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BROKERS' AND BANKERS' BOARD.

(CORRECTED BY ROBINSON, McLEAN & CO.)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 1864.

We omit the usual list of bids and offerings at the Brokers' Board. There was but little done. Five Twenty Bonds sold during the morning at 109½. In Philadelphia, on advices from New York, they were firmly held at 110@110¼; 97¾ bid for Certificates; 100@¼ for gold. U. S. (currency) Certificates selling at 86@87½ and accrued interest.

Bank shares in increased demand. Merchants & Manufacturers 72 bid, 73 asked; Iron City 73 bid, 80 asked; Allegheny 64 bid, Citizens held at 55. Railroad shares dull and without sale. Now and then a very courageous bid is made for ten shares or less, by a venturesome holder of a large lot, who hopes if he does not expect, to raise the market. 41¼ bid for St. Clair st. Bridge, held at 42.

Transactions in oil shares limited. The sudden advance in oil has not yet had time to react in oil shares—doubtful if it does except in the happy few that represent producing wells. Bairell sold during the day at 8. Columbia 78 bid (ex-dividend).

Sales of Pittsburgh & Philadelphia at 1,33; Ross offered at 1,35; McAboy at 11 without sales. The Siddons at the Exploring Boards and at McIlwaine's will better test the temper of the public.

The attendance at the People's Exchange was pretty large this evening, and notwithstanding there were quite a number of stocks offered, the transactions were light. As compared with last night, however, there is no material change to note in prices. Federal was offered at 130, 115 bid; Horseneck at 90, 85 bid; Merchants' at 60, 53 bid; Ohio Valley, 215, 175 bid; Oil Creek & Oherry Run, 300, 265 bid; Pittsburgh & Philadelphia, 150, 125 bid; Rose, 135, 120 bid; Allegheny & Pittsburgh, Oil Rs, 216, 16; Dalzell, 92, Cherry Run & Pitt Hole, 85, Cherry Run & Pittsburgh, 1; North American, 8; Steel Well, 800; were offered, but met with no response on the part of buyers. The following sales were made:

500 Shares Ritchie	1,25
600 " Tarr, Story & Cherry Run	1,15
100 " Oil Creek & Cherry Run	4,25

Sale of stocks on Tuesday evening, Dec. 13th, at Commercial Sales Rooms, 54 Fifth street, by A. McIlwaine, Auctioneer:

Citizens' Bank	56 50
Mechanics' do	87 50
Iron City do	85 00
Merchants and Manufacturers' Bank	75 00
Eureka Insurance Co	50 00
Western do	65 00
Allegheny Valley Railroad	13 50
Cherry Run Central Oil Co	1 85
Tarr, Story and Cherry Run Oil Co	1 25
Cherry Run and Pitt Hole do	90
Dalzell Oil Co	8 87½
Fleming and Blood Farm	3 50
Ritchie Oil Co	1 25
Ohio Valley Oil Co	1 75
Union Lubric do	95
El Dorado do	5 10

We thought (says the *Commercial Bulletin*) we were doing a big thing here in Boston in the fancy stock business when we had a lively list of 248 mining companies of all kinds, averaging from $30,000 to $300,000 capital each; but the shine is taken completely out of our pigmy speculations by the old operators of Philadelphia, who have already got two hundred and thirty-four different oil stocks on their market and are organizing new ones at the rate of eighteen per week, with capacity represented in figures of from $50,000 to a million and a half each. Now and then some small barrel concern of three hundred thousand capital is put up, but those are the exceptions. The proverb of "there's nothing like leather" will have to give way to "there's nothing like oil," and if skeptics all make light of it they will but increase the demand.

WEEKLY REVIEW OF THE NEW YORK PETROLEUM MARKET.

Reported for the Pittsburgh Gazette.

NEW YORK, Dec. 10, 1864.

The market for Petroleum during the week past, has been somewhat irregular—but on the whole there has been a marked improvement. Crude Oil has not only reached 50 cents per gallon on the spot, but so reduced has the stock become, and so urgent is the demand from the Refiners that they have been compelled to buy at 51@52 cents. Though Refined Oil has likewise appreciated, the trouble 30 cents per gallon difference—which prevents to run Petroleum through the stills, &c., has not been reached. In fact, there is little more than 20 cents difference between Crude and Refined in bond—and it is owing to this fact that some of the Refiners have stopped—others sold out and others again threaten to close up unless the price of Crude declines materially, or Refined advances materially. The 'Oleophine' Refinery is going on 20,000 barrels Crude, which costs 48 cents, and the Company say they will buy no more—but will stop. The 'Oleopline' takes the *first rank* among the exporters—and some of them will buy no other. But it is fully equalled, I think, by the Pittsburgh 'Standard' brand—which, however, is comparatively unknown, and consequently unappreciated save by an occasional few. It is a pity that the best Refiners should have to be among the first to stop business on account of a scarcity of Crude Oil.

The exports for the week thus far, are 628,436 barrels—and the receipts for the same time, are 674,000 barrels. The stock is reduced to only about 30,000 (@20,000 barrels—including all kinds against 115,000 @120,000 barrels same time last year.

The speculators have controlled the market for some time—and have got prices so high, that the exporters are very backward about taking holds—as there is no margin for profit. There has been some considerable speculative purchases for delivery ahead, during the past few days, though, and in some cases the exporters have bought for deliverable ahead.

The sale for the week, comprise about 10,000 barrels Crude, at from 48@52 cents on the spot, and 48½@52 for all this month and next. The sale last Tuesday was quite brisk, with sales at 52@53 cents, for this and next month.

Of Refined in bond, the sales are 15,900 barrels, at from 87½@91 cents on the spot, and from 79½@82 cents for all this month and next, sellers' option. Also, about 15,000 gallons, at 90½@99 cents—and 65 cents for remnant.

Kerosene—The market to-day was quiet but firm at 70@71.

Of Free, the sales are 12,000 barrels, at from 83½@84 and 80 cents on the spot, and 82@82½ cents for next month. The market to-day is quiet, but firm at 82@83 cents. Naphta is firm, with sales of 1,100 barrels Refined, at 50@52 cents for 60@65 gravity. Free, and 30@32 cents for bond. 100 barrels Rosinolum, sold at 48—Crude hops.

Boston Dry Goods Market.

The *Shipping List* of the 10th inst. says: The jewelry part of the week was marked by a dull state of trade. The reception of the message, the report of the Secretary of the Treasury, foreshadowing a determined prosecution of the war, and the probable issue of greenbacks, led to a speculative feeling in gold, domestic goods and manufactures generally. Dry goods are by no means plenty, the producting as well as the importation having been greatly limited. Commission houses, jobbers and retailers are all holders of small stocks, in the city as well as in the interior of the country.

There has been quite a active demand for Atlantic and Brown Sheetings, with sales at 60@ 2 c. and Light Sheetings have been sold freely at 60@ 57½c. Bleached Sheetings and Shirtings have been in better request. Brown Drills are scarce and firm at 60@62½c, with an active demand. Ticks are tending upward. Denims, Jeans and Cotton Flannels are firm and selling in small lots, as wanted, at full prices. The demand for Tweds is large compared with the production; goods are taken about as fast as received from the mills. Prices range from 35 to 45c. Cheviots and Cassimeres are all sold, and of the Lawrence Company's there are but two styles, just received, on hand. Repelants and Meltons are selling at 65@70c, with a moderate demand. There is not quite so much demand for Satinets. Prices of Paddings remain the same as last week; and are selling as fast as received. In Manchester Delaines and all wool Delaines no change, with a moderate production and demand.

For Woolen Goods there has been a fair demand for the season. Heavy Kentucky Jeans, Flannels and Repellants are well sold up, and some styles are scarce. The season for heavy Woolens having passed, trade in these goods is more quiet, except where parties believe in higher prices for the future. Some parties are, in consequence, looking about the market, and picking up lots at old prices for the early clothing trade.

Pork Packing at St. Louis, Dec. 12.

With fair receipts of hogs, the business of pork packing is actively progressing, and prices are running higher. To-day, heavy hogs were bought at $11.25@11.40, and good averages at $10.75@11 per 100 pounds gross. And these prices were paid, notwithstanding that most of the packers were out of the market to-day, on account of the extreme cold weather, making it difficult to cut up the hogs before freezing. The following figures approximate to the number of hogs killed for packing to this date in St. Louis:

Francis Whittaker & Son, over	16,000
Ames and Ashbrook, together, about	27,000
J. J. Hoe & Co	25,000
Hayhurst	9,000
Total	81,000

In addition to the above in the early part of the packing season, McQueen killed and packed 5,000; Bergin killed and packed 2,000; Hornsby killed and packed 2,000; Wolf killed and packed 2,000; Wolfe killed and packed 2,000; Hoffman killed and packed 2,000; Bauer killed and packed 2,000; Bauer killed and packed 2,000; Bauer