

COMMERCE AND FINANCE

COTTON DEC 22 TO 16 POINTS

Market Was Quiet and Business Practically Stopped at Mid-Day in Response to Steady Cables and Covering by Local Shorts the Opening Was Steady at Advance of 3/16 to 1/2 Points. Working Up to 4 1/2 to 17 and Sanguine On Few Points to Closing Figures—Little Movement During Last Half of Session.

New York, Dec. 21.—The cotton market was very quiet, business practically stopped at midday. Prices ruled generally steady and the market closed steady at a net advance of 1/16 to 1/2 points. Sales were estimated at 120,000 bales.

New Orleans, Dec. 21.—Cotton, spot closed steady 10 points advance. Middling uplands 10 1/2; middling gulf 10 3/8; sales 1,000. Futures closed steady.

Liverpool, Dec. 21.—Closing: Cotton, spot good business done; prices 6 to 10 points higher; American middling fair 6 3/4; good middling 5 3/4; middling 5 1/2; ordinary 4 1/2.

These prices represent the prices quoted to wagons. Dec. 21.—Closing: Cotton, Good middling 10 1/2; Strict middling 10; Middling 9 1/2; Fine and extra 8 1/2 to 9 1/4.

PORT MOVEMENT. Galveston, steady 10 1/2. New Orleans, steady 10 1/2. Mobile, firm 10 1/2. Savannah, firm 10 1/2.

INTERIOR MOVEMENT. Houston, steady 10 1/2. Memphis, firm 10 1/2. St. Louis, firm 10 1/2. Cincinnati, steady 10 1/2. Louisville, firm 10 1/2.

COMPARATIVE COTTON STATEMENT. New York, Dec. 21.—For the week ending Friday, Dec. 15, 1906.

Table with columns for Net receipts at all U. S. ports, Net receipts at all interior towns, Exports for same week last year, etc.

NEW YORK COTTON BONDS. U. S. refunding 2% coupon 104 1/2. U. S. 4% coupon 102 1/2.

Table with columns for Albany, Atlanta, Birmingham, Charlotte, Columbia, etc., showing cotton receipts.

NEW YORK COTTON RECEIPTS. New York, Dec. 21.—Following are the total net receipts of cotton at all ports since September 1st:

Table with columns for Galveston, New Orleans, Mobile, Savannah, Wilmington, Norfolk, etc., showing cotton receipts.

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New York, Dec. 21.—Flour dull and a shade lower; winter patents 2 1/2 to 2 3/4; Minnesota patents 2 1/2 to 2 3/4.

Wheat, spot irregular. No. 2 red 7 1/4; No. 3 7 1/4; No. 4 7 1/4. Options 4c net decline. May 2 1/2; July 2 1/2; December 2 1/2.

Corn, spot easy. No. 2 33 elevator. Options 4c net lower. January 2 1/2; May 2 1/2.

Cottonseed, mixed 2 1/2 to 3 1/4; best steady. Cutmeats steady. Lard firm; Western prime 2 1/2 to 2 3/4; refined 2 1/2 to 2 3/4.

Chicago Grain and Provisions. Chicago, Dec. 21.—A statement contained in the government crop report that the total yield of oats in this country will be 101,000,000 bushels larger than the previous estimates.

WHEAT—High Low Close. Dec. 21. 1906. 7 1/4 7 1/4 7 1/4. CORN—High Low Close. Dec. 21. 1906. 33 33 33.

Naval Stores. Wilmington, Dec. 21.—Spirits turpentine firm 9 1/2; receipts 25 casks.

The Money Market. New York, Dec. 21.—Money on call firm 4 to 5; ruling rate 5; closing bid 4 1/4; offered 4 1/2.

The Dry Goods Market. New York, Dec. 21.—The dry goods market is still strong and business is being put through on contracts for delivery well into next year.

Sea Island Cotton. Savannah, Ga., Dec. 21.—Sea Island cotton quotations for Florida 27; fancy Georgia 26; extra choice Georgia and Florida 25; choice do 24; extra fine Georgia and Florida 23 to 24; fine do 22 to 23; common do 21 to 22.

Cotton Seed Oil. New York, Dec. 21.—Cotton seed oil was easy under free offerings. Prime crude 1 1/2 to 1 3/4; prime summer yellow 1 1/2; prime white nominal; prime winter yellow nominal.

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