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BOARD OF TRADE.

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Monetary and Commercial Articles.

BALTIMORE, December 13, 1861.

There was comparatively little business done at the Board to-day, but Stocks generally were steady at previous quotations. Nothing was done in Railroad shares, but Baltimore and Ohio closed at $16¾ bid, $19 asked, and Northern Central at $17 bid, $17¼ asked regular way. For Railroad bonds the market was quiet, but they were steady and tolerably firm. Baltimore and Ohio bonds left off at 82¾ bid for 1867's; 75 bid for 1875's; 69 bid, 70 asked for 1885's; and Northern Central 1885's closed at 60¼ bid, 61 asked. For Baltimore City 6's there was some little demand, and a sale of $200 1875's was made at 86¼; 1875's closed at 86 bid, dividend on; 1880's at 83 bid, ex-dividend; and 1890's at 85¾ bid, ex-dividend. Nothing was done in Maryland 6's, but there was an inquiry for them, and 1870's closed at 91½ bid for coupons, dividend on, and 90 bid for inscribed, ex-dividend. Bank stocks were inquired for, and we note sales of 10 shares Bank of Baltimore at $75, and 7 shares Citizens' at 98¾. There are very few Bank stocks offering; and they are generally firm. Canton Co. was ¼ to ¼ better to-day, the market for it closing at $10 bid, $10¾ asked. There was some movement to-day in Springhill Mining, and we note a considerable advance in it. Sales were made of 500 shares at $1.85, 500 shares at $1.95, and it closed firm at $1.95 bid, $2 asked regular way. It is understood that the Company are about to declare a dividend of 20 cts. per share, and this has no doubt occasioned the improvement in the stock. For the other Copper Mining stocks there is little or no inquiry.

We have no change to note since last week in the condition of the Money market. Money continues very abundant, but the demand for it is limited, and capitalists find it a very difficult matter to make satisfactory investments. The banks take all the good endorsed paper that is offering, and good single name passes readily on the street at from 6 to 10 per cent., the inside figure being for strictly first-class signatures. Money can be readily had on call with good collaterals at 5@6 per cent.

The foreign exports from Baltimore for the week ending on Thursday, amount in value to $204,977, against $212,310 last week. Included in the exports were 11,814 bbls. flour, 792 bbls. corn meal, 4,666 bushels corn, 23,311 bushels wheat, and 525 hhds. tobacco.

In New York to-day at the first board stocks were generally better, but at the second board prices fell off again, and the market closed weak. Virginia, Missouri, and North Carolina 6's, Reading and Treasury notes all closed at the same figures as on yesterday, but Erie declined ⅜; and New York Central ¼. Canton advanced ¼.

SALES AT THE BALTIMORE STOCK BOARD.

FRIDAY, December 13, 1861.

$500 Baltimore 6's '75	86¼
10 shares Bank of Baltimore	75
7 shares Citizens' Bank	98¾
5 shares Springfield Mining Co.	1.85
500 do. do.	1.95

PRICES AND SALES OF STOCKS IN NEW YORK, BY TELEGRAPH.

Through WILLIAM FISHER & SON, Stock and Bill Brokers No. 22 South street.

	1st Board	2d Board
Virginia 6's	49	00
Missouri 6's	41	40¾
Tennessee bonds	41¾	00
North Carolina bonds	58	00
Canton Company	10¾	00
Erie Railroad	21¾	21¾
New York Central Railroad	78¾	78
Reading Railroad	34	34
Treasury notes 2 years 6 per cents	99¾	00
		steady. weak.

The New York *Post* of Thursday afternoon says:

The stock market opened with a good appearance, though very quiet; but at the close prices are materially lower, influenced by the news by the Hansa, that the English government had resolved upon placing the Nashville on the same footing as the James Adger. The heaviness, after the board, is increased by the rise in foreign exchange and the disappointing figures of the annual report of the New York Central Company. The stock, after selling at 78¾, closes at 77¾@78. The transfer books re open to day after the annual election, and it was expected that the stock would be scarce for delivery. Pacific Mail, after the board, was weak, at 86@85¾; Panama at 114. United States stocks are quiet, but on the whole steady. The coupon 6's of 1881 sold at 92¾, which is a shade lower. The 5's are firm at previous prices.

The New York *Herald* of yesterday says:

Stocks were very feverish to-day, mainly in connection with the reports from Europe. The market opened with rather more strength than it closed yesterday; Central, Erie, Galena, &c., all sold at about ¼ advance. Early in the forenoon, however, the Hansa was reported, and business was checked. Within a short while afterwards the first items of intelligence per Hansa transpired in the street, causing a decline of 1 per cent. in Central, the rest of the market being inactive. Between the boards each rumor was exactly reversed, and the market closed firm, business was done. At the second board, the news from Europe having been digested, everything recovered to the prices of the morning, and the market closed firm.

REVIEW OF THE BALTIMORE MARKETS

FOR THE WEEK ENDING DECEMBER 13.

ALCOHOL.—We hear of no sales of Alcohol but we quote 95 per cent. at 43@44 cts. per gallon. There is very little here.

BRIMSTONE.—There is no crude Brimstone in market, and we can give no quotations for it.

BREAD.—Bread is unchanged in price and it is still selling at 4¾ cts. for Navy; 5 cts. for Pilot; and 6¾ cts. for Water Crackers, less the usual discount.

BARK.—Quercitron Bark ranges in price at from $17 to $22 per ton, but there has been no movement in it for a week or two past, and it may be quoted as closing dull at these figures.

COFFEE.—There has been a very active inquiry this week for Coffee, and the market has throughout it been very buoyant. Prices have advanced since the opening 1 to 1½ cts. per lb., which is equal to the increased duty proposed to be placed on this article by the Secretary of the Treasury in his report, and the market closes firm with an upward tendency. There were sales early in the week of 550 bags Rio at 17¾ cts. net, 500 bags do. at 17¾ @17¾ cts. net, but within the last day or two we note sales of 375 bags damaged Rio at 17¾ cts., and of about 2,000 bags good do. at 18 cts. net. There is no Rio to be had under 18@18¾ cts., and some holders ask 20 cts. for it. A large part of the stock is however held out of the market entirely. We quote Laguayra nominal at 21@22 cts., and Java at 25 cts. per lb. There have been no imports this week, and the stock of Rio to-day is about 15,000 bags.

COTTON.—Cotton is still advancing, and it has this week reached the unprecedented price of 32 cts. for middling Upland. The transactions have been very limited, but the few sales made have been on the above basis. The market closes to-day firm with an upward tendency.

CHEMICALS.—Soda Ash is selling at 2¾@2¾ cts. cash, for 80 per cent; Sal-Soda at 1¾@2 cts.; Bi-Carb Soda at 3¾@4¼ cts.; Bleaching Powders at 3¾@4 cts., and Saltpetre at 9¾@10¾ cts. for crude, and 13@14 cts per lb. for refined.

CANDLES.—There are some Candles selling, but there is no activity in them. Adamantine are selling at 15@17¾ cts.; Chemical Sperm at 28@29 cts.; Sperm at 30@32 cts.; Tarred at 22@23 cts., and Patent Wax at 39@40 cts. per lb. Mould may be quoted at 10@12 cts. for Western, and 12¾@15 cts. per lb. for Baltimore.

COAL.—There is nothing doing in Cumberland Coal there being very little here, but Anthracite is active and very firm. It is selling by the cargo for steam purposes at $5.50, and from the yards for domestic use at $6 per ton of 2,240 lbs. The stock here is unusually light.

COPPER.—There is a good inquiry for Copper, and Baltimore refined Ingots may be quoted firm at 25 cts. per lb. cash. We hear however of no sales this week. Yellow Metal Sheathing is now bringing 20 cts., but we still quote Yellow Metal Bolts and Nails at 22@23 cts. per lb.

FEATHERS.—Feathers still range at from 30 to 45 cts. per lb., as in quality, but there is very little doing in them.

FISH.—The market for Fish is in much the same condition as it was last week. Mackerel are in good demand and quite firm at the quotations, which are as follows: viz: $9.50@10 for No. 1's; $7.50@7.75 for medium No. 2's; $5.50@5.75 for medium and large No. 3's; and $3.25@3.50 per bbl. for small do.; but Herrings are dull at $1.75@2.25 for Madgalen and Halifax, and $4@4.50 per bbl. for Labrador. We quote Codfish as before at $3@3.75, and Hake at $1.75@2 per 100 lbs. There is a good stock of Fish here.

FRUIT.—Malaga Fruit is in active demand and quite firm. Raisins are selling at $3.75 for whole boxes Layer, $3.45 for whole, $1.85 for half, and $5 for quarter boxes bunch. There have been no direct imports here as yet, but they are arriving constwise pretty freely. There are some Malaga Lemmons here, which are held at $9 per box. We quote Figs at 9@10 cts.; Dates at 4¾@5 cts.; Currants at 10@12 cts. per lb. Green Apples are still selling at $3.25@3.75, and we quote Dried do. at 7 cts. per lb. Cranberries have advanced, and they are now selling at $9@19 per bbl.

FLOUR.—The market for Flour has been unusually active this week the sales adding up about 13,000 bbls. The demand has been chiefly for Extra, and the operations have been principally in this description. The sales which have been mainly for export include 500 bbls. Howard Street Super at $5.50, 1,200 bbls. do. at $5.62½, 1,500 bbls. City Mills Super at $5.25@5.37½, 500 bbls. Ohio and Howard Street cut Extra at $5.75, 1,000 bbls. Ohio Extra at $5 94, 5,000 bbls. do. at $6, and 3,000 bbls. City Mills Extra at $6.25@6.50 per bbl. To-day, no sales of Flour were reported, but the market was, as it has been throughout the week, steady and tolerably firm for all descriptions. Super closed at $5.62½ for good brands Howard Street and Ohio; and $5.25@5.37½ for City Mills; and Extra at $6 for Ohio; $6@6.25 for Howard Street; and $6.25@6.50 per bbl. for City Mills. The exports this week are as follows, viz:

To	Bbls.
Liverpool	5,349
Bremen	856
Rio de Janeiro	882
Horton, N. S.	300
Kingston	2,268
Demerara	875
Nassau	702
St. Lucia	492
Total	11,914

FAMILY FLOUR.—Family Flour is still selling by the drayload to the trade at $8.25 for the best brands Baltimore, $8.50@7 for Ohio and Howard Street, and Baltimore high grade Extra is bringing $7.75 per bbl.

RYE FLOUR.—We continue to quote Rye Flour firm at $4.37½@4.50 per bbl., but we have heard of no sales this week.

BUCKWHEAT FLOUR.—Buckwheat Flour is in fair demand, and it is selling in lots as wanted at from $1.75 to $2 25 per 100 lbs.

CORN MEAL.—We are not advised of any sales of Corn Meal this week, but we quote it steady at $3.20@3.25 per bbl. for both Baltimore and Brandywine. We note the export this week of 792 bbls.

The following are the inspections of Flour and Meal for the week ending December 12th, 1861:

	bbls.	hf. bbls.
Howard Street	9,048	....
City Mills	8,316	270
Ohio	5,088	....
Family	1,132	....
Total wheat Flour	23,584	270

Together with 732 bbls. Rye Flour, and 543 bbls. and half bbls. Corn Meal.

GRAIN.—The market continues to be well supplied with Grain, the receipts this week amounting in the aggregate to upwards of 200,000 bushels. The receipts of Wheat have, however, fallen off considerably, but those of Corn have increased materially. For all descriptions the demand has through the week been active, and prices have been well maintained. We note the export this week of some 22,000 bushels Wheat, and about 5,000 bushels Corn.

WHEAT.—We notice a considerable decrease this week in the receipts of Wheat, the offerings amounting to only about 52,000 bushels against 100,000 bushels last week. The demand has through the week been good, although the market has exhibited no special activity, and prices have been well maintained. Red has sold generally at from 12 to 138 cts. for fair to prime lots, but one or two very choice parcels have brought 139 cts., and white at from 100 up to 123 cts. for inferior and common, 125@130 cts. for medium grades, 135@140 cts. for fair, and 145@155 cts. for good to prime parcels, and both red and white closed steady at the above figures.

RYE.—Rye, of which there have been only about 1,200 bushels offered this week, has sold at from 68 to 73 cts. for Maryland, and 75@76 cts. for Pennsylvania, and it closes to-day firm at 70@73 cts for Maryland, and 76 cts. for Pennsylvania.

CORN.—Corn is beginning to arrive very freely, the receipts this week, most of which was new Corn, adding up 103,000 bushels. The demand for it has, however, through the week been quite active, and nearly all the parcels offered have found purchasers. At the opening white sold at 58@60 cts. for new, 70@71 cts. for old, and yellow at 58@62 cts. for new, and 63@64 cts. for old; but for two or three days past white has been selling at 60@62 cts. for new, 73 cts. for old, and yellow at 60@64 cts. for new, and 66@67 cts. for old, and both descriptions closed firm to day at these figures.

OATS.—Oats continue to arrive freely, the receipts this week adding up about 50 000 bushels. They have, however, through the week been active and firm, and nearly all the lots offered have changed hands at 40@43 cts. for Virginia and Maryland, and 45@46 cts. for Pennsylvania, at which figures they close firm.

PEASE AND BEANS.—Black Eyed Pease are still selling at $1.75 per bushel for new crop, and we quote White Beans as ranging from $1.50 to $2.25 per bushel for ordinary to prime.

GUANO.—The season for the sale of Guano is over, and there is now little or nothing doing in it. The Agents' price for Peruvian is still $60 per long ton, and dealers ask $55 for short, and $61 per long ton. We quote California or Flide Island Guano at $45@47; Ichaboe do. at $45@48. Sombrero do. at $27; and Navassa do. at from 18 to 22 per ton of 2,240 lbs. Reese Manipulated Guano sells at $35; Maryland Company's Super Phosphate at $40@43; Whitelock & Co's. at $43; Turner's Excelsior, Rhodes' and Dellerg's Super Phosphate of Lime at $45; and Baugh's raw bone Phosphate at $45 per ton of 2,000 lbs.

GUNNY BAGS.—Gunny Bags are still selling at 13 cts. for small, and 16@18 cts. each for large.

GINSENG.—There is no Ginseng selling but we continue to quote it at 45@50 cts. per lb.

HEMP.—We quote Hemp as follows, viz: at $130@135 for rough American; $215@220 for dressed do; $230 per ton for Russia; 6¾ cts. per lb. for Manilla; 5¾@5¾ cts. for Sunn; and 5 cts. for Jute.

HIDES.—There are no foreign Hides in market, and of course nothing is doing in them. We quote wet city slaughtered at 7¾@8 cts.; and wet country do. at 6¾@7 cts. per lb.

HAY AND STRAW.—Hay continues in active demand and firm at $18 per ton for good baled Timothy. The sales making are chiefly to the government. Straw is dull, but steady at $15 per ton for Rye.

IRON.—There is very little doing in Iron, but the market for it is very firm in tone, and prices have rather an upward tendency. We quote as follows, viz: Baltimore Charcoal Forge at $27¾; Catoctin do at $21@23; Charcoal Blast Pig at $22@23; Anthracite Iron at $23@24 for No. 1 Wheel at $27@28; Anthracite Iron at $23@24 for No. 2; $20@21 for No. 3; and Scotch Pig at $23@24 per ton from the yards. We quote Blooms as before at $40 for puddled, and $60@62½ per ton for best Charcoal; Bar Iron at $47½@50 for common English and American, and $57½@60 per ton for refined do.; and Sheet do. at 3¾@4 cts. for English; 4¼@4½ cts. for American, and 4¾ cts. per lb. for Russia. Boiler Plates are selling at 5¾ cts. for puddled, and 4@4½ cts. per lb. for refined Charcoal, and we quote Nails at $2.80@2.85 per 100 lbs., cash, and $3, six months, for Cut 4d. and upwards.

INDIGO.—Indigo is very firm at the quotations which are as follows, viz: $2@2.5 for Bengal; $1.90@2.50 for Kurpah; $1.75@2.37½ for Guatemala; $1@1.15 for Madras; 75 cts. to $1.50 per lb. for Manilla.

LEATHER.—Leather is steady at our previous quotations, viz: 27@30 cts. for City slaughtered Sole; 28@28 cts.; for Country do.; 26@28 cts. for Spanish Sole; 30@32 cts. for City harness Leather, black; 27@28 cts. for Country do; 22@28 cts. for Rough Skirting; $3.50@5 for Upper in rough hide; 50@60 cts. for rough Calf Skins; and $50@100 cts. per lb. for finished do.

MOLASSES.—There is very little doing in Molasses, there is hardly any stock here to operate in. We quote as follows, viz: Cuba at 28@33 cts. for clayed, and 33@35 cts. for Muscovado; Porto Rico at 40@45 cts.; and New Orleans 55@56 cts. per gallon. We note the receipt here within the last day or two of 32 puncheons from Demerara, and 234 puncheons and 14 tierces from Porto Rico.

NAVAL STORES.—There is nothing doing in Naval Stores. We quote Spirits Turpentine at $1.45@1.50 per gallon, and Tar at $2@2.50 per bbl. There are no other varieties Naval Stores here.

OILS.—Oils continue in moderate demand, but prices for them them are unchanged, and we still quote as follows, viz: Linseed at 80@83 cts. for American; Sperm at 155 cts. for fall, and 160 cts. for winter; Whale at 56@65 cts. for crude, and 65@68 cts. for patent bleached; Solar at 65@68 cts.; Sea Elephant at 68@70 cts.; and Lard at 70@75 cts. per gallon.

PROVISIONS.—There has been very little done this week in Provisions and for all descriptions the market has throughout it been heavy as well as dull. There has been some little Bacon sold by the jobbers, but in other articles there has been no movement. We quote Bacon as follows, viz: Shoulders at 4¾@4¾ cts., Sides at 5¾@5¾ cts., and Hams at from 6 to 10 cts. per lb. There is no Bulk Meat selling and we can give no quotations for it Lard may be quoted at 8¾@9 cts. for City and Western, but there is nothing doing in it. Baltimore packed Beef is selling at $12@12.50 for No. 1, and $16 per bbl. for Mess, and we quote Western Mess at $12@13.50 per bbl. Mess Pork ranges in price at from $12 to $12.50 per bbl., as in quality, and we quote Prime do. at $10@11, and Rump do. at $8@9 per bbl.

BUTTER.—Butter is in good demand, especially the better qualities, and the market for it is quite firm. We quote as follows, viz: Western stoll packed at 8¾@12 cts.; New York State at 18@22 cts.; new Glades at 14@17 cts.; Roll at 12@16 cts. North [illegible]

CHEESE.—Is in good demand, and quite firm. We quote Western cutting at 6¾@7 cts.; Eastern do. at 8@8½ cts.; Western English Dairy at 7@8 cts., and Eastern do. at 8¾@9 cts. per lb.

POTATOES.—Potatoes are dull. There is a large supply here, and we quote them as ranging from 60 to 65 cts. per bushel from the wharf.

POWDER.—Powder has advanced, and we quote Dupont's and Beatty's at $5 for sporting, rifle and canister, and $3.75 per keg of 25 lbs. for blasting.

PLASTER.—We continue to quote Plaster at $3 12½ per ton, but it is dull at this figure.

RICE.—Rice is held firm at 7¼ cts. net, but there is very little here. The demand is however limited.

SUGARS.—Sugars remain firm, but we have no change to note since last Friday in the general condition of the market. The Secretary of the Treasury, in his report, recommends an increase of the duty on Sugar, but the increase proposed is not enough to materially affect prices. The sales this week include some 25 hhds. Cuba at $8 75@9 cent; 150 hhds. Porto Rico at from $8.25 to 8 90 cent; and 478 boxes clayed Cuba, ex "H. D. Rugeley," taken for refining on private terms. We note also the sale this week in Boston to come to this market of 300 hhds. Cuba, and 11,000 bags Manilla Sugar, the latter for refining, both on private terms. We quote to-day as follows, viz: Cuba at $8@8 25 for refining, and $8.50@9 for grocery grades; Porto Rico and New Orleans at $8.50@9.00; and Manilla and Pernambuco at $8@8.25. We note the import this week of 41 hhds. from Boston, 1,120 boxes from Havana, and 196 hhds. from Demerara.

REFINED SUGARS.—For Refined Sugars the rates are still as follows, viz: 11¼@11¾ cts. for leaf; 11@11¼ cts. for crushed, powdered and granulated; 10¾@10¾ cts. for soft crushed white; and 10¾@10 cts. per lb. for C yellow. Sales to the extent of 1,500 to 2,000 bbls. have been made this week.

SALT.—There have been some sales of Liverpool Salt this week, but the particulars have not transpired. It is selling in lots to the trade at 100@110 cts. for Ground Alum, 155@160 cts. per sack for Marshall's, Worthington's and Jeffrey & Darcy's fine. Turks Island Salt is still quoted at 25 cts. per bushel from store. The Flora McDonald arrived here this week from Liverpool with a cargo of 9,450 sacks Salt.

SEEDS.—Cloverseed continues to arrive slowly, but there is a good inquiry for it and prices have advanced this week. We note sales of some 200 to 300 bushels at $4.62½, $4.75@4.87½, and we quote it as closing firm at $4.75@4.87½ for good to prime lots. Timothy Seed may be quoted at $2.12½@2.25, and Flaxseed at $1.60@1.70 per bushel.

STAVES.—We hear of no sales of Staves this week but we quote prime W. O. Hhd. at $65, and prime W. O. Pipe at $78 per thousand.

STARCH.—Starch is steady at 4¾@5 cts. for Western Pearl, and 5¾@6 cts. per lb. for Oswego. There is however very little selling.

SPICES.—Spices are in good demand at the following rates, viz: 12¾ cts. for Pepper; 10 cts. for Pimento; 14 cts. Cloves; 30 cts. for Cassia; 10¾@11 cts. for Ginger; 45 cts. for Mace; and 45@50 cts. per lb. for Nutmegs.

TOBACCO.—The sales of Maryland Tobacco this week have been mainly confined to the receipts, inasmuch as agents have no stocks on hand to offer. There appears to be rather less inclination to purchase the new crop this week, but that may be owing to the lateness of the season which prevents shipments to Europe. Ground leaf is still in good request. We quote as before, viz: Inferior and common $4@5; good common $5@5.50; middling $6@7.50; good and fine brown $7.50@10; extra fine $11@12. There were no sales of Ohio Tobacco this week, there being none in market. No stock of Kentucky, and we are without any sales to notice. The inspections of the week are 343 hhds. Maryland, 137 hhds. Ohio, 6 hhds. Virginia—total 486 hhds.

TALLOW.—We have heard of no transactions in Tallow this week. The last sales were made at 9¾ cts. per lb.

TIN AND LEAD.—Tin Plate is still selling at $9 for I. C., and $10.75 per box for I. X. We quote Banca Tin at 29@30 cts.; Spelter at 4¾@4¾ cts.; and Lead at 6@6¾ cts. for Pipe; 7 cts. for Bar; and 7¾@7½ cts. per lb. for Pipe and Sheet.

WOOL.—Wool is quiet, but steady at our last quotations, viz: 34@36 cts. for unwashed; 45@50 cts. for tub-washed; 38@40 cts. for pulled; and 45@48 cts. for common fleece. Of the finer grades there are no sales making, and it is impossible to give correct quotations for them.

WHISKEY.—Whiskey has advanced this week 1¾ to 2 cts. per gallon, and the market for it closes firm with an upward tendency. There were sales in the early part of the week of 400 to 500 bbls. Ohio at 20@20½ cts.; but subsequently 100 to 200 bbls. do. were sold at 21@21¾ cts. To-day, however, Whiskey is held firmly at 21½ cts. for City, and 22 cts. for Ohio.

FREIGHTS.—There have been no new freight engagements made this week so far as we have heard, and rates to all points are unchanged—we quote to Liverpool at 30d. for Grain; and 3s. for Flour; to Bremen at 20s.; and to Holland at 40s. for Tobacco.

DOMESTIC MARKETS.

BOSTON, December 11.—The market for Flour is quiet but steady. We quote common brands Western at $5.25; fancy brands at $5.50@5.56; extra at $5.62½@5.75; and $6@7.50 for superior, including choice St. Louis. Southern Flour is quiet, and we quote choice brands Baltimore at $7@8 75 per bbl. Corn is quiet and prices are almost nominal. We quote Southern yellow at 73 cts; Western do. 70@72 cts.; and 67@68 cts. per bushel for Western mixed. Oats have been very quiet and the tendency of prices is in favor of buyers. We quote at 42@45 cts. per bushel for Western and Canada, but the latter price cannot be realized for the best at the close; and Prince Edward Island are dull at 40 cts. Rye the sales have been small at 82 cts. per bushel. Shorts have been selling at $16.50@17 per ton; and Fine Feed and Middlings at $20@24 per ton, as to quality.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 12.—Flour firm with more inquiry. Wheat advanced 2@3 cts; sales 16,000 bushels red at $1.38@1 40; white $1.50. Corn firm, sales 3,000 bushels at 65 cts. Mess Pork unchanged. Lard 9 cts.—Whiskey dull at 20½@20¾ cts.

ALBANY, Dec. 12.—Sales 14,000 bushels West mixed Corn in store 62¾@63 cts. Barley saleable in car lots at 65 cts.; two rowed, 2,000 bushels Bay Quinte 75 cts.—Oats active; sales from hooks 500 head, ranging from 300 to 310 lbs. $3 55@3 62½, gross; 400 head, average 241 lbs., $4.25@4 44, net; 500 head, average 250 lbs., $4.50, net; 131 head, averaging 205 lbs., $4.50, net.

CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—Flour firm and 5 cts. better.—Wheat ½ c. higher; sales at 78@78¾ cts. for No. 1, and 60@66¾ cts. for No. 2, in store. Corn advanced ¼ c., 21¾@21¾ cts. for mixed, in store. Oats quiet.

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

NEW YORK, Dec. 13.—Cotton has an upward tendency—sales at 33¾ cts. Flour is heavy—sales of 16,000 bbls.; State $5.40@5.50; Ohio $5.90@5.95; Southern $5.60@5. Wheat is firm—sales of 32,000 bushels; Chicago spring $1.29; Milwaukie club $1.31@1.32; red Western $1.41; white $1.45. Corn is quiet—sales of 42,000 bushels; mixed 67@68 cts. Beef is firm. Pork is quiet. Lard is dull—sales of 1,000 bbls. at 8¾@9¼ cts. Whiskey is steady at 20¾ cts. Sugar is quiet—Muscovado 7¾@8¾ cts. Coffee is firm—sales of 10,000 bags Rio at 17¾@18 cts.; sales of 2,000 bags Ceylon at 20 cts. Rosin closed dull at $5.75@6. Freights are dull.

LATEST NEWS.

TELEGRAMS.

FROM WASHINGTON.

Shooting of a Deserter.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—General Franklin was yesterday furnished with a copy of the order for the execution of Wm. H. Johnson, a private in the Lincoln Cavalry. According to report his offence was desertion. Supposing himself to be in the presence of a party of the enemy, he expressed his joy that he had made his escape. The officer in command had a private conversation with him, when he freely and anxiously gave such information as would have been of great importance to the Confederates. His revelation being concluded, he was arrested, and, much to his surprise, he discovered his mistake when he was taken back to his own camp a prisoner!

The execution took place this afternoon in the presence of about seven thousand soldiers belonging to General Franklin's division. A detachment of twelve men were detailed for the purpose. Eight of them first fired, when Johnson fell on his coffin; but life not being extinct, the other four in reserve fired with the required effect. This is the first execution in the army of the Potomac since the commencement of the rebellion.

Meeting of Army Sutlers.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—At the meeting of army sutlers last night a committee of seven were appointed, three of whom were sutler merchants. James S. Gibbons being chairman, for the purpose of obtaining the signatures of army officers in opposition to Senator Wilson's bill for the abolishing of sutlers to the volunteer forces. Resolutions were passed disavowing all connection with the alledged attempts to bribe Congress with money obtained from the sutlers.

Trial of Colonel Kerrigan.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—The Court-Martial in the case of Col Kerrigan adjourned to-day till Monday, previous to which the room was cleared at the instance of the Judge Advocate, who said he had an important communication to submit. Its contents were not, therefore, publicly made known.

Communication with the Virginia Shore.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—The water will in a few days be let out of the canal at the Georgetown aqueduct, which is to be planked and used for a carriage way. This will increase the facilities for communication with the Virginia shore.

Col. Thomas F. Meagher.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—A delegation of the officers of the regiment composing the Irish Brigade have waited on the President and presented a petition, signed by every officer, requesting the appointment of Colonel Thomas F. Meagher as Brigadier General.

FROM NEW YORK.

Privateers Fitting Out Under the Mexican Flag.

NEW YORK, Dec. 13.—It is freely stated here that there are a number of letters of marque in this city, issued by the Mexican Government, to prey upon the commerce of England, France and Spain, and that vessels are fitting out here, which they have a right to do under a similar decision to that allowing the Nashville to fit out at Southampton. The vessels will sail under the Mexican flag, as war vessels, and be entitled to bring prizes into neutral ports.

Official Vote of New York for Mayor.

NEW YORK, Dec. 13.—The official count of the vote of this city, gives Mr. Opdyke, for Mayor, 1,213 majority over Mayor Wood, and 614 over Mr. Gunther.

Reception of the News from Europe at Washington.

NEW YORK, Dec. 13.—Special despatches received here state that the European news by the Hansa creates little excitement at Washington. Thos. Richardson & Co., of this city, deny that the man Spence, chairman of the Liverpool Indignation Meeting, is a member of the firm of Richardson, Spence & Co., of Liverpool.

FROM MISSOURI.

ST. JOSEPH, Dec. 12.—General Prentiss' command was to move from Platte city to Richfield on the 11th instant. A Confederate camp, numbering 3,000 men, is reported near Albany. The report that General Prentiss had bagged 500 Confederates is not true. The manufactory of Buell & Co. was destroyed by fire last night, loss unknown.

LATEST FROM ST. THOMAS, W. I.

American Union Residents Indignant at the Escape of the Sumter.

NEW YORK, Dec. 13.—An arrival from St. Thomas says great indignation was expressed among the American residents at the escape of the Sumter from Port Royal, Martinique, and the Captain of the Iroquois is censured for having refused to pursue the privateer.

FROM FORTRESS MONROE.

FORTRESS MONROE, Dec. 12.—The regular Thursday flag of truce left this place this morning for letters and papers on Richmond and Southern ports. The boat returned with two passengers from Richmond, who are British subjects, and two from Norfolk.—The Norfolk *Day Book* of to-day contains no news of importance. All is very quiet in this vicinity. Among the passengers by the Georgeanna from Baltimore this morning was the Hon. Charles T. Russell, Mayor of Cambridge, Mass.

The Steamer Europa off Cape Race—Her News Not Obtained, Owing to the Heavy Sea.

ST. JOHNS, N. F., Dec. 13.—The steamer Europa, from Liverpool with three days' later advices, passed off Cape Race at 11-30 this morning. The sea was very high, owing to the recent heavy storm, and the news boat of the Associated Press was unable to get more than half a mile from the Cape, and as the steamer would not come nearer, her news was not obtained.

The Europa will be due at Halifax on Sunday morning.

Messrs. Breckinridge and Hunter Applying for a Passage to Europe.

HALIFAX, Dec. 13.—It is strongly rumored here to-day that Messrs. Breckinridge and Hunter had applied for a passage on the Canada from this port, but were refused in consequence of a telegram from Secretary Cameron, warning the agents of the Cunard Line against the consequences of carrying Confederates.

NEW YORK, Dec. 13.—Mr. Cunard emphatically contradicts the above report.

Arrival of Refugees—Great Indignation at Nashville—The Governor Fled to Memphis.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 12.—Two refugees from New Orleans have arrived here. They passed through Nashville, and report that Memphis is strongly fortified on the river side. There are two gunboats at the landing, and a regiment of infantry and a few companies of cavalry composed all the troops at that point.

They arrived at Nashville on the 6th inst. The city was in a high state of excitement on that day and on the following an attempt was made to draft citizens into the army. The indignation of the people was intense. A mob broke out in the Fourth Ward, and four policemen, who attempted to quell the riot, were shot dead. The mob then rushed to the Capitol to attack Governor Harris, who fled to Memphis. The papers the next day merely stated that the Governor had gone thither on business.

Last Saturday 2,500 men from Louisiana passed through, carrying black flags. The refugees estimate the number only since last list in Nashville hospitals at from eight to ten thousand. Nearly all the Texan Rangers were on the sick list, and suffering dreadfully.

The War in Kentucky.

LOUISVILLE, Dec. 12.—The report circulated yesterday that three Federal brigades have crossed to the south side of Green river, is authoritatively denied.

No information has been received at head-quarters here that Captain E. F. Prime, of General Buell's staff, and Major Helvehl, of General Scholl's staff, had been captured by the Confederates near Somerset; but well-informed outsiders say it is true. Johnson, the provisional Governor of Kentucky, in a message to the Confederate Legislature, says he will gladly resign his position when Magoffin shall escape from his virtual imprisonment at Frankfort.

Zollicoffer Again Reported Retreating.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 13.—It is reported that Zollicoffee is retreating again, which will defeat General Thomas' plan of getting to his rear.

SECOND CROP.—John A. Gennett, Esq., left at our office, a few days ago, a few damsons of about half the usual size, which he assures us are of the second crop, the same tree having borne a crop at the usual season.—*Towsontown Advocate.*

The sleighing is superb over nearly the whole of the States of Maine and Vermont, and a large portion of New Hampshire. The snow is about eight inches deep, and is the same that sleighs glide smoothly over the hard surface.

The Hon. Josiah Quincy, of Boston, met with quite a serious accident on Wednesday, by a fall whilst in his private apartment. Though not dangerously injured, he will not be able to leave his room for some time.

The Naumkeag Cotton Company, of Salem, has sold one hundred bales of cotton at the enormous price of thirty cents per pound, cash. This was the highest price yet paid for cotton in the Boston market.

The Spanish steamer Nuestra Seura de Regla, from New York for Havana, which put into Georgetown, S. C., in distress, has been seized by the Federal fleet as a prize in consequence of a Confederate newspaper on board.

The accounts from the manufacturing districts of France are not favorable. Trade was never in so depressed a state at St. Etienne as at present. Serious commercial difficulties are spoken of at Rouen and Mulhouse.

Two lots of cotton, comprising about 200 bales, were sold yesterday for thirty-five cents per pound, cash. The sales netted the owners the snug little profit of one hundred dollars per bale.—*Providence Journal, 11th.*

John Brown, Jr., son of old Ossawattomie Brown, who was hung in Charlestown, Va., and "whose body lies mouldering in the grave," commands a company of Union Jayhawkers, now stationed at Leavenworth, Kansas.

The ship Sportsman, from Buenos Ayres, at Boston, reports having been chased by a privateer schooner for two hours, November 29, lat. 28, 07, lon. 68, 25.

General Buell, the new commander of the Department of Kentucky, has formed a body guard similar to that which Fremont established in Missouri.

LATEST FROM THE SOUTH.

Richmond Rumors.

RICHMOND, December 11.—Rumors are rife today of an expected engagement on the Peninsula. Magruder evidently expects the attack to commence on Norfolk. He is quite wide awake and anxious to entertain the Lincolnites. All points are apparently quiet, but the storm of war may burst at any moment.

The *Day Book*, in commenting on this despatch, speaks of the weakness of the harbor defences, and urges the sinking of obstructions in the channel, and says:

To the Councils of Norfolk and Portsmouth we would say, that if the military neglect this most important measure, upon you it devolves to carry it out. The homes of your people are dear to them, and their security must not be hazarded whilst any means of prevention can be tried. Upon both the military and civil authorities rests the responsibility of seeing this great measure of precaution and prevention completed. We shall look with anxiety to see how it will be met.

From Pensacola.

BARRANCAS, Dec. 3.—A bright sunshine and a bracing wind succeed a night of clouds, rain and a sultry atmosphere. Up to this hour everything wears the appearance of peace; but how soon war's dread voice may come booming over the waters the wisest of us cannot say. Since the stern reality of war has been experienced, the exciting tales on which the army so long fed are in a manner "played out." In the absence of "sensation" items, or news paragraphs, we have General Bragg's "Circular" to his two brigades of troops, soliciting these brave battalions to continue in the service to the close of the war. The appeal, in many instances, will have its effect.

A letter from Fort Barrancas, dated November 29th, says:

No one can account for the manœuvring of the fleet—vessels go and come each day—signals are often seen; and everything in and about Pickens seems to be in confusion. On Thursday evening seven vessels were in the offing—but the next morning only three could be seen. It is the impression of many that the great armada may turn up soon at this point. We are ready to give it a prompt reception with balls, shells and hot shot.

Fort McRae.

The Pensacola correspondent of the Mobile *Advertiser and Register* gives a description of a visit to Fort McRea, from which we take the following extract:

The trip to McRea was very tedious, but I felt well compensated after looking over the Fort and fleet. The court of inner portion of the fort was in the same condition as the bombardment left it, the garrison having been employed incessantly in repairing other injuries. The outer walls bear evidence of having been roughly handled by the fleet and Pickens, but no serious injury was effected. The west side seems to have suffered most, as it was here the fleet for six hours poured broadside after broadside.

Accident at Warrington.

We take the following extract from a letter dated at Pensacola, on the 4th inst., from the Mobile *Evening News* of the 5th:

There was a great accident at Warrington camp y