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Committee of Arbitration for month of January.
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Monetary and Commercial Review.

BALTIMORE, January 17, 1862.

There was very little business done at the Stock Board to-day, sales being made of only $150 Baltimore 6's 1890 at 90, and 200 shares Silver Valley Mining Co. at 20 cts., but the market generally was strong. City 6's were especially firm, 1875's closing at 88 bid, and 1890's at 90 bid, 91 asked, the figures for the latter being an advance of 1 per cent. on previous quotations. Maryland 6's closed firm at 90¾ bid for both 1870's and 1890's, and Missouri 6's, of which there were some lots offering, left off at 41¾ bid, 43 asked. Baltimore and Ohio Railroad closed at $47 bid, $52 asked, and Northern Central at $17 bid, $17¾ asked regular way. Northern Central bonds were 1 per cent. better than on yesterday, 1885's closing at 62 bid, 62½ asked. Baltimore and Ohio bonds left off at 82 bid for 1867's; 75 bid for 1875's; 73 bid for 1880's; 71 bid for 1885's; 47½ bid, 49 asked for 1862's (the extra dividend bonds); Northwestern Virginia first mortgage do. at 79 bid, 80 asked. Bank stocks are in demand, and pretty firm, but there are very few offering, and no sales have been made for several days. For Baltimore Gas Co $101 was bid to-day, but no sales were made. Springfield Mining, for which there was some inquiry, closed to day without sales at $1.85 bid, $2 asked, and for Gardner Hill Mining 75 cts. was bid, and 90 cts asked.

We have no change to note since last week in the condition of financial affairs. The supply of capital continues in excess of the demand, and paper can be readily placed at the quotations, which are as follows viz: 6 per cent. for prime endorsed; and 9@12 per cent. for good single names. There is however very little endorsed paper offering on the street, most of it being taken by the banks. Call loans may be quoted at 6@7 per cent.

The brokers are buying gold to-day at 1¾@2, and selling it at 2@2¼ per cent. premium, and they are buying the demand Treasury notes at ¼, and selling them at ¼ per cent. discount.

There is very little demand for foreign Exchange, and rates are nominal. We quote sterling at 113@113¾ for bankers', and 111¾@112½ for commercial bills, and francs at 4 95 for short sight, and 4.95@5.05 for 60 day bills. Bremen bills are quoted at 82@83, Amsterdam at 42¾@42¾; Cologne at 75@76; Hamburg at 73; and Frankfort-on-the-Main at 43¾@44.

The foreign exports from this port for the week ending on Thursday amount in value to $53,189, against $212,320 last week. Included in the exports were 5,954 bbls. flour, 225 bbls pork, 200 tcs., and 650 kegs lard.

The Baltimore and Havre-de-Grace Turnpike Company has declared a dividend of three per cent., payable on demand at the Chesapeake Bank.

In New York to-day Virginia 6's declined 1½ per cent; Canton ¾; and Reading ¾; but Missouri 6's advanced ¾; Erie ¾; and New York Central ¾. Tennessee and North Carolina 6's, and Treasury notes all closed at the same figures as on yesterday.

SALES AT THE BALTIMORE STOCK BOARD
FRIDAY, January 17, 1862

$150 Baltimore city 6's '90 90
250 shares Silver Valley Mining Company 20

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	42¾	42¾
Tennessee bonds	43	00
North Carolina bonds	60¾	60
Canton Company	10¾	00
Erie Railroad	35	35¾
New York Central Railroad	82¾	83¾
Reading Railroad	37	37
Treasury notes 2 years 6 per cents	99¾	00
	steady.	steady.

The New York *Herald* of yesterday says:

Stocks were lower to-day. Several parties who have been buyers took an opportunity of realizing profits, and some operators regarded the Washington news as unfavorable to stocks, and sold out. Governments declined 1 per cent., and the general railroad list about as much. The strongest stocks on the list were Erie and Toledo, both of which closed within a fraction of yesterday's prices. The commission brokers report a fair business. Those who have foreign connections have been selling large amounts of stock for foreign account ever since the Mason and Slidell affair.

The quotation for foreign exchange was very wide today, neither drawers nor importers being anxious to do business. The latter argue that the resolution on taxation passed yesterday in Congress will bring about a fall in exchange. It seems likely that money will now flow hither from the other side. We quote bankers' sterling bills 112¾@113¾. Gold is quoted 2¼@2¾.

REVIEW OF THE
BALTIMORE MARKETS
FOR THE WEEK ENDING JANUARY 17.

ALCOHOL.—There is no Alcohol selling, but we quote 95 per cent. nominal at 48@50 cts. per gallon, these figures being a material advance on our previous quotations.

APPLES.—Green Apples in good order will sell readily at $4@4.25 per bbl., and we quote Dried do. at 7½@8 cts. per lb. Dried Peaches may be quoted at 8@9 cts. for unpeeled, and 12@14 cts. for peeled.

BREAD.—Bread is unchanged in price and it is still selling at 4½ cts. for Navy; 5 cts. for Pilot; and 6½ cts. for Water Crackers, less the usual discount.

BARK.—There is a brisk demand for Quercitron Bark for export, and the market for it is firm with an upward tendency. We note sales this week of 500 bags at $19 50 for common, and $23 50 per ton for prime, and we quote it as closing at $19@20 for common, and $22@23 50 per ton for good to prime lots.

BEESWAX.—Beeswax is selling at 35@36 cts. per lb. for prime yellow.

BRIMSTONE.—The market is still bare of Brimstone, and we can give no quotations for it.

CHEMICALS.—We quote this week as follows, viz: Soda Ash at 3@3¼ cts. for 80 per cent; Sal-Soda at 2½@2¾ cts.; Bi-Carb Soda at 5@5½ cts. for Newcastle; Bleaching Powders at 2¼@2 cts.; Ni rate Soda at 5 cts; and Saltpetre at 14@15 cts. for crude, and 18 cts. per lb. for refined.

CANDLES.—Candles are dull but steady at our previous quotations, viz: 15@17½ cts. for Adamantine; 28@29 cts. for Chemical Sperm; 30@32 cts. for Sperm; 22@25 cts. for Paraffine; and 39@40 cts. per lb. for Patent Wax—Mould may be quoted at 10@12 cts. for Western, and 12½@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.—Copper is in active demand, and the market for it is firm with an upward tendency. Large sales are being made both here and at New York. We quote Baltimore refined Ingots! to-day at 29@30 cts. per lb. cash—Yellow Metal Sheathing is held firmly at 28 cts., and we quote Yellow Metal Bolts and Nails at 28 cts per lb.

COFFEE.—There has been very little inquiry for Coffee this week, and the only sale we have heard of is one of 166 bags Rio made yesterday at 20 cts. net cash. The market although quiet has throughout it been very firm in tone, and there is no apparent disposition among the holders to press sales. We quote as follows, viz: Rio at 18¾@19 cts. for fair, 20@21 cts. for good to strictly prime; Laguayra at 23@24 cts., and Ceylon and Java at 24@25 cts. per lb. The stock of Rio is about 18,000 bags, but of other descriptions there is very little here.

COTTON.—There have been no sales of Cotton here this week, but we quote middling Upland nominal at 35 cts. The market is stronger at New York since the arrival of the "Arabia," than it was previously.

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

FISH.—Fish continue dull, but prices for them are unchanged, and we still quote Mackerel as follows, viz: at $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. Herrings are especially dull, but we still quote them at $1.75@2.25 for Shad-gut and Halifax, and $4@4 50 per bbl. for Labrador. We quote Codfish as bef re at $3@3.75, and Hake at $1.75@2 per 100 lbs.

FRUIT.—There has been comparatively little doing in Fruit for a week or two past, but prices are unchanged. Raisins are still selling at $3 75 for whole boxes layer, $3 45 for whole, $1 85 for half, and 95 cts. for quarter boxes bunch. Sicily Lemons are $6@6.50 per box. We quote Figs at 9@10 cts.; Dates at 4½@5 cts; Currants at 10@12 cts per lb. Cranberries are selling at $9@10 per bbl.

FLOUR.—There has been a good inquiry this week for Flour, but in consequence of the limited amount offering, the transactions have not been large. The market has throughout the week been quite firm in tone, and an advance in price of 12½ to 25 cts. per bbl. has been established in the leading descriptions. The sales, which have been principally of Extra, add up about 4,000 bbls., and they include some 500 bbls. Howard Street Super $5 75@5.87½; 1,000 bbls. do. Extra at $6.25@6.50, and 2,500 bbls. Ohio Extra at $6 25 per bbl. There has been no movement in Ohio or City Mills Super, but we quote the former nominal at $5 62½@5.75, and the latter at $5 50@5.75 per bbl., the last named figure being generally asked for it. Howard Street Super which is much wanted is held firmly to-day at $5.87½ per bbl. Extras close firm at $6 25 for Ohio; $6 25@6.50 for Howard Street; and $6 50@6 75 per bbl. for standard City Mills. The exports this week are as follows, viz:

	Bbls.
To Rio de Janeiro	5,246
" St Lucia	708
Total	5,954

FAMILY FLOUR.—Family Flour is selling by the dray load to the trade at $8 25 for the best brands Baltimore, $6 75@7 for Ohio and Howard Street, and Baltimore high grade Extra is bringing $7.75 per bbl.

RYE FLOUR.—Rye Flour has been quoted for some days past at $4@4 12½, but it would be difficult to effect sales to day at over $4 per bbl.

BUCKWHEAT FLOUR.—Buckwheat Flour is in fair demand, and it is selling in 100 lb. bags at $2@2 25, but in smaller packages it is bringing higher figures.

CORN MEAL.—We are not advised of any transactions this week in Corn Meal, but we still quote it at $3.20@3.25 per bbl for Baltimore and Brandywine.

The following are the inspections of Flour and Meal for the week ending January 16th, 1862:

	bbls.	hf bbls.
Howard Street	8,766	....
City Mills	7,310	100
Ohio	2,328	....
Family	702	....
Total wheat Flour	19,136	100

Together with 336 bbls. Rye Flour, and 50 bbls. Corn Meal.

GRAIN.—There has been a considerable increase in the receipts of Grain this week, the offerings at market of all descriptions adding up about 165,000 bushels, against 87,000 bushels last week. Of the above amount 160,000 bushels were offered at the old, and the remaining 65,000 bushels at the new Corn Exchange. For all varieties the demand has been tolerably active, and prices have been well maintained.

WHEAT.—Wheat has been arriving rather more freely this week than for a week or two past, but the receipts have nevertheless been light, the offerings adding up only about 21,000 bushels. The receipts have been chiefly of red Wheat, and for this description prices have ruled through the week at 124@138 cts. for good to prime. The few lots of white received have changed hands at 137@145 cts. for fair to good fair, 150@155 cts. for good to prime, and for one or two choice lots 160 cts. has been obtained.

RYE.—There have been about 4,000 bushels Rye, mostly Pennsylvania, at market this week, and for this description prices have ruled at from 74 to 78 cts. per bushel.

CORN.—There have been about 100,000 bushels Corn at market this week, which is nearly double the amount of last week's receipts. The demand for it has through the week been tolerably active, but prices have varied very little since the opening, and, most of the receipts have changed hands at 60@62 cts. for yellow, 56@58 cts. for damp, and 60@62 cts. for dry lots white. To-day no sales of white were reported, but yellow sold at the prices named above.

OATS.—Oats have been in pretty good supply this week, the receipts amounting to about 40,000 bushels, against 15,000 bushels last week. The demand for them has however been quite brisk, and most of the lots offered have been sold at from 39 to 42 cts for Virginia and Maryland, and 42@44 cts. per bushel for Pennsylvania.

PEASE AND BEANS.—Black-eyed Pease are selling at $1.75@1 87½ per bushel for new crop but White Beans range at from $1.75 to $2 50 per bushel for ordinary to prime—Beans are very active, sales of some 2,000 bushels having been made this week.

GUANO.—There is nothing doing in Guano the season for the sale of it being over. We quote Peruvian at $60, this being the Agents' price; California or Elide Island at $45@47; Ichabo at $45@48; Sombrero at $27; and A A Mexican do. at from $18 to $22 per ton of 2,240 lbs—Reese Manipulated Guano sells at $45; Maryland Company's Super Phosphate at $40@43; Whitelock & Co's. at $42; Turner's Excelsior, Rhodes' and Delleng's Super Phosphate of Lime at $45; and Baugh's raw bone Phosphate at $45 per ton of 2,000 lbs

GINSENG.—Ginseng ranges in price at from 45 to 55 cts per lb., but we hear of no sales

HAY AND STRAW.—Hay is in active demand and firm at $18@20 per ton for good baled Timothy. The sales making are chiefly to government contractors, the bulk of the receipts, which are very large, being taken by them. Rye Straw is bringing $14@15 per ton, but it is dull.

HEMP.—Hemp is very firm indeed, and prices have still further advanced. We quote American at $160@170 for rough, and $225@230 for dressed. Russian at $270 per ton, and Manilla at 9 cts. per lb. A lot of 300 bales Jute sold this week in New York at $120 per ton.

HIDES.—We are unable to give quotations for foreign Hides, there being none here. We quote wet city slaughtered as before at 7¾@8 cts.; and wet country do. at 6¾@7 cts per lb.

IRON.—There is an active speculative demand for Iron, and large contracts are being made for it for future delivery. The market is very firm in tone, and prices have evidently an upward tendency. We quote as follows, viz: Baltimore Charcoal Forge Pig at $25@30; Catoctin Forge at $25; Charcoal No 1 Wheel at $26; and Anthracite Iron at $24@25 for No 1; $22@23 for No. 2; $21@22 per ton for No. 3. Scotch Pig may be quoted at $24@25 per ton, but there is none selling. Nails are selling at $3 per 100 lbs.—Cash, for Cut 4d. and upwards.

INDIGO.—Indigo is very firm at the quotations which are as follows, viz: $2 50 for Bengal; $2 25@2.50 for Kurpah; $2 20 for Guatemala; $1.25@1.50 for Madras; 75 cts. $1 for 50 per lb. for Manilla.

LEATHER.—Leather is steady at our previous quotations, viz: 27@30 cts. for City slaughtered Sole; 25@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; 24@28 cts. for Rough Skirting; $3.50@5 for Upper in rough hide; 50@60 cts. for rough Calf Skins; and 85@100 cts per lb. for finished do.

MOLASSES.—There has been some inquiry for Molasses this week, and we note sales of 65 hhds. Cuba Muscovado at 32½ cts., and 145 hhds. new crop Cuba ex brig "Josephus," from Cardenas, on private terms. We quote to day as follows, viz: Cuba at 26@31 cts. for clayed, and 28@33 cts for Muscovado; Porto Rico at 34@38 cts.; English Island at 28@30 cts; and New Orleans at 50@55 cts. We note the import this week of 145 hhds. from Cuba.

MILL FEED.—Mill Feed is selling at 17 cts. for Brown Stuff, and 27 cts. per bushel for Middlings

NAVAL STORES.—There are no sales of Naval Stores making, but we quote as follows, viz: Spirits Turpentine at 160@165 cts per gallon; Tar at $10; Pitch at $8@9; and Rosin at $6@8 for common, and $10@12 per bbl. for No. 1.

OILS.—Oils are quiet, but for Sperm and Whale prices have advanced. We quote to day as follows, viz: Linseed at 95@98 cts., for American; Sperm at 160@165 cts. for fall, and 165@170 cts. for winter; Whale at 60@62 cts. for crude, and 68@70 cts. for patent bleached; Solar at 68@70 cts.; Sea Elephant at 70@73 cts; and Lard at 68@70 cts. per gallon.

PROVISIONS.—There has been some movement here this week in Provisions. Contracts were made in the early part of it by the U. S. Commissary for 2,000 bbls. Mess Pork at $12.75@13 per bbl., and 100,000 lbs. Bacon Hams at from 7 to 8¾ cts. per lb. A contract for 1,500 bbls. Beef was also made, but it was awarded to a party in another market. We notice also sales in addition to those made to the Government of 600 tierces Western Lard at 8¾ cts., 25,000 lbs new Bulk Sides at 5¾ cts., and of a lot of 25 hhds. old Bacon Sides at 5¾ cts. Sales also in jobbing lots of some 40 to 60 hhds. old Bacon at 4¾@4¾ cts. for Shoulders, and 5½@5¾ cts. for Sides.—Hams range at from 6 to 8¾ cts. per lb. New Bacon Shoulders may be quoted at 5¾ cts., and new Sides at 6¾ cts., but there is very little selling as yet. We quote Bulk Shoulders at 4¾ cts., do. Sides at 5¾ cts., but no sales of Hams have as yet been made, and we can give no quotations for them. Lard closes steady at 8¾ cts. for Western in bbls. and tcs., and 10¼@10½ cts. per lb. for refined. We quote Mess Pork to day at $12.50@13, Prime do. at $9 50@10, and Rump do at $9 per bbl. Some sales of Prime and Rump Pork have been made this week, but the particulars have not transpired. Beef closes steady at $12.50 for No. 1; $13.50 for Mess; and $14.25@14.50 per bbl. for Extra Mess.

BUTTER.—Butter is dull at our previous quotations, viz: 8¾@10½ cts for Western solid packed; 14@16 cts. for Roll; 15@17 cts. for Glades; and 18@22 cts. for New York State. Eggs are selling at 13@14 cts. per doz.

CHEESE.—Cheese is also dull. We quote as follows, viz: Cutting at 6@7 cts for Western; 7½@8 cts. for Eastern; and English Dairy at 7@8 cts. for Western; and 8½@9 cts. for Eastern.

POTATOES.—Potatoes are in good demand, and firm at 70@75 cts. per bushel for Maine Carters. Cargoes would bring these figures.

PLASTER.—We quote Plaster this week at $2.87½@3 per ton, which is a slight decline on our previous quotations. A lot of 100 tons was sold a few days since at the inside figure.

SALT.—Salt is in fair demand and Liverpool is selling in lots from shipboard and store at 110@115 cts. for Ground Alum, 170@175 cts. for Marshall's, Worthington's and Jeffrey & Darcy's fine, and 185 cts. per sack for Ashton's do. Turks Island Salt is selling at 25@30 cts. per bushel from store. We note the import this week of a cargo of 5,096 sacks from Liverpool.

SEEDS.—There has been an active movement this week in Clover seed and prices for it have advanced fully 25 cts per bushel. The sales add up about 1,000 bushels at $4 25@4 50, and it closes to-day firm at $4.37½@4.50 per bushel for good to prime. We quote Timothy Seed nominal at $2@2.25, and Flaxseed at $1.75@1.80 per bushel.

GUNPOWDER.—Powder is firm at the advance noted a week or two since, and we quote it at $7 for sporting, rifle and canister, and $4.25 for blasting per keg of 25 lbs.

RICE.—Rice may be quoted at 7¾@7¾ cts for Carolina, but East India is selling in New York at from 5¾ to 6¾ cts., the latter figure being for London dressed.

SUGARS.—There has been but little inquiry this week for Sugars, and the only sale we have heard of is one made yesterday of 9,000 bags Manilla for refining at $7 75. The market although quiet has through the week been quite firm in tone, and holders have exhibited no disposition to press sales. We quote as f llows, viz: Cuba at $7.75@8 for refining, and $8.25@9 for grocery grades; English Island at $7.75@8 50; Porto Rico and New Orleans at fr m $8.25 to $9.75; and Manilla and Pernambuco at $7 75@8. Clayed Cuba Sugars Nos. 9 to 18 range at from $7.87½ to $9.75. We note the import this week of 161 hhds. from Boston and 3,000 bags from Pernambuco.

REFINED SUGARS.—The rates for refined Sugars are still as follows, viz: 11½@11¾ cts. for loaf; 11½@11¾ cts. for crushed, powdered and granulated; 10¾@10¾ cts. for soft crushed white; and 10¼@10½ cts. for C yellow.

SYRUPS.—Baltimore refined Syrups are still selling at the following rates, viz: 42 cts. for Sugar House; 45 cts. for Golden, and 51 cts per gallon net cash for Extra Golden.

STAVES.—There are no sales of Staves making so far as we are advised, but we continue to quote 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 5½@6 cts. per lb. for Oswego. There is however very little selling.

SPICES.—Spices have advanced very materially within the last two or three weeks, and we now quote as follows, viz: Pepper at 20@21 cts; Pimento at 15@16 cts.; Cloves at 22@23 cts; Cassia at 37 cts.; Ginger at 17@18 cts.; Mace at 90 cts.; and Nutmegs at 75@80 cts. per lb.

TOBACCO.—The absence of stock of Tobacco in the market has precluded sales to any extent. There were about 50 hhds. of Maryland received this week, which were sold at former rates. Ground Leaf is scarce, but the demand for it still continues; and it would bring full price if here. Nothing doing in Ohio. There is no stock in first hands, and therefore none to interfere with the first receipts in the spring. In Kentucky there is nothing doing. The inspections for the week are 75 hhds. Maryland and 115 hhds. Ohio—total 190 hhds.

TIN AND LEAD.—Tin is in good demand and firm. We still quote I. C. Plates, 10 by 14, at $11, and IX. at $12.75 cash, per box. Banca Tin may be quoted at 32@35 cts. Spelter at 7 cts. Pig Lead at 7@7¼ cts., Lead Pipe and Sheet Lead at 8¾ cts. per lb.

TALLOW.—We note a sale this week of a lot of 100,000 lbs Butchers' Association Tallow for export at 9½ cts. per lb.

WOOL.—Wool continues quiet but it is steady and firm at 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.—There has been very little done this week in Whiskey, and the market for it has been quite unsettled. At the opening 26 and 27 cts. was asked for Ohio, but it subsequently sold at 25 cts., and yesterday we heard of a sale of 50 bbls. at 24½ cts. We quote Ohio today at 24½@25 cts., although some parties ask more for it, and City at 24 cts. per gallon.

FREIGHTS.—There have been no new freight engagements made this week so far as we have heard. Rates are unchanged, and we still quote as follows, viz: to Liverpool 10d. for grain, 3@3s 6d. for flour, and 35s. for heavy goods; to Bremen at 28@30s. for tobacco, and to Holland at 35s. for tobacco.

DOMESTIC MARKETS.

BOSTON, January 16.—The market for Flour continues firm, but the demand is moderate. We quote common brands Western at $5.25@5.37½; fancy brands $5.50@$5 62½; extra $5.75@5.87½, and superior at $6@7.25 per bbl. including choice St. Louis brands. Southern Flour is quiet, and prices of superior brands Baltimore range from $7@8.75 per bbl.. Corn quiet without material change in price; we quote Western and Southern yellow at 70@72 cts., and Western mixed has been sold at 67 cts. per bushel. Oats have been selling at 41@43 cts. per bushel for Western and Canada, and Prince Edward Island at 40¾ cts. per bushel. Rye has been quiet at 77@79 cts per bushel. Shorts $16@16, and Fine Feed and Middlings at $17@24 per ton.

PHILADELPHIA, January 16.—Flour firm—sales 3,000 bbls. superfine at $5 25. Wheat firm—sales 4,000 bush. els: red $1.37; white $1 45@1.50. Corn firm—sales 3,000 bushels at 68½ cts. Mess Pork $12.50. Lard 8 cts. Rice 7¼ cts. Whiskey firm at 24@24½ cts.

CHICAGO, January 16.—Flour dull and a shade lower. Wheat is ¼c to ½c t. lower—71@71¼ cts. for No. 1; 65¾@66 cts. for No. 2. Corn steady at 22½ cts. Mess Pork firm and quiet—sales of 200 bbls. at $9.10. Dressed Hogs firm but active at $2 55@2 75; live quiet and unchanged. Receipts—3,800 bbls. flour, 22,000 bushels wheat, 15,000 bushels corn, 2,100 dressed hogs, 5,700 live do. Exchange on New York unchanged.

CINCINNATI, January 16.—Flour $3.94 for superfine. Whiskey ½ ct higher. Hogs active and a shade higher—sales of 3,000 at $3.30@3 45. Pork $9.25@9.50. Lard 6¾@6¾ cts. Pork Lard held higher. Exchange firm.

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

NEW YORK, January 17.—Cotton is nominal at 34 cts. Flour is dull—sales of 10,500 bbls: State $5 45@5.55—Wheat is dull—sales of 21,000 bushels: Chicago spring $1.20@1.32; red Pennsylvania $1 40. Corn has a declining tendency—cargoes of mixed sold at 65 cts; prime white Southern 85 cts. Pork is firm—sales at $11.75@12 50. Lard is heavy. Whiskey closed firm at 25@25½ cts. Sugar is firm at 7¾@8¾ cts. Coffee closed buoyant—sales of 5,000 bags at 18@21 cts. Spirits Turpentine heavy at $1.52¾. Rosin is dull. Rice is firm—sales at 7@7¾ cts. Freights are dull and drooping.

IMPORTS INTO BALTIMORE.

COASTWISE

BOSTON. *Brig Candace*—9,121 bushels barley, Wm. Claggett & Co.; 200 packages wooden ware, order.

SOUTHDOWN MUTTON.

The undersigned, having purchased of Col. Kew. Lloyd and Wm. Goldsborough, Esq., two very superior lots of SOUTHDOWN MUTTON, is enabled to offer to his old patrons, as well as epicures generally, a choice article. He solicits a call at his Stalls,
No. 41 CENTRE MARKET,
No. 12 LEXINGTON MARKET,
No. 18 HANOVER MARKET,
No. 8 BELAIR MARKET.
JOHN P. THOMAS,
late Thomas Bros.
ja13-eo6t

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.—EDWARD R. GRANT, of the firm of GRANT & BROTHER, has this day executed to the undersigned, a Deed of Trust for the benefit of his creditors. The deed provides for a release to be executed by creditors within ninety days. The release and a copy of the deed may be found at the office of the undersigned, corner Courtland and Lexington streets.
ALBERT M. BROWN, Trustee.
13th January, 1862. ja14-eo3t

LATEST NEWS.

TELEGRAMS.

FROM WASHINGTON.

The Fortification Bill.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—The fortification bill, which passed the House to-day, appropriates an aggregate of five millions nine hundred and sixty thousand dollars.

The Pennsylvania Contested Election Case.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—In the Pennsylvania contested election case, taken up to-day in the House, twenty-three Republicans and fifty four Democrats and Unionists voted to confirm Representative Lehman in his seat, Sixteen Republicans and fourteen Democrats and Unionists were absent or not voting.

General Meagher.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—The Colonel and officers of the 69th and 88th New York regiments, and the officers of the batteries attached to it, Major O'Neill commanding, to-day sent to the Senate Military Committee, a memorial heartily and unanimously endorsing the appointment of Colonel Meagher as their Brigadier-General. General Shields also has addressed a most cordial letter to Senator Wilson, the Chairman of the Military Committee, earnestly advocating the confirming of his friend and countryman.

Confirmation of General Cameron as Minister to Russia.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—The Senate, after an executive session of three hours to-day, confirmed the nomination of General Cameron as Minister to Russia by a vote of 24 against 14.

Arrest of a Desperado.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—Wm. Lee, Chief of Police of Elmira, New York, arrested here last night Robert Turner, charged with making a deadly assault on officer Hunt, a policeman of Elmira. Turner is one of the four ruffians arrested by officer Lee last summer, on suspicion of knocking down and robbing a British mariner. The officer left here with his prisoner to-day for Elmira.

The War in Kansas.

LEAVENWORTH, January 16.—Intelligence has been received here that 4,000 loyal Indians, in Cherokee county, were attacked on the 6th inst. by a superior force of Texans and Confederate Indians, and were compelled to retreat. They are now in Kansas, Brigadier-General Denver left to-day for Western Virginia.

A continual guerilla warfare is carried on in Johnson and Bates counties, Missouri, between scouting bands of Confederates and detachments of Jennison's command.

A quantity of Government stock has been recovered, and Confederate property confiscated

On the 5 h instant, near Columbus, Johnson county, the Federal troops were fired on from ambush and five men killed.

New Jersey Legislature.

TRENTON, Jan. 16.—Colonel James W. Wall sent into the Legislature to-day a long statement of his grievances at the hands of the General Government in being arrested by order of Secretary Cameron and taken to Fort Lafayette, and there incarcerated in a prison for weeks, without charges preferred, and without his knowledge to this day for what he was arrested. He reviews the rights of the citizens to personal liberty and protection from unreasonable seizures or searchs, and calls upon the Legislature to instruct the representatives of New Jersey in Congress to inquire into the causes and authority for arresting her peaceable citizens. The memorial was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Ice in the Mississippi River—Movement of Troops Retarded.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 17.—The navigation of the river is entirely suspended in consequence of the gorging of the ice twenty miles below this city, extending to a point some distance above. Troops are now being sent to Cairo by railroad. Their advance is materially retarded by the inadequate means of crossing the river. The weather, however, is moderating again, and the prospects of a speedy opening of the river are fair.

Gen. Price, member of Congress from the 5th District, left for Washington to-day.

Later from Kentucky--The Federal Troops Only Twelve Miles from Columbus.

CHICAGO, Jan. 17.—A special despatch from an army correspondent has been received as follows:

"TWELVE MILES FROM COLUMBUS, Jan. 16.

"An additional force, with General Grant's staff, left Cairo yesterday at 10 o'clock, and overtook McClernand, Prince and Cook's commands during the afternoon, I am not permitted to state where we are going or in what force. Heavy pickets are placed in all directions. No skirmish yet."

The Privateer Sumter at Cadiz--Despatch from Minister Adams and Consul General.

NEW YORK, Jan. 17.—The following is a copy of a despatch received here per steamer Arabia, at Halifax:—

LONDON, (VIA QUEENSTOWN,) January 4th.

Hiram Barney, Collector of New York.

The Sumter has arrived at Cadiz having burnt three vessels.

[Signed,] C. F. ADAMS,
United States Minister.

An Arrival from Port Royal.

NEW YORK, January 16.—The steamer Matanzas, from Port Royal, S. C., on the 9th instant, arrived at this port to night.

The weather at Port Royal was mild and pleasant.

The Matanzas passed the steamer McClellan towing a light-ship into Port Royal on the evening of the 9th.

On the afternoon of the 15th inst. the Matanzas passed a fleet of vessels, comprising the Burnside Expedition, this side of Hatteras.

Expedition Against Savannah.

NEW YORK, Jan. 17.—Advices from Port Royal state that an expedition towards Savannah is supposed to be in progress. Reconnoitering parties have proceeded beyond Tybee Island with apparatus for removing obstructions from the rivers and creeks south of the Savannah river. It was understood that the land forces would consist of ten thousand men, and Warsaw Inlet would be the first destination of the expedition.

The railway was progressing with success at Hilton Head Island.

Advance of Troops on Missouri.

ROLLA, Mo., Jan. 17.—The brigade under General Osterhaus left for the West within a few days past. Another brigade, under General Siegel, will leave in a day or two. The whole division will doubtless be commanded by General Siegel.

The Gubernatorial Contest in Kansas.

LEAVENWORTH, Jan. 16.—The Supreme Court of Kansas is now hearing arguments on the Gubernatorial question. The attorney for the contestant has filed a petition for a writ of *mandamus* to compel the State Board of Canvassers to count the vote for George A. Crawford, for Governor at the late election.

United States Senator from Missouri.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Jan. 16.—Robert Wilson, the President of the State Convention, has been appointed by Governor Gamble to fill one of the vacancies in the Senate of the United States, occasioned by the expulsion of Johnson and Polk.

Nothing has been heard from the expedition which left Rolla on Tuesday for Springfield.

Mason and Slidell Safe at Bermuda.

NEW YORK, Jan. 16.—Captain Pray, of the brig Mountain Eagle, which arrived here at seven o'clock this evening, reports that the British steamer Gladiator (7 Rinaldo), having on board the two traitors, Mason and Slidell, had arrived at St. George, Bermuda, on the 9th instant, and sailed for St. Thomas on the 10th, whence the two Confederates would take passage for England.

The Ohio Legislature.

CLEAVELAND, Jan. 16.—The Legislature has passed an act authorizing the suspension of specie payment by the banks of this State. One of the conditions of the bank suspension law is that the banks shall resume fifteen days after the resumption of the New York banks.

Arrest for Forgery.

BOSTON, Jan. 16.—Daniel B. James has been arrested at Newberg, charged with being an accomplice of Tirrell, the forger. Five thousand dollars of the missing money was found in his possession.

The Arabia at Halifax.

HALIFAX, Jan. 16.—The steamship Arabia arrived from Liverpool this afternoon, and will sail tonight for New York.

Death of Robert S. Oakley.

NEW YORK, Jan. 17.—Robert S. Oakley, President of the National Bank-Note Company, died yesterday.

THE HEIGHT OF IMPUDENCE, OR THE DEPTH OF ABSURDITY.

From the Montreal Pilot, Jan. 13.

By telegram from Portland it is gravely asserted that Mr. Seward has telegraphed permission for the British troops via the Hibernian, to be landed there and conveyed to Canada and elsewhere. We believe that this is one of the ridiculously lying telegrams the States' operators delight to manufacture, and send over the lines to please the Yankees and Northerners who in such numbers inhabit here. Of the truth of this, in our opinion, supremely absurd report, the Montreal *Herald* itself is doubtful; though it improves the occasion by patting its Northern friends on the back for offering such a courtesy. If Secretary Seward ever did such a foolish thing, it was not meant in a spirit of courtesy, but as an intentional and deliberate insult to the British Government.—He knows very well that the offer could not be accepted, and he either meant to try the power of Yankee shinplasters upon the loyalty of a regiment of the British Army, or he meant to lure them into a trap which would have the most tragic and fatal results. The man may be mad—the *Herald* is a better judge of that than we are; but it may rest assured that there are, indeed, very many and cogent reasons which will induce our military authorities to excuse themselves from accepting any such offer, supposing it ever to have been seriously made. Secretary Seward is fond of a joke—he even joked with the Duke of Newcastle as to what he would do to obtain popularity and keep it, when he got office. He was going to insult England then—it is barely possible this may be another of his practical, but silly attempts in that way.

The Federal steamer Hartford was put into commission at Philadelphia on Thursday. In her list of officers we notice the name of Third Assistant Engineer A. K. Fulton, (son of one of the editors of the *American*,) of Baltimore.

CITY INTELLIGENCE.

THE CITY POLICE AND THEIR PAY.—Yesterday afternoon, Mr. Evans, of the 6th Ward, offered a resolution in the First Branch of the City Council to the effect that the Legislature of the State be requested to pass a law authorizing the City Register to pay the present police force their salaries, the money to be taken out of the funds in the hands of the Register which are to the credit of the Board of Police Commissioners. Mr. EVANS stated that there was over seventy-nine thousand dollars to the credit of the Commissioners, and it was the duty of the members of the City Council, as representatives of the loyal sentiment of the city, to relieve the Government of the onerous tax of paying the police force. It was a shame that measures had not already been adopted which would have secured the object aimed at in the resolution. On motion to refer the resolution to the Committee on Ways and Means he opposed it on the ground that it was a simple resolution, and the committee could no nothing in the premises. Mr. Dukehart, the Chairman of the Committee on Ways and Means, urged the reference of the resolution on the grounds that a heavy amount of money was involved in it, and the matter should be thoroughly investigated. The money in the hands of the Register, to the credit of the Commissioners, was there for a specific purpose. The law which created the power to raise the money, also created a Metropolitan police force, to whom it was to be disbursed. There was no doubt, in his mind, that the city would be compelled to pay the Board of Commissioners, the Clerk, the Marshal and Deputy Marshal their salaries. Whether the patrolmen of that force would have to be paid, was a question which the Courts alone could decide. The question would turn on the point as to whether the force are entitled to pay after they were suspended by the Commissioners. If the Courts decided that they were, then the money to the credit of the Commissioners would be exhausted. It was his opinion that the money could not be touched until this decision was made, and it was beyond the power and control of the Legislature. He was anxious to have a police force under the control of the city authorities, and when they had such a force, he was willing to vote the means for its support; but he was opposed to paying two police forces, neither of which the city had control of. Mr. Streeter said that he was inclined to the opinion, although he had no definite information to base it on, that the Government does not intend to relinquish its control of the police force; but upon the contrary, it was its intention to keep exclusive control of it. It was immaterial whether the Legislature passed a bill creating a force or not, the Government will still keep up the present organization. In