

Financial and Commercial

EXCITED ADVANCE IN COTTON

The Staple Received a Big Boost Yesterday, Marking New High Ground for the Movement. 23 Points Up.

New York, Feb. 7.—There was an active and more or less excited advance in the cotton market today, with all positions making new high records for the movement owing to a continued demand in the reports of a continued spot demand in the South. The close was steady, and last prices were from 19 to 23 points net higher. The opening was firm, at an advance of from 12 to 23 points net higher.

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The undertone, however, was by no means weak and reports of higher Southern spot markets caused a renewal of the covering movement in the afternoon. When there was some support from leading trade sources and the highest prices of the day were reached on the last trading in the afternoon. Closing prices were within 2 or 3 points of the high of the day.

Table with columns: Month, Open, High, Low, Close. Rows for Jan, Feb, Mar, Apr, May, Jun, Jul, Aug, Sep, Oct, Nov, Dec.

THE PORT MOVEMENT. Galveston—Firm, 10,710; net receipts, 12,694; gross receipts, 1,293; stocks, 302,633; Great Britain, 44,911.

INTERIOR MOVEMENT. Houston—Steady, 405; net receipts, 8,682; gross receipts, 8,682; shipments, 10,200; stocks, 178,137.

CHICAGO GRAIN. Chicago, Feb. 7.—Although sympathy with foreign markets sent wheat upward a time today, prices later sagged in an export and domestic demand for the week.

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STOCK MARKET WAS LISTLESS

Trading in Stocks Was Small—Leaders Awaiting Outcome of Trust Suits and Money Trust Investigation.

New York, Feb. 7.—The tone of the stock market was heavier today, but trading was too listless to effect substantial changes in the level of prices.

The disposition to await developments in Washington before making definite commitments was more pronounced today, owing to the expectation of a decision as to the Congressional investigation of the "Money Trust."

Exchange rates were somewhat lower. In the money market the tone was easier, despite the further outflow of gold.

THE CLOSING STOCK LIST. Allis-Chalmers, 70; American Agricultural, 59 1/2; American Beet Sugar, 10 1/2.

WILMINGTON MARKETS. STAR OFFICE, Feb. 7. SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Steady, 40.

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THE WEATHER

United States Department of Agriculture, Weather Bureau, February 8, 1912. Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending at 8 P. M. yesterday.

Temperature at 8 A. M., 24 degrees; at 8 P. M., 30 degrees; maximum, 40 degrees; minimum, 22 degrees; mean, 34 degrees.

Weather Forecast. For North Carolina—Fair Thursday and Friday; colder in west and central portions Thursday; light west winds.

Table with columns: Station, Temperature, Wind, Clouds. Rows for Abilene, Asheville, Atlanta, Augusta, Birmingham, Boston, etc.

NAVAL STORES. New York, Feb. 7.—Rosin, steady. Turpentine, quiet.

THE MONEY MARKET. New York, Feb. 7.—Money on call steady, at 2 1/2 percent; ruling rate, 2 1/2 percent.

DRY GOODS MARKET. New York, Feb. 7.—The cotton goods markets were stronger during the day.

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