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### TODAY'S MARKETS

#### COTTON

New Orleans Times-Democrat's Summary.

Furnished by Gilbert and Clay of New Orleans, La.

New Orleans, Feb. 10.—Yesterday's market was a very dull one, very narrow and very uninteresting affair. It was a case of suspended animation, all along. Recent records in small proportions were broken. Pending week and comparisons attracted little interest and almost no comment. The rings were listless, therefore fluctuations were unimportant. There was not enough business doing to draw much in the way of trouble from either side of the account. The selling of forward commitments of the decline having been in some volume, actually cotton differences will probably widen in favor of the better grades, though it is extremely difficult to locate tangible hope of early speculative support. Thus far, buyers have not encountered any particular aggressiveness on the part of holders to sell out, but it is now fully evident that the desire of the southern bankers generally to shake off some of the load they are carrying will keep cotton moving in sufficient quantities to supply the hand to mouth requirements of the consumers until some sort of an idea of new crop prospects can be had. The week end figures should be construed bullishly.

#### New York Sun Cotton Summary.

New York, Feb. 10.—It was a small market, but what there was of it was for a time plainly weak, for Liverpool was disappointing, receipts were large and tired bulls were again liquidating both in this country and across the water. Talk to the effect that Mr. Jordan was consulting with people in Wall Street, about underwriting some millions of bales had no effect. People simply laugh at the idea of such a scheme. But they do not laugh at the reports of a better spot demand at the South, nor the rather significant buying by spot houses, nor the change of fruit by some operators recently bearish who have now taken the opposite tack solely because of a greater disposition on the part of the spinners to buy. Then, too, although the crop movement is at present large, some believe that in a short time the statistics will begin to look decidedly more bullish. Yesterday, however, what with bad wires, and an indisposition to trade heavily on the holiday, the trading was not at all heavy. The only noteworthy event was an apparently better tone in the afternoon, due to more cheerful spot news from the South.

#### No Let-Up.

From the Philadelphia Ledger.

Lovett—You don't believe in divorce, then?

Hayter—No, sir, I've got too much spirit blood.

Lovett—What has that to do with it?

Hayter—I believe in a fight to the finish.

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### STOCKS

New York Sun Summary Stock.

Furnished by Gilbert and Clay of New Orleans, La.

New York, Feb. 10.—The stock market as a whole did not seem to respond in as buoyant fashion as might have been imagined to the great advance in the Northern Pacific, and Great Northern preferred shares, while the rally in prices which set in Thursday afternoon, was continued in our stock in the London market before the beginning of business here. The London, Berlin and Paris markets were as regards their own stocks inclined to heaviness, and in London the downward movement in Kaffir securities which has for some time been in progress was carried on rather actively. On our own exchange opening prices were generally at an advance, but soon succumbed under liquidation, and the market for a time was, despite the large buying of Great Northern and Northern Pacific almost weak. As, however, the rise in Northern Pacific and Great Northern proceeded, the room trading speculators began to cover their commitments for the fall, and purchases of this sort were in evidence throughout the day, although they were by no means urgently conducted. Reading stocks was rather an especial feature of strength, although there was no news received bearing one way or the other upon the coal strike.

Achison	91 1/2
Achison Pfd.	103 1/2
Baltimore & O.	113 1/2
Canadian Pacific	174 1/2
Chesapeake & Ohio	59 1/2
Chicago & Alton	58 1/2
Chicago & Great Western	21 1/2
Erie	45 1/2
Erie Pfd.	78 1/2
Rock Island	26 1/2
Illinois Central	176 1/2
Louisville & Nashville	150 1/2
Manhattan	160 1/2
Mexican Central	25 1/2
Missouri Pacific	101 1/2
Missouri Kansas & T.	36 1/2
New York Central	150 1/2
Norfolk & Western	8 1/2
Ontario & Western	52 1/2
Pennsylvania	141 1/2
Reading	140 1/2
Reading Pfd.	184 1/2
St. Paul	184 1/2
Southern Pacific	67 1/2
Southern Railway	45 1/2
Southern Railway Preferred	100 1/2
Texas & Pacific	33 1/2
Union Pacific	155 1/2
Wabash	24 1/2
Wabash Pfd.	47 1/2
Amalgamated Copper	114 1/2
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	84 1/2
Colorado Fuel & Iron	17 1/2
Con Gas	17 1/2
Peoples Gas	9 1/2
Sugar	14 1/2
Sloss Iron & Steel	12 1/2
Tennessee Coal & Iron	156 1/2
United States Leather	12 1/2
United States Steel	44 1/2
United States Steel Preferred	109 1/2
Western Union	93 1/2
Virginia Carolina Chemical	5 1/2
Va. Carolina Chemical Pfd.	5 1/2

New Orleans Cotton.			
	High	Low	Close
Feb.	1068		
Mar.	1082	1077	1082@1083
Apr.			1093@1097
May	1102	1096	1101@1102
June			1106@1108
July	1113	1006	112@1113
Aug.			1099
Sept.	1032	1030	1032@1034
Oct.			1037
Nov.			1037@1037
Dec.			1037@1037

Liverpool Cotton.			
	High	Low	Close
Jan-Feb			574
Feb.-Mar.			576
Mar.-Apr.			578
Apr.-May			581
May-June			584
June-July			587
July-Aug.			588
Aug-Sept.			584
Sept-Oct.			567
Oct-Nov.			562
Nov-Dec.			561
Futures opened steady, closed steady; receipts, 3000; American, —; sales 10000; American 9000; middling today, 588; yesterday 587; tone spots steady.			

Charlotte Cotton Market.			
	High	Low	Close
Good Middling			1160
Strict Middling			1030
Middling			1090
Fines and Stains			9% @ 10%

#### Chicago Grain and Produce.

WHEAT—			
	High	Low	Close
Sept.	83 1/2	82 1/2	83 1/2
July	84 1/2	84	84 1/2
May	85 1/2	85	85 1/2
CORN—			
July	44 1/2	44	44
Sept.	44 1/2	44 1/2	44 1/2
May	43 1/2	43 1/2	44 1/2
OATS—			
Sept.	28 1/2	28 1/2	28 1/2
July	29 1/2	29 1/2	29 1/2
May	30 1/2	30 1/2	30 1/2
PORK—			
Feb.	1510	1497	1500
May	1495	1482	1487
LARD—			
July	790	787	787
May	780	775	775
RIBS—			
July	797	787	787
May	805	797	797

Bank Statement.	
Reserve, Dec	\$5,184,150
Loans, U. S., Dec	5,179,535
Loans, Inc.	4,632,100
Specie, Dec	1,597,600
Legals, Dec	3,699,500
Deposits, Dec	452,200
Circulation, Dec	529,100

#### TWO CENT FARE IN OHIO.

Columbus, Ohio, Feb. 10.—Gov. Patterson this afternoon signed the Freiner 2-cent fare bill which was accepted by the Senate to-day, and it is now a law that will go into effect in thirty days. The law provides that 2 cents shall be the maximum rate charged in Ohio for transporting passengers on the railroad of Ohio for all distances in excess of five miles.

Only one vote was recorded against the new law.

#### New York Journal of Commerce Dry Goods Summary.

Furnished by Gilbert and Clay of New Orleans, La.

New York, Feb. 10.—From now on the holiday on Monday, will undoubtedly be a feature to a large extent in the dry goods market. The market, it must be said, is on a more favorable basis than a fortnight ago. Business has been slightly freer with less successful effort on the part of the buyers to secure concessions. The report of export business has also had a helpful influence, and although there may have been more or less exaggeration in the statements regarding sales made, yet there would seem to be sufficient warrant for declaring that the business which has been done is likely to affect the general market in a favorable way to a limited degree, and if a general movement should develop the buying would be a most salutary influence on the general conditions, affecting prices for a long time to come. Prices for nearly all lines offered. It might be possible to secure slight concessions on distant deliveries in some instances, but the buyer is not willing to operate so far ahead, so that any possible weakness in this direction can be entirely neglected in an analysis of the situation.

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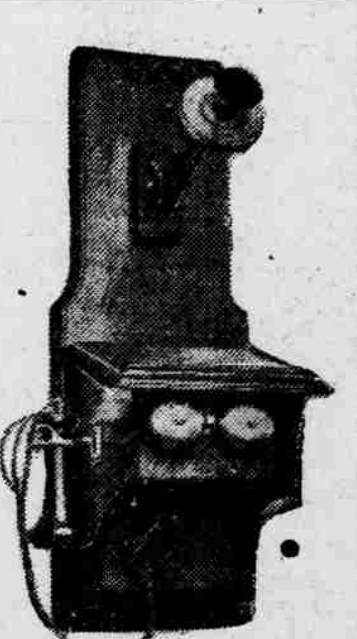
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