liverpoo, December 8.
arrived at Liverpool Docomber 9, with deck 3 Bwept. ILlias Gate, bteamor (of Norfolk), with a cargo of eotton, was aunk at MoKar' Creot
Crascent Citr, ship, Kelly, from New Orieans, artved at Iavre Dec
Vebsel tight.
akge fasilingron, bhip (Ger.), Probst, from New Orleans for Havre raft head on, 20 miles below river, Dccomber 8 , ran on a bank or from the Passes on the 10 th
T. H. Moore, steamboat, of tho Peoplo's Line, plying between Columbus, Ga, and Apalachicola, Fla., on her trip up the Chattaboochee River, December 8. struok on Benton's Rook, 25 sulies bolow Columbus, nnd sunk. Hor cargo consisted of cotion and miked frelght. The steamer went down in 20 feet of water and is a total
loss. The cargo will bo saved tu a damaged condition.
TEWELL, Ateanboat. Abour $100^{\prime}$ clock on the night of December 9, near Bayou sara, the atoancer Jewell, from Shroveport, lost one of her total loss has not been ascortained. The grenter part of the cotton has been picked up by parties along the rivor; none of it being allowed to pase Baton lisouge. The agent of the board of under Writers has paid \$3 per hale aatrage for all that has been landed at OCHDALE, steamor ( Br ), from
mate of the steamer Rocidale has arrived it sherbrooke, Guye mate of the steamer Roclidale has arrived at Slicrurooke, Guysreports that the Roohdale ran ashore, during thick, raing wenther at the latter place on the morning of the 14 th. Tho vessel'e cargo consiets of 3,920 bales Upland cotton. She will probably prove a total Wreek, as ehe lies lu a bad positiou. No livcs were lost.
Fidal 8ala, eteamer (Span.), from Bapannali for Barcelona, broke her it is waid that her machinery will have to be completcly oycr hanled, and she may be detained como time.
Cotton freights the past week have been as follows:

|  | Satur. | Jfon. | Tues. | Weãnes. | Thurs. | Eri. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mverpool, steam d. | ${ }_{582}{ }^{1}{ }^{4}$ | $5_{22}{ }^{1} 4$ | $\left.5_{32}\right)^{4} 4$ | ${ }_{32}{ }^{10} 4$ | $6_{33}{ }^{184}$ | $5_{32}{ }^{\text {a }}$ |
| Do sail...d. |  | .... |  |  |  | … |
| 耳avre, steam....c. | ${ }^{13} 32$ | $13_{33}{ }^{*}$ | $13_{32}{ }^{*}$ | $13_{32}$ * | $13_{32}{ }^{*}$ | $1338{ }^{*}$ |
| Do sall.. .....c. | . | -.. | … | … |  | -... |
| Eremen, eteam. .c. | ${ }^{7} 16$ | $7_{10}$ | $\mathrm{T}_{16}$ | ${ }^{7} 18$ | ${ }^{7} 16$ | $7_{1 R}$ |
| Do sall.....c. | … | .... | … | -... | - | - ${ }^{\circ}$ |
| Hamburg, Ateam.d. | ${ }^{76}$ | $7_{16}$ | ${ }^{7} 16$ | ${ }^{7} 16$ | ${ }^{7} 19$ | ${ }^{76}$ |
| De sail...d. |  | … |  | -... |  | ${ }^{\circ}$ |
| Amst'd'm, steam.c. | ${ }^{1} \overline{10}^{9} 16$ | $2_{2} 2^{2} 16$ | ${ }^{2} \times 2{ }^{28}$ | 12 \% $^{2} 18$ | $22^{60}{ }^{10}$ | ${ }_{2} \otimes^{9} 16$ |
| Do eall...d. | ... | ... | $\ldots$ | 3 | ... | $\ldots$ |
| Baltio, steam....d. <br> Do eail. | 38 | 38 | 38 | 33 | 88 | $3{ }^{3}$ |

+ Compressed.
Liverpool.-By cable from Liverpool, we have the following staternent, of the week's sales, stocks, \&c., at that port:


The actual sales of futures at Liverpool for the same weok aro given below. These aslee are on the bads of Upiands, Low Middllog olnuse, unlese othorwise stated.

| Saturday. |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Delivery. | $d$. | Delirery. d. | Detirery. | d. |
| Jan.-Feb.. | $.6_{8}^{88}$ | Mav-Juue...623 32 ®13 $^{13} 10$ | Mar.-April. | $.611_{16}$ |
| Feb.-Mar | . $611_{19}$ | June-July ........ 62733 | Apr.-May.. | . $6{ }^{3}$ |
| Mar.-Apr. | 62332 | July-Ailg.......... 68932 | May-Jıиa |  |
| Mondat. |  |  |  |  |
| Deo.Jan.. | .61732 | Mar.-Apr. . $6^{11_{21} \mathrm{a}^{221}} 32$ | June-July | $6{ }^{23} 33$ |
| Jan.-Feb.... | . $6^{9}{ }^{18}$ | Apr.May . . . . . . $6.633_{38}$ | July-Aus̃. | $6^{27}{ }_{3}{ }^{3}$ |
| TUEsday. |  |  |  |  |
| Jan.-Feb.. | .6910 | Jan.-Feb.......... $619^{32}$ | Mar.-Apr. | $.623^{23}$ |
| Feh.-Mar. | . $0^{81}$ | Mar.-Apr.........611 ${ }_{16}$ | Dec.-Jan. | . $619_{33}$ |
| Mar.-Apr. | .62132 | April-319y .......63 ${ }^{3}$ | Jan. Feb | $5_{8}$ |
| Apr--May. | . 6933 | May-Juue.... .... $68^{25_{3}}$ | May-June | ${ }^{613} 16$ |
| Dec....... | . $69{ }^{18}$ |  | June-July | .62733 |
| Wednesday. |  |  |  |  |
| Dco.-Jan. | . $69{ }_{18}$ | July-Aug. . . . . . .62732 | June-July | $6^{25}{ }_{33}$ |
| Jan.-Feb.. | . $611_{32}$ | Dee.-Jan...........61732 | Dec-Jan.. | $6{ }^{1}$ |
| Mar.-Avr. | .611 ${ }^{18}$ | Jau.-Fob .......... $6^{9}{ }^{10}$ | Feb.-3ar | 61938 |
| Aur.-May .. | . 62383 | Feb.-Mar. . . . . . . $6^{58}$ | Apr-May | 61116 |
| May-Juno.. | . $63{ }^{1} 32$ | Mar.-Apr.........6.621 ${ }^{2}$ | May-June | ${ }_{63}{ }^{23} 3_{3}$ |
| Tiulusday. |  |  |  |  |
| Doc.-Jan. | $.6{ }^{9} 18$ | Anr.-May .... ....6s4 | June-July | $6^{287} 3$ |
| Jan.-Feb.. | .61032 | May-June........625 32 | July-Aug | ${ }^{67}{ }^{6}$ |
| Feb-Mar. | . $6211_{32}$ | Juиe-July .. $6^{25}{ }_{32}{ }^{13} 3_{16}$ | Mar.-Apr. | ${ }_{611}{ }^{613} 18$ |
| Fridit. |  |  |  |  |
| Jan.-Feb.. | .658 | July-Aug.........679 | Fob.-Mar. | $\mathrm{CL3}_{32}$ |
| Feb.-Mar.. | . 61118 | Jan.Feb.......... $62 \mathrm{E}_{32}$ | Apr.-May. | .618 ${ }^{18}$ |
| Mar.-Apr. | $.6{ }^{23} 33$ | May Juиe .........627 $\mathbf{6 2}^{23}$ | June Jaty | .678 |
| Apr.-May. | . 62332 | Dec.-Jan.......... $619_{32}$ | July-Aug | . 61018 |
| Mar-June. | . 61318 | Mar.-Apr..........634 | Jau.-F'b.. | $8 \mathrm{~d}^{21} 3$ |
| June-July.. | .62732 | Dcc. Jan...... . . .65\% |  |  |

## BREADSTUFFS.

Friday, P. M., December $16,1881$.
The flour market, usually dall at this season of the year, when dealers are disposed to reduce stocks, and exporters limit their operations, has been especially so in the past week. The conrse of the grain markets has weakened confidence in the future of values, and yet stocks and promised supplies are not large enough to promote any pressure to sell. The turn of prices, therefore, while somewhat in favor of buyers, does not show any material or general decline. Rye flour and corn meal have been dull, but qnotations are nominally unchanged. Buckwheat flour has also been slightly depressed. To-day the whole market was dull and weak.

The wheat market has been quite variable and unsettled. Efforts to promote an adrance in prices have been frequent, but they were not well sustained, and proved to have but momentary results, giving a fererish, unsettled tone to the market. The impression gains ground that farmers are holding back supplies to an extent seldom before known in this country, and that receipts must eventaally increase at the Western markets after the holidays. Foreign advices have been dull, and the West of Europe is evidently under no apprehension of any deficiency in the supply of wheat, even if there should be no increase of shipments from the Atlantic Coast of North America. To-day the market was easier-No. 2 red winter, $\$ 142^{1 / 4}$ for January, $\$ 145^{1 / 4}$ for February and $\$ 147^{1 / 4}$ for March.
Indian corn has varied bat little, and the regnlartrade has been very quiet. The speculation in futures, however, has at times been quite active. There is rather more of yellow corn offering, and this grade is lower; bat white cora is still scarce, bringing extreme prices. It is now pretty evident that whatever may be the final out-tarn of the crop of 1881, the supplies for the next few months will be fully equal to the wants of the market at current values. To-day prices were easier-No. 2 mired 70c. for January and 72c. for February.
Rye has been drooping, full parcels of prime selling at 97. Barley has also shown a downward tendency, and No. 1 Canada sold at $\$ 109 @ 110$ per bu., but generally there is little inclination among holders to press sales at the reduced values, while the demand is very good.
Barley malt is nominally nnchanged at last week's values, bot choice Canada brought $\$ 130$ and two-rowed State $\$ 1$. Buckwheat is quoted at $\$ 1 @ 102$ per bush.

Oats have declined materially under the extreme dulness of the trade. The market was lower for white to-day, but mixed about steady. No. 2 graded, 51c. for white and $49 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. for mired. The specnlation in No. 2 mired for future delivery was very active at $493 / 4 \mathrm{c}$. for Jannary and $50 \% \mathrm{c}$. for February.

The following are closing quotations:

| Four. |  |  | Wheat Grain. |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| No. 2 spring... Fbl | 75 | 33 |  |  |  |  |
| No. 2 winter ......... | 375 | 423 | 8 pring. | 122 |  |  |
| Winter auperthe | 470 a | 500 | Buring, N | 131 |  |  |
| fipring supertue. | 4337 | 475 | Red whintor ... | 130 |  | 13 |
| Spring whicat nxirus. | 500 \% | 535 | 1 Low winter, No. 2 | 1401 | 101 | 18 |
| do XX and XXX... | $550 \%$ | 630 | Whin...*....... | $13 \%$ |  | $\pm 1$ |
| Wla. \& Mlın. 5 yeruls. | $000 \%$ | 650 | Corn-Wost mixed. |  |  | 7018 |
| Whutar ahippicextras. | 5203 | 880 | Weat, No. 2....... |  |  | 704 |
| do XX and XXX... | 5736 | ¢ 73 | Wextora yellow.. | $\square 9$ |  | 71 |
| Patonts. | 13500 | 850 | Westura | $7 \%$ |  | 75 |
| Cly shlpping oxiras. | $690 \%$ | 725 | Rya | 01 |  | 115 |
| Bouthern, bakers and |  |  | Oate- M 1 | 47 |  | 51 |
| family lirands ...... | 6402 | 72.3 | While. | 49 |  | 52 |
| Bonth'm ol ly'g extras. | 575 20 | 025 | Barloy- |  |  |  |
| liye dour, superline.. | 4703 | 510 | Canala No 1. | 109 |  |  |
| Corn tneal- |  |  | Canamla bright. | 113 |  |  |
| Western, de. | 835 \% | 375 | 8 tuto, 4-rowed. |  |  |  |
| Branlywtne. do | 375 a | 383 | 8 tate, 2 -rowed |  |  |  |
| luckw't dour, 1001 bs. | 3 012 | 390 | Buckwheat | 100 |  |  |

Receipts of flour and grain at Western lake and river purts Cor the week ending Dec. 10, 1881:

|  | Nlomer, bbls. (190 1501 | Theat, buesh. ( 30 lbs ) | Corn, bush. <br> (56lle) | Oats, bush. (32 ibs) | Barley, bush. 48 lbs | Rye, breah, |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| - |  |  |  | (32 | .) |  |
| Toledo |  |  |  | 1 | 0 |  |
| Allwan | 56,620 | 185,100 | 22.550 | 45.750 | 102.300 | 1+206 |
| Dotroll | 8,3193 | 34,355 | 16,750 | 1.5197 | 12,4 3 | 525 |
| Clercla | 3.401 | 4,150 | 22,500 | 22,100 | 12.6 ${ }^{\text {1 }}$ | 730 |
| Bt. Lo | 35.070 | 12.5.419 | 317.503 | 81.103 | 121,868 | 8.876 |
| Peort | 1,315 | 5,200 | 270,823 | 114,350 | 18,400 | 14,100 |
| Duluth. |  |  |  |  |  |  |


Total receipts at same ports from Dec. 27, 1830, to Dec. 10, 1Ss1, inclusive. for four years :

Totalarain.... 233.568.296 $281,111.733 \quad 244.101293$
Comparative receipts (crop movement) at same ports from Angast 1 to Dec. 10, inclusive for four gears:

| ar........bbls. $\quad$ 3,293,650 | $\begin{array}{r} 1880 \\ 3, \$ 36,580 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1879 . \\ & 2,903,500 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} 1878 \\ 2,575,850 \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Wheat..... Eush. 23.407 .4 | 50.530 .41 | 55.540 .601 | 53,262,355 |
| Corn............. 50,2,37.83 | 56,093.15 | 38,243,283 | 33,337,542 |
| Oata .............. 14,152,311 | 18.830,73 | 12.634.190 | 16.235.927 |
| Barley.......... . $6,178.11$ | 7,031,549 | 7,40:6 |  |
| Kู0.............. $2,521,6$ | 2,342,393 | 2.714,107 | 841,834 |
| Total grain.... 102,797,470 | 103,797,470 $\overline{136,754,259} \overline{116,534,946}$ 125,493,869 |  |  |
| Comparative shipments of Hour and grain from the same ports from Dec. 27, 1880, to Dec. 10, 1891, inclusive, for four |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |
| our... ....bbls. 8,268.876 $^{1881}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1880 . \\ 5,613,240 \end{array}$ | $\stackrel{1879 .}{7,140,455}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1878 \\ 5,917,331 \end{gathered}$ |
| ,115,930 | 67,989,909 | 77,114,075 | 69,293.274 |
| Corn............. 107.671.810 | 124, 12002.939 | $83,513,501$ | 78,197,239 |
|  | $30,593,353$ $4.045,035$ | $20,999.072$ $5,41,118$ | 21,239,933 |
| Eye ............... 2,251,486 | 3,001,932 | 3,903,678 | 3,633,927 |

Total grain .... 194,261,093 230,533,063 199,962.814 172,531,096
Rail ohjprents from Western lake and river ports ior the weeks ended:


$\begin{array}{lllllll}\text { Total wenk... } & 203,739 & 575,380 & 1,202,415 & 259,200 & 203,807 & 51,862 \\ \text { Oor. weer } & 20 . & 379763 & 1,489,070 & 1,520,003 & 361,865 & 173,550 \\ 36,800\end{array}$
Total receipts at same ports from Dec. 27, 1850, to Dec. 10, 1881, laclusive, for foar years


Exporta Irom Unitad Statan moaboard porta and from Moutrinal for week ondlag Dec. 10, 1881:

|  | Flour. bbla. | Whent, owah | Corn, <br> bush | Oats, | nye. | Tean |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Eow York | bbls. <br> 31.194 | owat <br> 224.504 | buEh, | owoh. $1.7012$ | Gnoh $4.173$ | $0 \text { Lan. }$ |
| 1sontor | 11.710 | 33,114 | 15,141 | G |  |  |
| Porlland. Montroal |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| pallmietphi. | 1.077 | 680.000 | 33,4\%5 |  |  |  |
| Ballimioro. | 11,190 | 315,517 | 31.439 | 2\%0 |  |  |
| New Orloans.. | 33 |  | $40,53{ }^{4}$ |  |  |  |
| Total for w't | 59.501 | 6.31 .193 | 402.09 | 2,11: | 4.173 |  |
| Wame lime '80. | 173.303 | ,373,213 | 913.018 | 3.603 | 23,000 |  |
| The visible sapply of grain, compriving the ntookv in granary |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ports, and in transit by rall and water, Doo. 10, 1881, wan a follows: |  |  |  |  |  |  |

## follows:

| In slore at- | Wheal, humi. | Corn, bireh. | Onts. bınA. | Borley. bueh. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ow York | 5.592 | 0.03 | 877. | C.O. | 7 |
| Do. a 0 at (est.) | 730,000 | 760,000 | 123,000 | 400,000 | 210000 |
| Albany. | 1.500 | 8,8,000 | 2.1 .000 | 184.019 | 81000 |
| ulialo | 692,368 | 414.239 | 8.171 | 187.189 | 11,0 |
| Thloarn | 3,-10.583 | 8,433,0771 | $45: 366$ | 1221.900 | 883.800 |
| Muwauk | 313, 098 | 4,043 | 15,224 | 203,418 | 20,367 |
| Dututh | 894.0013 |  |  |  |  |
| Toleln | 1,017.56:1 | 128.10 | (3.8. | 21.117 |  |
| Dotroll | 196,107 | 27,127 | 10.991 | 12,547 |  |
| Oswego | 173.000 | 105,000 |  | $9: 0.0170$ | 0.07 |
| 8t. lauls | 855.009 | 812.101 | 97.27. | 70.1132 | 106.073 |
| Boston | 41.222 | 593.370 | 101.311 | 0.011 | 2,131 |
| Toront | 193,127 |  | +,937 | 281.4 .313 | 2,54t |
| Montroa | 161,275 | 09.015 | 00,013 | 41,533 | 3.958 |
| Phlladoin | 311.803 | 601.3150 | 75.000 |  |  |
| Peorla .. | 9,3.51 | 174,545 | 171.903 | 13 | 62.827 |
| Indlanapolls | 3.11 .660 | 119,500 | 13,8,80 |  | 17.000 |
| Kausas Cley | 395.131 | 7.,493 | 43.603 |  | 8,071 |
| Baltimore - | 2,020.732 | 804.88: |  |  |  |
| Down M | 12,112 | 101.533 | 30.191 |  |  |
| On rail. | 837.883 | 1,813,417 | 469,300 | 187,00j | 3,0 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
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## THE DRY GOODS TRADE.

Friday, P, M., December 16, 1831.
The past week has developed very little change in the condition of the dey goods trade. There was a contination of the quietness lately reported in commission and importling circles, and the jobbing trade was less nclive than of late, retailers having lessened theír parchases of holiday goods. Cotton and woolen goods, shirts and drawers, etc., were, however, dulivered in fair quantities on account of former orders, and some additional orders for spring fabrics were placed by leading jobbers. The tone of the market continoes firm, and atocks are in remarkably good shape, no accnmulations worthy of mention having arisen notwithstanding the limited demsnd provailing for some weeks past. Reports from the interior indicate that business is about as good as nsual at this dull period of the season, and collections are reported to be satisfactory in most sections of the conatry

Domestio Cotron Goods.-There was a strictly moderate demand fur the most staple cotton goods at first hands, bu: some fair orders were placed for white goods, plques, quilts. skirtings and other spring fabrics for futare delivery, and there was a steady movement in brown, bleached and colored cottons, wide sheetings, cotton flannels, \&c., in execution of back orders, many of which are still nnflled. Prices are without quotable change and generally firm on all such fabrics as govera the market. Priat cloths were in light demand and easier, clusing at 4c., less a small disconnt for $04 \times 64$ "apots," 4c. flat for $64 \times 64$ "fatares to March" and $37 / 337.16 \mathrm{c}$. for $56 x$ 60s. Fancy prints were mostly quiet in first hands, bat a considerable business in shirting prints was stiranlated by time inducemerts. Ginghams and cotton dress goods were almost neglected, but the former are steadily' held at unchanged prices.

Donestic Wooles Goods.-Transactions in woolen goods have been chiefly restricted to making deliveries of apring cassimeres, suitings, worsted coatings, \&c., on account of former orders, and in this connection the movement was of rery fair proportions. Specialties in cloakings met with moderate ales, butthe general demand was coroparatlvely light. I'rices of clothing woolens remain firm, and leading makes are under the control of orders as a rule. Kentacky jeans were quiet in demand and satinsts were lightly dealt in, but deslrable makes are steadily held. Colored fisnnels and suiting flannels were taken in small parcels to a moderate amount, and blankets wero mostly qniet, the mildness of the weather having checked their distribation. Shirts and dra wers continue to move ateadily on account of back orders, but new business was strictly moderate. Shawls, dress geods and carpets were severally quiet.
Forbion Day Goods were very quiet in first hands, with the exception of a few specialtles in laces, embroideries, handkerchief, etc. (for the holiday tradel, in whlch there was a moderate movement. Staple dress goods, gilks, relvets, linen goods, etc, ruled quiet and steady

## Importations of Dry Goode.

We hare been anable to procure from the Custom House the agares of importations of dry goods at this port for the week ending December 15.

## Financial. <br> AMERICAN <br> FINANCE COMP’Y,

5 \& 7 NASSAU ST., NEW YORK, 43t LIIBRAIRY ST., PHILADELPIIA, PORTLAND BLOCK, CHYCAGO.
Capital Stock, $\quad$ - $\$ 1,000,000$ SOUND INVESTMENT SECURITIES furnlehed to Corporate and Private Investors.
to Corporate and Private Investors.
CAPITAL FURNISHED OR PROCURED for Ratiroad Companies haviag Jines under construcRatirond Companies haviag Jines under constr
tion, and thelr Bonds purohased ur negotiated. tion, and thelr Bonds purshased ur negotiated.
FINANCIAL NEGOTIATIONS conducted f FINANCIAL NEGOLIATIONS conducted for
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