COMMERCE AND FINANCE

COTTON MARKET VERY QUIET

Trading Was of a Pre-Holiday Character and Prices Fluctuated Within a Range of Five Points—Close at Net Decline of 4 to 6 Points.

New York, Feb. 9.—The cotton market was very quiet, with trading of a pre-holiday character, and prices fluctuating within a range of about 5 points. The close was quiet and steady at a net decline of 4 to 6 points. Sales were estimated at 175,000 bales.

The local market will be closed on Saturday and Monday, but New Orleans and Liverpool will be open.

The market opened barely steady at a decline of 3 to 5 points in response to rather easier Liverpool cables than expected. There was some covering, but no important support, and prices gradually eased off during the morning to a net loss of 9 to 10 points on the active months. Around 10.68 for March and 10.33 for May, covering for over the holidays became a factor and during the afternoon there was some support from a prominent house with New England connections. Final prices were within a point or two of the opening figures. There was comparatively little news. It was reported that negotiations between the Wall street bulls and Southern leaders for underwriting four hundred thousand bales of spot cotton at 13 cents were progressing favorably, but the absence of support from the parties involved in the open market was commented upon.

Receipts at the ports to-day, 18,887 bales, against 17,983 last week and 14,871 last year. For the week (estimated), 135,000 bales, against 124,947 last week and 91,742 last year. To-day's receipts at New Orleans, 4,523 bales, against 3,513 last year, and at Houston, 4,285, against 1,266 last year.

FRESH STRENGTH IN STOCKS.

Activity of Northern Pacific, the Southern Iron Stocks and Other Movements Produced a Sympathetic Effect in the General Market—Close Firm and Near Top.

New York, Feb. 9.—There was a revival of aggressive strength to-day in some stocks which had been conspicuous for some time past. Some sympathetic effect was produced by these movements in the general market so that the range of prices on the day's business was mostly above last night. Of the day's special movements, the most conspicuous was that in Northern Pacific. News of the developments was not forthcoming beyond the stage of unauthorized gossip. This pointed either to a stock issue with subscription rights, a distribution of surplus, or a combination with other railroads. Rumors of Union Pacific's acquisition of Illinois Central have caused some revived talk of projects for a Southwestern outlet by other Pacific railroads. It was noticed that the St. Louis Southwestern stocks also were aggressively strong, without special explanation. Reading resumed its conspicuous place in the trading and once more demonstrated the effective market control which is held over it. Some of the Southern iron stocks were affected by the circulation of a statement that a strike of soft coal miners would not affect their interests and would leave them free to operate to advantage even if competitors were embarrassed. The buoyant movement of the Hill-Morgan group helped the general list to advance, but it did not communicate itself with great force to the rest of the market. The closing, however, was firm and near the top.

Bonds were irregular. Total sales, par value, $2,510,000. United States bonds were all unchanged on call.

Total sales stocks, 859,800 shares.

Down 5 to 6 Points at New Orleans.

New Orleans, Feb. 9.—Spot cotton quiet and steady; sales, 3,700 bales, including 2,850 to arrive. Quotations unchanged; middling, 10 11-16.

Futures opened 5 to 6 poitns lower on easier New York. The market was very quiet throughout the session, the range of prices on the various positions being covered by 3 to 7 points. The market closed quiet with net losses of 5 to 6 points on the active positions.

New York Cotton.

New York, Feb. 9.—Cotton, spot closed quiet; middling uplands, 11.25; middling gulf, 11.50; no sales.

Futures opened steady and closed quiet, and steady. Quotations ranged as follows:

Month	Open.	High	Low	Close.
Feb.	—	—	—	10.62
March	10.72	10.72	10.66	10.71
April	10.79B	10.75	10.75	10.80
May	10.86	10.89	10.83	10.87
June	—	10.93	10.90	10.91
July	10.97	11.00	10.93	10.97
August	10.93B	10.95	10.85	10.85
Sept.	10.42B	—	—	10.45
Oct.	10.33	10.37	10.32	10.35
Nov.	—	—	—	10.38
Dec.	10.38	10.40	10.37	10.40

Liverpool Cotton.

Liverpool, Feb. 9.—Cotton, spot in fair demand; prices 8 points lower; American middling fair, 6.37; good middling, 6.03; ordinary, 5.87; low middling, 5.71; good ordinary, 5.53; ordinary, 5.37. The sales of the day were 10,000 bales of which 1,000 were for speculation and export and included 9,200 American. Receipts 9,000 bales, including 8,600 American. Futures opened easier and closed barely steady; American middling g. o. c.: February, 5.72; February and March, 5.72; March and April, 5.74; April and May, 5.77; May and June, 5.80; June and July, 5.82; July and August, 5.84; August and September, 5.80; September and October, 5.62; October and November, 5.57; November and December, 5.56.

Naval Stores.

Savannah, Ga., Feb. 9.—Turpentine—Firm, 65; sales, 217; receipts, 59; shipments, 35.

Rosin—Firm; sales, 643; receipts, 1,261; shipments, 586; stock, 71,766.

Quotations: A, B, C, D and E, $3.35; F, $3.40; G, $3.45; H, $3.80; I, $4.40; K, $5.10; M, $5.35; N, $5.85; W, G, $6.05; W, W, $6.15.

Wilmington, N. C., Feb. 9.—Spirits turpentine—Nothing doing; receipts, 23.

Rosin—Firm, $3.35; receipts, 152.

Tar—Firm, $1.80; receipts, 202.

Crude turpentine—Firm, $2.80, $4.50 and $4.50; receipts, 67.

Baltimore Produce.

Baltimore, Feb. 9.—Flour—Dull, unchanged.

Wheat—Firmer; spot contract, 81¼; Southern, ——.

Corn—Easier; spot, 47⅝@¾; Southern white, 43¼@48¼.

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Oats—Easier; No. 2 mixed, 35½.

Rye—Steady; No. 2 Western, 74@75.

Butter—Firm, unchanged.

Eggs—Easy, 17.

Cheese—Strong, unchanged.

Sugar—Steady, unchanged.

The Money Market.

New York, Feb. 9.—Money on call easier; 3@4½ per cent.; ruling rate, 4. Time loans, firm, 4½@4¾ per cent. Prime mercantile paper, 4½@5½ per cent. Sterling exchange easier with actual business in bankers bills at $4.87.20@$4.87.25 for demand. Posted rates, $4.84½ and $4.88. Commercial bills, $4.83¾.

Chicago Grain.

Chicago, Feb. 9.—Fear of damage to the wheat crop of the United States was the chief cause to-day of a strong local wheat market. At the close wheat for May delivery was up ⅝. Oats showed a gain of ¼. Corn was unchanged. Provisions declined 2½.

The Dry Goods Market.

New York, Feb. 9.—In the dry goods market to-day buying was of only moderate sizes, but prices were generally firm and for prompt delivery buyers found it impossible to secue concessions.

New Orleans Futures.

New Orleans, Feb. 9.—Cotton futures, closing bids: February, 10.59; March, 10.74; April, 10.82; May, 10.84; June, 10.89; July, 11.02; October, 10.25; December, 10.27.

Cotton Seed Oil.

New York, Feb. 9.—Cotton seed oil was steady with a light trade. Prime crude f.o.b. mills, 24½@25; prime summer yellow, 32; prime white, 34@35; prime winter yellow, 34@35.

Seaboard Air Line Stocks.

Baltimore, Feb. 9.—Seaboard Air Line common and preferred, not quoted.

COTTON RECEIPTS.

New York, Feb. 9, 1906.

The following are the total net receipts of cotton at all ports since Sept. 1st:

Galveston	1,977,453
New Orleans	1,080,948
Mobile	194,586
Savannah	1,191,799
Charleston	159,013
Wilmington	203,735
Norfolk	508,341
Baltimore	46,094
New York	2,001
Boston	36,132
Newport News	11,927
Philadelphia	4,032
San Francisco	19,109
Brunswick	130,126
Port Townsend	24,617
Pensacola	106,961
Portland, Ore.	2,690
Port Arthur & Sabine Pass	73,836
Jacksonville	13,705
Eagle Pass, Texas	2,849
El Paso, Texas	150
Laredo, Texas	4,851
Minor Ports	12,841
Total bales	6,868,436

COMPARATIVE COTTON STATEMENT.

New York, Feb. 9, 1906.

For the week ending Friday, Feb. 9, 1906.

Net receipts at all U. S. ports during week	123,541
Net receipts at all U. S. ports same week last year	86,323
Total receipts since Sept. 1st	5,868,346
Total receipts to sam edate last year	6,806,227
Exports for the week	109,112
Exports for same week last year	90,446
Total exports since Sept. 1st	4,220,257
Total exports same date last year	5,299,852
Stocks at all U. S. ports	895,980
Stock at all U. S. ports same time last year	744,073
Stock at all interior towns	689,796
Stock at all interior towns same time last year	627,697
Stock at Liverpool	—
Stock at Liverpool same time last year	942,000
Stock of Am. afloat for G. B.	—
Stock of Am. afloat for G. B. same time last year	184,000

New York, Feb. 9, 1906.

The following statistics on the movement of cotton for the week ending Feb. 9, 1906, were compiled by the New York Cotton Exchange:

WEEKLY MOVEMENT.

	This Year.	Last Year.
Port receipts	139,390	91,742
Overland to mills and ads	26,414	17,670
Southern mill takings (estimated)	53,000	53,000
Loss of stock at interior towns	12,992	16,879
Brought into sight for the week	199,812	145,533

TOTAL CROP MOVEMENT.

Port receitps	5,877,611	6,822,467
Oyrland to mills and Canada	559,129	642,006
Southern mill takings (estimated)	1,259,000	1,254,000
Stock at interior towns in excess of Sept. 1st	512,089	541,548
Brought into sight thus far for season	8,207,829	9,260,021

WEEKLY INTERIOR COTTON TOWNS.

New York, Feb. 9, 1906.

Towns		Rec.	Ship.	Sales
Albany		351	86	
Athens		990	1147	
Atlanta quiet	10⅝	192	536	
Brenham		39	12	
Charlotte steady	11	149	149	
Columbia		1512	1412	
Columbus, Ga. steady	10½	430	655	655
Columbus, Miss. quiet	10½	791	1323	1323
Dallas		2829	1358	
Eufaula		94	776	
Greenville		—	—	
Greenwood, S. C.		49	21	
Helena		1554	2092	
Little Rock quiet	10⅝	5435	5242	
Macon		324	367	
Meridian		1353	2700	
Montgomery nominal	10⅝	790	844	844
Nashville quiet	10⅞	32	—	40
Natchez steady	10½	702	2143	1448
Newberry		8	8	
Raleigh nominal	10¼	39	75	
Rome		1321	1430	
Selma		394	2031	
Shreveport quiet	10 9-16	2373	2274	125
Vicksbury		1596	2122	
Yazoo City		720	986	

DAILY COTTON MARKET.

COMPARATIVE PORT RECEIPTS.

February 9.

	Yesterday	Last Year
Galveston	6,726	1,273
New Orleans	4,509	3,518
Mobile	353	270
Savannah	1,481	1,880
Charleston	—	129
Wilmington	41	572
Norfolk	732	750
Baltimore	—	1,543
New York	—	142
Boston	65	106
Brunswick	—	2,195
Pensacola	—	524

ESTIMATES.

February 9.

	To-day	Last Year
New Orleans	4,800-5,800	3,924
Houston	4,000-4,500	1,424
Galveston	2,000-3,000	1,450

INTERIOR RECEIPTS.

February 9.

	Yesterday	Last Year
Memphis	2,959	1,854
Augusta	—	338
St. Louis	1,693	1,799
Cincinnati	—	592
Houston	4,285	1,266

CHARLOTTE COTTON MARKET.

These figures represent prices paid to wagons: February 9.

Good middling	11
Strict middling	11
Middling	11
Good middling, tinged	10½
Stains	9¼ to 10

CHICAGO GRAIN AND PROVISION.

February 9.

	High	Low	Close
WHEAT—			
September	83⅛	82⅝	83⅛
July	84½	83⅝	84⅝
May	85¼	84⅞	85⅝
CORN—			
July	44¼	44	44¼
September	44⅝	44⅝	44⅝
May	44	43⅝	44
OATS—			
September	28⅝	28¼	28⅝
July	29½	29⅜	29⅝
May	30¼	30	30¼
PORK—			
May	15.17	15.10	15.12
July	15.07	14.95	15.00
LARD—			
May	7.85	7.80	7.80
July	7.97	7.90	7.90
September	8.07	8.00	8.00
RIBS—			
May	8.02	7.97	7.97
July	8.12	8.07	8.10

CHARLOTTE PRODUCE.

February 9.

Chicken—Spring	$ 12@25
Hens—Per head	30
Ducks	25
Eggs	17
Rye	80
Oats—Feed	47½@50
Corn	67@68
Cotton Seed	28½

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PORT MOVEMENT.

Galveston steady	10⅝
New Orleans easy	10 11-16
Mobile quiet	10 9-16
Savannah steady	10 7-16
Charleston nominal	—
Wilmington nominal	—
Norfolk quiet	11
Baltimore nominal	11¼
New York quiet	11½
Boston quiet	11¼
Philadelphia steady	11⅝

INTERIOR MOVEMENT.

Houston steady	10⅝
Augusta quiet	10⅝
Memphis steady	10⅝
St. Louis quiet	10 15-16
Cincinnati	—
Louisville firm	11¼

CLOSING STOCK LIST.

New York, Feb. 9, 1906.

Adams Express exint	246
Amalgamated Copper	114⅝
American Car & Foundry	44½
American Car & Foundry Pfd.	102¼
American Cotton Oil	48
American Cotton Oil Pfd.	92
American Express	239
American Hide & Leather Pfd.	38
American Ice	44⅞
American Ice Pfd.	—
American Linseed Oil	24½
American Linseed Oil Pfd.	46½
American Locomotive	39⅞
American Locomotive Pfd.	116½
American Smelting & Refng.	163¼
American Smelting & Refng. Pfd.	125½
American Sugar Refining	146
American Tobacco, Pfd. certif.	105⅝
Anaconda Mining Co.	274½
Atchison	93¼
Atchison Pfd.	103½
Atlantic Coast Line	163
Baltimore & Ohio	114⅝
Baltimore & Ohio, Pfd.	98½
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	65⅞
Canadian Pacific	174⅝
Central of New Jersey	221
Chesapeake & Ohio	59¼
Chicago & Alton	31½
Chicago & Alton Pfd.	75
Chicago Great Western	21⅝
Chicago & Northwestern	233
Chicago, Mil. & St. Paul	185
Chicago Terminal & Trans.	15¼
Chicago Terminal & Trans. Pfd.	37
C., C., C. & St. Louis	104¼
Colorado Fuel & Iron	72½
Colorado & Southern	35⅛
Colorado & Southern 1st Pfd.	72¼
Colorado & Southern 2nd Pfd.	53
Colsolidated Gas	177½
Corn Products	18½
Corn Products Pfd.	58¼
Delaware & Hudson	215½
Delaware, Lackawanna & West.	460
Denver & Rio Grande	47⅞
Denver & Rio Grande Pfd.	89⅞
Distillers' Securities	57½
Erie	46½
Erie 1st Pfd.	78½
Erie 2nd Pfd.	72½
General Electric	175
Hocking Valley	113
Illinois Central	177¼
International Paper	23⅞
International Paper Pfd.	87
International Pump	34⅞
International Puamp Pfd.	90
Iowa Central	33⅝
Iowa Central Pfd.	60½
Kansas City Southern	32¼
Kansas City Southern Pfd.	62⅞
Louisville & Nashville	157
Manhattan L	160
Metropolitan Securities	71¼
Metropolitan St. Ry.	130⅝
Mexican Central	25⅞
Minneapolis & St. Louis	77
Minn., St. P. & Sault, Ste. M.	158½
Minn., St. P. & Sault. St. M. Pfd.	176
Missouri Pacific	101¼
Missouri, Kansas & Texas	36½
Missouri, Kansas & Texas, Pfd.	70¼
National Lead	84½
National R. R. of Mexico Pfd.	39
New York Central	149⅞
New York Ontario & Western	63⅛
Norfolk & Western	89⅝
Norfolk & Western Pfd.	91
North American	102⅞
Pacific Mail	48¼
Pennsylvania	141⅞
People's Gas	100¼
Pittsburg, C. C. & St. Louis	81½
Pressed Steel Car	62
Pressed Steel Car Pfd.	102½
Pullman Palace Car	240
Reading	141⅛
Reading 1st Pfd.	94
Reading 2nd Pfd.	100¼
Republic Steel	35
Republic Steel Pfd.	107¾
Rock Island Co.	27¼
Rock Island Co. Pfd.	165¾
Rubber Goods	—
Rubber Goods Pfd.	—
St. Louis & San Fran. 2nd Pfd.	48½
St. Louis Southwestern	24½
St. Louis Southwestern Pfd.	59½
Southern Pacific	68⅝
Southern Pacific Pfd.	118
Southern Railway	41¼
Southern Railway Pfd.	100⅝
Tennessee Coal & Iron	157½
Texas & Pacific	35½
Toledo, St. Louis & West.	36½
Toledo, St. Louis & West. Pfd.	57⅝
Union Pacific	156
Union Pacific Pfd.	97½
United States Express	125
United States Leather	—
United States Leather Pfd.	—
United States Realty	87
United States Rubber	52½
United States Rubber Pfd.	109½
United States Steel	44⅞
United States Steel Pfd.	109⅞
Virginia-Carolina Chemical	51⅝
Virginia-Carolina Chemical Pfd.	114
Wabash	24½
Wabash Pfd.	47⅝
Wells-Fargo Express	235
Westinghouse Electric	165½
Western Union	92⅞
Wheeling & Lake Erie	21
Wisconsin Central	28¾
Wisconsin Central Pfd.	58¼

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U. S. New 4s, registered	129½
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American Tobacco 4s	80⅞
American Tobacco 6s	117½
Atchison general 4s	104⅝
Atchison adjustment 4s	96⅞
Atlantic Coast Line 4s	102⅛
Baltimore & Ohio 4s	104⅝
Baltimore & Ohio 3½s	94½
Brooklyn R. T. cv. 4s	98
Central of Georgia 5s	114
Central of Georgia 1st Inc.	95½
Central of Georgia 2nd Inc.	85½
Central of Georgia 3d Inc.	81¼
Chesapeake & Ohio 4½s	106⅝
Chicago & Alton 3½s	80½
Chicago, B. & Quincy new 4s	101⅝
Chicago, R. I. & Pacific R. R. 4s	81
Chicago, R. I. & Pacific R. R. col 5s	92⅝
C., C., C. & St. Louis gen 4s of d.	106
Colorado Industrial 5s Ser. A	80½
Colorado Industrial 5s Ser. B	77½
Colorado Midland 4s	77
Colorado & Southern 4s	94¼
Cuba 5s	107
Denver & Rio Grande 4s	100⅝
Distillers' Securities 5s	88
Erie prior lien 4s	101¼
Erie General 4s	93½
Hocking Valley 4½s	108¼
Japan 6s	100⅝
Japan 6s, 2nd Series	100⅝
Japan 4½s	94⅝
Japan 4½s, certificates 2nd Series	91⅝
Louisville & Nash. Unified 4s	100⅝
Manhattan consol gold 4s	103
Mexican Central 4s	80
Mexican Central 1st Inc.	25⅝
Minn. & St. Louis 4s	97
Missouri, Kansas & Texas 4s	101⅝
Missouri, Kansas & Texas 2nds	90¼
National R. R. of Mexico consol 4s	87
New York Central gen. 3½s	98⅝
New Jersey Central 5s	131⅞
Northern Pacific 4s	105
Northern Pacific 3s	79⅞
Norfolk & Western consol 4s	101⅝
Oregon Shore Line refdg. 4s	97
Penn. cv. 3½s	103⅝
Reading General 4s	101⅝
St. Louis & Iron Mountain consol 5s	117
St. Louis & San Francisco fg. 4s	88
St. Louis S'western con. 4s	81⅝
Seaboard Air Line 4s old	91¼
Southern Pacific 4s	95⅛
Southern Pacific 1st 4s certificates	97⅛
Southern Railway 5s	118⅛
Texas & Pacific 1sts	123
Toldo, St. L. & Western 4s	84
Union Pacific 4s	105
Union Pacific cv. 4s	104
U. S. Steel 2nd 5s	98⅛
Wabash 1sts	116
Wabash Deb. B.	80
Western Md. 4s	88⅝
Wheeling & Lake Erie 4s old	93⅝
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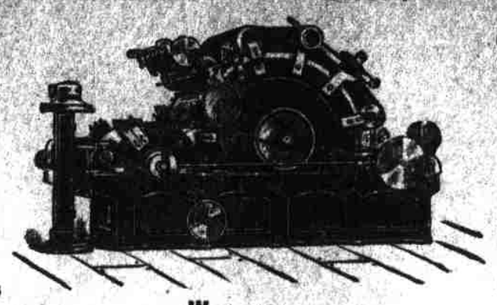
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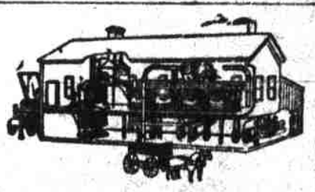
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