

COMMERCE AND FINANCE

COTTON MARKET IS NERVOUS. Business Fairly Active and Prices Weak Under Liquidation and Bear Pressure—Close Steady at Net Decline of 1/4 to 1/2 Cents—Opening Was at Decline of 1/4 to 1/2 Cents—Market Weak—Undertone of Nervousness Continued Throughout Day.

New York, Dec. 3.—The cotton market was very nervous and unsettled during today's trading with business fairly active and prices weak under liquidation and bear pressure. The close was steady but at a net decline of 1/4 to 2/8 points. Sales for the day were estimated at 30,000 bales.

The market opened weak with a decline of 1/4 to 1/2 points in response to lower cables and the bearish construction placed upon crop estimates of 12,400,000 bales by leading Southern authorities. The issuance of December prices representing about 30,000 bales had some influence on the decline and December contracts in New Orleans were relatively weak, adding to the depression here. There was good buying here on a scale down, promoted by the reports of continued liquidation by local longs and selling by outside operators under which prices gradually sagged.

New Orleans Cotton. New Orleans, Dec. 3.—Spot cotton closed quiet, 1/4 to 1/2 points lower. Futures closed steady. Prices ranged as follows: Open High Low Close Dec. 3 11.15 11.25 11.10 11.15 Jan. 11.15 11.25 11.10 11.15 Feb. 11.15 11.25 11.10 11.15

Liverpool Cotton. Liverpool, Dec. 3.—Cotton, spot in fair demand, prices 10 points lower. American middling fair 6 1/4; good middling 6 3/4; middling 6 1/2; low middling 5 3/4; good ordinary 5 1/4; ordinary 5 1/8.

COMPARATIVE PORT RECEIPTS. To-Last Day. Year. Galveston 20,078 20,078 New Orleans 3,915 3,915 Mobile 1,817 1,817 Savannah 2,488 2,488 Charleston 1,228 1,228 Wilmington 1,228 1,228 Boston 1,228 1,228

New York Produce. New York, Dec. 3.—Flour steady but dull. Rye flour firm. Buckwheat flour steady. Rye meal, barley steady. Wheat, spot steady; No. 1 red 79 1/2 elevator. Options unchanged to 1/2 cent lower. May 84 1/2; July 83 1/2; Dec. 83 1/2.

Baltimore Produce. Baltimore, Dec. 3.—Flour steady; winter patent 83.70 to 83.85; spring patent 84.30 to 84.40. Wheat quiet; spot 74 to 74 1/4; southern by sample 87 to 87 1/4.

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WAS SMALL BUYING IN STOCKS

Slight Volume of Dealings in Market Only Effect Perceptible from Bear Prevailing Rate for Call Loans—Appearance of Reduced Strength Throughout.

New York, Dec. 3.—The only effect perceptible from the stiff prevailing rate for call loans today was a slight volume of dealings in the market. There was no apparent inclination to sell stocks as the small buying was, therefore, strictly in speculative prices. The market had an appearance of reduced strength throughout in spite of the dullness. This strength was in evidence from the outset, notwithstanding some degree of apprehension over threatening conditions in the outside market.

Chicago Grain and Provisions. Chicago, Dec. 3.—Increased exports of wheat and flour from United States caused the strength today in the latter part of the wheat market. At the close the May option showed a gain of 1/4 cent, was 1/4 to 1/2. Oats were 1/4 higher. Provisions were 1/2 to 3/4 higher.

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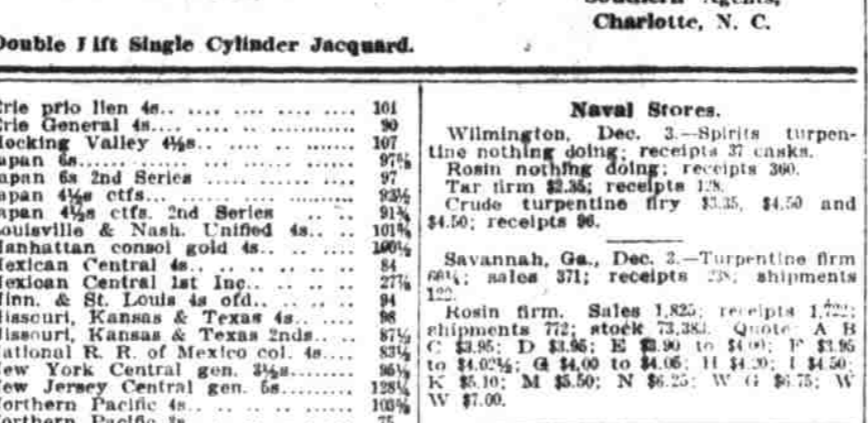
COTTON SEED OIL. New York, Dec. 3.—Cotton seed oil was firm for near months and about steady for late positions. Prime crude f. o. b. mills 20; prime summer yellow f. o. b. prime white nominal; prime winter yellow nominal.

OUTWITS THE SURGEON. A complication of female troubles, with catarrh of the stomach and bowels, had reduced Mrs. Susan S. Austin, of Lowell, N. H., to such a deplorable condition that her doctor advised an operation, but her husband fearing fatal results, postponed this to try Electric Biltz; and to the amazement of all who knew her, this medicine completely cured her. Guaranteed cure for torpid liver, kidney disease, biliousness, audacity, chills and fever, general debility, nervousness and blood poisoning. Best tonic made. Price 50c. at R. H. Jordan & Co.'s drug store. Try it.

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