The Morning Star.

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DEADLY COTTON PARALLEL.

The cotton situation grows more interesting every day. The facts about the 1905 crop not only cause deep interest and discussion in the South where the cotton is grown, in the North where a great deal of it is spun, on the New York Cotton Exchange where the speculators gamble on it, but in Europe where more of our cotton is taken than we consume in all the factories of the United States.

The question has even gotten into Congress where it was one of the topics of debate on Wednesday. During the debate Representative Heffin, of Alabama, denounced the Lovering bill calling for a January report on cotton, and introduced a joint resolution condemning the Massachusetts Congressman's bill as "in the interest of stock gamblers and market manipulators." However, that bill had already been put to sleep in committee, largely through the efforts of Representative Webb, of North Carolina, who appeared before the committee and presented telling arguments against it. In that cotton debate another Alabama member, Mr. Bowie, defended the system of cotton reports by the Agricultural Department, and we are sure quite a large number of people in the Cotton Belt will agree with his contentions. It is exactly the position taken by The Star some months ago when there was a proposition to discontinue the government's reports. He remarked that should the Department estimates be abolished, reports would be made by private associations and firms in their own interests, all of which he alleged would be biased. With 80,000 men in the Cotton Belt making reports to the census bureau, he contended, the government can make a more impartial report. That is the precise truth about it, and it is quite easy to observe that people who can get up their own statistics to suit themselves would like to see the government go out of the business.

People who watch the fight between the bulls and bears in New York have hardly failed to notice how frequently the bears twist bull news into bear news to depress the price. This brings us to the point of introducing here a "deadly parallel" which a correspondent of the New Orleans Times-Democrat sends from Baton Rouge, La., to that paper. It hits the nail on the head, and here it is:

"Since Mr. Theodore H. Price has attempted to turn the estimate made by the Government (which was an exceedingly bullish report —10,167,000) into a bearish document, by comparisons with the actual amount of cotton ginned to December 1, I propose to take up where he left off and analyze that part of the government's estimate and the census report of cotton ginned to December 1, and show that Mr. Price is a manipulator of figures of no ordinary mean, and that in order to depress prices he uses those figures that suit his purpose best, as follows: In his letter of December 8, Mr. Price says: 'That the quantity of cotton ginned in the States of North and South Carolina, Oklahoma and Georgia, up to the first of December, exceeds the bureau estimate of the yield for the entire season in those States,' etc., in which he is correct, as the following figures show:

	Estimate.	Ginned.
North Carolina	545,000	573,000
South Carolina	995,000	992,000
Oklahoma	231,000	230,000
Georgia	1,564,000	1,561,000
Total	3,335,000	3,356,000

"Amount ginned in excess of estimate in four States 21,000 bales.

"Now, for the purpose of analyzing the entire estimate and the bureau we submit herewith the estimates made by States, the amount ginned by each to December 1, and the percentage to be ginned by each in order to equal the government's estimate of 10,167,000:

	Estimate.	Ginned.	P. c. to be ginned
Ala.	1,266,000	1,066,000	20
Ark.	636,000	422,000	51
I. T.	324,000	246,000	31
La.	555,000	362,000	53
Tenn.	235,000	203,000	16
Tex.	2,382,000	2,075,000	14.8
Va. & Ark.	16,000	13,000	23
Fla.	77,000	65,000	20
Mo.	40,000	30,000	33 1-3
Miss.	1,212,000	840,000	44
	6,745,000	5,322,000	

"In other words, in those States not referred to by Mr. Price, and in which States the government has estimated 6,745,000 bales, there has been ginned to December 1, 5,322,000 bales, and in which it will be necessary to gin after December 1, 26.8 per cent of the entire amount ginned to that date in order to make good the government's estimate.

"Does anyone in the South believe that there is 26.8 per cent. of the 1905-6 crop left in the fields after December 1?

"Again, Mr. Price says: 'There were ginned after December 1, 1904, 2,343,000 bales.' That being so, and the crop having been 13,555,000 bales, there was left in the fields to be ginned after December 1, 1904, 17.3 per cent. of the entire crop for that year, yet he attempts to prove by partial figures that there will be more than 26.8 per cent to be ginned this year after December 1.

"I submit the facts without comment, and challenge contradiction as to correctness of figures.

"CHAS. GOTTLIEB."

CURRENT COMMENT

—Senator Simmons displays his usual political sagacity in allowing the other fellow to do the talking anent his successor.—Salisbury Post.

—The Rollins-Butler paper published at Greensboro is a good one, but it would require a microscope to discover its politics.—Mount Airy Leader (Rep.)

—We don't happen to know just what Mr. Roosevelt's opinion of his North Carolina party leaders has been, but it is safe to say that after he has heard fully from the two factions he will not be very greatly elated over the prospects of building up a strong Republican party in this State.—Charlotte Observer.

—The establishment of a series of special courses for cotton mill men, by the Agricultural and Mechanical College, at Raleigh, is a progressive step. It opens a new door of opportunity in the State. Heretofore our people have had to go out of the State to receive instruction, now provided by these courses, and this opportunity will no doubt be taken advantage of by large classes.—Charlotte Chronicle.

—While we are worrying about how to get enough money to run the State on a cash basis, Alabama is discussing what it shall do with the surplus, and it is proposed to call an extra session of the legislation to consider the question. Fortunate is a State where the treasury has all necessary funds to meet expenses. When a surplus arises the question ought not be how to invest it, but how to get rid of it by reducing taxation.—Columbia Record.

—We learn that Congressman Chas. R. Thomas, from the district, has introduced a bill in Congress which provides for the holding of two terms of Federal Court each year in Goldsboro. We are not informed sufficiently to express an opinion as to the benefit that will accrue from the above if the bill should pass, but we have sufficient confidence in Congressman Thomas to believe that it is to the interest of our people, and therefore we hope the measure will go through—Mount Olive Tribune.

TWINKLINGS.

Pat—The throuble wid Dugan is he has no backbone. Mike—Faith, he has backbone enough if he's only bring it to the front.—

—"Is your husband even-tempered," "Yes," answered Mrs. Wurryd. "He's just about as irritable one day as another."—New York American.

—She—I'd like to sing, but there are so many people here. He—Oh, don't be bashful. You just wait till you begin and there won't be so many. —Judge.

—Goodfellow—Say what you will, we Americans admire commercial integrity. We all bow to honesty. Cynicus—Yes, bow to it and pass on.—Boston Transcript.

—"Yes; we elected Mrs. Milyons president of the Club, thinking she would give us something handsome—" "And—" "Well, she gave us a portrait of herself."—Puck.

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COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

(Quoted officially at the closing by the Chamber of Commerce.)

STAR OFFICE, Dec. 21, 1905.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market. Steady, 63.

ROSIN—Market firm at $3.30 per barrel.

TAR—Market firm at $1.80 per barrel of 280 pounds.

CRUDE TURPENTINE — Market firm at $2.80 per barrel for hard, $4.50 for dip, and $4.50 for Virgin.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine, steady, 49½c.; rosin, steady, $2.40; tar, firm at $1.60; crude turpentine, firm at $2.30 and $3.60.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	97
Rosin	35
Tar	253
Crude	156

Receipts same day last year—22 casks spirits turpentine, 71 barrels rosin, 65 barrels tar, 95 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market—Nominal.

Same day last year—Nominal.

Receipts—955 bales; same day last year, 674 bales.

COUNTRY PRODUCE

(Corrected Regularly by Wilmington Produce Commission Merchants, prices representing those paid for produce consigned to Commission Merchants.)

PEANUTS—North Carolina, (new) Prime, 80c.; extra prime 85c.; fancy 90c., per bushel of twenty-eight pounds. Virginia—Prime, 55c.; extra prime, 60c.; fancy, 66c.; Spanish (new), 85@90c.

CORN—Firm; 70@75c. per bushel for white.

N. C. BACON—Steady, hams, 15 to 16c. per pound; shoulders, 11 to 12; sides dull, 11 to 12.

EGGS—Firm, 26 to 27 per dozen.

CHICKENS—Dull, Springs, 15c. to 25c.; Grown, 30 to 35.

BEESWAX—Firm, at 26@27c.

TALLOW—Firm at 4 1-2@5c. per pound.

SWEET POTATOES—Firm at 50c @55c. per bushel.

BEEF CATTLE—Dull at 2 to 3 1-2c., pound.

TURKEYS—Firm, 15c for live; dressed, 20@22c.

HIDES—Dry salted, 12c.; green, 8c. per pound.

PORK—Firm 6 to 7c.; hams, 12 1-2.

THE COTTON MARKETS.

New York, Dec. 21.—The cotton market to-day was less active. Outside business was very light on the eve of the holidays, and with local professionals hammering prices in the hope of catching stop loss orders, the market was generally weak and closed at a net decline of 14 to 17 points. Sales were estimated at 350,000 bales. The opening was steady at a decline of 3 to 6 points which was considerably better than due on the cables. Due to come about unchanged, Liverpool was 12 points lower at the hour of the local opening and private cabes reported that a bearish construction was placed on the ginners' report of yesterday. There was some support here from Wall street and Southern bulls on the call but there was no general demand and local professionals became very aggressive sellers shortly after the opening in an evident effort to shake out minor long interests before the holidays. There was little indication of forced liquidation as the market worked downward but nether did the decline attract much fresh buying, and in the afternoon prices showed a net loss of about 22 to 24 points on the active months with March selling at 11.22. In the late session covering by early sellers caused some rally but the market showed little snap and the recovery was limited to a matter of 7 or8 points from the [illegible]. The final tone was [illegible] steady. The weather South was wet and receipts light. Southern spot markets are generally unchanged.

Receipts at the ports today were 25,057 bales against 33,037 last week and 46,136 last year. For the week (estimated) 230,000 bales against 256,717 last week and 301,618 last year. Today's receipts at New Orleans, 4,353 bales against 17,558 last year, and at Houston, 6,964 bales against 4,050 bales last year.

Spot cotton closed quiet, 20 points lower. Middling uplands, 12.10; middling gulf, 12.30; sales 750 bales.

Futures opened steady. December, 11.56; January, 11.62; March, 11.92; April, 12.01 bid; May, 12.12; July, 12.18; August, 12.00@12.10; September offered, 11.10; October, 11.00 bid.

Futures closed dull but steady. December, 11.47; January, 11.53; February, 11.67; March, 11.84; April, 11.91; May, 11.99; June, 12,05; August, 11.87; October, 10.97.

Port Movement.

Galveston—Quiet, 11 15-16c.; net receipts, 9,282 bales.

New Orleans—Easy, 12c.; net receipts, 4,353 bales.

Mobile—Easy, 11 3-4c.; net receipts, 741 bales.

Savannah—Quiet, 11 11-16c.; net receipts, 4,689 bales.

Charleston—Quiet, 11 1-2c.; net receipts, 170 bales.

Wilmington—Nominal; net receipts, 955 bales.

Norfolk—Steady, 11 7-8c.; net receipts, 3,511 bales.

Baltimore—Nominal, 11 7-8c. n

New York—Quiet, 12.10; net receipts, 50 bales.

Boston—Quiet, 12.10; net receipts, 1,034 bales.

Philadelphia—Quiet, 12.39; net receipts, 182 bales.

Miscellaneous — Net receipts, 120 bales.

Total to-day, at all ports—Net, 25,057 bales; Great Britain, 15,126 bales; France, 267 bales; Continent, 28,201 bales; Stock, 1,125,566 bales.

Consolidated, at all ports—Net, 200,834 bales; Exports: Great Britain, 73,846 bales; France, 19,426 bales; Continent, 105,508 bales; Japan, 10,332 bales.

Total since September 1st, at all ports—Net, 4,808,686 bales; Exports: Great Britain, 1,463,115 bales; France, 451,247 bales; Continent, 1,255,221 bales; Japan, 31,503 bales; Mexico, 964 bales.

Interior Movement.

Houston—Quiet, 11 15-16c.; net receipts, 6,964 bales.

Augusta—Quiet, 11 3-4c.; net receipts, 586 bales.

Memphis—Steady, 11 13-16c.; net receipts, 2,946 bales.

St. Louis—Quiet, 12c.; net receipts, 901 bales.

Cincinnati—Net receipts, 1,287 bales.

Louisville—Firm, 12c.

Liverpool Cotton Market.

Liverpool, Dec. 21.—Cotton.—Spot quiet, prices 6 points lower; American middling fair, 6.86d.; good middling, 6.52d.; middling, 6.34d.; low middling, 6.18d.; good ordinary, 6d.; ordinary, 5.84d.

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LEE H. PERRY.

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 13, 1904.

Send names and addresses of those who may be benefitted to the Keeley Institute, Greensboro, N. C.,

The sales of the day were 7,000 bales, of which 500 were for speculation and export and included 6,600 American. Receipts 2,000 bales including 1,800 American.

Futures opened easy and closed barely steady. American middling G. O. C: December, 6.15d.; December and January, 6.15d.; January and February, 6.17d.; February and March, 6.21d.; March and April, 6.25d.; April and May, 6.28d.; May and June, 6.31d.; June and July, 6.23d.; July and August, 6.33d.; August and September, 6.24d.; September and October, 5.92d.; October and November, 5.85d.

NEW YORK FINANCIAL

New York, Dec. 21.—Money on call strong, 9@15 per cent., ruling rate 12, closing bid 8, offered at 9c. Time loans firm; sixty days, ninety days and six months, 6 per cent. Prime mercantile, 5 1-2@6 per cent.; sterling exchange easy with actual business in bankers bills at 486.25@486.30 for demand and at 482.80@482.85 for sixty day bills. Posted rates, 483 1-2 and 486 1-2@487. Commercial bills, 482 1-2. Bar silver, 65 1-2. Mexican dollars, 50 1-4.

N. Y. Bonds.

U. S. refunding, 2s reg	102 3-4
U. S. refunding 2s, cou	103 1-4
U. S. 3s reg	102 3-4
U. S. 3s cou	102 3-4
U S. old, 4s reg	102 3-4
U. S. old, 4s, cou	103 3-4
U. S. New 4s, reg	130 1-4
U. S. New 4s. cou	130 1-2
American Tobacco, 4s cert.	80 1-4
American Tobacco, 5s cert.	115
Atlantic Coast Line, 4s	101 5-8
Baltimore & Ohio	103 1-2
L. & N. Unified, 4s	105 7-8
Seaboard Air Line, off'd	89 1-2
Southern Railway, 5s	121 1-8
U. S. Steel, 2d 5s	96 5-8

Closing Stock List.

Amalgamated Copper	98 1-4
American Sugar Refining	150 1-4
American Tobacco, pfd., cert.	105
Atlantic Coast Line	160 1-2
Baltimore & Ohio	111 5-8
Baltimore & Ohio, pfd	97 3-4
Chesapeake & Ohio	54 1-4
Louisville & Nashville	151 1-8
Manhattan L.	162
New York Central	151 1-8
Norfolk & Western	83 1-2
Norfolk & Western, pfd.,	93 1-8
People's Gas	99 7-8
Reading	136 1-2
Reading, 1st pfd.,	91 3-4
Reading, 2nd pfd.,	95
Southern Pacific	65 1-8
Southern Pacific, pfd.,	122
Southern Railway	34 7-8
Southern Railway, pfd	99 7-8
enn., Coal & Iron	138 1-2
U. S. Steel	37 7-8
U. S. Steel, pfd	104 1-8
Va.-Car. Chemical	45 7-8
Va.-Car. Chemical, pfd	115 3-8
S. A. L., com.	34 1-2 to 35
S. A. L., pfd. bid,	52 1-2
Standard Oil	677
Western Union	92 5-8

CHICAGO PRODUCE MARKET

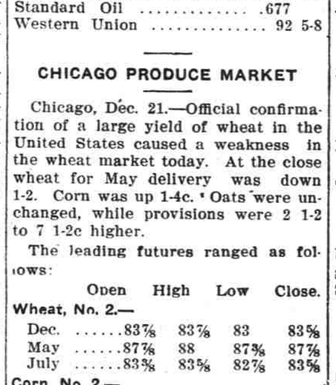
Chicago, Dec. 21.—Official confirmation of a large yield of wheat in the United States caused a weakness in the wheat market today. At the close wheat for May delivery was down 1-2. Corn was up 1-4c. Oats were unchanged, while provisions were 2 1-2 to 7 1-2c higher.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

	Open	High	Low	Close.
Wheat, No. 2.—				
Dec.	83⅞	83⅞	83	83⅝
May	87⅞	88	87⅜	87⅞
July	83⅜	83⅝	82⅞	83⅝
Corn, No. 2.—				
Dec., old	.50	50	49	50
Dec., new	.45½	45½	44⅝	45¼
May	44⅛	44⅜	44⅛	44⅜
July	44⅜	44⅝	44½	44⅝
Oats, No. 2.—				
Dec.	30½	30⅝	30½	30⅝
May	31⅞	32	31⅜	32
July	30⅜	30½	30¼	30½
Lard, per 100 lbs.—				
Jan.	13.37½	13.47½	13.35	13.47½
May	13.50	13.62½	13.50	13.62½
Mess Pork, per bbl.—				
Dec.	7.40	7.45	7.40	7.45
Jan.	7.35	7.40	7.32½	7.40
May	7.32½	7.42½	7.32½	7.42½
Short Ribs, per 100 lbs.—				
Jan.	7.00	7.05	6.97½	7.05
May	7.17½	7.25	7.15	7.25
July	7.30	7.35	7.30	7.35

Cash quotations were as follows:

Flour, easy; No. 2 spring wheat, 85@86 1-2; No. 3 spring wheat, 82@86; No. 2 red, 87 1-4@88; No. 2 corn, 50 1-4@50 1-2; No. 2 yellow, 50 1-4@50 1-2; No. 2 oats, 30 5-8; No. 2 white, 32 1-4; No. 3 white, 29 1-2@31 1-2; No. 2 rye, 65@66; Mess Pork, per bbl., 12.75@12.80; Lard, per 100 lbs., 7.42 1-2@7.45; Short ribs sides (loose), 6.90@7.05; Short clear sides (boxed), 7.12 1-2@7.25; Whiskey, basis of high wines, 1.30.



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NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKET

New York, Dec. 21.—Flour dull and steady.

RYE FLOUR—Quiet.

BUCKWHEAT FLOUR—Dull.

WHEAT—Spot easy. No. 2 red, 91 5-8 elevator. Options 1-4c lower to 1-8c higher. May, 92 1-8; July, 88 1-8; December, 95 1-4.

CORN—Spot steady. No. 2, 58 elevator. Options partly 1-8c net higher. January, 53 5-8; May, 50 1-8; July, 50 3-8; December, 56 7-8.

OATS—Spot steady; mixed, 37@37 1-2.

LARD—Easy; western steamed, 7.85; refined barely steady; continent, 8.00; compound, 5 5-8@5 7-8.

PORK—Easy; mess, 14.50@14.75.

TALLOW—Steady.

COTTON SEED OIL—Moderately active at steady prices. Prices crude f. o. b. mills, 22 1-2 to 23; prime summer yellow, 29 1-4@29 3-4; prime white and winter yellow, 31 1-2@32.

POTATOES—Irish easy, unchanged; sweets steady. Jersey per barrel 1.50@3.00.

FREIGHTS—Steady, unchanged.

PEANUTS—Steady, unchanged.

CABBAGES—Slow, unchanged.

BUTTER—Firm; common to extra, 16@25.

CHEESE—Steady, unchanged.

EGGS—Firm, unchanged.

RICE—Steady.

MOLASSES—Firm.

COFFEE—Spot Rio quiet; mild easy. Futures quiet at a decline of 5@10 points.

SUGAR—Raw strong; fair refining, 3 1-8; centrifugal 96 test, 3 5-8; molasses sugar, 2 5-8. Refined steady.

NAVAL STORES.

New York, Dec. 21.—Turpentine dull at 66 1-2 to 67 asked; rosin quiet, strained common to good, 3.50 to 3.60.

Savannah, Dec. 21.—Turpentine firm 63 1-2; sales 1,441; receipts 630; shipments, 141.

Rosin dull; no sales; receipts 1,641; shipments 6,723. Quote: A. B. C., 3.60; D., 3.65; E., 3.75; F., 3.80; G., 3.85; H., 3.90; I., 3.95; K., 4.07 1-2; M., 4.67 1-2; N., 5.05; W. G., 5.30; W. W., 5.55.

Charleston, Dec. 21.—Turpentine firm, 64; sales none.

Rosin firm; sales none. Quote: A. B. C., 2.85; D., 2.90; E., 2.95; F., 3.00; G., 3.10; H., 3.20; I., 3.50; K., 3.97 1-2; M., 4.47 1-2; N., 4.85; W. G., 5.10; W. W., 5.35.

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List of Vessels Now in Port of Wilmington, N. C.

Steamers.

Ribera (Br), 2,252 tons, Hurford, Heide & Co.

Hesleyside (Br) 1.687 tons, Bedlington, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Cairndon (Br.) 1,732 tons, Askby, Heide & Co.

Brighton (Br.) 2,273 tons, Kragh, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Ships.

Fitzjames (Br.), 1,831 tons, Fearson, Heide & Co.

Barques.

Nordenskjold, (Nor.), 695 tons, Hasse, Heide & Co.

Schooners.

Jno. S. Deering, 397 tons, Gamage, C. D. Maffitt

F. & T. Lupton, 797 tons, ongstreet, C. D. Maffitt.

Judge Boyce, 558 tons, Eskridge, C. D. Maffitt.

Mabel Darling (Br) 111 tons, Saunders, J. A. Springer & Co.

Carrie A. Bucknam, 235 tons, Torrey, C. D. Maffitt.

Alice J. Crabtree, 325 tons, Crabtree, C. D. Maffitt.

Maggie S. Hart, 591 tons, Farrow, C. D. Maffitt.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 21, 1905.

C. C. Railroad—134 bales cotton; 92 barrels tar; 12 barrels crude turpentine.

W. & W. Railroad—159 bales cotton; 18 barrels crude turpentine.

W. C. & A. Railroad—632 bales cotton; 6 casks spirits turpentine; 35 barrels rosin; 121 barrels tar; 112 barrels crude turpentine.

Stmr. Whitlock—14 barrels crude turpentine.

Stmr. Johnson—71 casks spirits turpentine; 40 barrels tar.

Stmr. Duplin—30 bales cotton; 20 casks spirits turpentine.

Total—955 bales cotton; 97 casks spirits turpentine; 35 barrels rosin; 253 barrels tar; 156 barrels crude turpentine.

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Rates via Seaboard Account of Christmas Holidays.

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FOR THE PUBLIC.

Rate of one and one-third first-class fares, plus twenty-five (25) cents, (minimum rate fifty (50) cents) to all points east of the Mississippi and south of the Ohio and Potomac rivers, including Washington, D. C., and to St. Louis, Mo., and intermediate points on the Frisco System, Louisville and Nashville R. R., Illinois Central R. R., Mobile and Ohio R. R., and the Southern railway.

Dates of sale—December 22nd, 23rd, 24th, 25th, 30th and 31st, 1905, and January 1st, 1906.

Final limit—Continuous passage in each direction final limit January 4th, 1905.

FOR STUDENTS AND TEACHERS.

For teachers and students of schools and colleges, same rate will apply as shown above, to points in the territory of the Southeastern Passenger Association, on presentation and surrender of certificates signed by the Superintendent, Principal or President of the school or college.

For teachers and students, rate of one and one-third fare for the round trip will also apply to points in the territory of the Southwestern Excursion Bureau and Western Passenger Association (i. e., all points in Texas, Arkansas, Indian Territory, Oklahoma Territory, Kansas and Colorado, east of and including Denver, Col., and Cheyenne, Wyo., up to Chicago, Peoria and St. Louis, Mo., and to all points in the territory of the Central Passenger Association, (i. e., all points north of the Ohio and Potomac rivers between a line drawn from St. Louis to Chicago on the west, and from Buffalo through Salamanca, N. Y., Pittsburg, Pa. Wheeling and Parkersburg, W. Va. on the east). Rates to these points will not apply to teachers or students of preparatory, public or high schools.

Date of sale—December 17th to 24th inclusive.

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