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IRON TRADE REVIEW

No Signs of a Reaction in Legitimate Business at Home.

A GREATER VOLUME OF TRADE

Is Confidently Expected in the Leading for cash f. o. b.:

Markets of the West. THE OUTLOOK IN EASTERN CENTERS

The situation is practically the same as it was a week ago. Gray forge and Bessemer irons are the weak factors of markets. On these grades there has been some shading the past week. While markets cannot be said in truth to be active, there is no dispo- East St. Louis..... sition on the part of holders of standard brands to concede on prices. The time is not yet here for active demand for spring trade. Mills throughout this section stocked up well last month, and will not lay in sup- still presents the appearance of stand-off beplies for spring trade until it is known how the cat will jump. There is, however, no likelihood of a decline, as all consumers of iron and hood of a decline, as all consumers of iron and steel are working up to their capacity and de-mand for products is better than it has been for mand for products is better than it has been for

years at this time. The depression of the past week or two has not affected standard brands. The principal sufferers from the depression have been the speculators who have been carrying heavy loads and find a necessity to unload. Manufacturers all express confidence in the outlook.

There are at this date no signs of a reaction There are at this date no signs of a reaction to legitimate trade. Steel rails are in good demand. Orders on the books of the Edgar Thomson Works insure a lively trade for the next half year, notwithstanding the fact that the capacity of the works will be increased fully 20 per cent in the next few weeks.

The output of steel rails at the Edgar Thomson works for the month of January averaged over 1,100 tons every 24 hours. Before summer the average will pass 1,500 tons daily, and the entire yield will be in demand, according to present outlook. The nail market is the same as a week ago.

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Iron nails are scarcely quotable, as according to reports of our joibers, not one keg in a hundred of the nails called for are iron. Steel

nullegive more signs of strength and firmness the past week than wire nails, but prices on both are unchanged. In general, the under-tone of iron and steel markets is strong, and while consessions are made in some lines, standard brands are firm and the outlook for a prosperous year is bright all along the line.
Following are the latest prices of iron and THE LATEST QUOTATIONS.

Spiegel ... Steel rails, new Steel R. light sec. Bar iron Iron nails, per keg 90@ 2.95

DULLNESS IN PIG IRON.

A Possible Drop in Prices is Being Considered in New York. ESPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCE.

NEW YORK, January 31.—The duliness in the pig iron market is causing some buyers to dis-cuss a possible drop of 50 cents per ton in pig iron prices. Furnaces in all parts of the couptry are oversold for perious range this term days to six months, but in using this term it is not to be understood that the entire capacity is sold, Should a drop entire capacity is sold. try are oversold for periods ranging from 30 days to six months, but in using this term East, West and South have made sales within a week at what are considered trifling concessions from December quotations, but the iron sold has not been classed as among the best, nor are sellers at such concessions among the mor are sellers at such concessions among the best, mor are sellers at such concessions among the strongest. For the present large buyers are deforting placing additional orders for spring or summer. On behalf of makers the great majority of them are holding firmly at December quotations and are not soliciting business even at full prices. Consumers who bought heavily in December are not willing to admit that they made a mistake, but the rapid increases in output is a point which is attracting more and more attention. Consumption thus far is keeping up well. Railway car building, ship building and boat building requirements may expand greatly during the next few weeks. boat building requirements may expand greatly during the next few weeks, and buyers rely largely upon an improving demand from this quarter for firm proces. Unusual activity in inquiry and demand prevails among makers of bar, sheet and plate iron as well as structural material. Buyers of pipes orders. Structural iron of all kinds will be contracted for very largely. Merchan: steel and barb wire are moving quite freely. Steel rails are \$35 at Eastern mills and in Western mills quotations have been advanced to \$38, but it is not claimed that orders, large or small, have been booked at that figure. Nails and general hardware are in good demand throughout the West and South. Iron and steel prices (at mill or furnace):

No. 1 ton. \$20 00	\$20 EO	\$18.00	\$18.00
Steel rails, tons \$35 00 Comparative pric			
Copper, inke,\$14 25	\$14.00	\$17	\$103
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A GAME OF FOX AND GEESE. That Seems to be the Situation in the Philadelphin Iron Market.

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PHILADELPHIA, January 31.—Buyers and sellers in the iron market are playing a game of fox and geese, in which the buyer waits for a timely moment to seize his prey. The requirements of consumers have been pretty well supplied by previous orders, and as the furnaces and mills are all busy putting out large products, buyers are confident that lower prices will be made within 30 days. The buyers are looking closely after the necessities of producers, and when one is found whom they believe must sell to meet obligations they insist on concessions being made from quotations. The stronger concerns, however, which really reculate the market, after we would be made and that the entire market will be strengthened thereby.

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A foundry at Tidewater is worth \$22.00 per ton, No. 2 \$19.00 and gray 00, with occasional sales of the latter as mecasions. Beasemer is worth \$22.00 per ton, billets \$381638.30, much bars \$72.50683.00 n consumers yards with special sales at \$22.00. Prices on structural iron are practurally unchanged and sheet iron is steady. New steel rails are firm at \$25.000 per ton, and any movement below that figure is due to resales, the seller having been fortunate enough to stock up before the advance. Old rails are steady at \$27.50625 per ton. Quotations on manufactured iron and steel respectively are: Tank, 2.856275; shell, 2.6562, 10e; flange, 3/c; firebox, 32.634/c; angles, 2.2623/c.

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ion to hold out a good while, being well stocked. Others again must continue to buy freely for actual needs. A rather better trade a looked for in February, though most sellers have little to complain of in amount of business done in January. Further large contracts for Lake Superior charcoal from were booked for Eastern delivery at the equal of \$25 cash here.

New York Figures.

IN THE WESTERN MARKETS.

pected This Month. One of Gotham's Drygoods Firms Said to Want the Semple Building.

FIGURES ON SCHENLEY PARK LAND.

American Petroleum Gaining a Substantial Poothold in the Far East.

GAS CITY ENTERPRISE REACHING OUT

Real estate brokers are doing very little talking these days, but they are sawing a great deal of wood. It was stated yesterday by a gentleman who ought to know that a prominent drygoods firm in New York is negotiating for the purchase of the Semple building in Allegheny. "What is the name of the firm?" the in-

formant was asked. "Tnat I am not at liberty to tell you. I am free to say, however, that it is not Claffin & Co., a representative of whom, according to report, was in the city a few days ago." Another gentleman said the report had an odor of fish, from the fact that the building is under a five years' lease. Still, if the firm were in dead earnest, it could probably pur-

tain possession as soon as desired. It may be mentioned, as another interesting tem of real estate news, that the owner of about two acres near the entrance to Schenley Park instructed his agent to refuse all offers under \$6,000 an acre.

chase the lease along with the property and ob-

Statistics of last year's petroleum exports re veal a very gratifying fact. They completely upset the impression that had been gaining ground that American producers were losing their foothold in the far East, a most important quarter. The contrary is the case. The great population of East India takes to refined petroleum more kindly every year, and soon they will burn nothing else, because it combines excellence of quality with cheapness. Thus a practically unlimited market is being opened. The countries where Russian petroleum competes easiest with American oil are the very ones where the latter shows the greatest increase.

George S. Griscom, of this city, and several Youngstown capitalists have organized the Lakeside Nail Company and leased a large nail factory owned by the Chicago Steel Manufacturing Company at Hammond, Ind., and will place it in operation at once producing cut nails. The plant is new and one of the best equipped in the country. It has 101 automatic nail machines, and will produce 25,000 kegs of nails per month. Mr. Griscom will have charge of the plant.

The Duluth Iron and Steel Company has commenced the work of putting up the incline plane which is being constructed by the Berlin Iron Bridge Company, Berlin, Conn. It is about 400 feet long, running from the stockhouse on the ground level to the top of the furnace stack, about 95 feet high. The structure is capable of sustaining a load of 15,000 pounds while going at the rate of 300 feet per minute, and is guaranteed against any collapse of the oaded car, also against any wind pressure. The firm of Best. Fox & Co., of Pittsburg, have the contract for all material and work for supplying the plant with water.

Joseph R. Jackson, of Pittsburg, proposes in a patent recently granted to make sheet iron by passing the bloom or pile first through a heating furnace, then through plating rolls into another heating turnace, and back and forth from one furnace through the rolls into the other furnace, until reduced to the desired gauge, so maintaining the proper heat for rolling without the necessity of removing it at in

tervals to a reheating furnace. The farmers in some of the Western States are petitioning the railroads to make what they call an emergency rate for the transportation of corn to the Eastern markets. They claim that they have not enough left to pay them for the labor of raising it. Pennsylvania farmers are in the same predicament as regards getting their produce to market, but their trouble arises from the wretched condition of the country roads.

The skippers of three steamships, the California, from Hamburg; the Friesland, from Antwerp, and the Rhaetia, from Hamburg, are enthusiastic in their praises of oil as a wave-breaker. The Rhaetia used the fluid with magical effect in a hurricane on January 17. The Friesland, on the same day, kept the towering sea from breaking aboard the ship by a liberal use of oil. The California, while hove to under small sails in the same terrific wind, saved nerself by using oil.

When the Reading Railroad shall have built its bridge across the Susquehanna river at Harrisburg, and have constructed a connecting line to the Baltimore and Ohio road at Hyndman, the new route thus opened will be almost an air line between New York and Cincinnati, St. Louis and the Southwest. It is renorted that the Reading intends to run vestibule trains between Harrisburg and New York, and to make the new line a strong competitor

LOST 1TS CHARMS.

Holders of La Norla Tire of the Burdes and The Condition of Business at the East Liberty Unload. The feature of the stock call vesterday was

the selling of La Noria, over 2,000 shares being thrown on the market and taken at 12½ cents. There were office sales at 15 cents. This indicates small confidence in the success of the re-organization scheme.

Airbrake sold at a concession. The natural

gassers were dull, with a bearish undertone. head; market fair; medium hogs, \$4 00@4 10; good Yorkers, \$3 90@4 00; heavy hogs, \$8 80@ 3 90; 7 cars of hogs shipped to New York to-The Tractions hung closely around former quotations. Switch and Signal was a shade stronger. The sales were 2,562 shares.

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Freehold Nat. Bank	2111	7136	****	****
Fidelity T. & T. Co	2112	161	****	
German National Bank	307		Arres.	****
Keystone B'k of Pitts	*722	7727	6954	7275
Marine Nat. Bank	100	101	100	101
Masonic Bank	6134	****	7577	200
Safe Deposit Co	****	****	66	175
Third Nat. Bank	36	29	****	210
German American,	5134	****	****	
Allegheny Heating Co.	****	100		100
Bridgewater Gas	29	****	29	40
Chartiers Valley G. Co.	38	40	****	39
People's N. G. & P.Co.		15	14	15
Pennsylvania Gas Co Philadelphia Co	31%	31%	2034	31
Philadelphia Co	0176	81	41.79	- 44
Pine Run Gas Wheeling Gas Co	18%	18%	1834	18
Columbia Oll Co	156	234	****	****
Hazelwood Oil Co	50	51	****	****
Tuna Oll Co	****	70	****	30
Central Traction	30%	32%	8236	30
Citizens' Traction,	****	4536	65)£	66
Pleasant Valley	2234	23	2234	23
Pitts. & Lake Erie	59	60		
P. C. & St. L	25	****	****	****
Pt Va. & C. R. R. Co	41	****	****	****
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La Noria Mining Co	****	19	****	****
Luster Mining Co	23%	24	233	25
Silverton Mining Co	13%		****	
Yankee Girl Min. Co	2000		****	3
Allegheny Co. Electric	92	98	****	****
Westinghouse Electric Mongaheis Nav. Co	47.76	40	48	49
Mongahela Nav. Co	****	8834	****	****
Mon gahela Wat. Co Union Storage Co	****	35	****	****
U. S. & Sig. Co	1614	17	16%	17
WestinghouseAirb'ke.	108%	110%	1083	110
*Ex-dividend.				
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Sales at the first call were 10 shares of Philadelphia Gas at 31½ and 70 at 31½. At the last call 2,425 shares of La Noria brought 12½ cents, 50 Philadelphia Gas 31½ and 7 Airbrake 109½. Rea Bros. & Co. sold 20 shares of Central Traction at 32½ and bought 300 La Noria at Andrew Caster sold 300 shares of Pittaburg and Lake Erie at 50 and 100 La Noria at 15. C. L. McCutcheon sold 50 Philadelphia Gas at 3134, 10 Wheeling at 19 and 100 Chartiers at

Edward P. Long bought 1,000 shares of La Noria at 14, and sold 20 shares of Philadelphia Gas at 31% and 40 shares of Wheeling Gas at 1834. The total sales of stocks at New York yester-The total sales of shores, including Atchison, 3,050: Delaware, Lackawanna and Western, 18,113; Louisville and Nashville, 12,000; Oregon Transcontinental, 64,220; Pacific Mail, 16,250; Reading, 27,330; Richmond and West Point, 10,668; St. Paul, 14,060; Union Pacific, 3,450.

RECORD BREAKING.

Clearing House Figures for January Far Ahead of Last Year. The easy condition of the local money market is shown by the fact that the bulk of the loans

is made at 6 per cent, whereas at the beginning of the year 7 was the rule. There is a fair businand, but it is overbalanced by de-The result is considerable idle The bank exchanges for the month are the largest in the history of the Clearing House, being over \$15,000,000 in excess of those of Janu-

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Exchanges for January 68.485, 292 74
Balances for January 11, 202, 837 89
Exchanges January 1889 51, 418, 459 45
Exchanges January 1889 52, 198 22
Excess over 1889 15, 667, 566 79
Money on call at New York yesterday was easy, ranging from 354@10 per cent; last loan, 65 closed offered at 6. Prime mercantile paper, 56861/ Starling avaphance quiet but strong at 566%. Sterling exchange quiet but strong at \$4 83% for 60-day bills and \$4 87% for demand.

Closing Bond Quetntions. *Ex-interest.

\$424,416,

Failure of the New York Stock Exchange to Corner Petroleum. to \$1 05%, the highest point of the day. It then broke to \$1 04%, but soon recovered to \$1 05%, which was offered at the close, and around which was offered at the close, and around which figure considerable long oil was sold. There were a few sales of March oil at \$1.05%. The corner which some anticipated as a result of the New York Stock Exchange buying cash oil the latter part of the month did not materialize. Instead of a boom it was a boomerang. A scalper from New York tried to built the market by bidding for blocks without buying. As soon as he dropped out the market reacted. The range was: Opening, \$1.05%, highest \$1.05%; lowest, \$1.05%; lowest, \$1.05%; lowest, \$1.05%; highest \$1.05%; lowest, \$1.05%; lowest, \$1.05%; highest \$1.05%; lowest, \$1.05%; highest \$1.05%; lowest, \$1.05%; highest \$1.05%; lowest, \$1.05%; highest \$1.05%; lowest, \$1.0

Features of the Market. Average charters. Average shipments Average runs.

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Refined, London. 5 11-16d.
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Refined, Bremen, 6,85m. present prices, inasmuch as the cost of getting it to market absorbs so much of the state of getting it to market absorbs so much of the state of getting it to market absorbs so much of the state of getting it of the state of

Other Oil Markets.

New York, January 31.—Petroleum opened steady at \$1.04%, but became weak in the early trading and declined to \$1.03%. The market then turned sharply and advanced to \$1.05%, closing firm at \$1.05%, Stock Exchange: Opening, \$1.04%; highest, \$1.05%; lowest, \$1.03%; closing, \$1.04%; bighest, \$1.05%; lowest, \$1.03%; closing, \$1.04%; bighest, \$1.05%; lowest, \$1.03%; closing at \$1.05%; total sales, \$08,000 barrels.

placed a mortgage of \$2,500 on Sixth avenue property, for three years, at 6 per cent. Ewing & Byers, No. 93 Federal street, sold for J F Hood to Alex Turner, a two-story brick

alley, Sixth ward, Allegheny City, for \$3,500. They also sold for William M. Laird, to Mrs. They also sold for William M. Laird, to Mrs.
L. H. Burke, the property No. 110 James street,
Third ward, Allegheny, consisting of two brick
houses, one of six rooms, hall, bath and attic,
and one of three rooms with lot 20x110 feet
through to Orchard street, for \$4,750 cash.
C. Beringer & Son, No. 168 Fourth avenue,
sold for Mrs. Moffit to M. Martzky, a brick
dwelling on Colwell street, with lot 24x96, for
\$3,600, and closed a mortgage for \$400 on Chartiers property at 6 per cent. sa,000, and closed a mortgage for \$300 on Chartiers property at 6 per cent.

W. A. Herron & Sous sold lots Nos. \$1, 52 and 53 in the Moses Hampton plan of lots, West End, city, in size 30×100, for \$350 each,

Samuel W. Black & Co., 99 Fourth avenue, sold lot No. 240 in the Baum Grove plan of lots, having a front of 40 feet on Amber street, and a depth of 110 to an alley, and having erected thereon a nine-room Queen Anne frame dwelling, for \$6,300.

Jamison & Dickie sold for John F. Steel.

ling, for \$6,300.

Jamison & Dickie sold for John F. Steel, a six-room frame house, on Homewood avenue, near Frankstown avenue, East End, with lot 23x100 feet, to Mary E. Snowden for \$2,750: also for Dr. Charles Spahr, a lot 27x127, on Edwin street, to Julia K. Lee, for \$1,000.

Alles & Bailey, 164 Fourth avenue, placed a mortgage for \$5,000, for three years at 4½ per cept, free of State tax, on property in the Ninth ward. Pittsburg.

James W. Drape & Co. closed the sale of the brick residence and lot, 50x150 feet, at Roup station, at \$11,000 cash; also the residence and two lots near Western avenue, Allegheiny, at a figure approximating \$14,500; also placed a mortgage of \$5,000 at 5 per cent on a house and lot at Shadvisdic; also three mortgages in the East End and McKeesport of \$4,200 at 6 per cent; also an interest in a large suburban property of \$15,000 cash; also closed an exchange of an East End property for suburban interests representing a value of \$10,000.

Black & Baird, 85 Fourth avenue, sold for John Lenz a one-story building containing storeroom and four dwelling rooms, situate corner of Carson and Thirtieth streets, Southside, to Mrs. Annie Wirth, for \$4,100.

L. O. Frazier, corner Forty-fith and Butler streets, sold for John Davis et al, a lot 25x112.50 feet to a 20-foot alley, situated on the east side of Fisk street, near Davison street, Seventeenth ward, to Mrs. Emma D. Pickel for \$1,625, or \$65 per foot front.

CONFIDENCE RETURNING.

Railroad Shares Recovering From the

Shock of the Bank Scandal-The Bear Raid Successfully Resisted-Trusts Very Quiet.

continues to show a decreasing volume of business as the result of the recent occurrences which have had a tendency to shake confidence somewhat, but it shows signs of a recover from these influences not withstanding the fact that the bank troubles were still the principal stocks were light, the market responded to the demand. The demand for stocks in the loan crowd shows that the short interest has been increased considerably during the past two days and is now quite large, which with the closeness with which stocks are held, renders MARKETS BY WIRE.

it difficult for the bears to cover their sales of the past few days without loss.

The operations of to-day were conslusive proof of this, as after the first demand was over and prices let off a shade the bears went in to make a decline to cover up on, but except in Rock Island there was little effect made upon the list. The attempt was soon given up, and prices were allowed to drift for the remainder of the day until toward the close, when a little real buying was the occasion of a full recovery of the early losses with something in addition in most of the stocks traded in. The bears in their raid were aided also by the fact that the day was Friday, when there is always a scarcity of money to loan, owing to the rule which makes all loans run over till Monday, and also by the fact that the calling in of loans incident to the first of the month and the preparations for the payment of interest and dividends. More Life in the Wheat Pit, but Prices Sho No Material Change-Hog Products Neglected - Receipts Surprisingly Small.

CHICAGO—Wheat—Speculative trading was good to-day, and rather larger than during the preceding days of the week. An encouraging feature, too, was that outside business was more largely represented yesterday and to-day. The East sent a good many orders, mostly to buy, and some were received from the Southwest. There was also good covering by some of the large shorts, and the feeling was rather strong. No doubt operators had oversold themselves at the bottom prices, and on the first symptom of improved feeling began to cover. Some operators are rather inclined to look for better prices, and argue that with most of the scattering lots of long wheat closed out, many of the traders largely short and a likelihood of larger clearances from the seaboard, now that freight room is not so scarce, the market ought to do better. There was some buying on a temporary reaction on the strength of this. The opening was a shade easier, the market selling off to a point about \(\frac{1}{2} \) below resterday's closing, later improved \(\frac{1}{2} \) c, ruled easier, and closed about the same as yesterday.

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Corn—A moderate speculative and good shipping business was transacted in this market, the feeling prevailing being steady, though the undertone was easy. Transactions were in the main local, and fluctuations limited to a fractional range for February delivery. No. 3 corn, 25%c bid: March, 25%c bid; April, 27%c, sellers and May, 28% 28%c; 25,000 bushels April sold late yesterday at 17%c; No. 2 and No. 2 yellow in moderate demand, and sold at 28% 28%c, and closed about 29c.

A larger amount of activity was displayed in oats, but an unsettled, feeling prevailed. January received more attention, and sold at 14% is cunder February on closing out of trades; February remained steady; May was active but weak, and prices receded 1%c.

The market for hog products attracted very little attention and speculative trading was

and who has been regarded as one who had lost his all in the street, as an active buyer, led to the suspicion that there must be a combination behind him. The stock mounted to 41½ against 39½ last evening, but in the raid of the bears lost almost all of the improvement, closing with only a fractional gain. New England was also prominent for the buying both for Boston and inside account, and the stock is one of the few showing material improvement for the day. In the last raily the Coal stocks were the leaders after being held comparatively quiet all day long, but like most of the others their fluctuations were small and their final gains measured by small fractions. The attack of the bears was most all in the Grangers, and Rock Island bore the brunt, the pressure being accompanied by rumors of another issue of bonds and an aggressive combination with the San Antonio and Arkansas Pass for a through line to the Gulf. The Trusts were quiet and falled to make any important movement, and, in fact, the only decided movement of the day was in Evansville and Terre Haute, which shot up from 103½ to 106½, against 102½ last evening. The market closed fairly active and firm to strong on the raily, generally at insignificant changes for the day.

Railroad bonds displayed the same quiet business as for the past few days, but there was less movement in the issues traded in and fewer features of interest. The sales reached \$1,583,000, out of which \$118,000 were in Texas and Pacific seconds. The market displayed a firm tone throughout the day, but the final changes are small as a rule and without special significance. Metropolitan seconds rose 2 to 23½, and Union Pacific collateral trust to 2½, to 107.

The Post says: Considering all the circumstances which have combined in the last two

The Post says: Considering all the circumstances which have combined in the last two days to discourage the buying of stocks it is remarkable that the decline has not been greater. First came the withdrawal of the Union Pacific and Northwestern from the Inter-State Association, followed by reports this morning that the Bock Island was cutting passenger rates to Denver, and that it had formed an alliance with the San Antonio and Kansas Pacific for a competing through line from Chicago to the Guif, etc.

Then the shock given to public confidence by the discovery that the attempt to wreck the Then the shock given to public confidence by the discovery that the attempt to wreck the Sixth National Bank had, to say the least, damaged the credit of one man whose reputation had heretofore been irreproachable; and this morning again the rumor from Philadelphia that the Reading had adopted its threatening "more energetic policy" and begun to cut the prices of coal—all of these things were calculated to check speculation and depress the prices of stocks, but their effect was very sight, and indicates that stocks are very strongly held.

The following table shows the prices of active

The following table shows the prices of active stocks on the New York Stock Exchange yesterday, Corrected daily for THE DISPATCH by MHITNEY & STEPHENSON, oldest Pittabarg members of New York Stock Exchange, 5r Fourth avenue:

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Am. Cotton Oil Trust. 27%

Am. Cotton Oil. 23 Atch., Top.& S. F. 21% Canadian Pacific. 754

Canada Southern 55 Central of New Jersey. 119%

Central of New Jersey, 119%
Central Tacific.
Chesapeake & Ohio... 25%
C. Bur. & Quiney... 107%
C. Mil. & St. Faul... 69%
C. Mil. & St. Faul... 69%
C. Mil. & St. F. pf. 116
C. St. L. & Pitts... 50%
C. St. L. & Pitts... 51
C. St. P. M. & O. 55.
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market was quiet; creamery, 15@16c; dairy, 8@ 20c. Eggs weak at 12%@13c. New York—Flour dull and heavy. Wheat
—Spot dull and irregular, closing steady;
options active and irregular, closing steady;
free selling by Western houses and local
longs; exporters buying late options Rye
steady. Barley strong; Western, 48@63c;
Canada, 59@75c. Barley mait firm. Corn—
Spot steady and quiet; options dull and unchanged to ½c lower, closing steady. Oats—
Spot quiet and weaker; options moderately
active and unchanged to ½c down. Hay
easy and quiet. Coffee—Options steady, 5@
10 points down, closing barely steady 5@10
points down; sales 49,750 bags, including
Febuary, 15.00@15.55c; March. 15.55@15.60c;
April, 15.50@15.60c; March. 15.55@15.60c;
April, 15.50@15.60c; June, 15.55@15.60c; June,
15.55@15.60c; July, 15.55@15.60c; Cotober, 15.45
@15.50c; December, 15.40@15.50c. Spot dull
and lower; fair cargoes, 19½c; No. 2, 17c.
Sugar—Raw dull and steady; fair refining,
5.3-10c; refined quiet and easy; off A.
5.13-16c, Molasses—Foreign firm and active;
sales cargoes at 21c for 50° test.
New Orleans, quiet, Rice steady and quiet,
Cottonseed oil about steady: crude, 28c; yellow,
54@34½c. Tailow unsettled; city (\$2 for packsales), 43-16@4½c. Rosin quiet. Turpentine
quiet and firmer at 43½c-14c. Eggs dull and
weaker; western, 14½c-14c. Ercelpts, 3,235
packages, Pork quiet and steady; old, \$10 0000 le
50; new, \$10.55@11.25; extra prime, \$10.000
Cut meats quiet and easy; middles dull. Lard
easier and quiet; western steam, \$0.17½; option
sales, 1.750 tierces; February, \$6.15; March, \$2;
April, \$6.25; May, \$6.33; July, \$6.47. Butter—
Fancy creamery firm and quiet; Elgin, 23½c;
do held, \$@15c; do factory, \$6.15; March, \$2;
April, \$6.25; May, \$6.33; July, \$6.47. Butter—
Fancy creamery firm and quiet; Elgin, 23½c;
do held, \$6.35c; do factory, \$6.27c. Cheese dull;
Western, \$6.00c. NEW YORK-Flour dull and heavy. Whea 95 111 140 7214 9836 4974 22 13634 15119 975 71 7254 11834 19 6734 106

Sr. Louis-Flour steady, with a good de-Sr. LOUIS—Flour steady, with a good demand. Wheat fluctuated from 1/201/c, opened lower, advanced, then declinen again, and closed 1/201/c, opened lower, advanced, then declinen again, and closed 1/201/c, opened lower, and closed 1/201/c, opened lower, and closed at 781/c asket; July, 741/c/70/c, closed at 741/c, Corn-Cash firmer: No. 2 mixed, cash, 201/c020/c; February, 201/c0201/c; March, 201/c) in May, 21/20/c, Cash easy, No. 2, cash, 201/c hay, 21/20, Rye dull, 41/c bid. Barley dull; small sales of minnesota at 430/40c. Flaxseed, 35 30. Provisions quiet except for bacon and lard, which were lower.

MINNEAPOLIC—Receipts of wheat were 142

MINNEAPOLIS-Receipts of wheat were 142 MINNEAPOLIS—Receipts of wheat were 142 cars; local shipments, 23 cars; general receipts were light, and shipments equally so. The usual demand existed for milling wheat, but buyers insisted upon concessions more in line with the late break in futures; low grades and poor samples were as dull as ever, and they suffered some decline. Closing quotations: No. 1 hard, January and February, 78c; May, 80%c; on track, 78%c; 79c; No. 2 Northern January and February, 73c; May, 75%c; on track, 73%c; 75c; May, 75%c; on track, 73%c; 75c, May, 75%c; No. 2 Northern January and February, 73c; May, 75%c; on track, 73%c; on track, 73%c; No. 2 Northern January, 75c; May, 75%c; No. 2 Northern January, 75c; May, 75c; No. 2 Northern January, 75c; May, 75%c; No. 2 Northern January, 75c; May, 75c; May, 75%c; No. 2 Northern January, 75c; May, 75%c; No. 2 Nort MILWAUREE—Wheat—No. 2 spring, on track, cash, 72@73c; May, 73%c; No. 1 Northern, 83c. Corn quiet: No. 3, on track, 28%c. Oate dult; white, on track, 23%@23c. Rye quiet; No. 1, in store, 44%4%c. Barley easy; No. 2, in store, 49%c. Provisions steady. Potk, 29 60. Lard, \$5 80. Cheese steady; cheddars, 9@9%c. Toledo-Cloverseed active and steady; cash, \$3 45; February, \$3 42%; March. \$5 45.

Wool Market. PHILADELPHIA - Wool market quiet and prices steady; Onio, Pennsylvania and West Virginia, XX and above 33½@35c; X, 31@34c; medium, 37½@38c; coarse 34½@35c; New York, Michigan, Indiana and Western fine X and medium, 37,4638c; coarse 34,4638c; New York, Michigan, Indiana and Western fine X and XX, 29,631c; medium, 36,637,4c; coarse, 34,46,38c; fine washed delaine X and XX, 37,6633,4c; medium washed combing and delaine, 39,641c; coarse do, 36,637,4c; Canada washed combing, 33,635c; tub washed, 37,641c; medium unwashed combing and delaine, 28,631c; coarse do, 27,623,4c; Montana, 18,625c; Territorial, 15,622c.

BOSTON—Wool—The demand has been fair this week and the sales amount to 2,400,000 hs of all kinds. In prices there was an easy feeling on all but combing and delaine selections, which are in suall stock and firm. The largest sales of the week have been Territory wools, which are being offered at low prices, including fine at 57623c; scoured fine medium at 55c, and medium at 50252c. Oregon wools were also easy and were offered at the same prices as Territory, California and Texas quiet and easy and were onered at the same prices as Territory, California and Texas quiet and selling low. In Onio fleeces there have been sales of X at 3'4232c; of X and above at 33'4,633c; of XX at 33'423'4c, and of XX and above at 35c. Michigan X fleeces were quiet at 29'4630c. In No. I combing were sales at 35 640c. Pulled wools were quiet with sales of extra at 22'277c, and of super at 25'237c. Foreign wools were quiet without sales of increases an extra without sales of increases. eign wools were quiet without sales of im-

HIS PENSION INCREASED. An Important Rolling on the Subject of Per maneut Dianbility.

Washington, January 31.—Assistant
Secretary Bussey has rendered a decision in
the case of Daniel A. Wood, late of Comcorn, 2 of oats, 1 of rys. By Baltimore and Ohlo. pany K, First West Virginia Cavalry, in which the former adverse action of the Pension Bureau is reversed, and the claim for increase and rerating of pension followed. Upon the report of the examining surgeons the Commissioner of Pensions allowed only \$30 per month, on the ground that the condition described by the surgeon is not considered permanent. The Assistant Secretary, referring to this action, says:

tary, referring to this action, says:

When does a disability become permanent?
From recent testimony it appears that the sensioner's condition has not ameliorated since his last examination. He has been on his back for two years. How many more years must he lie there before the doctors can deckle that the disability is permanent? * * * I cannot believe that it is necessary to wait until the pensioner is dead before deciding whether his condition of helplessness is permanent or not. The probability, from a medical standpoint (as appears from the examining surgeon's certificate, which I regard as the best evidence on that point), being wholly in favor of its continuance in the present degree, he should have the benefit of whatever doubt there may be in that regard.

The claimant is allowed \$31 25 per month from November 12, 1888, and \$50 per month

DOMESTIC MARKETS.

Produce Situation Practically Unchanged--- Eggs Slow.

CHOICE CREAMERY BUTTER FIRM.

SUGARS WEAKER --- COFFEES STEADY OFFICE OF PITTSBURG DISPATCH, FRIDAY, January 31, 1890.

Country Produce-Jobbing Prices. The situation is practically unchanged. Eggs are quiet at inside quotations for job lots. Demand for choice grades of creamery butter is somewhat more active since our last report. Potatoes are also in better demand. German cabbage is scarce and very firm at quotations. The domestic article is steady. Cranberries are firm, with an upward tendency. Jersey sweet potatoes are tending upward and markets are firm. Fancy apples are scarce in the market, and outside prices are readily obtained. Poul-try is steady. In tropical fruit lines fancy Fiorida oranges are the best stock. Lemons and bananas are quiet.

BUTTER-Creamery, Elgin, 30@32c; Ohio do, 25@27c; fresh dairy packed, 22@23c; country

olls, 19@20c, BEANS—Navy hand-picked beans, \$2 00@2 25; medium, \$1 75@2 00. BEESWAX-25@28c # h for choice; low grade,

Tallow—Country, 4%c; city rendered, 4% (56c.

Tropical Fruits—Lemons, common, \$3 00 (38 50: fancy, \$4 00(36 00; Florida oranges, \$4 00 (34 50: banana, \$1 50 firsts, \$1 00 good seconds, \$9 bunch; coccanuts, \$4 00(36 50 % bundred; figs, \$3,400 % % \$1 cates, \$5,400 54 0 % bundred; figs, \$12,4015 c; new dates, 7%c % \$1 pine applies, \$2 50 % dozen.

Vegetables—Potatoes, from store, 55600c; on track, 45(550c) cabbages, \$1 7522 25 a barrel: Dutch cabbage, \$15 00 % hundred: celery, 40c % dozen, Jersey sweet botatoes, \$4 2504 50 a barrel; turnips, \$1 00(31 25 a barrel; onions, \$3 25(33 50 a barrel.

Buckwheat Flour—2023/40 % pound.

Graceries.

The sugar market is easy and a lower level of prices is among the probabilities at an early day. Coffees vary very little in price for the month past. While options fluctuate under the manipulations of bulls and bears from day to day, the real coffee holds on in the even tenor of its way, with little change in prices.

GREEN COFFEE—Fancy Rio, 23@24c; choice Rio, 21@22c; prime Rio, 20%c; low grade Rio, 1814@1914c; old Government Java, 27@28c; Maracaibo, 2314@2914c; Mocha, 2814@2914c; Santos,

bulk, 314@33c; Maracalbo, Ingrac; Santos, 2375
@233c; peaberry, 233c; choice Rio, 25c; ime
Rio, 234c; good Rio, 225c; ordinary, 21c.
SPICES (whole)—Cloves, 19@20c; alispice, 10c;
cassia, Sc; pepper, 17c; nutmer, 70@80c.
PETROLEUM (jobbers' prices)—110° test, 74c;
Ohio, 120°, 85c; headlight, 150°, 85c; water
white, 105c; globe, 14@145c; elaine, 145c; carnadine, 115c; royaline, 14c; globe red oil, 11@
115c; nuricy 14c.

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MINERS OIL—No. 1 winter strained. 45@47c W gallon; summer, 40@48c. Lard oil, 70c. SYRUPS—Corn s.rup, 25@30c; choice sngar syrup, 33@38c; prime sugar syrup, 30@30c; strictly prime, 45@33c; new maple syrup, 90c. N. O. Mollasses—Fancy, new crop, 46@50c; choice, 47c; medium, 38@48c; mixed, 40@42c. N. O. Mollasses—Fancy, new crop, 46@50c; choice, 47c; medium, 38@48c; mixed, 40@42c. SODA—Bi-Carb in kegs, 33@3c; new maple syrup, 90c. choice, 47c; medium, 38@48c; mixed, 40@42c. SODA—Bi-Carb in kegs, 33%c; oicarb in keg, 33%c; oicarb in keg, 33%c; oicarb in keg, 34%c; occuration, 58%c; stearine, \$2.00c. Andless—Star, full weight, 9c; stearine, \$2.00c. Starken—Pearl, 29c; cornstarch, 52@6c; gloss starch, 43@7c.

Foreign Fruits—Layer raisins, 22.65; London layers, \$2.90; California Loudon layers, \$2.75; Muscatels, \$2.20; California Loudon layers, \$2.75; Muscatels, \$2.40c. California Muscatels, \$2.25; Valencia, 74c; Ondara Valencia, 84.60 \$4cc; staltana, 94.6c; currants, 34.60-54c; Turkey prunes, 44.60c; French prunes, 62.95; California, 54.60c; Turkey prunes, in 2.b packages, 84.6c; cocuantis, \$2.00; stalmonds, Lam., \$2.50c; Curantis, 60.00; stalmonds, 60.00; stalmonds, 60.00; stalmonds, 60.00; stalmonds, 60.00; stalmonds, 60.00; stallocnia, evaporated, 144.60.00; stalmonds, 60.00; stallocnia, evaporated, 144.60.00; stallocnia, evaporated, 196.21c; cherries, pitted, 134.60.00; stallocnia, evaporated, 196.21c; cherries, 60.00; stallocnia, evaporated, 196.21c; cherries, 60.00; stallocnia, 60.00; stalloc

Grain, Flour and Feed.

Sales on call at the Gram Exchange, 1 car yellow ear corn, 41c, P. R. R.; 1 car No. 2 yellow corn, 39c, P. R. R.; 1 car yellow shelled corn, 37c, B. & O. Receipts as bulletined, 30 cars. By Pittsburg, Fort Wayne and Chicago, 4 cars 1 car of hay. By Pittsburg and Lake Erie, 1 car of corn, 4 of hay, 1 of oats. By Pittsburg and Western, I car of flour. The flour market is sluggish, and holders are disposed to shade prices. Bakers' flour is firm, owing to a strong foreign demand. Northwestern millers are firm in their views as to value of spring patents, but the fact stands that the drift of markets is toward a lower level. Choice grades of corn and oats are steady. Hay is quiet.

Prices below are for carload lots on track.

WHEAT—New No. 2 red, 85@86c; No. 3, 82@

\$13 00, according to quality; No. 2 prairie hay, \$7 00@8 90; packing do, \$6 00@6 50. STRAW-Oats \$6 75@7 00; wheat and rye straw, \$6 00@6 25.

Provisions. Sugar-cured hams, large, 9c; sugar-cured hams, medium, 9%c; sugar-cured hams, small, 10%c; sugar-cured breakfast bacon, small, 10%c: sugar-cured breakfast bacon, Sc; sugar-cured shoulders, Sc: sugar-cured chorders shoulders, Tac; sugar-cured California hams, 6%c; sugar-cured dried beef state, Sc; sugar-cured dried beef state, Sc; sugar-cured dried beef rounds, 12c; bacon shoulders, 5%c; bacon clear sides, 7%c; bacon clear sides, 7%c; bacon clear sides, 7%c; bacon clear sides, 7%c; bacon clear sides, 7c. Mess pork, heavy, \$11.50; mess pork, family, \$12.00. Lard—Refined, in tierces, 5%c; half-barrels, 6c; 60-5 tubs, 6c; 205 pails, 6%c; 5-5 tin pails, 6%c; 10-5 tin pails, 6%c; 5-5 tin pails, 6%c; 10-5 tin pails, 6%c; 5-5 tin pails, 6%c; 10-5 tin pails, 6%c; 5-5 tin pails, 6%c; 5-5 moked sansage, long, 5c; large, 5c. Fresh pork links, 9c. Boneless hams, 10%c. Piggileet, half-barrels, \$4.00; quarter barrel, \$2.15.

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MILLFEED—Middlings, fine white, \$15 00@ 16 00 2 ton; brown middlings, \$12 00@14 00; winter wheat bran, \$11 50@12 00; chop feed, \$15 50@16 00.

HAY—Baled timothy, No. 1, \$11 75@12 25; No. 2 do, \$9 50@10 50; loose from wagon, \$11 00

hold out a good while, being well

NEW YORK—Pig fron quiet; American, \$17 00620 00. Copper easier: lake, February, \$18 25. Load quiet but steady; domestic, \$3 825. There was little change in the condition of trade in the dry-lim buoyant and in fart demand; Straits, \$21 20.

A NEW YORK SCHEMI An Increased Volume of Business is Ex-

ISPECIAL TELEGRAN TO THE DISPATCH. St. Louis, January 31.-Rogers, Brown & Mechan say: While business does not partake in any way of a boom character, there is a somewhat firmer tone in the market, based on an increase both in sales and inquiries. Indications point to an enlarged olume of business during February. We quote

ST. LOUIS HOT BLAST COKE AND CHARCOAL, ..\$19 50@20 0 dissouri Charcoal No. 1... CAR WHEEL AND MALLEABLE IRON. CONNELLSVILLE COKE.

Small Matters Are Magnified.

ISPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH. CINCINNATI, January 31 .- The iron market tween sellers and buyers, and the business cur-rent is for small lots mainly. The feeling is such that small matters are magnified to mean all points west of Pittsburg, and the information is that holding in second hands there are
much reduced. A careful calculation shows
that all the iron held in speculative or middle
hands west of the Alleghenies would not supply current consumption in the same territory
four days, probably not two days. Warrant
iron figures but little in the West, though an
occasional lot is pressed for sale at under
price. Conservative men see nothing in the
situation looking to a reaction, but believe that
iron is being consumed quite as fast as it is
being made, and that when it again begins to
appear, there will be another active market
and strong prices. Leading Southern makers
still hold firmly and are confident. all points west of Pitteburg, and the informa-

THE MARKET BASKET.

A Good Week for Fruits and Vegetables But Not for Fish or Game. At the fruit and vegetable stalls a good week's trade was reported, with scarcely any change in prices, and no new articles in the

offerings. Eggs have been gradually drifting to a lower level for weeks past, owing to mild weather, but there has been no perceptible change in re-tail markets the past week. Ocean products are quies. Only frozen fish are now in the stalls, and

demand is light.

Choice cysters are in light supply, and dealers report a difficulty meeting all demands or this grade.

Game is practically a thing of the past. Staple meats seldom change, no matter what the ups and downs of the live stock markets may be. Tenderioin steaks and choice rib roasts are the same now as a year ago, when beeves were 2c per pound higher than they are

to-day.

Florists report trade active, and demand for their products first class at old rates.

Following are the retail prices of the market basket filling as furnished by leading dealers. Staple Ments. The best cuts of tenderloin steak range from 20 to 25c, with last figure for very fancy; strloin, best cuts, from 15 to 18c; standing rib roast, from 15 to 20c; chuck roast, 10 to 12c; best round steaks, 15c; boiling beef, 5 to 8c; sweet breads, 20 to 50c per pair beef, 5 to 8c; sweet breads, 20 to 50c per pair; beef kidneys, 10c apiece; beef liver, 5c a pound; calf livers, 25c apiece; corned beef from 5 to 10c per pound. Veal for stewing commanus 10c; roast, 123 to 15c; cuslets, 20c per pound; spring lambs, fore quarter, 10 to 12c; bind quarters, 15c. A leg of mutton, bind quarter, of prime quality, brings 123/c; fore quarter, 8c; loin of mutton, 15c; giblets, 5c per pound.

Garden Stuff. Potatoes, 15c per half peck; Jersey sweet potatoes, 25c per half peck; cabbage, 5 to 10c; cauliflower, 75c to \$1 each; tomatoes, 35c turnips, 20c per half peck; cranberries, 15c a quart; cucumbers, 15 to 35c apiece; mushrooms, \$1 a pound; Bermuda onions, 35½c per peck; Key West tomatoes, 50c a quart; radishes, 7c a bunch; beets, 15c a bunch; asparagus, 35c a bunch; strawberries, 75c@\$1 a quart.

Choice creamery butter, 35c. Good country butter, 30c. Fancy pound rolls, 35c.

The retail price for fresh country eggs is 20c.

The range for dressed chickens is 50c to \$1 per pair. Turkeys, 18 to 20c per pound. Prairie chickens, \$1 00 a pair; ducks, \$1 00 to \$1 25 per pair.

Ocean Products. Following are the articles in this line on the stalls, with prices: Lake salmon, 12%c; California salmon, 40c per pound; white fish, 1234c; herring, 4 pounds for 25c; red snap-pers, 15 to 20c per pound; Spanish mackerel, 30c

per dozen; Brides, \$2 50 per dozen; yellow and white, \$1 50 per dozen; American Beautles, \$1 to \$1 50 apiece; Magna Charta, \$1 to \$1 50 apiece; Illies, \$3 a bunch; tulips, 75c per dozen; violets, \$2 50 a bundred.

LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

OFFICE OF PITTSBURG DISPATCH, FRIDAY, January 31, 1890. CATTLE-Receipts, 500 head; shipments, 420 head: market nothing doing; all through consignments; no cattle shipped to New York to Hogs-Receipts, 2,600 head; shipments, 1,800

SHEEP—Receipts, 800 head; shipments, 400 head; market firm at unchanged prices.

By Telegraph.

nally steady at \$3.85@4 20 per cwt.

CHICAGO—Cattle—Receipts, 18,000 head: shipments, 3,000 head; market steady, and 5c higher; beeves, \$4.90@5 25; steers, \$3.00@4 70; stockers and feeders, \$3.25@3 50; Texas cattle, \$1.50@3 50. Hogs—Receipts, 21,000 head; shipments, 6,000 head; market slow and shade lower; mixed, \$3.65@3 875; heavy, \$3.65@3 95; light, \$3.60@3 85; skips, \$3.00@3 50. Sheep—Receipts, 12,000 head; shipments, 1,000 head; market slow and lo@ 15c lower; natives, \$3.50@5 80; western cornfed, \$4.50@5 50; Texans, \$3.50@5 00; lambs, \$5.00@6 10.

Alabas (177 Cattle Receipts, 3,500 near shipments, 2,700 head; market 5@20c higher; steers, \$3 25@5 10; stockers and feeders, \$2 46 (8) 15. Hogs-Receipts, 4,000 head; shipments, 200 head; market steady; all grades, \$3 70@3 50; bulk, \$3 724@3 825, Sheep-Receipts, 2,200 head; shipments, 1,700 head; market steady to strong; good to choice muttons and lambs, \$3 50@5 40; stockers and feeders, \$5 00@5 25. BUFFALO—Cattle steady; receipts, 118 loads through, 2 on sale. Sheep and ismbs dull and irregular to 10@15c lower; receipts, 9 loads through, 35 on sale. Hogs steady; receipts, 15 loads through, 40 on sale; mediums and beavy, \$4 05; mixed, \$4 05; Yorkers and pigs, \$4 05.

dividends.

The most prominent feature of the day was the buying of Pacific Mail, which is based primarily upon the expectation that there will be legislation which will secure to this and other companies better compensation for the carrying of mails, etc., but the appearance of Rufus Hatch, at one time President of the company, and who has been regarded as one who had lost his all in the street, as an active buyer, led to the appearance that these must be a combination be-Cleaing Bend Quetations.

U. S. 48, reg. 123% M. K. & T. Gen. 5s 63%
U. S. 48, coup. 123% Mutual Union 6s. ...10!
U. S. 496a, coup. 104% N. J. C. Int. Cert. ...111½
Pacific 6s of '95. ...116
Louisianastamped 6s 57%
Missouri 6s. ...100
Tenn. new set. 6s. ...107
Tenn. new set. 6s NEW YORK-Clearings, \$122,911,386; balances

New 10sa \$5.574.497. BOSTON—Clearings, \$17,145,185; balances, \$1,-608.894. Money, 234.698 per cent. PHILADELPHIA — Clearings, \$11,288,294; balances, \$1,404,685.

Baltimore—Clearings, \$2,828,411; balances, LONDON-The amount of bullion gone into the Bank of England on balance to-day is 142,000.

PARIS—Three per cent rentes, 87f 97%c for PARIS—Three per cent rentes, 871 97% Courthe account.
OHICAGO—Clearings, \$10,480,000. New York
Exchange was par bid. Money was 6 per cent
on call and 7@8 per cent on time loans.
87. LOUIS—Clearings, \$8,533,033; balances,
\$858,000. For this month—Clearings, \$94,715,140; balances, \$17,550,991. For January, 1889—
Clearings, \$84,199,804; balances, \$12,081,525. Increase—in clearings, \$10,515,336.

A BOOMERANG.

The oil market was weak at the opening yesterday and very erratic. It was a little firmer at the close. The first quotation was \$104%. With very little doing, the market sold down to \$1 03, and then advanced on shorts covering

for a 73-Darrel well at the top of the pay
in the same sand.
Graham, Long & Co.'s No. 1, on the Wahl
farm, on Big creek, in the Hundred-foot district, Butler county, struck a heavy vein of gas
and has a good showing for oil. As this well is
in advance of operations it will open up considerable new territory. Corrected daily by John M. Oakiey & Co., 45 Sixth street, members of the Pittsburg Petro-leum Exchange.

OTL CITY, January 31.—Petroleum opened at \$1 04%; highest, \$1 055%; lowest, \$1 03%; closed, \$1 05%. Sales, 278,000 barrels; no clearances; Chartiers, 16,501 barrels; shipments, 87,049 bar-rels; runs, 88,299 barrels. Bradford, January 31.—Petroleum opened at \$1 0434; closed at \$1 055; highest, \$1 055; lowest, \$1 056; clearances, 498,000 barrels.

ing, \$1 0436; highest, \$1 0596; lowest, \$1 0396; closing, \$1 0436; bighest, \$1 0596; lowest, \$1 0396; closing, \$1 0436; bighest, \$1 0596; lowest, \$1 0396; closing at \$1 0596; total sales, \$05,000 barrels.

LANDS AND HOUSES.

A Number of Important Deals in City and Suburbs.

J. C. Reilly, 77 Diamond street, sold for the City Insurance Company, to John King, the two-story brick dwelling No. 99 Robert street, lot 20x90 feet, for \$3,200; also one acre of ground at Edgewood, for John McCallin, of Sewickley, to Mary Murphy, for \$1,500 cash. He also placed a mortgage of \$2,500 on Sixth avenue

house of six rooms, hall and attic, with lot 20x 80 feet, being No. 1 Nixon street, corner Evans

on & Dickie sold for John F. Steel, a

NEW YORK, January 31.—The stock market topic of conversation on the street. They, how-ever, have not proved so serious as the bears would have had people believe, and while the purchases of the day except in two or three

*Ex-dividend.

Philadelphia Stocks. Closing quotations of Philadelphia stocks, furnished by Whitney & Stephenson, brokers, No. 37 Fourth avenue. Members New York Stock Ex

Reading Buffalo, Pittaburg & Western Lenigh Valley Lenigh Navigation Northern Pacific Preterrod

EXTENSIVE improvements will be made next spring at Wildwood station. Land is cheap in that locality. THE New York bank scandal has so far failed to disturb financial circles. Money was easy there yesterday. THOMAS SINGER has purchased land near Beaver Falls, upon which he proposes to erect an organ factory.

THERE is a brisk demand for bysiness houses

in the central part of the city. Small dwellings are also in request. Both are scarce. An oil broker said yesterday that the Standard is selling Lima oil right along. The odor still clings to it, but it is cheap, and country people are satisfied with it. As an illuminant it is equal to any. On Tuesday, February II, John D. Bailey will hold a stock auction at the Chamber of Com-merce rooms that will be phenomenal in some

respects. It will comprise all the local stocks owned by the late Wm. Carr, and include a good many bank and other shares that rarely come upon the market. THE appraisers appointed[to estimate the exent of the loss by the school fire at Wilkinsburg have completed their report. They approvimate the dam gres at \$27,024 01. The entire insurance was \$30,000, and the difference between these two amounts is estimated as the value of the property saved, including the standing walls. The money will be paid over to the School Board in a few days.

The P., McK. & Y. is endeavoring to

purchase about \$100,000 worth of property

in McKeesport to be utilized for yard and

depot purposes. The recent purchase of the

McKeesport and Bellevernon makes this

move an imperative necessity, and the rapid growth of the passenger traffic demands a new depot. LIFE on the Isthmus of Panama, the dangers the from climate, insects and reptiles, and the deeds of the buccaneers, are treated in To-MORNOW's DISPATCH by Fannie E. Ward.

2014@24c; Caracas, 22@24c; peaberry, Rio, 2314@ 24c; La Gusyrs, 2314@24c. ROASTED (in papers)—Standard brands, 24c; high grades, 25@2314c; old Government Java, bulk, 3114@33c; Maracalbo, 27@23c; Santos, 2414

SSc. CORN-No. 2 yellow, ear, new, 38@3814c; high CORN-No. 2 vellow, ear, new, 38@38%c; high mixed, new, 34@35c; No. 2 yellow, shelled, old, 36@37c; new, 33@34c; old, high mixed, shelled, 55@36c. Rejected shelled corn, 28@30c. OATS-No. 2 white, 77%@25c; extra, No. 3, 20%@27c; mixed, 24%@25c.

RYE-No. 1 Pennsylvania, and Ohio, 53@54c; No. 1 Western, 51@62c.

FLOUR-Jobbing prices-Fancy winter and spring patents, \$5 00@5 50; winter straight, \$4 25@4 50; clear winter, \$4 00@4 25; straight XXXX bakers', \$3 50@3 75. Rye flour, \$8 50@4 4 75.