COMMERCE AND FINANCE

COTTON ACTIVE AND NERVOUS

Circulation of May Notices on About 60,000 Bales Caused Some Trepidation Until They Were Taken Care of, but Resulting Improvement Was More Than Lost Following Stock Market Break—Close 2 Points Higher to 6 Lower.

New York, April 27.—The cotton market was very nervous and irregular during to-day's session. The close was 2 points higher to 6 points lower. Sales were estimated at 300,600 bales.

The market opened steady at an advance of 3 to 5 points in response to higher cables. Trading was quite active at first and the market acted very nervous, owing to the circulation of May notices, which were issued to the extent of about 60,000 bales. Their progress through the street was attended by scattering liquidation of May through commission houses, but the bull leaders had brokers buying May around the ring and before midday it became evident that the cotton was all being taken care of. This was followed by a slight improvement in prices, which was also promoted by reports of a good spot demand from New Orleans, but after showing a net advance of about 5 to 8 points, the market weakened sharply owing to the break in the stock market and selling by Wall street longs. The decline carried prices about 15 to 18 points below the high point of the morning and to a net loss of 8 to 10 points on the active months. Toward the close, profit-taking by shorts caused partial recovery from the lowest, but the undertone continued very unsettled. May closed net unchanged.

Receipts at the ports to-day, 15,157 bales, against 17,890 last week and 24,498 last year. For the week (estimated), 85,000 bales, against 97,569 last week and 161,977 last year. To-day's receipts at New Orleans, 4,871 bales, against 3,343 last year, and at Houston, 2,312 bales, against 3,574 last year.

Losses of 5 to 8 Points at New Orleans.

New Orleans, April 27.—Spot cotton opened higher but closed firm, quotations unchanged. Sales 2,550 bales, including 800 to arrive. Middling 11 5-16.

Futures opened steady and 1 to 2 points above last evening's closing. On the stopping of May notices in New York prices took an upward turn but the arrivance was soon lost on false reports of financial troubles in New York. The market was very narrow throughout the session and closed with net losses of 5 to 8 points. The trading was very light.

New Orleans Futures.

New Orleans, April 27.—Cotton futures closed: April 11.00; May 11.00; June 11.08; July 11.15; Aug. 10.87; Sept. 10.48; Oct. 10.33; Dec. 10.34.

New York Cotton.

New York, April 27.—Close: Spot cotton quiet; middling uplands 11.45, middling gulf 12.00; sales none.

Futures opened and closed steady. Quotations ranged as follows:

	Open	High	Low	Close
April	11.20 ofd	—	—	11.08
May	11.12	11.17	11.02	11.09
June	10.97 bid	11.00	10.94	10.99
July	10.98	11.02	10.84	10.91
Aug.	10.85	10.87	10.72	10.74
Sept.	—	10.54	10.54	10.48
Oct.	10.45	10.47	10.35	10.39
Nov.	—	10.43	10.39	10.38
Dec.	10.46	10.48	10.35	10.40
Jan.	10.49 bid	10.51	10.41	10.44
Feb.	—	—	—	10.47
March	—	—	—	10.50

Liverpool Cotton.

Liverpool, April 27.—Cotton, spot good business done; prices 2 points higher; American middling fair 6.57; good middling 6.27; middling 6.07; low middling 5.91; good ordinary 5.73; ordinary 5.55. The sales of the day were 10,000 bales, of which 1,000 were for speculation and export and included 9,400 American. Receipts 20,000 bales, including 19,300 American. Futures opened quiet and steady and closed steady; American middling g. o. c. April 5.90; April-May 5.89; May-June 5.89; June-July 5.90; July-Aug. 5.90; Aug.-Sept. 5.86; Sept.-Oct. 5.74; Oct.-Nov. 5.68; Nov.-Dec. 5.65; Dec.-Jan. 5.65; Jan.-Feb. 5.66.

Sea Island Cotton.

Savannah, Ga., April 27.—Sea Island cotton: Fancy Floridas 20½ to 21; extra choice do 19½; choice do 16 to 18½; fancy Georgias full staple 20½ to 21; extra choice Georgias 19 to 19½; choice do 16 to 16½; extra fine Georgias and Floridas 17 to 17½; fine do 16.

New York Produce.

New York, April 27.—Flour steady. Rye flour steady. Wheat easy, nominal. Options ¼ to ⅜c. net lower. May 87, July 84⅝, Sept. 83½.

Corn steady. No. 2 57 elevator. Options ¼c. net higher. May 54½; July 53¾, Sept. 53⅝.

Oats steady; mixed 37 to 37½.

Beef steady. Cutmeats steady. Lard barely steady, refined barely steady, continent $9.10. Pork steady. Tallow steady. Rosin firm $4.00 to $4.07½. Turpentine firm. Rice steady. Molasses steady.

Coffee, spot Rio steady; No. 7 invoice 8 1-16. Mild steady. Futures easy at a decline of 5 to 10 points.

Sugar, raw steady. Refined steady.

Butter steady, unchanged. Cheese unsettled. New State full cream, small 9 to 10. Skims 1½ to 7.

Eggs weak, Southerns 15 to 16½.

Peanuts quiet, fancy handpicked 6½ to 4⅝, other domestic 2 to 4½.

Freights and potatoes steady, unchanged.

Cabbages firm, Charleston per crate $1.50 to $2.00. Florida white $1 to $2.

Baltimore Produce.

Baltimore, April 27.—Flour quiet, unchanged. Wheat dull and easy. Spot contract 88½ to 88¾. Southern by sample 75 to 88¾.

Corn dull. Spot 54¼. Southern white corn 54 to 56.

Oats firmer. No. 2 Western 31 to 32.

Rye firm. No. 2 Western 71 to 72.

Butter steady, unchanged. Eggs steady, unchanged. Cheese strong, unchanged.

Sugar steady, unchanged.

Naval Stores.

Savannh, Ga., April 27.—Turpentine firm 64; receipts 1,136; shipments 583.

Rosin firm; sales 1,321; receipts 2,412; shipments 1,151; stock 49,175; quote A B C $3.75; D $3.80; E $3.85; F $3.90; G $4.00; H $4.40; I $4.70; K $5.25; M $5.25; N $5.40; W G $5.45; W W $5.50.

Wilmington, April 27.—Spirits turpentine nothing doing; receipts 18 casks.

Rosin nothing doing; receipts 104.

Tar firm $1.80; receipts 33.

Crude turpentine firm, $2.00, $3.75 and $5.25; receipts 59.

The Money Market.

New York, April 27.—Money on call steady; highest 5 per cent; lowest 2½ per cent; ruling rate 4½; closing bid 3; offered 4.

Time loans steady, 60 days, 90 days and six months 5⅝.

Prime mercantile paper 5 to 5½ per cent. Sterling exchange irregular. Bankers' bills $484.40 to $484.45 for demand and $481.30 to $481.35 for 60 day bills. Posted rates $483½ to $485 and $485½ to $486. Commercial bills $481. Bar silver 65⅞. Mexican dollars 50½.

Chicago Grain.

Chicago, April 27.—Liquidation of the May delivery caused weakness to-day in the wheat market here. At the close the May option was off ⅝. July was down ⅛ to ¼. July corn was up ¼ to ⅜. Oats were practically unchanged. Provisions were 2½ to 7½ down.

Cotton Seed Oil.

New York, April 27.—Cotton seed oil dull. Prime crude f. o. b. mills 30; prime summer yellow 37 to 38; prime summer white 39½ to 40. Prime winter yellow 39½ to 40.

The Dry Goods Market.

New York, April 27.—The dry goods market to-day held steady and firm. Advances were reported in some lines of fine cambrics and a better trade was reported in bleached and printed goods.

Seaboard Air Line Stocks.

Baltimore, April 27.—S. A. L. common 22 asked; do pfd. nothing doing.

CHARLOTTE COTTON MARKET.

These prices represent the prices paid to wagons:

	April 27
Good middling	11⅛
Strict middling	11¼
Middling	11⅛
Good middling, tinged	11⅛
Stains	9½ to 10

HEAVY SLUMP IN STOCKS.

Urgent Liquidation for Account of Some Insurance Companies Brought About Indiscriminate Throwing Over and Gave Bear Traders a Great Opportunity—Break of 25 Points in Great Northern, Preferred.

New York, April 27.—Necessitous liquidation was thrown upon the market today at a time when the demand was almost paralyzed. The bear element amongst the traders showed itself; moreover, alert and well organized and met the evidenec of forced selling by a savage onslaught on prices which cut under the market and added to the demoralization. The boldness with which the bear element operaiea was indicated by the violent rebounds between onslaughts when the bears took hasty pronts by buying to cover shorts. It was the common understanding that the most urgent liquidation was for account of some of the insurance companies. The indiscriminate way in which stocks were thrown over and the violence of the declines at which sales were effected, gave rise to disquieting rumors, especially regarding the position of some of the insurance companies.

The violence of the decline in some of the high-priced railroad stocks revealed the fact that prices had been marked up unduly during the recent period of confidence while practically no offerings were made in the market. The Hill stocks and the Northwestern Pacifics were the largest sufferers and Reading, New York Central, and some of the highly speculative industrials also fell abruptly. The break of 25 points in Great Northern, preferred, measured the maximum, but the Chicago & Northwestern stocks, Northwestern Pacific, Chicago & St. Paul, Minneapolis & Omaha, Colorado Fuel and Anaconda offered examples of 8 to 15 points' decline. In the general list, losses of 2 to 5 points were fairly general.

The weakness in stocks continued throughout the day with successive selling movements at new low levels interspersed with occasional rallies on short covering. The closing tone was weak, although mixed with some of these spasmodic rallies.

Bonds were weak. Total sales, par value $2,695,000. United States bonds unchanged.

Total sales stocks, 1,781,700 shares, including: Copper 294,700; Cotton Oil 200; Smelting 45,000; Tobacco 4,000; Anaconda 58,900; A. C. L. 1,300; B. R. T. 52,600; C. & O. 12,000; St. Paul 25,000; Colo. Fuel 47,900; L. & N. 8,300; N. & W. 6,700; Penna. 56,000, Reading 200,400; Southern Pacific 30,500; Southern Rwy. 1,400; pfd. 100; T. C. I. 700; Union Pacific 324,300; Steel 177,400; pfd. 39,600; Va.-Caro. Chem. 4,900; pfd. 400; Northern Pacific 44,500; Sloss-Sheffield Steel 2,400.

WEEKLY INTERIOR COTTON TOWNS

	Md.	Rs.	Sp.	Sls.
Albany		12	252	
Athens		665	831	170
Atlanta, firm	11 5-16	8	271	
Brenham		40	173	
Charlotte, steady	11½	156	136	
Columbia		1966	2096	
Columbus, Ga., stdy	10¾	198	602	602
Columbus, Miss., qt.	10¾	150	2711	2711
Dallas	—	—	—	—
Eufaula		177	196	
Greenville	—	—	—	—
Greenwood, S. C.		115	92	63
Helena		156	492	
Little Rock, quiet	10¾	2219	6278	
Macon		229	937	
Meridian		879	2929	
Montgomery, stdy.	11 3-16	1169	3006	3006
Nashville, firm	11	539	620	845
Natchez		283	414	366
Newberry		39	39	
Raleigh, weak	11⅛	139	350	
Rome		260	295	
Selma		271	754	
Shreveport, steady	11¼	589	823	155
Vicksburg		232	1365	
Yazoo City		119	427	

COTTON RECEIPTS.

New York, April 27.—The following are the total net receipts of cotton at all ports since September 1st:

Galveston	2,382,489
New Orleans	1,476,335
Mobile	217,202
Savannah	1,325,197
Charleston	161,451
Wilmington	296,244
Norfolk	572,090
Baltimore	58,550
New York	5,411
Boston	56,407
Newport News	14,665
Philadelphia	7,769
San Francisco	32,502
Brunswick	163,979
Port Townsend	68,213
Pensacola	132,700
Portland, Ore	3,821
Port Arthur & Sabine Pass	101,292
Jacksonville	18,062
Eagle Pass, Texas	3,069
El Paso, Texas	150
Laredo, Texas	5,351
Minor Ports	13,744
Total	7,106,292

COMPARATIVE COTTON STATEMENT

New York, April 27.—For the week ending April 27, 1906.

Net receipts at all U. S. ports during week	84,774
Net receipts at all U. S. ports same week last year	157,273
Total receipts since Sept. 1st	7,106,292
Total receipts to same date last year	8,522,050
Exports for the week	148,607
Exports for same week last year	181,986
Total exports since Sept. 1st	6,078,861
Total exports same date last year	6,799,975
Stock at all U. S. ports	599,682
Stock at all U. S. ports same time last year	686,270
Stock at all interior towns	395,296
Stock at all interior towns same time last year	470,570
Stock at Liverpool	
Stock at Liverpool same time last year	819,000
Stock of American afloat for Great Britain	
Stock of American afloat for Great Britain same time last year	217,000

New York, April 27.—The following statistics on the movement of cotton for the week ending Friday, April 27, 1906, were compiled by the New York Cotton Exchange:

WEEKLY MOVEMENT.

	This Year.	Last Year.
Port receipts	83,940	161,977
Overland to mills and Canada	21,123	19,744
Southern mill takings (estimated)	36,000	36,000
Loss of stock at interior towns	25,298	31,382
Brought into sight for the week	115,764	186,339

TOTAL CROP MOVEMENT.

Port receipts	7,103,169	8,562,497
Overland to mills and Canada	825,087	906,899
Southern mill takings (estimated)	1,725,000	1,720,000
Stock at interior towns in excess of Sept. 1	235,654	396,802
Brought into sight thus far for season	9,888,910	11,586,198

PORT MOVEMENT.

Galveston, firm	11 5-16
New Orleans, steady	11 5-16
Mobile, quiet	11 1-16
Savannah, quiet	11⅛
Charleston, quiet	11
Wilmington, steady	11
Norfolk, steady	11⅛
Baltimore, nominal	11½
New ork, quiet	11.75
Boston, quiet	11.75
Philadelphia, quiet	12
Houston, quiet	11 5-16
Augusta, steady	11⅛
Memphis, steady	11¼
St. Louis, quiet	11¼
Cincinnati	
Louisville, firm	11⅛

ESTIMATES.

	To-day.	April 27 Last year.
New Orleans	2,400-3,000	7,582
Houston	1,750-2,250	6,231
Galveston	2,000-2,500	— —

INTERIOR RECEIPTS.

	Yester-day	April 27 Last Year
Memphis	1,721	2,803
Augusta	82	1,769
St. Louis	1,186	1,907
Cincinnati	— —	675
Houston	2,312	3,574

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COMPARATIVE PORT RECEIPTS.

	April 27 Yester-day	Last Year
Galveston	4,871	2,443
New Orleans	632	3,543
Mobile	855	969
Savannah	1,215	6,583
Charleston	— —	181
Wilmington	— —	831
Norfolk	1,110	2,298
Baltimore	— —	772
New York	— —	211
Boston	— —	79
Philadelphia	— —	25
Brunswick	— —	2,367
Newport News	— —	247
Total	15,137	21,509

CHARLOTTE PRODUCE MARKET.

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

Chickens—Spring	12 @25
Hens—Per head	35 @40
Ducks	25
Eggs	15
Rye	80
Corn	75 @77
Cotton Seed	22½
Oats—Feed	45 @50
Oat Seed	60 @65

CHICAGO GRAIN AND PROVISION.

April 27	High	Low	Close
WHEAT—			
May	79⅞	78⅝	79
July	79⅝	78⅞	79
September	178⅛	77⅝	78
CORN—			
May	48⅞	46⅝	46⅞
July	46⅛	45⅝	46
September	46⅝	46⅛	46⅝
OATS—			
May	32½	32¼	32⅜
July	31	30⅞	30⅞
September	28⅞	28⅝	28⅝
PORK—			
May	15.55	15.50	15.55
July	15.82	15.77	15.77
September	15.80	15.80	15.77
LARD—			
May	8.5	8.42	8.52
July	8.70	8.65	8.65
September	8.82	8.77	8.77
RIBS—			
May	8.47	8.47	8.45
July	8.67	8.60	8.60
September	8.70	8.67	8.67

CLOSING STOCK LIST.

Adams Express	230
Amalgamated Copper	102½
American Car & Foundry	29¼
American Car & Foundry pfd	100½
American Cotton Oil	30½
Amerigan Cotton Oil pfd	90
American Express	210
American Hide & Leather pfd	32
American Ice	59½
American Ice pfd	—
American Linseed Oil	19
American Linseed Oil pfd	38½
American Locomotive	61
American Locomotive pfd	111½
American Smelting & Refng	149½
American Smelting & Refng pfd	115½
American Sugar Refining	131¾
American Tobacco pfd. ctfs	100½
Anaconda Mining Co.	2b1¼
Atchison	28⅝
Atchison pfd	100
Atlantic Coast Line	141
Baltimore & Ohio	106¾
Baltimore & Ohio pfd.....ex. rights	93
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	79½
Canadian Pacific	157⅞
Central of New Jersey	203
Chesapeake & Ohio	54½
Chicago & Alton	28
Chicago & Alton pfd	71
Chicago Great Western	18⅝
Chicago & Northwestern	196
Chicago, Mil. & St. Paul	163¾
Chicago Terminal & Trans.	11
Chicago Terminal & Trans. pfd	28⅝
C., C., C. & St. Louis	95½
Colorado Fuel & Iron	46½
Colorado & Southern	32
Colorado & Southern 1st pfd	66½
Colorado & Southern 2nd pfd	46½
Consolidated Gas	131
Corn Products Refining	23
Corn Products Refining pfd	77½
Delaware & Hudson	198
Delaware, Lackawanna & West	440
Denver & Rio Grande	41⅝
Denver & Rio Grande pfd	84⅝
Distillers' Securities	53½
Erie	40⅝
Erie 1st pfd	76
Erie 2nd pfd	62¼
General Electric	163
Hocking Valley	126
Illinois Central	165
International Paper	19¼
International Paper pfd.	84
International Pump	46
International Pump pfd	83
Iowa Central	27½
Iowa Central pfd	54
Kansas City Southern	25¼
Kansas City Southern pfd	53¼
Louisville & Nashville	142
Manhattan L.	150
Metropolitan Securities	—
Metropolitan St. Ry.	112
Mexican Central	20⅝
Minneapolis & St. Louis	70
Minn., St. P. & Sault Ste. M.	153
Minn., St. P. & Sault Ste. M. pfd	164½
Missouri Pacific	90⅞
Missouri, Kansas & Texas	31⅞
Missouri, Kansas & Pacific pfd	65¼
National Lead	75½
National R. R. of Mexico pfd	35
New York Central	133⅝
New York Ontario & Western	47⅝
Norfolk & Western	86
Norfolk & Western pfd	90
North American	26½
Pacific Mail	37
Pennsylvania	38½
People's Gas	190
Pittsburg, C. C. & St. Louis	75½
Press Steel Car	49⅝
Pressed Steel Car pfd	97
Pullman Palace Car	230
Reading	123¼
Reading 1st pfd	88
Reading 2nd pfd	91
Republic Steel	25⅝
Republic Steel pfd	96
Rock Island Co.	25⅝
Rock Island Co. pfd	63
Rubber Goods	—
Rubber Goods pfd	—
St. Louis & San Fran. 2nd pfd	42½
St. Louis Southwestern	22
St. Louis Southwestern pfd	62½
Southern Pacific	65⅞
Southern Pacific pfd	117
Southern Railway	36⅛
Southern Railway pfd	86⅝
Tennessee Coal & Iron	141
Texas & Pacific	30
Toledo, St. Louis & West	34¼
Toledo, St. Louis & West. pfd	51½
Union Pacific	146⅝
Union Pacific pfd	92
United States Express	110
United States Leather	—
United States Leather pfd	—
United States Realty	88
United States Rubber	50½
United States Rubber pfd	107
United States Steel	40¼
United States Steel pfd	105¼
Virginia-Carolina Chemical	40
Virginia-Carolina Chemical pfd	106
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Wabash pfd	49⅝
Wells Fargo Express	245
Westinghouse Electric	156
Western Union	92½
Wheeling & Lake Erie	16⅝
Wisconsin Central	24⅝
Wisconsin Central pfd	49⅝
Northern Pacific	197
Central Leather	41¼
Central Leather pfd	102
Sloss-Sheffield	74

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U. S. New 4s, coupon	134
American Tobacco 4s	78⅝
American Tobacco 6s	112½
Atchison general 4s	100¼
Atchison adjustment 4s	94⅝
Atlantic Coast Line 4s	98
Baltimore & Ohio 4s	101½
Baltimore & Ohio 3½s	94¼
Brooklyn R. T. cv. 4s	94½
Central of Georgia 5s	112
Central of Georgia 1st Inc	ofd. 97
Central of Georgia 2nd Inc	87½
Central of Georgia 3nd Inc	86
Chesapeake & Ohio 4½s	105¼
Chicago & Alton 3½s	ofd. 80½
Chicago, B. & Quincy new 4s	98¼
Chicago, R. I. & Pacific R. R. 4s	79¼
Chicago, R. I. & P. R. R. col. 5s	89¼
C. C. C. & St. Louis gen. 4s	103⅝
Colorado Industrial 5s Ser. A	74
Colorado Industrial 5s Ser. B	73⅝
Colorado Midland 4s	75
Colorado & Southern 4s	93⅝
Cuba 5s	104½
Denver & Rio Grande 4s	100¼
Distillers' Securities 5s	85
Erie prior lien 4s	100⅞
Erie General 4s	91
Hocking Valley 4½s	107⅝
Japan 6s	98¼
Japan 6s, 2nd Series	97⅝
Japan 4½s	82
Japan 4½s certificates 2nd Series	91⅛
Louisville & Nash. Unified 4s	102
Manhttan consol gold 4s	104¼
Mexican Centrl 4s	80
Mexican Central 1st Inc	22½
Minn. & St. Louis 4s	ofd. 93
Missouri, Kansas & Texas 4s	101⅝
Missouri, Kansas & Texas 2nds	89
National R. R. of Mexico consol 4s	83
New York Central gen. 3½s	98
New Jersey Central gen. 5s	128
Northern Pacific 4s	103
Northern Pacific 3s	76¾
Norfolk & Western consol 4s	100½
Oregon Short Line rfdg 4s	95
Penn. cv. 3½s	89¼
Reading General 4s	100⅝
St. L. & Iron Mountain con. 5s	113¼
St. Louis & San Francisco fg. 4s	85
St. Louis Southwestern con. 4s	78⅞
Seaboard Air Line 4s	86½
Southern Pacific 4s	91⅝
Southern Pacific 1st 4s ctfs	94¼
Southern Railway 5s	117
Texas & Pacific 1sts	123¾
Toledo, St. L. & Western 4s	80¼
Union Pacific 4s	104⅝
Union Pacific cv. 4s	148¼
U. S. Steel 2nd 5s	99⅝
Wabash 1sts	116⅞
Wabash Deb. B	75⅝
Western Md. 4s	84
Wheeling & Lake Erie 4s	89
Wisconsin Central 4s	91
Japan 4s ctfs	83⅝

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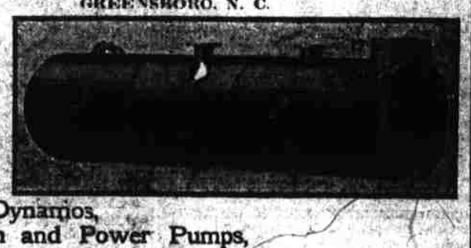
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