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Itching, scaly, bleeding palms, shapeless nails, and painful finger ends, pimples, blackheads, oily, mothy skin, dry, thin, and falling hair, itching, scaly scalps, all yield quickly to warm baths with CUTICURA SOAP, and gentle anointings with CUTICURA (ointment), the great skin cure.

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Sick Headache and relieve all the troubles incident to a bilious state of the system, such as Dizziness, Nausea, Drowsiness, Distress after eating, Pain in the Side, &c. While their most remarkable success has been shown in curing

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CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS are very small and very easy to take. One or two pills make a dose. They are strictly vegetable and do not gripe or purge, but by their gentle action please all who use them. In vials at 25 cents; five for $1. Sold everywhere, or sent by mail.

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EVERY LOSS SUSTAINED BY THE Carolina Insurance Company in Wilmington has been paid in full and the Company refers to any one who has held its policies as to its methods of settlement. Among those who have collected losses from the Company since the first of January are the following: Mrs. E. R. Daggett, J. H. Durham, Belden & Howey, C. W. Polvogt & Co., S. P. McNair, Rheinstein Dry Goods Company, D. P. Bland, Thos. S. Evans, Emma J. Motte, J. H. Gore, Mrs. Amelia Shutte.

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**DIVIDEND NOTICE.**

OFFICE OF
VIRGINIA-CAROLINA CHEMICAL CO.,
RICHMOND, VA., March 30th, 1897.

The Board of Directors of the Virginia-Carolina Chemical Company have this day declared a quarterly dividend of Two Per Cent (2 per cent.) on the Company's PREFERRED STOCK same being Quarterly Dividend No. 6, for quarter ending March 31st, 1897, payable on and after April 15th, 1897, to all stockholders of record of April 10th, 1897, from which date to April 15th inclusive, the books of the Company will be closed for the transfer of Preferred Stock.

JAMES G. TINSLEY,
Treasurer.

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I am meeting the present disastrously low prices advertised with

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With which to prepare that old time Breakfast standby, Cod Fish Balls. A few extra nice Mixed Nuts.

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Trade Mark. BIG G. CURES in 1 to 5 days. Guaranteed not to stricture. Prevents contagion. THE EVANS CHEMICAL CO. CINCINNATI, O. U. S. A. Price $1.00.

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# The Messenger.

## PUBLIC OPINION.

As the facts surrounding Mr. Cleveland's raid upon the civil service are becoming better known, the indignation of the Republican Congressmen is growing. There have been several outbursts in the house against the civil service laws, while the senate is just about angry enough to repeal the whole batch of them. For this state of things Mr. Cleveland is responsible. He introduced a spoils system under the guise of reform, and there is an ardent desire to overthrow what he accomplished.—Philadelphia Enquirer.

We see that a number of our weekly exchanges are actually using "plate" or "patent" editorials! Great God! what a monstrous degradation of the press is this! Reform this; reform it,—reform it at once and altogether. Better have no editorials than these canned products. It not only degrades journalism, but the man who engages in using it, or who allows or countenances it; and whenever we see a sheet with these frauds usurping the place—the sanctum sanctorum—of free thought, free speech and a free press, we are forced to believe that man responsible for this desecartion must be an ex-junk-dealer, or a huckster of rotten fish.—Norfolk Pilot.

The Massachusetts House of Representatives has done a surprising thing in refusing by a vote of 66 to 21, to pass a resolution asking congress to take action in behalf of the Cubans. It is surprising, because it is the first of its kind. No other legislative body in any state has voted down such a resolution. But this vote does not imply any lack of sympathy on the part of the men who cast it, or the people behind them, with the cause of the Cuban insurgents. In Massachusetts, as in every other state in the Union, the people, without distinction of party, give their sympathy and good wishes to the oppressed in every land. There, as in every other commonwealth, the desire of the masses, including all the classes, is that the Cubans may gain their independence.—Washington Post.

The controversies and bickerings among the Republican representatives in Congress over the preposterously high rates of duty proposed in the wool schedule of the Dingley Tariff bill show that the war between the wool growers and the woolen manufacturers still continues. The Ways and Means Committee has not been able to compose the quarrel by the practical readoption of the McKinley rates, with a few vicious changes for the worse. Robbers can seldom agree on the division of the spoils either before hand or after the robbery. How the republican leaders can expect a feature of the tariff to stand which has twice been overwhelmingly condemned by the popular vote, and which fails to satisfy the special interests in whose behalf it has been arranged, is more than the onlookers can understand. Solomon declared that there were four things too wonderful for him to explain: (1) "The way of an eagle in air: (2) the way of a serpent upon a rock; (3) the way of a ship upon the sea; and (4) the way of a man with a maid." Had Solomon been a witness of the methods of constructing protective tariffs in the United States he would have enlarged his list of things inscrutable.—Philadelphia Record.

### Sylvester Scovell Married

St. Louis, April 5.—Sylvester Scovell, of Cleveland, Ohio, the Cuban correspondent of The New York World, who was recently released from a Spanish prison, was married today to Miss Frances Cabanne at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Cabanne. Mr. and Mrs. Scovell will leave this week for Athens, where the former will act as a war correspondent for The World.


**DYSPEPSIA DID IT**

**Weakened One Man's Constitution Until It Brought Him to Death's Door.**

Mr. James S. Harrison, a well-known and highly respected citizen of Cleveland, O., was for years a sufferer from dyspepsia and general debility, and in his weakened condition, resulting from the above causes, he had the additional ill-luck to fall a victim to malaria from this complication of disorders. Mr. Harrison's condition was becoming very serious, when he commenced to take P. P. P., Lippman's Great Remedy. Its effects were marked and immediate. Read his letter to us. Its earnestness is apparent:

GENTLEMEN: For the benefit of all suffering from dyspepsia and general debility I beg to submit my testimonial as to the efficacy of your P. P. P., Lippman's Great Remedy, as a positive cure for all the distressing complaints from which I suffered.

My system was also full of Malaria and my condition was growing very serious; I had no appetite, was losing strength and was completely broken down in health, but now my health is completely restored, and I can eat like a field laborer, without the slightest fear of any serious results.

I take great pleasure in telling the world that P. P. P. did the grand work of restoring me to my accustomed health.

Yours truly,
JAMES S. HARRISON,
Cleveland, O.

If you get up feeling tired and stupid, P. P. P. should be taken—it will make you feel well.

P. P. P. cures eczema, that torturing, itching disease of the skin and blood. If your blood is kept pure, you will not be disfigured with pimples, boils and blotches.

P. P. P. is the deadly foe and vanquisher of rheumatism. Its effects are immediate and lasting, and it not only relieves, but permanently cures.

Scrofula, which is hereditary and deep-seated in the blood can be cured by P. P. P. It is the one and only positive cure for this dread disease.

Sufferers from kidney troubles find immediate relief when they take P. P. P. as it cures all irregularities and restores to nature her proper functions.

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## NORTH CAROLINA

Winston shipped 1,332,769 pounds of manufactured tobacco during March.

At Roanoke Rapids, the Roanoke Mills Company contemplates increasing its mill from 12,000 to 20,000 spindles.

A man who knows a great deal about such matters, tells The Observer that there are now in operation within a radius of seven miles around Fayetteville twenty-six moonshine stills.

The late William Mahone owned considerable stock in the Water Power Company at Weldon. His stock was sold a few days ago and brought $135 per share. The par value was $100.

At Tyron, L. N. Wilcox & Sons have established a new knitting mill for manufacturing 300 dozen pairs of hose daily. Water power will be used, and operations will commence May 1st.

Rev. J. A. Ramsay, pastor of the Presbyterian church at Hickory, has received a call to the pastorate of the Presbyterian church at Lebanon, Ky., and will on Thursday next visit the proposed new field.

Graham Gleaner: Graham is to have another new industry. It is a factory for the manufacture of pants, overalls etc. The company is making ready to begin operations. We hope to see other industries follow soon.

Greensboro Patriot: Mr. W. C. Ogburn, of Summerfield, lost two horses last week from infectious pneumonia and two or three others manifesting symptoms of the same disease have been placed in quarantine. The mortality rate in cases of this kind is high—usually three out of four—and it is to be hoped that the contagion may be promptly checked.

Greenville News: Francis Nicholson, a North Carolina white man, wanted in this county for stealing, has been arrested and jailed at Brevard, N. C., and will be brought here as soon as requisition papers can be obtained. According to the warrants, he stole a horse from J. A. Hughey on March 1st and a bale of cotton from a lady near Grove Station on March 10th.

Monroe Journal: Mr. M. A. Moore, who runs a blacksmith and repair shop at Marshville, last week met with one of the most painful accidents of which we have heard in a long time. While shoeing a wild mule he attempted to put a rope in its mouth, and as he did this the mule jumped and Mr. Moores thumb was caught in a loop in the rope and pulled off, and with it a tendon of the arm, several inches long, was pulled out, inflicting a painful and dangerous wound.

Wilson Advance: The citizens of Snow Hill held a meeting last Friday, relative to building a railroad from that place, for which a charter has been secured, and appointed a committee consisting of Messrs. Haywood Edmondson, W. R. Dixon and B. W. Edwards, to confer with the citizens of Wilson, with a view to seeing what assistance our town is willing to give to have the road come here. With this in view, a meeting has been called for next Tuesday night, April 6th, at 8 o'clock, in the court house. We trust our citizens will turn out en masse and give this matter serious consideration.

Kinston Free Press: The foundation is being laid for the Bank of Kinston building. It will be 24 by 60 feet, with a handsome iron front. The upper story will be made into offices. There will be safety deposit boxes placed in the building for rent.——The old management of the Atlantic and North Carolina railroad turned over between $9,000 and $10,000 to the new management, besides paying two dividends—one of 2, the other of 1 per cent.—the past year.——The town has fixed the price of incandescent lights at 50 cents a month each. This is perhaps the cheapest light in the state.

Raleigh News and Observer: Yesterday a telegram was received from Mr. E. G. Lineberry, stating that he would return to Durham this morning. He arrived there on the 5:30 train this morning and went immediately to his home on Morehead avenue. At an early hour, however, he went to the Morehead banking house, where he has been during the day. The announcement is made that all of his accounts will at once be satisfactorily arranged. This will indeed be gratifying to his many friends throughout the state.——Mr. C. C. Daniel, one of the wealthiest and most influential citizens of Northampton county, died at his home at Pleasant Hill yesterday. Mr. Daniel had been in declining health for some time, and his death was not wholly unexpected. He was a relative of Solicitor Daniels, of this town.

Winston Sentinel: A Greensboro officer came up to Kernersville last night after three women who are charged with cutting a member of their sex in Greensboro a few days ago. The women were under arrest and the officer carried them back to Greensboro this morning for trial.——An accident occurred at the South Side mill late yesterday afternoon. The drum to a slasher machine burst. A cylinder was hurled through a window. It went over the smokestack and fell 300 feet from the mill. The explosion, which was caused by too much pressure, made considerable noise, besides damaging two windows. Fortunately, nobody was hurt.——A printer named Bastibal, while intoxicated, met with a serious accident late yesterday afternoon by falling eight feet down the steps leading to the basement in the rear of Stewart Bros.' printing house. He was carried to the police department, where he remained during the night. This morning he was sent to the hospital. He is badly bruised, and it is feared that his spine was injured by the fall. The officers says Bastibal is in bad shape.

## SOUTHERN JOTTINGS.

The progressive and big hearted city of Houston can boast of being first in showing sympathy for the unfortunate Cretans. An entertainment was given in that city a few days ago, the proceeds of which will be given the insurgents in the far off historical island.

The confederate soldiers' monument at Pensacola, Fla., bears on one side of its faces this inscription: "Jefferson Davis, President of the Confederate States of America. Christian—Soldier—Statesman—Patriot. The only man in our nation without a country, yet twenty million people mourn his loss."

The Augusta (Ga.) News says that the colony town of Fitzgerald, which was founded in southwest Georgia two years ago by Grand Army men from the north, is not prospering. It attributes the failure of the experiment to the bad location of the town, and to the fact that the colonists depended too much upon their pensions, and, therefore, did not work enough.

The little personal mention of Judge Roy Bean, of Langtry, Tex., provoked a kind subscriber to send us this: "The picture in your publication of March 11th of Judge Roy Bean is all right, except the collar and cravat. He was once trying a Mexican for stealing a horse, and his charge to the jury was one of the shortest on record. 'Gentleman of the jury, thar's a Greaser in the box and a hoss missing; you know your duty!' And they did."—Leslie's Weekly.


Savannah, Ga., April 26, 1896.

Having used three bottles of P. P. P. for impure blood and general weakness and having derived great benefit from the same, having gained 11 pounds in weight in four weeks. I take great pleasure in recommending it to all unfortunate like

Yours truly,
JOHN MORRIS.

Office of J. N. McElroy, Druggist, Orlando, Fla., April 20, 1891.

Messrs. Lippman Bros., Savannah, Ga.

Dear Sirs:—I sold three bottles of P. P. P. large size yesterday, and one bottle small size today.

The P. P. P. cured my wife of rheumatism winter before last. It came back on her the past winter and a half bottle, $1.00 size, relieved her again, and she has not had a symptom since.

I sold a bottle of P. P. P. to a friend of mine, one of the turkies, a small one, took sick and his wife gave it a teaspoonful, that was in the evening, and the little fellow turned over like he was dead, but next morning was up holloowing and well.

Yours respectfully,
J. N. McELROY,

Savannah, Ga., March 17, 1891.

Messrs. Lippman Bros., Savannah, Ga.:

Dear Sirs—I have suffered from rheumatism for a long time and did not find a cure until I found P. P. P. which completely cured me.

Yours truly,
ELIZA F. JONES,
16 Orange St., Savannah, Ga.


# THE CUBAN QUESTION

## AGAIN OCCUPIES THE ATTENTION OF THE SENATE.

**The Allen Resolution, Regarding the Proposed Execution of General Rivera, Passed After a Heated Debate—Senator Allen Assails the Spanish Mode of Warfare. Senator Chandler Raises a Breeze—Aid for the Flood Sufferers.**

SENATE.

Washington, April 5.—The senate, by an unanimous vote, adopted Senator Allen's resolution, reciting the reports that General Ruiz Rivera, the Cuban commander, is about to be tried by drum-head court-martial and shot, and expressing the judgment of the senate that if these reports are true the president of the United States should protest to the Spanish government against such a violation of the rules of civilized warfare.

This resolution does not go to the house of representatives, and becomes effective as a measure of advice to the president by its adoption today.

Although opposition was withdrawn on the final vote, there was spirited opposition in the early stages of the debate, and a test vote on the comparative strength of the Cuban sentiment in the senate. The test occurred on a motion to refer the resolution to the committee on foreign relations.

Senator Hale, who has been prominently identified with the opposition to Cuban resolutions, made the motion to refer, and it was supported by Senator Hoar, another prominent figure in the opposition to Cuban resolutions.

The debate was very spirited, and at times quite personal. The Hale motion to refer was defeated, 21 to 27, and the resolution adopted, 44 to 0, Senators Hoar and Hale refraining from voting.

Another Cuban resolution comes up tomorrow—that of Senator Morgan, of Alabama, declaring that a state of war exists in Cuba and recognizing both parties as belligerents.

After the disposal of the Cuban question the day was given to speeches Senator Elkins, of West Virginia, speaking for two hours on the developments of the American merchant marine, and Senator Lindsay, of Kentucky, advocating the passage of the bankruptcy bill, known as the Torrey bill, now before the senate. Late in the day a joint resolution by Senator Bate, of Tennessee, was agreed to, directing the surgeon general of the marine hospital service to aid the Mississippi river flood sufferers by the distribution of tents, blankets, food and medicine under the epidemic fund of 1893, and to purchase further supplies under the present epidemic fund for similar distribution.

There was quite a breeze when Senator Chandler introduced a bill abolishing competition in trade and production, and authorizing combinations to enable merchants, manufacturers and producers of commodities subject to interstate commerce to maintain prices and profits, notwithstanding business depression."

Senator Chandler said he would not press this bill unless an effort was made to pass the "pooling bill" allowing railroads to combine.

The Cuban question then came up on the resolution of Senator Allen heretofore introduced. Senator Allen urged immediate adoption of his resolution. He emphatically disserted, he said, from the proposition that the American congress must sit idly by while this savage and barbarous contest proceeded at the very threshold. Within 100 miles of our shore women and children were being butchered, and the methods of civilized warfare set at defiance. Murder, rape and devastation were playing their parts in the destruction of the island. And were we, a Christian people, he asked, willing to sit by and not raise a voice in defence of these people. He declared that Spain's course had been one of bloodshed and cruelty. This was so notably true as to recent events in the Philippine islands and in Cuba that Spain had become an "outlaw nation," not entitled to recognition by civilized countries. It was time for us to act declared the senator.

"If the president of the United States will send our navy to Cuba," exclaimed Senator Allen, "and warn Spain that she must observe the methods of civilized warfare or that every Spanish seaport will be razed to its foundation hostilities would cease and Cuba would be free within three months."

Senator Hoar responded in a calm and impressive manner. He spoke of the aspirations of the founders of the government in establishing the senate as the stay and resisting power against those passioate and fitful gusts of sentiment that had wrecked every other republic on earth. This symbol of the senate was more properly the sturdy and slow maturing oak, rather than the mushroom which rotted in an hour. This resolution was based on mere report and prophesy.

"It is a fact," asserted Senator Allen from across the aisle. "Does the senator (Hoar) confess himself in such ignorance?"

Senator Hoar declined to yield, but Senator Allen insisted on repeating that the danger to General Rivera was an authenticated fact, known to all men. Senator Hoar, continuing, denied that there was anything in report and prophesy at the base of this resolution. He rejected with indignation any assertions that he was guided on these great questions of humanity by the interests or opinion of the business elements, as had been suggested. When the time came for any well considered movement in behalf of humane warfare in Cuba, or elsewhere, it would have his support.

Senator Allen again took the floor, addressing himself frequently to Senator Hoar in person. The danger to General Rivera was not rumor, and in so characterizing it, the Massachusetts senator showed his "weakness and puerility." The American people knew the facts and the Massachusetts senator knew them—that Rivera was about to be tried and shot.

"I wish I had the power to land United States soldiers on the island of Cuba and to send our fleets there," said Senator Allen, "and the Spanish forces would be ground to infinitesmal pieces and this barbarity would end."

Senator Hale said that he would be willing to pass a resolution inquiring of the state department what information it had in the matter. The senate had had experience taking steps based on newspaper rumors, which it afterwards regretted. Therefore, he moved the reference of the resolution to the committee on foreign relations.

Senator Stewart spoke of the war as brutal and disgraceful to the civilization of the age.

Speakingof the atrocities of the Cuban war, Senator Gallinger said that he knew of an incident, not denied, that the Spanish soldiers had cut to pieces twelve Cuban children, merely to show how artistically they could slash them. It was time to terminate this state of barbarity on that island such as curdled the blood of every American heart. It was time that Spain should be given to understand that this was the Nineteenth century.

After the defeat of the motion to refer the resolution to the committee, Senator Bacon, democrat, of Georgia, suggested that it be amended so as to read "If such report is found to be true," and Senator Gray that the word "president" be substituted for government, both of which amendments were accepted by Senator Allen. Then Senator Hoar proposed that "information has come to the senate" be substituted for "it is reported." Senator Allen remarked that he saw no difference, but Senator Hoar contended that there was a great difference, and Senator Allen said, "I will accept anything to save this man's life."

The resolution was adopted without a dissenting vote.

At 4:35 the senate held a brief executive session and then adjourned.

### Municipal Elections.

Lansing, Mich., April 5.—Davis, republican, was elected mayor by twenty-one majority, a loss of eighty from 1896. The silvermen gain three aldermen and the clerk. The republican state ticket has a plurality of 119.

Niles, Mich., April 5.—F. W. Richter, democrat, is re-elected mayor. The republicans elected the clerk, treasurer and one alderman. The democrats elected the alderman. Paris has a big majority for supreme justice.

# WILMINGTON MARKETS.

## COTTON REPORTS.

Wilmington, N. C., April 5.

Receipts of cotton today—8 bales.

Receipts corresponding day last year—153 bales.

This season's receipts to date—232,277 bales.

**Receipts to same date last year—164,754 bales.**

**The quotations posted at 4 o'clock today at the exchange:**

Cotton quiet.

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| Ordinary | 4⅝ |
| Good middling | 6 |
| Low middling | 6⅝ |
| Middling | 7 |
| Good middling | 7 5-16 |

Prices same day last year, 7⅝c.

## NAVAL STORES.

Spirits turpentine—Machine barrels steady at 27c; country barrels steady at 26½c.

Rosin firm at $1.40 and $1.45.

Tar firm at 95c.

Crude turpentine quiet; hard $1.30; soft $1.80.

**Prices same day last year—Spirits turpentine at 25½c and 25c; rosin $1.30 and $1.35; tar 90c; crude turpentine $1.30 and $1.90.**

Receipts today—52 casks spirits turpentine, 808 barrels rosin, 323 barrels tar, 11 barrels crude turpentine.

Receipts same day last year—93 casks spirits turpentine, 393 barrels rosin, 211 barrels tar, 12 barrels crude turpentine.

# MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

## FINANCIAL.

New York, April 5.—Money on call easy at 1½@1¾ per cent.; last loan at 1½, closed offered at 1½@1¾ per cent. Prime mercantile paper 2½@4. Sterling exchange steady with actual business in bankers bills at $4.87@$4.87¼ for demand and $4.85¾@$4.86 for sixty days. Posted rates $4.86½@$4.88½. Commercial bills $4.84¾. Silver certificates 61¾@62¾. Government bonds easy; state bonds dull; railroad bonds firm. Petroleum weak.

## COTTON

Liverpool, April 4.—Closing spot increased demand; prices hardening; American middling fair 4 15-32d; good middling 4 5-32d; American middling 4 1-32d; low middling 3 27-32d; good ordinary 3 23-32d; ordinary 3 17-32d; sales 12,000, bales, of which 500 were for speculation and export, and included 11,300 American; recipts 3,500 bales, all American. Futures opened steady with a fair demand and closed firm at the advance.

**American middling, low middling clause: April 3 63-64d buyers; April and May 3 63-64d sellers; May and June 3 63-64d sellers; June and July 3 63-64d sellers; July and August 3 63-64d sellers; August and September 3 61-64d sellers; September and October 3 55-64d, 3 56-64d sellers; October and November 3 50-64d, 3 51-64d sellers; November and December 3 48-64d, 3 49-64d values; December and January 3 48-64d buyers; January and February 3 48-64d buyers.**

New York, April 5.—Cotton steady; middling 7 7-16c; net receipts none; gross receipts 5,473; exports to Great Britain 4,993; to the continent 2,650; forwarded 1,898; sales 494; spinners 94; stock, actual 230,262.

Total today: Net receipts 7,269; exports to Great Britain 12,822; to the continent 9,528; stock 668,772.

Consolidated: Net receipts 14,874; exports to Great Britain 13,327; to the continent 22,388.

Total since September 1st: Net receipts 6,264,000; exports to Great Britain 2,751,771; to France 614,614; to the continent 1,732,660; to the channel 5,481.

Cotton futures opened firm; sales 7,600 bales: January 6.95; May 7.11; June 7.16; July 7.20; August 7.21; September 6.96; October 6.89; December 6.93.

Cotton futures closed barely steady; sales 121,300 bales: January 6.88; February 6.92; April 7.01; May 7.06; June 7.11; July 7.15; August 7.17; September 6.93; October 6.81; November 6.82; December 6.85.

Cotton spot closed steady; middling uplands 7 7-16c; middling gulf 7 11-16c; sales 494 bales.

## PORT RECEIPTS.

Norfolk—Firm at 7¼c; net receipts 364.

Baltimore—Dull at 7⅜c; net receipts 325.

Boston—Firm at 7⅜c; net receipts 1,319.

Wilmington—Quiet at 7c.

Philadelphia—Firm at 7 11-16c; net receipts 823.

Savannah—Firm at 7c.

Augusta—Steady at 7¼c; net receipts 191.

Charleston—Firm at 7c; net receipts 327.

## GRAINS, PROVISIONS, ETC.

Chicago, April 5,—The leading futures were as follows: **Opening, highest, lowest and closing:**

Wheat—April 68⅝@68c, 69⅛c, 68⅜c, 68½c; May 69⅝@69¾c, 69⅞c, 69⅛c, 69⅛@69¼c; July 69@69⅛c, 69¼c, 68⅞c, 68⅞c; September 67c, 68c, 67c, 67¼c.

Corn—April 23⅞@24c, 24⅛c, 23⅞@24c, 24c; May 24⅛@24¼c, 24⅜c, 24⅛@24¼c, 24¼c; July 25½c, 25⅝c, 25¼c, 25½c; September 26⅝@26¾c, 26⅞c, 26⅝c, 26¾c.

Oats—May 17⅛c, 17⅛@17¼c, 17@17⅛c, 17⅛c; July 18c, 18⅛c, 17⅞@18c, 18c; September 18⅝c, 18⅝@18¾c, 18⅝c, 18⅝c.

Pork—May $8.30, $8.35, $8.20, $8.20; July $8.45, $8.47½, $8.32½, $8.32½.

Lard—May $4.15, $4.17½, $4.10, $4.12½; July $4.27½, $4.27½, $4.20, $4.22½.

Ribs—May $4.55, $4.60, $4.50, $4.52½; July $4.57½, $4.62½, $4.52½, $4.55.

**Cash quotations were as follows:** Flour dull; No. 2, yellow corn 24¼; No. 2 spring wheat, 68½@69¼c; No. 3 spring wheat, 68@70c; No. 2 red, 85¼c; No. 2 corn 24¼c; No. 2 oats, 17⅛c; No. 2 white, f. o. b., 21@22c; No. 3 white, f. o. b., 18@21½c; mess pork, per barrel, $8.20@$8.25; lard, per 100 lbs., $4.10@$4.12½; short ribs, sides, loose, $4.45@$4.50; dry salted shoulders, boxed, 5⅛@5½c; short clear sides, boxed, 4⅛@4⅜c; whiskey, distillers' finished goods, per gallon, $1.18.

New York, April 5.—Flour market dull and weak with demand checked by the break in wheat; city mill patents $4.70@$4.95; do clears $4.70@$4.80; Minnesota patents $4.05@$4.25; do bakers $3.65@$3.75.

Wheat—Spot weak; No. 2, f. o. b., 80¾c nominal; No. 1 nominal 80½c afloat; No. 3 hard, winter 75¾c f. o. b., afloat. Options opened weak and with few exceptions were heavy all day, closing at 1@1⅝c net decline. The weakness was produced by heavy cables, further liquidations, better crop news and absence of export orders. No. 2 red, May 75½@76 5-16c; closed, 75¾c; June closed 75½c; July 74½@75⅛c, closed 74⅞c; September 72½@73c, closed 72¾c.

Corn—Spot weak; No. 2, 29½c elevator; 30½c afloat; steamer yellow 29½c. Options opened weak and sold off later under weak cables and sympathy with wheat, closing at ¼@½c net loss. April closed 29¾c; May closed 29¾c; July 31¼@31⅜c, closed 31⅜c; September closed 32⅝c.

Oats—Spots weak; No. 2, 22c; No. 3, 21c; No. 2 delivered 23c; No. 2 white 24c; No. 3 white 23c; track mixed western 22@23½c; track white 23@29c. Options were dull and heavy all day with a small trade, closing ⅛@⅜c net loss. May closed 21⅝c; July closed 22¼c.

Lard—Weak; western steam nominal $4.32½; May $4.40 nominal; refined easy; continent $4.60; South American $5.05; compound 4¼c.

Pork—Weak; short clear $9.75@$10.75.

Eggs—Quiet; state and Pennsylvania 9¾@10c; western fresh 9½@9¾c; southern 9@9½c.

Cotton Seed Oil—Easy.

Rice—Firm.

Molasses—Firm.

Coffee—Options opened steady, unchanged to 5 points higher, following lighter receipts at Brazil and more favorable news from European markets. Trading was chiefly in the hands of local operators, closed quiet, unchanged to 5 points net advance; sales 10,500 bags, including April $7.30@$7.35; July $7.60; August $7.65; September $7.70@$7.75; December $7.75@$7.80; January $7.80; Spot Rio weak; No. 7, invoice 7¾c; No. 7, jobbing 8¼, mild, dull and weak; Cordova 13¾@15¼c; sales 1,000 bags Rio No. 7; spot 7¾c; 1,000 bags Rio, No. 7, plus 20 at 8⅛c.

Sugar—Raw, firm; sales 11,558 bags centrifugal, 96 test, 3⅝c; ex-ship, 2,100 bags molasses 89 test 2¾c; refined firm.

## NAVAL STORES.

New York—Rosin steady. Turpentine firm at 29½@30c.

Charleston—Rosin firm at $1.45; turpentine firm at 26½c.

Savannah—Spirits turpentine firm at 27c; sales 676. Rosin steady; water white $2.65; window glass $2.50; N $2.20; M $2.00; K $1.80; I $1.75; H $1.70; G $1.65; F $1.60; E $1.55; D to A $1.50; sales 107.

# SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

## CLEARED YESTERDAY.

American schooner Isaiah Hart, Williams, Ashepoo, S. C., (light)., Geo. Harriss, Son & Co.

American schooner Ellia G. Eells, Cushman, Ponce, Porto Rico, Geo. Harriss, Son & Co.

## EXPORTS FOREIGN.

For Ponce, Porto Rico, per schooner Ella G. Eells, 208,900 feet of lumber, cargo by Edward Kidder's Son, vessel by Geo. Harriss, Son & Co.

## VESSELS IN PORT.

BRIG.

Starlight, (Am.), 343 tons, Gallagher, Kingston, Geo. Harriss, Son & Co.

## SCHOONERS.

William F. Green, (Am.), 254 tons, Clark, Port au Prince, Geo. Harriss, Son & Co.

B. I. Hazard, (Am.), 373 tons, Blatchford, New York, Geo. Harriss, Son & Co.

John R. Fell, (Am.), 336 tons, Loveland, New York, Geo. Harriss, Son & Co.

W. I. Simpson, (Am.), 84 tons, Jones, Charleston, Geo. Harriss, Son & Co.

R. S. Graham, (Am.), 321 tons, Outten, Martinique, Geo. Harris, Son & Co.

Dove, (Br.), 168 tons, Esdale, Grenada B. W. I., Geo. Harriss, Son & Co.

Willie L. Maxwell, (Am.), 261 tons, Gott, New York, to the master.

Eva A. Danenhower, (Am.), 217 tons, Johnson, New York, Geo. Harriss, Son & Co.

### Cotton Futures.

(Special to The Messenger.)

New York, April 5.—Although the cotton market was rather quiet today it did not entirely subside into the dullness of last week. The weak trading continues to denote no more interest on the part of the public in the price of the staple. The reports from the Mississippi valley this morning were the most alarming yet received and the Liverpool cables reported an advance of 2-64d. Our market opened higher, May selling on the first call at 7.11. After the opening Liverpool bought freely here and May advanced to 7.12. A period of stagnation ensued, which was followed by some liquidation and by renewed selling of the fall months, and prices gradually declined during the remainder of the day. The close was barely steady, with 7.06 bid for May. The failure of prices to advance today has encouraged the bulls, but we have faith in cotton.

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### New York Stock Market.

New York, April 5.—traders in stocks made a plaything of New Jersey Central stock today and worked their will with it. So inviting a subject for speculation was it that it absorbed a large share of attention in a very narrow market, its wide and erratic fluctutions making it especially available for the purposes of the traders. Later, the market succumbed to a number of adverse influences, or what were interpreted as such, by the dealers. The principal of these was the news that the supreme court had refused to advance the appeal of the Joint Traffic Association case to a hearing at the present term of court and had set the first Monday in October as the date of hearing. The resumption of the Cuban question as a subject of debate in the senate worked on the fears of dealers to some extent. Railway bonds were dull and mainly features. Government bonds displayed an easier tendency with sales restricted to $3,000.

### The Chicago Markets.

Chicago, April 5.—Wheat closed squarely under the 70c mark today, the May option suffering a decline of 1¼c per bushel and July ⅞c, the greater weakness in May being by changing over from that month to the more deferred delivery. A big drop in Liverpool caused a weak opening and liquidation continued almost without interruption all day.

Other markets were sympathetically weak, corn declining ⅛ to ¼c and provisions 2½ to 15c. Oats closed practically without change.


### Old People.

Old people who require medicine to regulate the bowels and kidneys will find the true remedy in Electric Bitters. This medicine does not stimulate and contains no whiskey or other intoxicant, but acts as a tonic and alterative. It acts mildly on the stomach and bowels, adding strength and giving tone to the organs, thereby aiding nature in the performance of the functions. Electric Bitters is an excellent appetizer and aids digestion. Old People find it just exactly what they need. Price fifty cents and $1.00 per bottle at R. R. Bellamy's Drug Store.


### Only a Formal Vote for Senator.

Frankfort, Ky., April 5.—The absence of President Worthington this morning caused Senator Goebel, (democrat) president pro tem. of the senate, to preside at the joint session. According to an agreement made previously, but one vote was cast for each candidate, as follows: Blackburn 1, Hunter 1, Boyle 1, Stone 1.

The joint assembly then adjourned until tomorrow. The roll was not called, but a quorum was not present, many of the representatives not having returned from their homes where they spent Sunday. The joint assembly was in session just five minutes. On account of the absence of many of the members of the general assembly, the steering committee of the two parties had come to an understanding that until a quorum is present but one ballot will be cast for each man, and as the news of their agreement became public property, early in the day, there was no interst taken in the joint session save that it might develope some unlooked for complication.


### Two Lives Saved.

Mrs. Phoebe Thomas, of Junction City, Ill., was told by her doctors she had Consumption and that there was no hope for her, but two bottles Dr. King's New Discovery completely cured her and she says it saved her life. Mr. Thos. Eggers, 139 Florida st., San Francisco, suffered from a dreadful cold, approaching Consumption, tried without result everything else then bought one bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery and in two weeks was cured. He is naturally thankful. It is such results, of which these are samples, that prove the wonderful efficacy of this medicine in Coughs, and Colds. Free trial bottle at R. R. Bellamy's Drug Store. Regular size 50c. and $1.00.


### The Southern Educational Assembly

Tampa, Fla., April 5.—The Southern Educational Assembly was organized at Winter