

been the subject of much activity, and dis-play strength based on the probable settlenent of the allotment of production and on alleged "deals" involving the control of the Poughkeepsie bridge

demand.

The bond marget is firm with a brisk demand. The New York money market is oversupplied with loanable funds, and rates have yielded still further. Foreign ex-change, however, continues abnormally firm, notwithstanding a reduction of the Bank of England rate and a fair supply of commercial drafts against grain and provision shipments.

States as reported by mail and wire to Bradstrof's, equal 4,522,219 bushels, an increase of about 230,000 bushels as compared with ast week. Indian corn exports remain the leature, with shipments argregating over bushels within six days as compared with 3,321,000 bushels the week beore. Exports of onts and rye remain of unimportant porportions after their brief prominence a month ago.

# R. G. Dun & Co.'s Optimistic Review.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review says:

Reports from every part of the country

undisturbed by speculation, which is held in check by enormous supplies. Wheat advanced Pg cents, and receipts at the West linve been lighter, owing to severe weather, but experts continue large. Corn is coming forward very freely and has declined Bg cents, and experts for the week will proba-

cents, and exports for the week will proba-bit be very heavy. Outsare 14 cent lower, but pork products a shade stronger. Oil has declined 35 cent and coffee ad-ranged 45 cent. In other markets no im-portant change in prices is noticed, though increasing strength is in prospect in the markets for iron and steel products. Speen-lations in cotton has taken courage from the fact that receipts have recently de-clined, and the improving market caused a better tone at many Southern points.

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gin blast. Cincinnati rep

beef four times last year's, y hile a decrease is noted only in outs, barley and cured

At Milmaukee cold weather has a good of-feet, and the demand for money in the lum-ber and live stock frade is active. At Min-neupolis extreme cold causes a slightde-crease in trade, but flour is in better de-mand, the output being 173,000 barrels, against 113,000 barrels has year, for the week. At St. Faul properts of trade are excellent and money early, and at Omaha very easy, with trade improving.

## In the Cities of the Southwest.