COMMERCE AND FINANCE

COTTON MARKET VERY NERVOUS

Sharp Break on General Heavy Selling and Attacks by Professionals Sent March Below 11 Cents and Made New Low Level for Movement—Close 15 to 16 Points Up From Lowest, but at Net Loss of 5 to 10.

New York, Jan. 29.—The cotton market was very nervous and unsettled, with March breaking through 11 cents, and the general list making a new low level for the movement. The close was steady at a net decline of 5 to 10 points. Sales were estimated at 600,000 bales.

The market opened steady at an advance of 3 to 10 points on old crop months and unchanged on later positions, the advance being in response to firmer cables than expected and a continued good demand in the Liverpool spot market. There did not seem to be much aggressive bear pressure, but there was continued heavy selling through wire and commission houses, presumably for long account, and the market soon sagged off to the closing prices of Saturday. Local professionals, seeing that their expectation of a reaction had been premature, turned against the list toward midday and a very sharp break followed, with March selling at 10.95 and May at 11.10, or about 22 to 24 points net lower. New Orleans acted very weak and unsettled on the decline and some private wires were received claiming an easier spot situation and freer offerings. There was a good deal of covering toward the close and prices were finally about 15 to 16 points up from the lowest, but there was little indication of bull support. Southern spot markets according to official advices, were unchanged to ⅛c. lower.

Receipts at the ports to-day, 18,915 bales, against 17,782 last week and 32,378 last year. For the week (estimated), 400,000 bales, against 111,085 last week and 150,665 last year. To-day's receipts at New Orleans, 6,195 bales, against 13,522 last year, and at Houston, 4,869 bales, against 2,654 last year.

STOCKS HALF-DEMORALIZED.

Adoption by Congress of Resolution of Inquiry on Pennsylvania Combination and Movement to Investigate New York Banking Department Caused Great Uneasiness.

New York, Jan. 29.—The mixed tone of speculation to-day gave place in the late dealings to another sharp selling movement, leading up to the weak and disorderly closing.

There was a sudden recrudescence of apprehension over threatened legislation and legislative investigation. The movement to investigate the State banking department at Albany was dressed out with many alarming possibilities in its effect on the banking position in New York city. A fear was expressed that a contraction of credits will follow. The resolution in the House of Representatives at Washington to investigate the combination of subsidiary railroads under the control of the Pennsylvania Company had similar effect. The expanding tendency of the loan account of New York banks and the seeming imminence of an outward movement of gold caused some effect on the recently prevailing confidence over the easing tendency of the money market.

The stock market was closely affected in sympathy with the course of Reading. While that stock was strong the general list held well and Union Pacific, St. Paul, Amalgamated Copper and the Rock Island issues made some aggressive show of strength, the last named on the report of the net earnings for December. When the lightness of the speculative demand for stocks had been demonstrated and the downward course of prices established, the decline became rapid. Stop-loss orders were uncovered and speculative holdings were thrown over with precipitation. The congressional control shown by the adoption of the resolution of inquiry on the Pennsylvania combination caused a feeling of uneasiness over the prospects for other threatened measures of legislation. The market closed in a state of semi-demoralization and at a net decline running between 2 and over 6 points for all of the most active stocks.

Bonds were steady. Total sales, par value, $3,880,000. United States 2's declined ¼ per cent. on call.

Total sales stocks were 1,691,300 shares, including: Amalgamated Copper, 179,100; American Cotton Oil, 1,500; American Smelting, 22,900; American Tobacco, 1,600; Anaconda Mining, 48,700; Atlantic Coast Line, 4,500; Chesapeake & Ohio, 10,600; Louisville & Nashville, 4,600; Norfolk & Western, 14,100; Reading, 122,400; Southern Pacific, 39,300; Southern Railway, 77,800; do preferred, 100; Tennessee Coal & Iron, 800; United States Steel, 84,800; Virginia-Carolina Chemical, 3,500; Sloss-Sheffield Steel, 1,800.

Losses of 4 to 10 Points at New Orleans.

New Orleans, Jan. 29.—Spot cotton quiet and weak; sales, 2,050 bales including 1,900 to arrive; delivered on contracts, 600. Quotations reduced ⅛; middling, 11¼.

Futures opened barely steady, 5 to 8 points down. Liverpool was better than expected but New York hammered prices and the trend here was downward during the first half of the session. March at noon was 14 points below Saturday's closing, May 16 points down and July 18 points. During the afternoon there was a further decline which carried March down 7 points additional, May 7 and July 8. Realizing by scalpers and satisfied shorts caused a reaction of 10 to 12 points on the active positions. The trading was light. The market closed steady; January and February at net losses of 4 points each, while the other position lost 5 to 10 points.

New York Cotton.

New York, Jan. 29.—Cotton, spot closed quiet 20 points lower; middling uplands, 11.50; middling gulf, 11.75; sales, 800 bales.

Futures opened steady, January, 11.15; February, 11.10; March, 11.25; May, 11.36; July, 11.43; August, 11.23 bid; October, 10.55.

Futures closed steady; closing bid: January, 10.95; February, 10.96; March, 11.09; April, 11.17; May, 11.25; June, 11.28; July, 11.34; August, 11.16; September, 10.58; October, 10.48.

High and low: January, 11.15@11.86; February, 11.08@11.00; March, 11.25@10.95; April, 11.18@11.10; May, 11.36@11.10; June, 11.21@11.21; July, 11.45@11.29; August, 11.27@11.08; September, 10.68@10.53; October, 10.56@10.40.

Liverpool Cotton.

Liverpool, Jan. 29.—Cotton, spot good business done; prices one point lower; American middling fair, 6.61; good middling, 6.27; middling, 6.11; low middling, 5.85; good ordinary, 5.77; ordinary, 5.61. The sales of the day were 12,000 bales, of which 1,000 were for speculation and export and included 10,900 American. Receipts 6,000 bales, including 1,900 American. Futures opened easier and closed easy; American middling g. o. c.: January, 5.93; January and February, 5.93; February and March, 5.93; March and April, 5.96; April and May, 5.99; May and June, 6.01; June and July, 6.03; July and August, 6.04; August and September, 5.97; September and October, 5.70; October and November, 5.69; November and December, 5.66.

Naval Stores.

Savannah, Ga., Jan. 29.—Turpentine—Firm, 65½; sales, 300; receipts, 428; shipments, 178.

Rosin—Firm; sales, 1,159; receipts, 3,364; shipments, 700; stock, 69,181.

Quotations: A, B, C, $3.47½; D, $3.50; E, $3.55; F, $3.60; G, $3.65; H, $3.87½; I, $4.40; K, $5.10; M, $5.35; N, 5.85; W, G, $6.05; W. W, $6.15.

Wilmington, Jan. 29.—Spirits turpentine Steady, 65½; receipts, 27.

Rosin—Steady, $3.40; receipts, 286.

Tar—Firm, $1.50; receipts, 75.

Crude turpentine—Firm, $3.50, $4.50 and $4.50; receipts, 135.

The Money Market.

New York, Jan. 29.—Money on call easier, 2½@4½ per cent.; ruling rate, 4; closing bid, 3; offered at 4. Time loans steady; 60 days, 90 days and 6 months, 4½ per cent. Prime mercantile paper, 4½@5½ per cent. Sterling exchange easier with actual business in bankers bills at $4.87.35@4.87.50 for demand and at $4.83.95@4.84 for 60-day bills. Posted rates, $4.84½ and $4.88. Commercial bills, $4.83¾. Bar silver, 65¾. Mexican dollars, 53¾.

Cotton Seed Oil.

New York, Jan. 29.—Cotton seed oil firm with a fair business doing. Prime crude f.o.b. mills, 29@29½; prime summer yellow, 32@33½; prime white, 35½@36; prime winter yellow, 35½@36.

New Orleans Futures.

New Orleans, Jan. 29.—Closing bids: January, 11.12; February, 11.12; March, 11.23; April, 11.31; May, 11.38; June, 11.42; July, 11.48.

New York Produce

New York, Jan. 29.—Flour—Quiet but steady.

Rye flour—Quiet.

Buckwheat flour—Dull.

Buckwheat—Easy, 81½.

Cornmeal—Weak; fine, 1.15; coarse, 1.02 @1.05; kiln dried, 2.70@2.90.

Rye—Nominal.

Barley—Easy.

Wheat—Steady; No. 2 red, 80 elevator; options, ¼c net higher; May, 80; July, 80⅞; September, 80⅞.

Corn—Easy; No. 2, 54 elevator; options net unchanged; May, 50⅝; July, 50⅝; September, 50⅝.

Oats—Easy; 35½@37 for mixed.

Beef—Steady.

Cut meats—Steady.

Lard—Firm; refined, barely steady.

Pork—Firm.

Tallow—Steady.

Rosin—Steady, 2.95@4.00.

Turpentine—Steady, 68@½ asked.

Rice—Quiet.

Molasses—Firm.

Coffee—Spot Rio quiet; No. 7 invoice, 8 7-16; mild, quiet; Cordova, 9¾@12¾. Coffee futures quiet at a net decline of 5 @10 points.

Sugar, raw—Steady; fair refining, 3c.; centrifugal, 3½; molasses sugar, 2¾; refined sugar, steady.

Butter—Irregular; creamery, 17@28.

Cheese—Steady; State, small and large, colored and white, September fancy, 14½; do October best, 13½@¾; do late made, small, average best, 12¾; skims, 4½@11¾.

Eggs—Irregular; State and Pennsylvania selected, 24@25; Western firsts, 19; Southerns, 17@19.

Peanuts—Steady; fancy handpicked, 4½ @¾; other domestic, 2¾@5.

Potatoes—Weak Bermuda, second crop per barrel, $3@$4.50; State and Western, $1.75@$1.90.

Cabbages—Easy; Danish per ton, $15@ $22; small domestic, $13@$16.

Baltimore Produce.

Baltimore, Jan. 29.—Flour—Duller and lower; winter patent, 4.15@4.35; spring, do 4.30@4.85.

Wheat—Weak; spot contract, 84@⅛; Southern, ——.

Corn—Weak, spot, 47¾@⅞; Southern white, 42@43¾.

Oats—Quiet; No. 2 mixed, 35@½.

Rye—Steady; No. 2 Western, 75@76.

Butter—Firm; fancy creamery, 27@28.

Eggs—Easy, 19c.

Cheese—Steady, unchanged.

Sugar—Strong, unchanged.

Chicago Grain.

Chicago, Jan. 29.—Foreign advices of a bearish character caused a break in the price of wheat here to-day but the loss was regained on covering by shorts. At the close the prices of wheat, corn and oats were almost the same as at Saturday's close. Provisions were 2½@5c. higher.

DAILY COTTON MARKET.

NEW YORK COTTON.

January 29.

Spots, 11.50; sales, 11.50; market tone, quiet; futures closed steady.

	High	Low	Close
January	11.15	10.86	10.95—97
February	11.08	11cts.	10.96—98
March	11.25	10.95	11.02—10
April	11.10	——	11.17—19
May	11.36	11.10	11.25—27
June	11.21	——	11.28—29
July	11.45	11.20	11.34—35
August	11.27	11.08	11.16—18
September	10.68	10.53	10.58—60
October	10.54	10.40	10.48—49

ESTIMATES.

	To-day	Last Year
New Orleans	11,000-13,000	20,618
Houston	9,500-10,500	6,777
Galveston	10,000-11,000	9,297

CHARLOTTE COTTON MARKET.

These figures represent prices paid to wagons: January 29.

Good middling	11¼
Strict middling	11¼
Middling	11⅛
Strict low middling	11⅜
Good middling tinged	11⅛
Stains	10 and 10¼

Charlotte Cotton To-Day.

The receipts at the city cotton platform to-day were 49 bales and the prevailing price wass 11¼. On the same date last year four bales were sold at 7¼.

DAILY COTTON MARKET.

January 29, 1906.

POR TMOVEMENT.

Galveston quiet	11¼
New Orleans quiet	11⅛
Mobile easy	11
Savannah nominal, not quoted.	
Charleston nominal	—
Wilmington nominal	—
Norfolk steady	11⅜
Baltimore nominal	11⅝
New York quiet	1150
Boston quiet	1150
Philadelphia quiet	1175

PORT MOVEMENT.

Houston easy	11⅛
Augusta quiet	11⅛
Memphis quiet and steady	11¼
St. Louis quiet	11½
Cincinnati —	—
Louisville firm	11¾

CHARLOTTE PRODUCE.

(Corrected daily by J. W. Zimmerman Company.)

Chickens—Spring	$ 12@25
Hens—per head	35
Ducks	25
Eggs	20
Rye	85
Oats—Feed	45@60
Corn	67@68
Cotton Seed	27

CHICAGO GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

January 29.

	High	Low	Close
WHEAT—			
September	82⅛	81¾	82⅛
July	83⅝	82⅞	83⅝
May	84⅞	84¼	84⅝
CORN—			
July	44⅝	44	44¼
September	44⅝	44½	44⅝
May	44⅛	43⅞	44
OATS—			
September	28½	28½	28½
July	29⅝	29¼	29⅝
May	30⅝	30¼	30⅝
PORK—			
May	14.17	14.05	14.10
July	14.27	14.17	14.20
January	——	——	13.80
LARD—			
January	——	——	7.50
May	7.62	7.57	7.60
July	7.72	7.67	7.70
September	——	——	7.82
RIBS—			
May	7.57	7.52	7.55
July	7.70	7.65	7.67
January	——	——	7.45

NEW YORK BONDS.

January 29, 1906.

U. S. refunding 2s, registered	102⅞
U. S. refunding 2s, coupon	102⅞
U. S. 3s, registered	102½
U. S. 3s, coupon	103¼
U. S. Old 4s, registered	103
U. S. Old 4s, coupon	103
U. S. New 4s, registered	129½
U. S. 4s, coupon	130½
American Tobacco 4s	82⅝
American Tobacco 6s	116½
Atchison general 4s	104½
Atchison adjustment 4s	96½
Atlantic Coast Line 4s	102½
Baltimore & Ohio 4s	104⅝
Baltimore & Ohio 3½s	94⅝
Brooklyn R. T. cv. 4s	98½
Central of Georgia 5s	114
Central of Georgia 1st inc.	96
Central of Georgia 2nd inc.	85
Central of Georgia 3d inc.	81
Chesapeake & Ohio 4½s	103½
Chicago & Alton 3½s	81⅝
Chicago & E. Illinois new 4s	103½
Chicago, R. I. & Pacific R. R. 4s	101½
Chicago, R. I. & Pacific R. R. col. 5s	111
C., C., C. & St. Louis gen. 4s	105⅝
Colorado Industrial 5s Ser. A	84
Colorado Industrial 5s Ser. B	82
Colorado Midland 4s	73
Colorado & Southern 4s	86½
Cuba 5s	107
Denver & Rio Grande 4s	100⅝
Distillers' Securities 5s	95⅝
Erie prior lien 4s	101
Erie general 4s	83
Hocking Valley 4½s	108½
Japan 5s	100½
Japan 6s, 2nd Series	89⅞
Japan 4½s, certificates	84½
Japan 4½s, certificates 2nd Series	—
Louisville & Nash. Unified 4s	104
Manhattan consol gold 4s	103½
Mexican Central 4s	[illegible]
Mexican Central 1st inc.	25⅝
Minn. & St. Louis 4s	99½
Missouri, Kansas & Texas 4s	100
Missouri, Kansas & Texas 2nds	92⅝
National R. R. of Mexico consol 4s	86⅝
New York Central gen. 3½s	98⅝
New Jersey Central general 5s	123½
Northern Pacific 4s	106⅝
Northern Pacific 3s	78
Norfolk & Western consol 4s	102½
Oregon Short Line rfdg. 4s	91⅝
Penn. cv. 3½s	105½
Reading General 4s	101⅝
St. Louis & Iron Mountain consol 5s	111⅝
St. Louis & San Francisco fg. 4s	—
St. Louis S'western con. 4s	81
Seaboard Air Line 4s	91
Southern Pacific 4s	95
Southern Pacific 1s 4s certificates	96⅝
Southern Railway 5s	118½
Texas & Pacific 1sts	123
Toledo, St. L. & Western 4s	84½
Union Pacific 4s	105
Union Pacific cv. 4s	153⅝
U. S. Steel 2nd 5s	99⅝
Wabash 1sts	116
Wabash Deb. B.	78
Western Md. 4s	88⅝
Wheeling & Lake Erie 4s ord.	93½
Wisconsin Central 4s	94

CLOSING STOCK LIST.

January 29, 1906.

Adams Express	245
Amalgamated Copper	110
American Car & Foundry	41
American Car & Foundry Pfd.	103½
American Cotton Oil	40
American Cotton Oil Pfd.	92½
American Express	240
American Hide & Leather Pfd.	37
American Ice	43⅞
American Ice Pfd.	—
American Linseed Oil	25½
American Linseed Oil Pfd.	45½
American Locomotive	72⅝
American Locomotive Pfd.	117
American Smelting & Refng.	164¼
American Smelting & Refng. Pfd.	126½
American Sugar Refining	147½
American Tobocco, Pfd. certif.	105½
Anaconda Mining Co.	274
Atchison	92
Atchison Pfd.	103½
Atlantic Coast Line	162
Baltimore & Ohio	114⅝
Baltimore & Ohio Pfd.	98
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	87⅝
Canadian Pacific	169¼
Central of New Jersey	225
Chesapeake & Ohio	58½
Chicago & Alton	32
Chicago & Alton Pfd.	80
Chicago Great Western	22
Chicago & Northwestern	228
Chicago, Mil. & St. Paul	184½
Chicago Terminal & Trans.	16
Chicago Terminal & Trans. Pfd.	44
C., C., C. & St. Louis	107
Colorado Fuel & Iron	73
Colorado & Southern	34½
Colorado & Southern 1st Pfd.	70⅝
Colorado & Southern 2nd Pfd.	53½
Consolidated Gas	177
Corn Products	18¼
Corn Products Pfd.	57
Delaware & Hudson	218
Delaware, Lackawanna & West.	465
Denver & Rio Grande	48⅝
Denver & Rio Grande Pfd.	89½
Distillers' Securities	52
Erie	47⅝
Erie 1st Pfd.	81⅝
Erie 2nd Pfd.	73⅝
General Electric	175
Hocking Valley	114
Illinois Central	176
International Paper	24⅛
International Paper Pfd.	87½
International Pump	33
International Pump Pfd.	80
Iowa Central	31
Iowa Central Pfd.	59
Kansas City Southern	30½
Kansas City Southern Pfd.	60
Louisville & Nashville	150¼
Manhattan L	160⅝
Metropolitan Securities	69⅝
Metropolitan St. Ry.	121⅞
Mexican Central	24⅝
Minneapolis & St. Louis	80
Minn., St. P. & Sault. Ste. M.	159
Minn., St. P. & Sault. St. M. Pfd.	180
Missouri Pacific	102
Missouri, Kansas & Texas	36⅝
Missouri, Kansas & Texas Pfd.	69½
National Lead	83
National R. R. of Mexico Pfd.	38⅝
New York Central	148½
New York Ontario & Western	54⅞
Norfolk & Western	89½
Norfolk & Western Pfd.	94
North American	101½
Pacific Mail	48½
Pennsylvania	143½
People's Gas	99¼
Pittsburg, C. C. & St. Louis	80½
Pressed Steel Car	60½
Pressed Steel Car Pfd.	104¼
Pullman Palace Car	243
Reading	139¾
Reading 1st Pfd.	93½
Reading 2nd Pfd.	101
Republic Steel	53⅝
Republic Steel Pfd.	104
Rock Island Co.	24⅝
Rock Island Co. Pfd.	63⅝
Rubber Goods	—
Rubber Goods Pfd.	—
St. Louis & San. Fran. 2nd Pfd.	46¼
St. Louis Southwestern	24½
St. Louis Southwestern Pfd.	65
Southern Pacific	68
Southern Pacific Pfd.	118¼
Southern Railway	40⅝
Southern Railway Pfd.	102
Tennessee Coal & Iron	155
Texas & Pacific	36¼
Toledo, St. Louis & West.	37
Toledo, St. Louis & West. Pfd.	57
Union Pacific	153⅝
Union Pacific Pfd.	97
United States Express	130
United States Leather	—
United States Leather Pfd.	—
United States Realty	87
United States Rubber	53
United States Rubber Pfd.	111¼
United States Steel	42⅛
United States Steel Pfd.	109⅝
Virginia-Carolina Chemical	46
Virginia-Carolina Chemical Pfd.	115½
Wabash	24
Wabash Pfd.	45⅝
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Wisconsin Central Pfd.	58⅝

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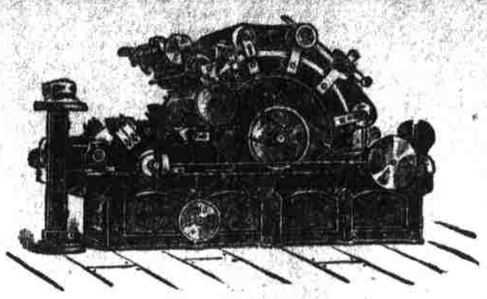
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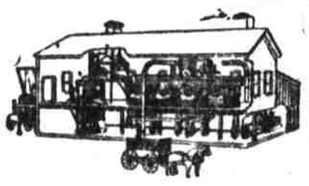
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