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THE TRADE SITUATION.
Wholesalers Report Business As Continuing Good.
Prices Firmer on Seasonable Goods.
Notes on Farm Produce. Lumber Prices Better. Features of Security Market.
Boston, March 19.—In general, business continues good among wholesalers and, contrasted with the earliest part of the present year, shows a big improvement. Better times are gradually coming on, and the outlook for trade this spring is much better than it has been for years.

IN RETAIL BUSINESS.
Retail dealers who have not yet got in all their stock are already beginning to see that prices are gradually growing firmer on seasonable goods. It is a poor plan to let a competitor buy when goods are cheapest, while you wait to see "which way the cat jumps."
The demand for cotton goods is increasing. Prints are in good demand and as we predicted there has been an advance in prices on some grades, like American blacks and whites. Organlies seem to be very popular this season, in judge from the orders that are coming in.

Dress goods are very active. Drap de and Cashmeres are pretty well sold out by wholesalers, there has been such a rush for them. Moss green, purple and gentiane blue "open weave" are to be the most popular specialties this summer. Storm serges have gone up in price.
Men's clothing is bound to go up in price. Fancy chevrot suits are going to sell better than any other kind, as they are cheap, durable and yet attractive looking after a good deal of wear. Cheap cassimere suits are also going to be very popular. There will never be a better time than now to buy clay worsteds. A good 16 oz. quality has been sold recently as cheap as 82 1/2c. a yard. Next fall, the same goods will be selling at least 25 per cent. higher.

Now is the time to buy Rio coffee and all grades of sugar.
FOR FARMERS.
It is evident now that there will be a fight in Congress over the proposition to take the tax from American-made alcohol that is used in manufacturing processes. If the farmers insist, through their Congressmen, upon this being done, as it means a new market for 4,000,000 bushels of American corn, it might be supposed that the proposition would be adopted; but the liquor interests are going to put up a strong fight against the proposition, and unless farmers insist upon it, the proposition may be defeated. If every person who is interested in getting better prices on corn should write to his Congressman and Senators on this matter, the repeal provision would still be adopted but the chances are that most of them will let the matter go until it is too late.
This has been a quiet week in Eastern markets. Good hay is still in demand. Food butter also sells well, but poor grades are very cheap. Trade is dull in cheese, but prices hold up well. Just a present prices on poultry are a trifle better. Egg prices have gone down. Hides are strong, No. 1 selling at 8 1/2c and seconds at 9c.

IN OTHER BUSINESS.
We are going to see better lumber prices this spring, as we predicted a few weeks ago. Certainly lumber prices in 1897 will be better than in 1896. Western hardwoods are getting more in demand all the time.
Those who bought wire nails when we advised are now in a position to sell at a good profit as the price is now \$1.50 at mill.

IN SECURITIES.
The stock market holds its own and falling of advance unforting conditions the trading lapses into a dullness that is trying to the nerves. While the tenacity with which prices hold up, is the strong and possible argument for a future appreciation.
The Vanderbilts are still the centre of interest and the advance in Omaha is especially noticeable. Since we begin to advise the purchase of this stock, the market price has risen 10 points and those who followed our judgment must have made money.
The position as outlined in its annual report, is unusually strong and we look for an increase in the dividend payment on common stock to 4 per cent. and a further advance in price to over 70.
The practical coalition of the most important interests in the anthracite coal carrying business makes it imperative that the market value of such stocks as Jersey Central, Lehigh Valley and Reading must advance from the low level reached on recent liquidation.
Jersey Central and Lehigh especially at present prices are good speculative purchases.

The industrial shares are still out of favor and although the dismissal of the case in New Jersey courts against the tobacco company and rumors of the retirement of the scrip had an influence for better prices in this stock, the effect soon wore itself out.
Sugar is suffering from anticipation of a higher duty that shall encourage serious.
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competition from beet sugar industry and the fluctuations are irregular.
The market as a whole is very strong and bound to go higher whenever the impetus shall come from the right direction.

THE STATE CAPITAL.
New Public School Law. N. C. Directors to be Named Next Week. Permitter Sales are Large. Items of Interest.
JOURNAL BERNE, N. C., March 20, 1897.
The superintendent of public instruction is sending out the new public school law, which is certainly a great improvement on the very defective one of 1895.
Miss Edna Robertson, the executive clerk, will retire from that place April 1. It seems that her appointment was only temporary; during the legislative session.
By the middle of next week the Governor will, it is now intimated, make public the names of the new directors of the North Carolina railway. The statement made that the Governor has had to make changes in these, as some owned stock in the road and as a director is required to own at least 5 shares. The statement also is that the Governor has been endeavoring to buy some stock for the new men and possibly has secured some.
Work on the Moore County and Western railway has begun at the Concord end. The outlook for railway construction in the State is more promising than in seven or eight years.

The total amount of the direct land tax which was unclaimed was \$62,000, of this \$25,000 was used in making the State exhibit at the World's Fair and the remainder was ordered into the Treasury.
Thomas Burch, the negro burglar who was shot here, was on trial yesterday afternoon and was duly committed to jail.
The sales of commercial fertilizers this season are expected to equal or break the record. The outlook is that, despite all efforts to secure a reduction of the acreage, a very large cotton crop will be planted. No less than 1,700,000 tax tags each for a 200 lb. sack, were sold in 1896.
Inquiry was made as to why Senator Ed. Clark of the new penitentiary board was so extremely anxious to take charge of all the offices at once, and it is learned that it is because he desired to have the control of the Halifax convict farm.

The funeral of Wm. G. Burkhead, Esq., was held here today, from Edenton Street M. E. Church, of which his father was formerly pastor.
The quarterly statements of the 91 banks in this State shows \$5,396,863. capital; \$1,871,722. surplus; \$715,429. undivided profits; \$9,791,363 individual deposits subject to check; \$707,000 of bank notes current; \$607,000 in gold and \$443,000 in silver on hand.
The revenue officers at Carthage yesterday found a notorious moon-shiner secreted in a trunk in his house. He is now in jail.

One of the several acts regarding the Atlantic & North Carolina railway, which was ratified at the late legislative session, is to give power to the Governor to throw the road into a receiver's hands, in case there is any attempt to better his progress. The receivership can continue as long as desired.

THE COTTON MARKETS.
March 20.
The cotton market today closes at 7.07 for May delivery.
The weekly market letter from Robt. Moore & Co., will be found below.
Yours truly,
J. E. LATHAM.
New York, March 19, 1897.

DEAR SIR—The retrospect of the week discloses a moderate business as well as narrow fluctuations in price, but maintaining tolerable steadiness and exhibiting some signs of working up to a higher plane of values.
The retarding influences have been, the disturbed political situation in Europe, menacing war of uncertain magnitude, yet of which the news today affords hope of a peaceful solution. The changes in our tariff and discussions consequent thereon causes hesitancy in this country keeping up procrastination in the dry goods market and restraining

mills from stocking beyond immediate wants.
On the other hand, and notwithstanding the adverse circumstances named, consumption has been proceeding so that the visible supply of cotton now in the world is but little in excess of that at the same date last year, and it promises soon to be less, as there is every reason to suppose that spinners' requirements will considerably exceed those of the export depression of 1896. Other favorable signs are that the movement of the crop shows near approaching exhaustion from plantations and that stocks in hand are well held; and last but not least, as mentioned the certainty of wide spread overflows in the early crop in regions affected.
Respectfully,
ROBT. MOORE & CO.

MONEY RUNS SHORT.

State Treasurer Worth Notices Heads of State Institutions.

He Cannot Pay Extra Appropriations this Year. Bond Interest Must be Paid First. Parker Will Fail on Office.

RALEIGH, N. C., March 20. State Treasurer Worth today notified the heads of the various State institutions—charitable and educational, that owing to the large appropriations made by the Legislature, and the decreased value of property, he cannot pay any extra appropriations this year or until he finds there is a surplus after paying the interest on the four per cent. bonds, and the necessary running expenses of the State government.
He says he gives his notice to prevent the making of any contracts which might entangle him.
It is said that D. Reid Parker will fail to get the Commissionership of Agriculture, and that the majority of the Board are pledged to J. M. McWhorter.

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