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A. GROVERMAN, JR.

Monetary and Commercial Review.

BALTIMORE, April 12, 1861.

The apprehensions entertained in all quarters, that our political difficulties would speedily culminate in civil war, and which the news received this evening proves to have been but too well founded, have had a very depressing effect upon business, and in all branches of trade the operations this week have been quite limited. The Stock market, both here and elsewhere, has been especially dull and depressed. In New York all the stocks on the list have fallen off materially, although there was a considerable improvement in prices there to-day, but prices here have been pretty well maintained until to day, when everything on the list, including City 6's, fell off. The transactions at the Board this week have been chiefly in Loans, the business done in other stocks being quite unimportant. For City 6's there has been a pretty good inquiry, and sales were made of $18,890 1890's at from 98¾ down to 97, the sales to day being made at the latter figure, and a lot of $300 1879's sold early in the week at 100; 1879's left off to-day at 96¾ bid, 97 asked, and 1890's closed at 96¾ bid for old, and 97 bid, 97¼ asked for new. The sales of Railroad bonds include $10,500 Baltimore and Ohio 1885's at $2@81½; $8,750 do. 1862's (the extra dividend bonds) at from 62 down to 60; and $2,000 Northern Central 1885's at 50¾@50¼. For Railroad shares there has been very little inquiry. A lot of 25 shares Baltimore and Ohio was sold early in the week at $59, but to-day a sale of 10 shares was made at $57¾, and we note also a sale of 100 shares Northern Central at $13¼. Baltimore and Ohio left off to-day at $57¾ bid, $58¼ asked, and Northern Central at $13¼ bid, $13½ asked regular way. For Bank stocks there has been some inquiry and the sales include 17 shares Bank of Baltimore at $98¾; 15 shares Mechanics' at $18½; and 54 shares Franklin at $10½@10¾. The Copper stocks have been very quiet this week the sales embracing only 400 shares Guilford at 45 cts.; 200 shares Silver Valley at 25 cts., and 150 shares Cambridge at 15 cts.

Money continues very abundant, and with strictly first class securities it can be obtained at very low rates, but it is difficult to effect loans upon any other class of securities. First class endorsed paper can be very readily placed on the street at 6@8 per cent., but for strictly prime single name paper rates range at from 10 to 12 per cent. The banks are taking all the good paper offered by their customers, and the offerings of paper on the street are consequently limited. Money is offering on call on first class collaterals at 5@6 per cent., but it is difficult to find borrowers even at these rates.

The foreign imports into Baltimore for the week ending on Thursday amount in value to $369,517, of which $233,726 were free, and $135,781 were duty paying goods, and the foreign exports from Baltimore for the same period amount in value to $305,702, against $98,090 last week.

In New York to-day Virginia 6's advanced ¼; Missouri 6's ⅜; Tennessee bonds ½; Erie ¾; New York Central ¼; Reading ¾; Cleveland and Toledo ½; Michigan Southern ⅜; Rock Island ⅜; Michigan Southern guaranteed ¾; Harlem ¼; and Galena and Chicago ¾.

SALES AT THE BALTIMORE STOCK BOARD.

FRIDAY, April 12th, 1861.

$500 Balt. 6's,	90—97¾	$250 B. & O. R.R. bds.	
2000 " "	90—97		62—60
1500 " "	90—97	1000 N.C.RR. bds.	85—50¼
2000 " "	90—97	1000 "	85—50¼
2000 B. & O. RR. bds.		10 shs. B. & O. RR.	—57¾
	85—81½	100 shs. N. C. RR.	—13¾
1000 " "	85—81½		

PRICES AND SALES OF STOCKS IN NEW YORK.

BY TELEGRAPH.

Through WILLIAM FISHER & SON, Stock and Bill Brokers. No. 22 South street.

	1st Board	2d Board.
Virginia 6's	70	69
Missouri 6's	60	63¾
Tennessee bonds	70½	00
North Carolina bonds	00	00
Canton Company	13¾	00
Erie Railroad	24½	25¾
New York Central Railroad	68	74
Reading Railroad	37½	37½
Panama Railroad	00	00
Cleveland and Toledo Railroad	30¾	00
Michigan Southern Railroad	14½	00
Harlem Railroad	00	13¾
Galena and Chicago	60	69
Michigan Southern, guaranteed	32¾	00
Rock Island Railroad	47¾	00
		steady. week.

The N. Y. *Tribune* of this morning says:—

The bears have still the advantage in the Stock market. The doubts in regard to influences of the events of the immediate future continue to press heavily upon prices, crushing out any recuperative element which the market may contain. Money is pressed on prominent houses at 4 per cent. The range is 4@6 per cent. Gilt-edged paper goes at 5@6 per cent., and rates are lower on less esteemed names. The stock of foreign produce and merchandise in the port of New York on the 1st of November, 1860, amounted to $11,985,281. This increased from that date, owing to the dulness of the market, until on February 1 it amounted to $24,692,379. The stock in bond has since decreased in two months a little over $6,000,000.

The statement of the Boston Banks for the last week compares with the previous week, and with the corresponding week of 1860, as follows:

	April 1, 1861.	April 8, 1861.	April 9, 1860.
Loans	62,666,794	$62,861,820	$60,668,559
Specie	5,705,368	5,809,425	6,320,551
Deposits	18,622,342	19,918,855	20,469,803
Circulation	6,108,606	6,996,996	7,756,496

The statement of the present week, as compared with the preceding, shows an increase of $195,026, in the items of loans, $96 discounts, $1,296,510 in deposits; $888,390 in circulation; and $104,057 in specie.

The *Bankers' Magazine* for April contains thorough statistics of the bank capital of every town and city in the United States large enough to support a bank of issue. We condense therefrom the following summary of the gross amount by States:

EASTERN STATES.	No. of Banks.	Capital.
Maine	69	$3,683,000
New Hampshire	51	4,981,800
Vermont	41	4,006,000
Massachusetts	119	28,146,000
Rhode Island	90	21,120,579
Connecticut	73	21,630,467
Total	443	$87,967,746
MIDDLE STATES.		
New York	309	$112,164,277
New Jersey	48	8,058,310
Pennsylvania	87	25,504,183
Total	444	$145,727,270
BORDER STATES.		
Delaware	33	$1,915,010
Maryland	33	12,145,422
Virginia	70	18,824,250
Kentucky	56	15,705,550
Missouri	44	13,178,299
Total	217	$61,768,481
District of Columbia	5	$1,282,300
COTTON AND SOUTH-WESTERN STATES.		
North Carolina	32	$7,985,000
South Carolina	20	14,016,676
Georgia	33	10,589,400
Florida	3	525,000
Alabama	8	4,900,000
Mississippi	4	800,000
Louisiana	13	24,551,660
Tennessee	39	10,167,500
Total	152	$74,435,242
WESTERN STATES.		
Ohio	57	$5,808,250
Michigan	4	786,465
Indiana	39	4,738,120
Illinois	77	5,377,581
Iowa	13	820,600
Wisconsin	112	6,905,000
Kansas	1	52,000
Minnesota	6	400,000
Total	309	$24,888,025
TERRITORY.		
Nebraska	1	$400,000
STATES WITHOUT BANKS.		
Texas and Arkansas		
RECAPITULATION.		
Eastern States	443	$87,967,746
Middle States	444	145,727,270
Border States	217	61,768,481
Cotton and S. W. States	152	74,435,242
Western States	309	24,888 025
Nebraska Territory	1	400,000
District of Columbia	5	1,282,300
Total	1,571	$396,469,014

REVIEW OF THE

BALTIMORE MARKETS

FOR THE WEEK ENDING APRIL 12.

ALCOHOL.—We continue to quote Alcohol nominal at 35 cts. per gallon for 95 per cent. There is very little inquiry for it, and we have heard of no sales whatever this week.

ALE AND PORTER.—Tennent's Ale is selling at $1.75 for XX Scotch, and $1.65 per dozen for Pale India in pints, and we quote Tennent's Brown Stout in pints at $1.60 per dozen.

BREAD.—Bread is in rather better demand than it has been, but it is still selling at our former quotations, viz: 4 cts. for Navy, 4½ cts. for Pilot, and 5½ cts. per lb. for Water Crackers, less the usual discount.

ASHES.—Ashes are quoted at New York at $5.25@5.31½ for Pots, and $5.31½ per 100 lbs. for Pearl, and small sales are making here at the same figures.

BARK.—There has been no movement in Quercitron Bark this week, so far as we have heard, and we quote it dull at $17@20 per ton, f.o.b.

BEESWAX.—We quote Beeswax this week at 30@33 cts. per lb. for good Southern yellow, but we hear of no sales for the moment.

BRIMSTONE.—There was a sale made a few days since of 50 tons crude Sicily Brimstone at $43, but it is now generally held at $44 per ton. There have been two lots received this week.

COTTON.—The demand this week has been small, and prices are weaker, with sales of 500 bales middling to middling fair Upland and Memphis at from 12¾ to 14¾ cts., cash and six months. We continue last week's quotations, with the remark that they must be regarded as nominal, viz:

GRADES.	UPLAND.	MEMPHIS.
		AND GULF.
Ordinary	8¾@ 9¾	8¾@ 9¾
Good do	10¾@11¾	11¾@12¾
Low Middling	12½@12¾	13 @13¾
Middling	13 @13¼	13¼@13¾
Strict do	13¼@13¾	13¾@14
Good do	13¾@14	14¾@14½
Middling Fair	14¾@14½	14¾@15

COFFEE.—Coffee continues in demand and very firm. There has however been but little done in it this week, the high prices asked by the holders having had a tendency to check transactions. An invoice of 1,000 bags Rio ex "Washington" was sold early in the week at 13½ cts., but subsequently there have been sales of 100 bags Rio at 12½ cts., 390 bags do. at 13½ cts., 200 bags do. at 13¾ cts., and 200 bags do. at 14 cts., making the total sales this week 1,800 bags. The stock here is about 8,000 bags, only 5,000 bags of which is in first hands, but no further imports are expected for some time, and holders are indisposed to sell except at very full rates. Coffee is much wanted, and we think if holders willing to meet the views of buyers, it would sell very freely. We quote as follows, viz: Rio at 12@12½ cts. for low grades; 13@13½ cts. for fair to good; 13¾@14 cts. for prime; Laguayra at 14@15¾ cts.; and Java at 17½@18 cts.

CANDLES.—There is still a moderate demand for Candles, but no sales of moment are making. We quote as follows, viz: Adamantine at 17@18 cts.; Chemical Sperm at 25@26 cts.; Sperm at 34@37 cts.; Paraffine at 35@40 cts.; and Patent Wax at 45@50 cts. per lb. Mould are selling at 11@12 cts. for Western, and 13@15 cts. per lb. for Baltimore.

CHEMICALS.—We quote Soda Ash at 2¼@2¾ for 80 per cent; Sal-Soda at 1¾@1½ cts.; Bi-Carb Soda at 3¾ cts.; and Bleaching Powders at 2¾@2¾ cts. per lb. for best brands, but for all these articles the market is dull. Caustic Soda may be quoted at 4¾@5 cts. per lb.

COAL.—There is hardly anything doing here in Cumberland Coal, all the orders here having, since the opening of the Canal, been withdrawn and sent to Alexandria, from which point it can be shipped at some 15 to 20 cts. per ton less than from this port. The cargo rates for Cumberland Coal here are as follows, viz: $3 15 for fine, $3.50 for run of mine, and $4.15 per ton for lump, delivered on shipboard at Locust Point. Anthracite Coal is in fair demand for local consumption at our former quotations, viz: $5@5.25 per ton of 2,240 lbs.

COPPER.—Prices for Copper are unchanged, and we still quote Baltimore refined Ingots at 19@20 cts. cash and time, and Sheathing at 27 cts. for Baltimore, and 26 cts. per lb. for English. Yellow Metal Sheathing is still selling at 19 cts. for both English and American, and we quote Nails at 22 cts., and Bolts at 23 cts. per lb. We note the export this week from this port of 30,000 lbs. Copper Ingots to Bremen.

FEATHERS.—Feathers are in moderate demand, and we quote them steady at 30@38 cts. for common to good mixed, and 42@50 cts. per lb. for fair to prime Live Geese.

FISH.—Fish continue dull, and the market for them is very heavy. A lot of 400 bbls. Eastern Herrings was sold this week from the wharf, but the terms were kept private. Eastern Herrings may however be quoted at $2@2.50, but we still quote Labrador at $4.50@4.75 per bbl. Mackerel are excessively dull, but we quote them as follows, viz: at $4.75@5 for small, $5.50@6 for medium, and $7.50@8 for large No. 3's; $6.50@7 for medium No. 2's, and $15@16 per bbl. for No. 1's. Alewives are nominal at $3.25@3.50 per bbl., and we quote dry Codfish at $3@3.50, and do Hake at $1.75@2 per 100 lbs. No North Carolina Fish have as yet been received here, but there are we understand some lots on the way.

FRUIT.—The two cargoes of Sicily Fruit ex schr. "America" and brig "Clarence," both of which arrived here early in the week, the former with 5,850 boxes Oranges, and 700 boxes Lemons, and the latter with 2,500 boxes Oranges, and 500 boxes Lemons, were offered yesterday at auction. Sales were made out of the cargo of the "America" of some 2,000 boxes Oranges at from $1.95 to $2.35, and of 400 boxes Lemons at $2.20 per box, but of the Fruit by the "Clarence" only the sample lots were sold, the remainder being put in store. This cargo which is a very superior one is held at $2.50 per box round. There is very little demand for Dried Fruit, but we quote Raisins as before at $1.50 for bunch, and $2.25 per box for layer; Figs at from 5 to 12 cts.; Dates at 3½@3¾ cts. for old and new; and Zante Currants at 5¾ cts. per lb. for new. Green Apples are selling this week at $2.25@2.50 per bbl., and we quote Dried do. nominal at 2½@3 cts. per lb.

FLOUR.—The Flour market which last week was active and buoyant, has this week been dull and heavy, the sales amounting in the aggregate to only about 2,500 bbls., against 15,000 bbls. last week. Prices for the leading descriptions have fallen off since the opening 12½ cts. per bbl., and for all varieties the market closes dull. The exports this week are as follows, viz:

	Bbls.		Bbls.
To Liverpool	1,287	To St. Johns, N. F.	4,164
" Rio de Janeiro	6,066	" Tobago	400
" Halifax	964	" Nassau	457
Total			13,348

HOWARD STREET FLOUR.—The transactions have been almost exclusively in this description, and the sales embrace 350 bbls. Super at $5.50, 100 bbls. cut Extra also at $5.50, 1,500 bbls. Super at $5.37½, and 300 bbls. Extra at $5.87½@6 per bbl. We quote Super as closing dull to-day at $5.37½, cut Extra at $5.50, and Extra at $5.87½@6 per bbl.

OHIO FLOUR.—There is but little Ohio Flour offering, and no sales have been made this week. We quote Super nominal at $5.37½, and Extra at $5.87½@6 per bbl.

CITY MILLS FLOUR.—A sale was made early in the week of 300 bbls. Super at $5.50, but it has been offering for some days past at $5.37½ per bbl. without finding buyers. We quote Extra at $5.25@5.50 for regular shipping, and $7.50@7.75 for fancy brands.

FAMILY FLOUR.—Family Flour is still selling at the following rates, viz: $8.75 for Welch's; $8.25 for the leading brands of Baltimore ground; and $6.50@6.75 per bbl. for Ohio and Howard Street. There is a good trade demand for this description of Flour.

RYE FLOUR.—Rye Flour is very dull. We quote it at $3.75@3.87½ per bbl., but there is none selling.

CORN MEAL.—There is nothing doing in Corn Meal, but we quote it nominal at $3 per bbl. for both Baltimore and Brandywine.

The following are the inspections of Flour and Meal for the week ending April 11, 1861:

	Bbls.	Half Bbls.
Howard street	9,333	....
City Mills	3,700	508
Ohio	1,101	....
Family	3,029	....
Total Wheat Flour	17,253	508

Together with 223 bbls. Rye Flour, and 127 bbls. and 100 half bbls. Corn Meal.

GRAIN.—There has been a considerable falling off this week in the receipts of Grain, the offerings at the Corn Exchange of all descriptions amounting in the aggregate to about 130,000 bushels, against 200,000 bushels last week. The market has, however, been much less active than it was last week, and notwithstanding the decreased supply it has been fully equal to the demand. We note the export this week of some 50,000 bushels Corn, and 43,000 bushels Wheat to Liverpool, but most of it was put on shipboard a week or two since.

WHEAT.—The receipts of Wheat this week amount to only about 30,000 bushels, against 60,000 bushels last week. The market for it has however exhibited but little activity, and the supply has been quite equal to the demand. Red sold at the opening at 136@138 cts. for good to prime, and white ranged at from 150 to 175 cts. for fair to choice, but for two or three days past red has been quoted at 130@135 cts. for good to prime, although no sales have been effected at the top price, and white has sold at 140@145 cts. for fair, 150@160 cts. for good to prime, and 165@170 cts. for choice lots, showing a decline in the week of 5 to 10 cts. per bushel. Sales were made to-day of about 1,000 bushels good red at 132@133 cts., and a lot of 500 bushels very choice white brought 170 cts.

RYE.—There have been a few hundred bushels Pennsylvania Rye received this week all of which has been sold at 68 cts., at which figure it closes steady. There is no Maryland Rye coming forward but we quote it nominal at 65@65 cts. per bushel.

CORN.—Corn has been in fair supply this week, although the receipts fall considerably below those of last, the offerings at the Corn Exchange amounting to only 85,000 bushels, against 120,000 bushels for the previous week. During the early part of the week the market was active and firm, but for two or three days past it has been dull and rather heavy. White sold early in the week at 60@64 cts., and yellow at 59@62 cts., but on yesterday white sold at 59@61 cts., and yellow at 56@60 cts. To-day the market was firmer and white sold at 60@64 cts., and yellow at 58@62 cts. per bushel.

OATS.—Oats have through the week been dull at 28@30 cts. for Virginia and Maryland, and 32@33 cts. for Pennsylvania, but the receipts (about 112,000 bushels) have nevertheless been mostly sold at these figures.

PEASE AND BEANS.—Black Eyed Pease are still selling at $2.50 per two bushel bag, but White Beans are very dull at 120@130 cts. per bushel.

SEEDS.—There has been but little done this week in Grass Seeds. A lot of 100 bushels Clover was sold early in the week at $4.50, and we note in addition sales in small lots of some 200 to 250 bushels do. at $4.62½@4.75 per bushel of 64 lbs., but so far as we have heard, there has been no sale of Tennessee or Virginia Timothy. We quote Timothy nominal at $2 50@2.75, and Clover as closing dull at $4.50@4.75 per bushel. Flaxseed is still quoted at $1.25@1.35 per bushel, but there is very little selling.

GUANO.—The demand is quite active at former rates. We quote the Agents' price for Peruvian at $60 per long ton, and that of dealers at $62 Ichaboe Guano is held at $50; Baker's Island at $40; Jarvis Island at $35. We quote California or Elide Island Guano at $45 per long ton; Mexican A A at $20@22 per ton, according to quality. Mexican A at $16, Sombrero at $28@30 per long ton, Nevassa at $25 per long ton by importers, and $28 by dealers, and Columbian at $38@40 per long ton. Manipulated Guano sells at $17. Whiteock & Co's., Rhodes' and DeBerg's Super Phosphate of Lime. Maryland Company's Super Phosphate of Lime and Baugh's raw-bone Phosphate sell at $45 per 2,000 lbs. We note the import this week of 633 tons Peruvian.

GINSENG.—We quote Ginseng this week at 50@55 cts. [illegible] nothing doing in it so far as we have heard.

GUNNY BAGS.—Gunny Bags are in fair demand at our former quotations, viz: 12 cts. for small, and 15@16 cts. each for large.

HAY AND STRAW.—Hay is in active demand. We note sales this week of about 1,000 bales Timothy, most of which was taken by the Government, at $14@15 per ton, and it closes firm at these figures. We quote Clover in bales $12@13 per ton. Straw is dull. We quote Wheat at $7@8. Oat at $8@10; and Rye at $12@14 per ton.

HEMP.—The demand for Hemp continues very moderate at the quotations, which are as follows, viz: $150@155 for rough American; $215@220 for dressed do.; $195@200 per ton for Russia; 6¾@6¾ cts. per lb. for Manilla; 5¾@5¾ cts. for Sunn; and 4¾ cts. for Jute.

HIDES.—In Foreign Hides there is nothing doing. The only ones here are a cargo received some time since, which are still in store. We quote City slaughtered Hides at 7½@8 cts.; and wet Country slaughtered at 6½@7½ cts.

HOPS.—Hops range in price at from 15 to 25 cts. per lb. for ordinary to prime, but there is very little doing in them.

IRON.—There is nothing of consequence doing in Iron, but we have no change to note in the general condition of the market. We quote Charcoal Pig Iron as before at $27½ for Baltimore Forge; $25 for Catoctin do; $30 for No. 1 Wheel, and Anthracite do. at $23@24 for No. 1; $21@22 for No. 2, and $20@21 per ton for No. 3. Scotch Pig is selling at $23 from ship, and $24 from the yards, and we quote Blooms at $40 for puddled, and $60@62½ per ton for best Charcoal. Bar Iron may be quoted at $47½@50 for common English and American, and $57½@60 per ton for refined do., and we quote Sheet do. at 3¾@4 cts. for English; 3¾@4 cts. for American, and 17 cts. per lb. for Russia. Boiler Plates are selling at 3¾ cts. for puddled, and 4@4¼ cts. per lb. for refined Charcoal, and we quote Nails at $3 per 100 lbs., 6 mos., for Cut 4d. and upwards.

INDIGO.—Indigo is very dull, but the nominal rates for it are still as follows, viz: 100@150 cts. for Bengal; 95@120 cts. for Kurpah; 70@85 cts. for Madras; 100@125 cts. for Guatemala; 50@45 cts. for common to fair Manilla; and 50@90 cts. per lb. for good prime do.

LEATHER.—The market is very quiet, the transactions being entirely of a retail character. We still quote City slaughtered at 23@30 cts.; Country do. at 26@28 cts.; Rough Skirting 23@26 cts.; Spanish Sole 26@28 cts.; City harness Leather, black, 32@33 cts.; Country do. 27@29 cts.; Upper in rough hide $3.50@4; Calf Skins 50@60 cts. per lb., and finished do. 85@100 cts. per lb.

LUMBER.—The transactions in White Pine are too unimportant to establish quotations, and we therefore omit them. In Yellow Pine there is scarcely anything doing, and our quotations must be regarded as almost nominal, viz: Charleston River Flooring $15@16, Pensacola Flooring $18@20, and North Carolina do. $14@16.

MOLASSES.—There has been very little inquiry this week for Molasses, and the only sale we have heard of worth noting is one made to-day of 60 hhds., and 9 tierces Cuba at 19 cts. We quote as follows, viz: Cuba at 16@18 cts. for new crop clayed; 19@22 cts. for do. Muscovado; English Island at 18@20 cts. for old; Porto Rico at 28@32 cts., and New Orleans at 32@35 cts. for new crop. The only import this week is one of 65 hhds. Cuba.

MADDER.—Madder is still quoted at 10¾@12¾ cts. per lb. for good to prime Dutch' Ombro, but we hear of no sales being made.

MILL FEED.—Brown Stuff is very dull at 13 cts., but Middlings, which are in rather better demand, are selling at 25@30 cts. per bushel.

NAVAL STORES.—Spirits Turpentine is dull at 36 cts. per gallon. There is some inquiry for common Rosin, and we note a sale this week of 500 bbls. afloat at $1.25 per bbl. We quote No. 2 Rosin as before at $1.50@1.75, and Tar and Pitch at $1.50@1.75. per bbl.

OILS.—Linseed Oil is selling at 62@65 cts., which is an advance, but for other Oils prices are unchanged, and we still quote as follows, viz: Sperm at 150@155 cts. for fall, and 160@165 cts. for winter; Whale at 60@62 cts. for crude, and 66@68 cts. for patent bleached; Solar at 68@70 cts.; Sea Elephant at 70@75 cts; and Lard at 90@95 cts. per gallon. Etherial Oil is selling at 44@46 cts.; and Camphene at 45 cts. per gallon.

PROVISIONS.—There has been a good inquiry through the week for provisions, and the market for them has throughout it been quite firm in tone. There have however been no lots pressing on the market, and the transactions have consequently not been heavy. We give below a statement of the operations of the week.

BULK MEAT.—The sales of Bulk Meat this week include a lot of 20,000 lbs. Shoulders, Sides and Hams at 6¾, 8¾ and 8 cts; 100 tierces sugar cured pickled Hams at 9¾ cts., 60 tierces plain do. at 8½ cts., 2,100 pieces dry salted Hams at 8½ cts., 40,000 lbs. Shoulders, loose, at 6¾ cts., and 80,000 lbs. Sides, loose, at 8¾ cts. Bulk Meat closes to-day steady and firm at 6¾ cts. for Shoulders, 8¾ cts. for Sides, and 8½ cts. for Hams, loose, but packed in hhds. it is held at ¼ to ¼ of a cent above these figures.

BACON.—There has been a good demand this week for Bacon, and the market for it has throughout it been quite firm in tone. The sales, which have been chiefly in jobbing lots, embrace some 300 hhds. Shoulders and Sides at 7¾@7¾ cts. for the former, and 9¾@9¾ cts. for the latter, and some 2,000 pieces Hams at 10@12½ cts. We quote Shoulders as closing firm to-day at 7¾ cts., and Sides at 9¾ cts.

BEF.—There is very little Beef selling, but we quote it steady at $12.50 for Baltimore packed No. 1, and $16 per bbl. for do. Mess.

PORK.—There were sales early in the week of 150 bbls. Mess Pork at $16.87½@17, and of some 200 bbls. Rump do. at $12.50@13, but to-day we note sales of some 300 bbls. Mess at $17.25@17.50, and 200 bbls. Rump at $13 per bbl., at which figures both varieties close firm. There is no Prime Pork selling and we can give no quotation for it.

LARD.—There has been some inquiry this week, but the only sales reported are one of 150 bbls. Butchers' at 9¾ cts., and one of 50 bbls. Western at 9¾ cts. Some other sales have been made, but the particulars have not transpired. We quote Lard as closing steady and firm at 9¾ cts. for Butchers', and 9¾@9¾ cts. for Western in bbls. and tcs.

BUTTER.—Prime Batter continues in demand, but for inferior qualities the market is very dull. We quote Western at 8@9½ cts. for solid packed, and 10@12 cts. for Roll; fresh Roll at 15@20 cts; New York State at 16@18 cts.; and City packed for export at 11¾@12 cts.

CHEESE.—Cheese is very dull. We quote Western cutting at 9@10 cts.; Eastern do. at 10¾@11 cts.; Western English Dairy at 9½@10¾ cts.; and Eastern do. at 12½@14 cts. per lb.

PLASTER.—We quote Plaster nominal at $3 per ton. There is very little here, but the supply is quite equal to the demand.

POWDER.—Powder continues in active demand, but it is unchanged in price, and we still quote Hazard's, Dupont's and Beatty's at $3.25 for blasting, and $5 for sporting per keg of 25 lbs.

POTATOES.—Potatoes are in pretty good demand. White Mercers are selling at 70@75 cts., but we quote common descriptions at 58@60 cts. per bushel.

RICE.—Rice has through the week been quite firm. It sold during the early part of it at 3¾@4 cts., but for some days past it has been quoted at 3¾@4¼ cts., and it closes steady at the latter figures. Sales of some 250 to 300 tierces have been made during the week at the above figures.

SUGARS.—Sugars have been rather quiet this week, but the market for them has nevertheless exhibited considerable firmness. The sales include a lot of 119 hhds. Cuba for refining at $4.87¼, 30 hhds. grocery grades do. at $5.25@5.50, 40 hhds. Porto Rico at $6@6.25, 20 hhds. New Orleans at $5@5.25, and 10 hhds. do. at $6.50, and 9 tierces Cuba at $4.87¼. We note also a sale this week of a lot of 1,000 bags Mauritius for refining at $5.37½. Our quotations for Sugars are as follows, viz: $4.62¾@5 for refining grades Cuba and English Island; $5.12½@5.75 for grocery grades Cuba; $4.75@5.25 for common to fair Porto Rico and New Orleans; and $5.50@6.25 for good to prime do. We note the import this week of 199 hhds, and 28 boxes from Cuba.

REFINED SUGARS.—No change has been made since our last in the rates for Refined Sugars, and they are still selling at the following rates, viz: 8¾@8¾ cts. for loaf, 8¾@8¾ cts. for crushed, powdered, and granulated; 7¾@7¾ cts. for soft crushed White; and 7¾@7¾ cts. for C Yellow.

SALT.—There has been no movement of importance this week in Salt so far as we have heard. Liverpool is selling however in lots from store at the following rates, viz. 80@85 cts. for Ground Alum, and 140@145 cts. per sack for Marshall's, Jeffrey & Darcy's and Worthington's fine. There is no Ashton's fine here. We quote St. Ubes and Turks Island Salt at 15@16 cts. afloat, but it is selling from store in small lots at 20@25 cts. per bushel. We note the receipt here this week of a cargo of 5,040 sacks Liverpool Salt.

STAVES.—Prices for Staves have advanced very materially within the past few weeks, and we quote them to-day as follows, viz: $58@70 for heavy W. O. Hhd; $30@43 for light do, 90@120 for heavy W. O. Pipe; $40@60 for light do; $20@25 for culled R. O. Hhd; $17@20 for single, and $35@40 per thousand for double W. O. Barrel. They are in fair demand at these prices.

SYRUPS.—Baltimore refined Syrups are selling at the following rates, viz: 34 cts. for Sugar House, 38 cts. for Golden, and 44 cts. per gallon for Extra Golden.

SOAP.—We quote Castile Soap at 10¾ cts.; Oleine do. at 7¾@8 cts., and Chemical Olive do. at 6@7 cts. per lb.

SPICES.—Spices are very quiet, but we quote as follows, viz: Pepper at 8¾@8¾ cts.; Pimento at 6¾ cts.; Cloves at 8¾@8¾ cts.; Cassia at 20 cts.; Ginger at 8¾ cts.; Mace at 90 cts., and Nutmegs at 45@95 cts. per lb.

STARCH.—Starch is very dull, but we still quote it as follows, viz: at 5¾@5¾ cts. for common Western Pearl; 5¾@5¾ cts. for Wood's; 5¾@6 cts. for Fox's and Oswego River; 6@6¾ cts. for Duryea's; and 6@6¾ cts. for Kingsford's Oswego.

TEAS.—There is a fair business doing in Teas, and they are steady at former rates. Oolong Teas range at from 35 to 100 cts; Young Hyson do. at from 35 to 75 cts.; Imperial do. at from 38 to 75 cts.; and Gunpowder do. at from 40 to 75 cts. for common to extra fine.

TOBACCO.—Maryland Tobacco is coming in more freely, but a large proportion is of common quality for which there is little inquiry, and prices of this description have declined. For the better qualities there is a fair demand at previous rates. We quote common ground leaf at $2@3; middling do. $5@8.50; and best do. $8.50@12; common crop $2.50@3.50; middling $4@4.50; good middling $5@5.50; good leaf $6@6.50; and fine at $7@12. We quote Bay Tobacco as follows: tips or tails at $3.50@4; ground leaf at $4.50@5.50; fine yellow at $9.50@14; and good red at $12@13. We are still without any transactions to note in Ohio Tobacco, and quote it as before, viz: inferior to good common $3@4; red and spangled $5@6.50; good and fine red and spangled $7@8; and good fine yellow $9@12. The market for Kentucky Tobacco this week has been quiet, the sales consisting of some small lots Mason county at former prices, which we still quote, viz: common lugs at $4.25@4.75; good do. at $5.25@5.50; inferior leaf at $5.75@6.25; good do. at $6.50@7.50; fine at $7.50@9; choice at $10@12; rich heavy Kentucky at $7@12.50. The inspections of the week are 1,000 hhds. Maryland, 73 hhds. Ohio, and 146 hhds. Kentucky—total 1,219 hhds.

MANUFACTURED TOBACCO.—The market is very flat this week, there being scarcely any selling or receiving. We continue to quote common pounds at 7@12 cts.; medium do. at 15@18 cts.; good do. at 21@25 cts.; fine do. 28@35 cts.; fine 8's and 10's 18@22 cts.; medium do. 14@17 cts.; sound common do. at 8@12 cts.; and inferior shipping 10's, 18's, and 20's 6@8 cts.

TALLOW.—We continue to quote Tallow at 9½ cts. for Western, and 9¾@10 cts. per lb. for City, and of 40,000 lbs. Western was made a few days since at 9½ cts., less 1 per cent, but we hear of nothing having been done recently in City.

TIN AND LEAD.—We quote Tin Plate this week at $9 for I. C., and $10.75 per box for I. X., Banca Tin at 29@30 cts., Spelter at 5@5¾ cts., and Lead at 6 cts. for Spanish Pig, 6@6¾ cts. for Virginia do., 7 cts. for Bar, and 7@7¾ cts. for Pipe and Sheet.

WOOL.—The demand for Wool continues very limited. There are however some small sales making at the quotations, which are as follows, viz: 18@20 cts. for mixed Mexican; 28@30 cts. for tub washed; and 25@28 cts. for common pulled, and 30@34 cts. per lb. for extra Merino do. There is no fleece Wool in market, and we can give no quotations for this description.

WHISKEY.—Whiskey has been quoted through the greater part of the week at 17½@17¾ cts. for both City and Ohio, but it closes dull at the inside figure of the latter descriptions. There is but little City Whiskey being made, and the sales this week, which amount to about 1,000 bbls., have been principally of Ohio.

THE NEWS.

Civil war was commenced yesterday morning at Charleston. Major Anderson declining to say how soon he would surrender, as a matter of necessity, the opposing batteries were opened upon Fort Sumter, with the intention of reducing it before the arrival of the fleet. A breach had already been effected and two of the guns silenced. As Major Anderson's force is too small to work the guns continually, he can hardly hold out long. Our latest despatches state that the bombardment had ceased for the night, but was expected to be resumed early this morning. Three of the war vessels sent by the Government had arrived off the bar. Every preparation has been made to repel them if they attempt to enter the harbor. An extra session of the Confederate States Congress has been called to meet on the 29th instant, at Montgomery. As far as received, the news of the attack on Sumter gives great satisfaction throughout the South.

The Kentucky volunteers have received orders to be in readiness to march at a moment's warning. The order was received from Montgomery.

In the Virginia Convention yesterday, the fourteenth and the last of the series of resolutions under discussion, was adopted with the amendment providing for the assembling of a Border States' Conference if the amendments to the Constitution are not disposed of before the re-assembling of the State Convention. The proposed amendments to the Constitution were then taken up and discussed. The Sumter news caused the most intense excitement.

It is stated that the Postoffice Department has despatched an agent to Pensacola with a view to restore postal communication.

From New Orleans we learn that the military ardor there is on the increase and recruiting is carried on rapidly. The municipal government is about to appropriate $100,000 for the protection of the city.

The Pennsylvania Legislature last night passed the "War Bill," appropriating half a million of dollars for the arming of the State. The Governor signed the bill immediately after its passage.

It is denied in Washington that any of the Confederate States' loan has been offered in New York. More than the entire amount has been arranged to be taken at par within the Confederacy.

THE SUMMER GARDEN.—This beautiful Hall, formerly known as Western China Hall, at Freemont and Baltimore streets, will be duly inaugurated tonight, as a musical novelty to Baltimore. Ladies are permitted admission, and the sale of spirituous liquors strictly prohibited. This is certainly a revolutionary feature in the amusement world, and likely to become popular. The proprietor is Mr. N. C. Forrester, a well known actor, formerly of the Holliday Street Theatre, while the business