FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

The statement that another loan of 5-20s to the extent of $35,000,000 has been negotiated is officially denied. It is probable that no more gold bonds of any kind will be sold by the Treasury Department. And that reliance will be placed upon taxes and sales of 7-30 currency notes for some time. There is no doubt that from sales of these notes all the money required will be supplied, and, no great military disaster intervening, more than is wanted. The last steamer from Europe, instead of bringing 5-20 bonds for sale, as was predicted would be the case under the re-election of Mr. Lincoln, have brought and orders, and at no distant day there will be a steady outflow of national stocks in the face of declining gold and exchange. Where one European or domestic bondholder sells out because the gold-bearing coupons decrease in currency value, there will be five eager to buy on the ground of increased value to the principal. The great cost of suppressing the rebellion has been met, the people are ready to sustain the national credit, and all classes are ready to contribute thousands of dollars, and favor them at any time since the war commenced.

There was more activity at the stock board yesterday, the sales reaching a larger amount than has been in case for many days. The oil stocks continue to commend the attention of capitalists, though no improvement in prices has lately been noticeable, on account of the fact that the market is glutted with stocks of this description. Government loans have improved, the 6-20 loan selling at 105¾—an advance of ¼. The new 5-20s are steady at 98⅞. There was little sale in the 1881 loan; 116 was bid and 117 asked. State securities were rather stronger, the 6s selling up ¼, and the State war loan 6s sold at 105¾—an advance of 1¼. City 6s were also better, the new having advanced ¾. There was a steady demand for the railway shares. Reading was a steady demand for the railway shares. Reading sold at 65¾—an advance of ¼; Philadelphia sold at 58¾; Norristown Railroad at 68¾; Catawissa preferred at 37¼; do. common at 16; and North Pennsylvania at 29¾. In company bonds there was rather more doing, but prices were steady. Of the oil stocks, Maple Shade sold at 3¼, a decline of ¼; and Walnut Island at 2¾, a decline of ¼; Egbert was steady at 4¼, and St. Nicholas at 4¾. Passenger railroad stocks continue very dull; Race and Vine sold at 12; Arch at 18; 28 was bid for Spruce and Pine; 70 for West Philadelphia, and 15 for Arch street; Pince: 70 for West Philadelphia, and 15 for Arch street; 69 was asked for Fifth and Sixth; 69 for Second and Third; 48 for Chestnut and Walnut; 12 for Race and Vine; 25 for Green and Coates; and 26 for Girard College. There was more inquiry for the coal stocks; this description of securities has been quite neglected of late in the excitement respecting oils. Many of the coal companies whose stocks sell in this market are among the safest and most reliable of the dividend-paying corporations. Green Mountain sold at 4¼; Black Heath at 7¾; and Clinton at 1. The canal stocks show no important changes. Bank shares continue firm. Philadelphia Bank sold at 164¼, and Girard at 61; 181 was bid for North America; 156 for Philadelphia; 69 for Farmers' and Mechanics' (old stock); 33 for Mechanics'; 90 for Kensington; 43 for Penn Township; 32 for Manufacturers' and Mechanics'; and 57 for City Bank.

The directors of the Phillips Oil Company yesterday declared a dividend of two per cent. out of the earnings of the company for the month of November. This, we believe, is the first Philadelphia company having property located in West Virginia that has regularly declared a dividend. The company was named in honor of Mr. Augustus Tack, a young Philadelphian, who, in February last, with a comparatively small capital, visited the West Virginia oil region with a view to render productive to the world some of the immense rich portion of country, which had so long lain waste merely because enterprise and industry were wanting to develop it. Mr. Tack, we understand, has become the lucky possessor of thousands of dollars, and the same field is still open to young men of similar activity and enterprise.

The Board of Directors of the Phillips Oil Company have declared a dividend of two per cent. on the capital stock, payable on and after the 15th inst.

The Board of Directors of the Crescent City Oil Company have declared a dividend of one per cent., payable on and after the 24th inst.

The Egbert Oil Company yesterday declared a dividend of three per cent, payable on and after the 22d inst.

The quotations of gold were as follows:

9¾ A.M.	233½
11 " A.M.	234¼@¾
12 M.	234¼
1 P. M.	234¼
2 P. M.	235

Drexel & Co. quote:

United States bonds, 1881	116¼@117
United States Certificates of Indebtedness	97½@ 98
Quartermasters' Vouchers	95 @ 96
Orders for Certificates of Indebtedness	¾@ ⅞
Gold	233 @235¼
Sterling Exchange	233 @237¼
Five-twenty Bonds	108¾@109¼

The Associated Banks, of New York city, on the present weekly statement, have added over six millions to their line of loans and discounts, by reason of their present loans of their surplus legal-tender to the Government on the new 5-20 bonds. At the same time their deposit balances are down three and a half millions from Monday week, owing, no doubt, to the effect of the same Government negotiation, many of which deposits involve part of their deposits at bank into U. S. 5-20s. The specie average is up nearly half million of dollars.

According to the report of the Controller of the Currency, just printed, two hundred and eighty-two national banks have been organized during the past year, and one hundred and sixty-eight State banks changed into National ones. Of the one hundred banks last organized, sixty-seven have been conversions of State banks, and nearly all the papers now being filed are for the change of State banks into National associations.

There are now in existence, under the national currency act, five hundred and eighty-four associations, which are located in the following States:

Maine	18	Ohio	84
New Hampshire	9	Michigan	15
Vermont	10	Indiana	11
Massachusetts	67	Illinois	8
Rhode Island	2	Wisconsin	15
Connecticut	20	Minnesota	1
New York	109	Iowa	29
New Jersey	16	Missouri	1
Pennsylvania	106	Kansas	1
Delaware	1	Nebraska Territory	1
Maryland	7	Kentucky	1
District of Columbia	2	Tennessee	1
Virginia	1	Louisiana	1
West Virginia	1		

The paid-in capital of the banks in the respective States and Territories, the currency delivered to them, (a considerable portion of which has not been put into circulation,) and the bonds deposited with the Treasurer to secure their notes, are as follows:

State.	Capital Stock.	Circulat'n	Bonds
Maine	$2,749,800 00	$1,887,820	$2,344,500
New Hampshire	700,600 00	414,000	1,036,000
Massachusetts	25,876,500 00	12,636,365	16,888,000
Connecticut	5,178,638 00	4,084,055	4,626,500
New York	20,469,175 00	12,854,995	16,064,650
Pennsylvania	21,120,148 88	10,193,830	14,964,100
New Jersey	2,141,249 00	1,756,170	2,011,000
Delaware	300,000 00	270,000	330,000
Maryland	1,187,000 00	945,000	980,000
District of Columbia	605,000 00	450,000	450,000
Virginia	1,000,000 00	900,000	900,000
West Virginia	100,000 00	90,000	90,000
Ohio	4,600,000 00	3,600,000	3,600,000
Michigan	1,000,000 00	900,000	900,000
Indiana	1,000,000 00	900,000	900,000
Illinois	150,000 00	135,000	135,000
Wisconsin	1,000,000 00	900,000	900,000
Minnesota	100,000 00	90,000	90,000
Iowa	100,000 00	90,000	90,000
Missouri	1,000,000 00	900,000	900,000
Kansas	100,000 00	90,000	90,000
Nebraska Territory	40,000 00	36,000	36,000
Kentucky	100,000 00	90,000	90,000
Tennessee	100,000 00	90,000	90,000
Louisiana	500,000 00	450,000	450,000
Total	$106,984,097 28	$65,864,650	$81,691,450

By the message of Governor Smith, of rebel Virginia, it appears that the expenses of the Old Dominion, which, since the commencement of the rebellion, has been shorn of one-third of its wealth, resources, and population, during the fiscal year ending October, exceeded the receipts by nearly eleven millions five hundred thousand dollars. The debt of the State on the 1st of October, 1862, was thirty-five millions, which the debt of the State on the 1st of October, 1863 must be added, making the present indebtedness over forty-six millions of dollars.

PHILADELPHIA STOCK EXCHANGE SALES, Dec. 13.

BEFORE BOARDS.

200 Oil Creek & Cherry Run	2¾	200 Walnut Island.b5	3
100 do	2¾	100 do.s10	3
1000 do.b10	4	100 Phila & Tid.b5	4¾
500 Hibbard	2⅞	100 Seneca Oil.2d yrs	7
100 do	2⅞	100 do.b10	7
400 do.b5	2⅞	100 Phila & Tidewater	4
100 Egbert	4¼	500 Mingo.b30-4 5-16	
100 Walnut Island	3	300 Union Petroleum	2¾

FIRST BOARD.

150 Irwin Oil	10¼	200 Walnut Island.cash	2¾
200 Rochlitzek.lots	5¾	15 Girard Bank	61
200 Rensmore.lots	2	25 Lehigh Nav	50¼
100 do	2	100 Union Canal	1 4d
100 McIlhenny	3¾	100 Union Canal.b30	1
100 do.cash	5¾	100 do.b5	15
100 Egbert Oil	4¾	100 do.b60	15¼
400 Hibbard & Eddy	1¾	18 Wyoming Cl.s30	21
200 Venango.lots	15-16	100 Reading R.cash	64
200 do	7	25 Catawissa R.pref	37
100 Excelsior	1 60	100 do.s5 prefer	37¾
600 Mingo	4 3-16	1500 U S 6-20 Bonds	105¾
100 Fleidgeling	2	6000 U S 5-20 Bonds	98⅞
600 Feeder Dam	lots	1550 Yr 7-30 N.new	99¾
100 Blood Heath Coal	7¾	1300 Sta.6 6s	lots. 94
300 Corn Planter	6 7-16	1000 Phila 6 Ass	105½

BETWEEN BOARDS.

18 Norristown R	68¾	200 Seneca	7
100 Schuylkill Nav.b10	5¾	300 State war loan 6s	105¾
200 do.cash	5¾	100 Oil C & Cherry R	2¾
400 U S 6-20 bonds	105¾	400 Corn Planter	7
100 do	105¾	100 Del Mutual safety	29
100 do.cash	105¾	100 Allegheny coupons	78
100 Phila & Erie	30	100 Phila & Oil Creek	1½

SECOND BOARD.

5000 Lehigh Valley 6s	101	500 Kreitzer Oil	2
1770 Chas & Del 6s	105	100 Continental Oil	1¾
2000 City 6s new (J&P)	99¾	500 do	1¾
7000 do duephill	lots 99¾	65 Schuyl Nav	lots 33¾
2000 Sch Nav 6s '82	lots 87¾	100 do	33¾
1600 Union Canal bds	21	100 Tar Farm	b5 3
100 Story Farm	2¾	200 Dunmore	2¾
100 Irwin Oil	b5 10¾	100 Rensmore	2
200 Bruner Oil	lots 1¾	100 Big Tank	b30 2¾

AFTER BOARDS.

100 Arch-st R	b30 18¾	100 Phil & Erie	b30 60
400 Hyde Farm	5¾	100 Keystone Zinc	7
62 Lehigh Nav	73¾	100 Oil Creek	2
100 Phila & Erie	30	100 Keystone Oil	1¾
100 Union Canal	1	100 Seneca	7
100 Hope's Eddy	1	100 do	1¾
100 do	1¾	100 Irwin	10¾
100 Hibbard	2¾	100 Shamokin Coal	14¾
100 Shamokin Coal	14¾	100 do	14¾
100 do	14¾	300 Walnut Island	2 09
300 Walnut Island	2 09	500 Reading	65⅞
100 Reading	65⅞	100 Mingo	4¾
100 Mingo	4¾	2 Union Ferry	2¾
100 Reading	65⅞	100 Reading	65⅞
200 Bruner	1¾	100 Bruner	1¾
100 Walnut Island	3	100 Walnut Island	3
100 Reading	65⅞	300 Hibbard	b5 2¾
100 Walnut Island	3	800 Walnut Island	3
200 do	3	100 do	b5 3
200 U S 6-20s	new 103¾		
100 do	103¾		
2000 do	103¾		
100 Catawissa com	16		
200 McClintock	2¾		
200 Sunbury	1¾		
500 Mineral	2 31		
200 Walnut Island	b5 3		
500 St Nicholas	6¾		
50 Caldwell	6		
100 Walnut Island	2¾		
100 Race & Vine	12		
300 Walnut Island	2¾		
100 do	2¾		
200 do	2¾		
100 do	b30 2¾		
100 do	2¾		
100 do	2¾		
100 Walnut Island	2¾		
100 Spring Garden	b5 1		

Semi-Weekly Review of the Philadelphia Markets.

DECEMBER 13—Evening.

The markets generally continue rather dull, and prices of the leading articles are without any material change. Bark is dull, and rather lower. Cotton is firmer. Coffee is scarce at full prices. Fish and Fruit are without change. The Flour market is dull at former rates, with small sales. Corn, and Oats are unchanged. Petroleum has advanced. Whisky is quiet. Wool is without change.

There is very little export demand for Flour, and the market is dull at former rates, with sales of 100 bbls New York extra at $11.25, and 500 bbls spring wheat family at $11.50 ⅌ bbl. The retailers and bakers are buying in a small way at $9 50@10 for superfine, $10 50@11 25 for extra, $11.50@12.25 for extra family, and $12 50@13 ⅌ bbl for fancy brands, as to quality. Rye flour is selling in a small way at $8@8.25 ⅌ bbl. Corn Meal is scarce.

GRAIN.—The demand for Wheat is limited, but prices remain about the same as last quoted, with sales of 5,000 bushels at 28@29c for prime reds and white, and from 27@28c ⅌ bushel, as to quality. Rye is selling in a small way at 17@17c ⅌ bushel. In Corn there is very little doing; old yellow is scarce and held at 135c; small sales of new are making at 17@17½ ⅌ bushel. Oats are unchanged; about 5,000 bushels sold at 92c ⅌ bushel.

PROVISIONS.—The market is firm, but the sales are in a small way only. Mess Pork is selling at $33@34 ⅌ barrel. Mess Beef remains at $32 @32 ⅌ bbl for country and city packed. Bacon, as we have noted for some time past, continues very scarce; small sales of Hams are making at from 29@ 33c ⅌ lb for plain and fancy bagging. Sides at 21@22c, and Shoulders at 20c ⅌ lb, cash. Green Meats are nothing changed; 100 tcs new Hams in pickle sold at 20@21c, and Shoulders in suit at 19@19½c ⅌ lb. Lard is scarce; about 300 bbls and tcs sold at 23¾@23¾c, and kegs at 25¾c ⅌ lb. Butter is in fair demand at former rates, with sales of solid packed at 38@40c, and rolls at 40c ⅌ lb. New York Cheese is selling at 21@22c ⅌ lb. Eggs are selling at 40@41c ⅌ dozen.

BEVERAGES.—Coffee is very quiet. Small sales of No. 1 Anthracite are making at $60 ⅌ ton, and No. 3 at $50@ 55 ⅌ ton. Manufactured Iron is in fair demand at about former rates. Lead is firmer, with sales of 1,000 pigs Galena at 16c ⅌ lb, cash. Copper—American yellow metal is selling, in a small way, at 50c ⅌ lb, cash, for sheets and bolts.

BARK.—Quercitron is dull, and lower; 50 hhds sold on private terms.

CANDLES.—Tallow Candles are selling, in a small way for shipment, at 20c ⅌ lb. Adamantine are scarce and firmly held, with small sales at 38@40c ⅌ lb.

COTTON.—The demand is rather better, and there is more doing in the way of sales, including one of about 200 bales of middlings in lots at 132@133c ⅌ lb, cash.

COFFEE continues scarce, and prices are firm, with sales of Rio at 45@47c ⅌ lb, the latter for prime.

COAL.—The demand is limited, both for shipment and home use, and prices are without any material change. Sales are making from Port Richmond at $8.75@9.50 ⅌ ton.

FISH.—Mackerel are firmly held, but there is less doing; sales of No. 1 are making from store at $24@25; Bay do. at $20@21; No. 2 at $17.50@18; Shore at $16@16, and No. 3s at $14.50@15.50 ⅌ bbl for large and small. Codfish are firm at $8.50 the 100 lbs. Pickled Herring are selling in a small way at $11@12 ⅌ bbl.

FRUIT.—All kinds of foreign fruit continue scarce and high. Green Apples are scarce, with sales at $9@ 9 ⅌ bbl; dried Apples are in fair demand at 10@11½c ⅌ lb, as to quality; dried Peaches are rather scarce; quarters are selling at 26@32c and pared do at from 32@38c ⅌ lb.

FEATHERS are dull; good Western are selling at 90@ 88c ⅌ lb cash.

GINSENG.—Small sales of crude are making at $1.15 @1.20 ⅌ lb, cash.

HAY.—Baled is selling at $28@30 ⅌ ton.

HOPS are rather quiet; sales of first quality New Eastern are making at 40@50c, as to quality.

LUMBER.—The transactions are limited; small sales of white pine and Boards are making at $31; yellow do. at $26@27, and white pine Shingles, at $22@23 ⅌ M.

MOLASSES.—The stock is light, and the market is firmer; small sales of Cuba are making at 70@75c ⅌ gallon.

NAVAL STORES continue rather dull; small sales of Rosin are making at $2@2.25 ⅌ barrel, and Spirits of Turpentine at $2.75@2.32 ⅌ gallon.

OILS.—Lard Oil continues firm. Linseed Oil is in demand; sales are making at $1.42. Fish Oils are in steady demand, with sales of winter Whale at $1.70@1.75, and winter Sperm at $2.50 ⅌ gallon, cash. Petroleum has advanced; we quote crude at 46@50c; refined in bond at 73@75c, and free at from 92@94c ⅌ gallon, as to quality.

PLASTER.—Soft is in steady demand at $5@5.50 ⅌ ton.

RICE continues very scarce, and the demand is limited. Small sales are making at 13¾@13½c, cash.

SEEDS.—Cloverseed continues in good demand; small sales are making at $14@14.50 ⅌ 64 lbs, the latter for prime. Timothy is very dull, and quoted at $3 ⅌ bus. Flaxseed is in demand, with sales at $3.60@3.65 ⅌ bus.

SUGAR.—Holders are firm in their views, but the sales are limited; about 500 hhds sold at 12@12c for Cuba, and 22@23c ⅌ lb for New Orleans.

SPIRITS.—Brandies are firmer, but there is very little doing. N. E. Rum is selling at $2.10@2.20 ⅌ gallon. Whisky is unsettled; about 600 bbls sold at $1.91 for Pennsylvania, and $1.92@1.93 for Western.

TOBACCO.—Leaf and Manufactured continue in steady demand at about former rates.

WOOL.—The market continues quiet at about former rates, with sales of 50,000 lbs in lots at 100@110c ⅌ lb for fleece, and 75@125c ⅌ lb for tub.

The following are the receipts of Flour and Grain at this port to day:

Flour	2,000 bbls.
Wheat	6,600 bus.
Corn	5,000 bus.
Oats	6,100 bus.

New York Markets, Dec. 13.

FLOUR, &c.—The market for Western and State Flour is more active and fully 5c better; the demand is in part speculative. The sales are 14,000 barrels at $9.65@9.90 for superfine State, $10.20@10.50 for extra State, $10.65@10.80 for fancy State, $10.40@10.70 for the low grades of Western extra, $10.65@11.30 for shipping Ohio, $11.40@14.25 for trade and family brands, and $11.35@14.25 for St. Louis extras.

Canadian Flour is moderately active and firm. Sales of 400 bbls at $10.20@10.50 for the low grades of extra, and $10.60@12.25 for trade and family extras.

Southern Flour is fair demand and firm. Sales of 300 bbls at $10.75@12.25 for mixed to good superfine country, Baltimore, &c., and $12.40@15.25 for trade and family brands.

Rye Flour is steady. Sales of 150 bbls at $8.50@9.25.

Corn Meal is quiet but steady at $7.20 for Jersey, and $8.80 for Brandywine, and 40 puncheons Brandywine to arrive at $11.

GRAIN.—The Wheat market is without material change. The demand is extremely light, and is confined to local trade.

The sales are 88,000 bus, at $2.30@2.32½ for No. 2 Chicago spring, and $2.65 for white Canadian.

Barley and Barley Malt are inactive but steady.

Oats are steady and quite active. The sales are 65,000 bus Canadian at 100c; Western at $1.18, afloat and in store.

Rye is inactive at $1.75@1.76 for Western.

Corn is without material change to quote; new is scarce and better, at $1.70@1.78; the sales are 18,000 bus Western mixed at $1.80 in store, and $1.82@1.85 afloat.

PROVISIONS.—The pork market is still quite active, and better, but closes rather heavy, at our inside quotations.

For future delivery we hear of sales of 2,500 bbls mess (1864) for January, at $40; 1,000 bbls mess (1864) for January at $40; 1,000 bbls do do do, buyer last half of February at $42 50; 1,000 bbls do do, seller February, at $42; and 500 bbls do do, seller February, at $42.

The sales (cash and regular) are 5,450 bbls at $33.12½ @33.37½ for old mess (1862-3); $41 for new mess; $30.50 for prime; and $39.50 for prime mess.

Beef is moderately active and steady; sales of 450 bbls at $20@22 for plain mess; $21@24 for extra mess.

Tierce beef is firmly held, but we hear of no sales.

Beef hams are fairly active and firm; sales of 350 bbls at $27@28 for Western.

Cut meats are in fair request; sales of 500 tcs pickled hams at 20c, and 350 packages shoulders at 17c.

Bacon is more active and firm. Sales of 300 boxes long cut hams at 21c; 900 boxes long ribbed and long clear for January, and February, sellers' option, at 22c; and 400 boxes Cumberland cut for January and February 21¾c, and 500 boxes long clear for February and March, at 21¾c.

Dressed Hogs are firm at 17c for city.

Lard is more active, and is better. Sales of 2,400 bbls and tcs at 23¾@23¾c for No. 1, 23¾@23¾c for fair to prime steam, 23¾@24c for kettle, and choice new for January at 24c; 23¾@24c, and 750 tcs, buyer December and January at 24½c.

WHISKY.—The market is heavy and dull. Sales of 660 bbls at $1.91 for state, and $1.92@1.93 for Western, closing quiet.

Boston Markets, Dec. 12.

FLOUR.—The receipts since yesterday have been 2,590 bbls. The market is firm, with a fair demand. Sales of Western superfine at $10@10.50; common extra, $11@ 11.25; good do, $11.50@12; fancy do, $11.75@12; family do, $14.25 ⅌ bbl.

GRAIN.—The receipts since yesterday have been 1,238 bushels Corn, 23,559 do Oats, 2,300 do Shorts. Corn is in fair demand; sales of Western mixed at $1.06@1.08; Southern yellow, $1.16 ⅌ bu. Oats are firm and in good demand; sales of Northern and Canada at 93@96c ⅌ bu. Shorts are dull at $32 ⅌ ton.

PROVISIONS.—Pork is in moderate demand; sales of prime at $37@38; mess, $40@41; clear, $43 ⅌ bbl, cash. Beef is in good demand; sales of Eastern and Western plain and extra mess at $20@24 ⅌ bbl, cash. Lard is dull; sales in bbls at 23@23¾c ⅌ lb, cash. Hams are selling at 20c ⅌ lb, cash.

New Orleans Markets—Dec. 3.

COTTON.—Under the depressing influence of the accounts from New York, reporting middling on the 25th at the reduced rate of $1.30, there has been very little inquiry to-day, but still, notwithstanding the general dullness, two buyers came forward and took about 30 bales, said to be at $1 25 for both strict low middling and middling, and 50 bales middling at the same figures, which indicate a further decline of 5@10c ⅌ lb. There is now ample supply on sale, but most Holders prefer to wait for later intelligence to selling at the reduction claimed.

STATEMENT OF COTTON FOR THE COMMERCIAL WEEK ENDING THIS EVENING, DECEMBER 1, 1864:

Stock in hand Sept. 1st, 1864—bales	4,575
Received this week	1,193
Received previously	11,168
	12,361
Exported past week	1,603
Exported previously	10,302
	11,705
Stock on hand not cleared	5,231

SUGAR AND MOLASSES.—With no stock and only very trivial receipts, the sales to-day were confined to a few lots in the city at full fair prices for Sugar at 21¾@ 22c ⅌ lb, for fair to fine grades, and 18c ⅌ gallon, and 18c at a higher price, not yet transpired. The receipts are mostly taken on speculation, and resold to the city trade and to Western buyers. It is generally believed that Cuba Sugars will now come in for a much larger share of the trade than usual, owing to the absence of the Louisiana product.

LETTER BAGS,

AT THE MERCHANTS' EXCHANGE, PHILADELPHIA.

Ship Coburg, Gibson	Liverpool, soon.
Brig Rosa (Br), Tuzo	Havana, soon.
Brig E. A. Bernard, Crowell	Port of Spain, soon.
Brig Hunter, Faulkner	Barbados, soon.
Schr Lilla, Ackerly	Barbados, Dec. 17.

PHILADELPHIA BOARD OF TRADE.

GEO. L. BUZBY, EDW. G. BIDDLE, } COMMITTEE OF THE MONTH.
THOS. S. FERGUSON, }

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

PORT OF PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 13, 1864.

SUN RISES....7 24 | SUN SETS....4 36 | HIGH WATER....3.45

ARRIVED.

Schr Maria Foss, Foss, 5 days from Fortress Monroe, in ballast to captain.
Schr R S Dean, Westgate, 3 days from New York, in ballast to Garman & Merchant.
Schr Ellen Duncan, Duncan, 3 days from New York, in ballast to captain.
Schr Mary D Haskell, Haskell, 4 days from New York, with cement to order.

CLEARED.

Steamship John Gibson, Bowen, New York.
Bark Cordelia, Roberts, Marseilles.
Bark Resco, Worthinger, Boston.
Brig Ric Hazeltine, Turner, S W Pass.
Brig Caroline Eddy, Smith, New Orleans.
Brig Mary Stewart, Dennison, New Orleans.
Brig S V Merrick, Norden, Key West.
Brig I P Wetherill, Gifford, do.
Schr Delaware, Gibbs, St Inagoos, Md.
Schr Eliza & Rebecca, Price, Hampton Roads.
Schr Mary Milnes, Somers, Beaufort.
Schr West Wind, Oliver, Fort Monroe.
Schr Gideon Ridgway, Stimpson, Alexandria.
Schr Queen of the South, Corson, Fort Royal.
Schr Wm. Kennedy, Christy, Wilmington, Del.
Sch R E Williams, Conklin, Baltimore.

(Correspondence of the Philadelphia Exchange.)

LEWES, DEL., DEC. 12—7 A. M.

Brigs Isaac Carver, from Key West for Philadelphia; Lincoln; schrs Abbie of New York, Buena Vista, Wm Carlton, J Whitehouse, Ella for Philadelphia and Kendrick, with about fifty other vessels detained by the fog and a light north wind, were at the Breakwater last evening. A large ship, supposed the Australia from New York, passed up the bay at noon yesterday. The steamer Louisa, of New York, came ashore on the point of Cape Henlopen last night.

YOURS, &c., AARON MARSHALL.

OIL COMPANIES.

PROSPECTUS

OF THE

COTTER FARM OIL COMPANY

OF PHILADELPHIA.

Capital Stock, $1,000,000.

DIVIDED INTO 300,000 SHARES, AT $5 PER SHARE.

SUBSCRIPTION PRICE, TO A LIMITED NUMBER OF SHARES, $3.50 PER SHARE.

STOCK ISSUED FULL PAID.

$50,000 CASH APPROPRIATED AS A WORKING CAPITAL.

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ISAIAH LUKENS, M. D.

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WM. M. STEWART.

SECRETARY,
E. J. HARRISON, M. D.

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TREASURER,
WM. D. SMITH.

THE PROPERTY OF THE COMPANY CONSISTS OF THE FOLLOWING:

1. The *fee simple* of 1,386 acres, known as the "Cotter Farm," on Big Broken-Straw Creek, and on the line of the Philadelphia and Erie Railroad, one and a half miles west of Garland, Pittsfield township, Warren county, Pennsylvania. This land is situated in one of the best localities in the neighborhood. It takes in the whole of the valley for over a mile in extent, giving a frontage on the Broken-Straw Creek of over two miles. It also extends northward over the bluff, and takes in a considerable portion of the Blue-Eye Run, a tributary of the Broken-Straw. Broken-Straw Creek takes its rise from the east side of the bluff, which gives rise to the celebrated Oil Creek, on the west side. It is navigable from the Cotter Farm to the Allegheny River, a distance of ten miles, and thus affords facilities for transportation by boat to Pittsburg. As mentioned before, *the Philadelphia and Erie Railroad runs directly through the property on the bank of the creek, and thus it is brought in direct communication with the great oil markets, New York and Philadelphia.* The bluffs rise from 400 to 600 feet, in some places very abruptly. There has dam built across the creek about midway on the property, giving immense water power to one of the finest and best-constructed saw mills in the country. This mill at present saws 6,000 feet of lumber per day with one single upright saw. A gang of saws can be added at a small cost, and the mill be made capable of yielding a revenue to the Company at once equal to an ordinary producing well. The bluffs abound with pine, hemlock, etc., in such quantity as to keep the mill running for several years. In addition to the mill, there is a very substantial and large frame house, several smaller ones, barns, stables, blacksmith shop, carpenter shop, etc.—in short, everything that an experience of twenty-years residence

land on the flat is good farming land, is cleared for the purpose, and is from 150 to 200 acres in extent. The farm abounds with choice spots for drilling, and with facilities for the purpose, such as few other lands possess. The ravines which intersect and form breaks between and through the hills, and which are favorite localities for wells, have fine streams, which will give sufficient water power to enable the Company to immediately commence sinking several wells, thus saving the expense and delay in obtaining engines. A derrick can be built near the saw-mill, and gearing attached, thus making the mill to answer a double purpose. The "shows" of oil are equal, and in many places superior and more numerous, to those observed in what has proved to be the best localities on Oil Creek. About two miles from the farm, over the bluffs, the Hosmer Oil Company, of Philadelphia, are drilling two wells on the Hosmer Run, which empties into the Broken-Straw at Garland. These wells are giving the most gratifying evidences of the existence of oil in great quantities, and have established its presence in that region beyond a doubt. The Cotter Farm is situated about ten miles nearly due north of the now celebrated Tideoute, on the Allegheny River.

2. The *fee simple* of 1,167 acres on the North Salmon Creek, Tionesta township, Forrest county, Pa., just over the border of Venango county. This land, as in the case of the Cotter Farm, takes in the valley as well as the bluffs on both sides, and is traversed by numerous ravines and little streams running into the Salmon Creek. The evidences of oil cannot be excelled—in fact, are so marked, and the formation of the land is so favorable to the existence of oil, that every oil man visiting the region says, "Salmon Creek is bound to equal the world-renowned Oil Creek," and the speculating public have shown their faith in it by leasing or buying every acre of land from this Company's territory to the mouth of the Creek—about five miles—as well as up and down the Tionesta River for several miles. This property is situate about ten miles east of the Allegheny River. It abounds with the best description of timber—pine, cherry, hemlock, &c.—which can be made to yield a handsome revenue to the Company. The development of the country is rapidly progressing. A well is being sunk half a mile from the property; two others two miles from it, and the Tionesta River is lined with them on each side for miles—one, at the mouth of Salmon Creek, now yielding oil, and all of them giving such indications while drilling that have heretofore only accompanied the sinking of the best wells on Oil Creek. In addition to this, the counties surrounding Forrest county—north, south, east, and west—are all yielding oil, and give great strength to the supposition that Forrest county is in the centre of an immense basin of oil underlying that whole region of country.

A competent Superintendent, Mr. FRANK O. EVERS, who has had four years' experience in the business, has been appointed, and has commenced operations on the lands of the Company.

A limited number of shares will be sold at the above-mentioned subscription price, $3 50 per share, which will be full paid, and $50,000 applied *immediately* to the development of the property.

From the above Prospectus it will be seen that the "COTTER FARM OIL COMPANY" offers unusual inducements to those wishing to invest in Oil Stocks. The extent of the property owned by them, *over four square miles*, the well-known productiveness of the surrounding region, and the facilities possessed by them for the immediate development of their territory at not more than two-thirds the usual cost, warrant the Directors in asserting that the "Cotter Farm Oil Company" will soon place itself among the first dividend-paying oil-stock companies in the country.

Subscription Books are opened, and subscriptions to the Capital Stock of the Company received at their Offices,

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The Oil lands of the Company consist of the following described tracts, embracing in all one hundred and fifty-two (152) acres:

Tract No. 1—Contains fifty-six (56) acres, situated at the junction of Burns' Run and the Ohio river, with a frontage on both the river and run.

Tract No. 2—Contains forty (40) acres adjoining No. 1.

Nos. 1 and 2 are leased for fifteen years, three-fourths of the oil accruing to the Company. They embrace the entire valley of the run for nearly one mile.

Tract No. 3—Contains fifty-six acres, owned by the Company in fee simple, located on Fifteen Creek, which empties into the Ohio, one and a half miles below Beaver. Tack Brothers, who have been so successful on the Kanawha Salt property in Virginia, are now sinking a well on the adjoining tract, within six hundred feet of our line. del2 1m

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Its lands are put into the Company at the unprecedented low price of One Hundred Dollars per Acre, the lowest ever known for Oil-boring territory, and form its

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In Shares of $25 each, par value. Subscription price $5 per Share, being in full payment for a $25 Share.

No further call or assessment to be made.

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*Parties subscribing in this Company will receive an equal amount of stock in two other companies adjoining without further