Commerical and Financial

Financial

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—Announcement that the New York stock exchange will resume trading in stocks next Saturday on a basis less restrictive than that which now applies to bonds, was the feature of interest in financial circles today. The list of stocks will embrace almost 200 issues out of a total of the 565 listed on the exchange. It includes al the leading industrials with the exception of United States Steel, most of the railways not in the international class and a great variety of cheaper shares, those selling under $15 being fre from all restrictions.

Bonds and stocks again were distinctly firm, the aggregate dealings in the latter on the exchange being the largest, according to reports, since July 30. In the bond division the chief feature was the Rock Island group, which was increasingly active at further advances.

Southern Pacific convertibles also contributed largely to the day's total which was the largest since the resumption of bond issues, including International Paper 5's. Declines, as usual, were pronounced ranging from 2 to 9 points, the latter representing the loss in Granby Mining sixes.

Among the principal stocks gains were Lehi Valley, Reading, Central Leather and American Beet Sugar, in the latter stocks manifested a reactionary trend.

Time money continued to work easier, while call money touched in the new rate of 3 per cent. Marks again furnished the only feature of the foreign exchange market, their greater firmness strengthening the belief that Germany was continuing her selling of our securities in this market.

New York Cotton

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—Cotton was quiet today but there was enough buying to give a steady undertone. The close was net unchanged to 2 points higher. The demand for the late months was less active than toward the end of last week, but bullish sentiment was partially encouraged by the continued absence of southern hedge selling on any important scale and the increasing export movement. There appeared to be little or no pressure against the market.

The opening was steady at an advance of 1 to 4 points in response to steady cables. December notices estimated at about 3,000 bales were reported in circulation, but evidently caused no liquidation of consequence, and active months sold about 2 to 4 points net higher shortly after the call. Reactions of 5 to 6 points followed under realization, but trade buying made its appearance on every little set back and the close was within 2 to 3 points of the best.

While houses with European connections have been among the best buyers here recently, and some traders have attributed the demand to German interests, others claim that the buying of late months has been for the account of domestic spinners. Mills are said to be buying spot cotton only for their immediate needs, while it is reported that they find difficulty in buying contracts from southern shippers for deliveries next summer or autumn at anything like the prevailing spot quotations, and they are taking futures on the declines as a protection against their needs.

Spot cotton quiet; middling uplands 7.50; Gulf 7.75. No sales.

Cotton futures closed steady.

	open	high	low	close
January	7.21	7.21	7.20	7.20
March	7.42	7.43	7.39	7.40
May	7.58	7.61	7.56	7.59
July	7.75	7.77	7.73	7.76
October	8.03	8.03	7.97	7.99

Dry Goods

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.— Cotton goods and yarns were quiet and barely steady today. Commission houses reported a better demand from jobbers. Large orders for men's wear for army use were pending. Rawsilk was steady but low.

Christmas Holiday Rates

The Charleston & Western Carolina Railway will sell cheap Excursion tickets account of the Holidays. Tickets on sale, December 16th to 25th inst., Dec. 31, 1914 and Jan. 1st, 1915. Final Limit Jan. 5th, 1915. For rates, etc., apply to

Ernest Williams, General Passenger Agent, Augusta, Ga.

New Orleans Cotton

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 7.— The price of cotton moved within narrow limits today and closed one point lower to 4 points higher than the last prices of Saturday. The market at all times was steady. At the highest the most active months were 2 points over Saturday's final figures and at their lowest 3 points under.

Total shipments from all points, including the coastwise clearances, were 98,269 bales, while total port receipts were only 57,552 bales. Total foreign exports were 79,548 bales which bring exports thus far this season up to 1,574,038 bales.

Liverpool was a seller in this market in the early part of the session but offerings from this source were offset by buying orders from Germany. Some local brokers are beginning to look upon German spinners and spot merchants as their best customers for contracts.

Spot cotton quiet; sales on the spot 240 bales; to arrive 1,375.

Cotton futures clos ing:

January 7.18; March 7.29; May 7.48; July 7.68; October 7.92.

Liverpool Cotton

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 7.— Cotton, spot, quiet; prices steady. American middling fair 5.92; good middling 4.63; middling 4.37; low middling 3.91; good ordinary 3.36; ordinary 2.81. Sales 6,000 bales, including 5,800 American.

Futures closed quiet. May and June 4.13; July and August 4.19; October and November 4.29; January and February 4.35 1-2.

Cotton Seed Oil

NEW YORK, Dec 7.—Cottonseed oil was weak under liquidations by local longs and the west on a market of poor absorbing power. Crude, however, was quoted unchanged, but some think the decline in refined oil will force mills to loosen up. Final prices were 8 to 25 points net lower. Sales 12,000 barrels.

The market closed weak. Spot $5.75@5.95; December, $5.75@5.80; January $5.91@5.92; May $6.49@6.35; June, $6.44@635; July $6.55@6.56.

Chicago Grain

CHICAGO, Dec. 7.—Wheat turned heavy in the last 15 minutes today and a moderate advance which had been scored was more than wiped out. Disclosures that the market had become bare of speculative orders to buy was responsible. Prices finished weak at a shade to 1-2 under Saturday. Corn lost 1-4 to 5-8 net and oats 1-4 to 3-8. In provisions the outcome was unchanged to 10c down.

Grain and provisions closed:

Wheat, December 62 7-8; May $1.21 5-8.

Corn, December, 62 7-8; May 68 7-8.

Oats, December 47 1-8; May 51 7-8.

Cash grain: Wheat No. 2 red, $1.17 1-4@1.17 7-8; No. 2 hard, $1.17 3-4@1.18 3-8.

Corn, No. 2 yellow, 68 1-2; new 64.

Oats, standard, 49 1-4.

Live Stock

CHICAGO, Dec. 7.—Hogs steady. Bulk $6.70@7.35; light $6.40@7.50; mixed $6.60@7.35; heavy $6.60@6.35; rough $6.55@6.70; pigs $4.40@7.25.

Cattle firm; some fancy Christmas beeves at $1100 all.

Native steers $5.70@10.60; western, $5.25@8.40; calves $6.50@7.10; lambs, $6@8.15

BELTON GRADED SCHOOL

On account of bad weather the attendance has been rather short this week, but we hope with the return of good weather that it will soon be normal again.

The members of the literary society of the high school are very busy preparing for a public meeting that is to be held in the near future.

On last Tuesday while we were in chapel we were delightfully entertained by the tenth grade. The subject was about the usefulness of books. The following interesting program was rendered:

Scripture Reading— Grace Campbell.

Current Events— Etta Watkins.

Quotations by Class.

Song— Learn a Little Every Day—Class.

Recitation— The Blessedness of Books— Vera McMahan.

Recitation— What a Book Said — Annie Hardin.

Song— Travelling the High Road to Learning—Class.

Reading—A Broken Tale—Vivian Cox.

Miss Shelton, our fourth grade teacher, has been quite sick for the last few days. We hope she will soon be able to resume her work.

CHAS. M. COX, Ninth Grade.

A Teacher's Prayer for Remembrance

God of the heart and hand,
Teach me to understand!
I know so little of the thought that lies
Back of the shining of those childish eyes.
I guess so little of the wonder there
Under the curling of the sunny hair.
It is so very, very long ago
Since I, too, knew the things that children know.
Out of thy wisdom grant me all I need,
Patience of purpose, skill and tender deed.
Trusting thy perfect love to lead and bless,
Help me to remember—oh! for this I pray,
Make me again the child of yesterday,
God of the heart and hand,
Teach me to understand.

—Marion B. Craig.

DOUBLE SPRINGS

The school at this place opened November the 23rd with but very few attendance, but have gradually grown to be a good sized school. We have only had one teacher here before but have two now.

It has been raining all this week but having school a day. I learn more on rainy days because there are not so many present.

We organized a school improvement association here last spring and we will hold a regular meeting Tuesday, December 8th. Our principal, Miss May Wigginton, has sent special invitations to all the patrons to make a special effort to be present.

Our present school room is too small to accommodate our two teachers and [illegible] consented to let us have the ground floor of their hall, provided we will raise money to call and equip it ready for use. We have already raised some money by having box parties, etc. We are to have another box party December 12th, proceeds to be applied to finishing said room which we hope to be occupying in a short while.

SAM KING, Fifth Grade.

Pendleton, R. F. D. No. 5.

Christmas Suggestions to Teachers.

Let the two weeks before Christmas be the happiest time of the year. Bring the Christmas spirit into your schools. For the younger children have compositions on "Santa Claus," "The Christmas Tree," "The Birds' Christmas Dinner," and for the older pupils select such subjects as, "The First Christmas," "Bethlehem," "The Origin of Santa Claus," etc. Decorate these compositions with drawings, paper cuttings, or pictures. Begin the decorations with holly, evergreens, strings of popcorn, and with the bells, stars, stockings, etc., that the children have made.

Dress up the blackboards with drawings of holly and mistletoe. Hang wreaths at the windows and outside the door, and crown your Madonnas with your prettiest wreaths.

The Christmas number of the Ladies Home Journal and the Woman's Home Companion have many suggestions for decorations and for articles to be made in school. Visit the teachers' rest room, and get ideas from the teachers' bulletin board. Mr. Faust has kindly given the rest room its Christmas decoration, which will give the teachers many ideas. In "The Course of Study and Helps" may be found [illegible] songs and poems for the day. If any teacher in the county has not received a copy of this bulletin, it may be gotten at the office, or by writing for it. The following is a copy of "December Lesson Plans." (These plans are being prepared for each month by several of the rural supervisors.) Let each teacher save the best pieces of her work for the County School Fair next spring.

MAGGIE M. GARLINGTON.

Difficult to Spell.

A country politician in New Jersey was elected school commissioner. One day he visited a school and told the teacher he desired to examine the boys and girls.

A spelling class was performing, so the commissioner said he would inquire into the proficiency of that organization. The teacher gave him a spelling book, and the students lined up in front of the mighty educator.

He thumbed the book. Then, pointing at the first boy, he said:

"Spell eggpit."

"Eggpit," slowly spelled the boy.

"Wrong," said the commissioner, and pointing to the next boy:

"You spell eggpit."

"Eggpit," spelled the boy.

"Wrong. You spell it."

The next boy spelled it the same way, and the next and the next.

"Bad spellers, these," commented the commissioner to the distressed teacher.

"Why, Mr. Commissioner," she protested, "they have all spelled eggpit correctly."

"They have not."

"Will you let me see the word in the book?" the teacher asked, tearfully, "I am sure they have."

"Here it is," said the commissioner, and he pointed to the word "Egypt."

—Tit-Bits.

What is Education?

A professor in the University of Chicago says to be educated in the true sense a man must be able to truthfully answer affirmatively all these questions:

Has education made you public spirited?

Has it made you a brother to the weak?

Have you learned how to make friend yourself?

Do you know what it is to be a friend yourself?

Can you look an honest man o[illegible] pure woman in the eye?

Do you see anything to love [illegible] little child?

Will a lonely dog follow you i[illegible] street?

Can you be high-minded and h[illegible] in the meanest drudgeries of li[illegible]

Do you think washing dishes [illegible] hoeing corn just as compatible [illegible] high thinking as piano playing [illegible] golf?

Can you be happy alone?

Can you look out on the worl[illegible] see anything except dollars [illegible] cents?

Can you look into a mud pud[illegible] the wayside and see a clear sk[illegible]

Can you see anything in the [illegible] of mud?

Can you look into the sky a[illegible] and see beyond the stars?

The man who can say "Y[illegible] each and every one of these [illegible] tions is certainly highly educa[illegible] we wonder in what college or [illegible] sity one could take the full co[illegible]

Sick Headache.

Sick headache is nearly always caused by disorders of the stomach. Correct them and the periodic attacks of sick headache will disappear. Mrs. John Bishop of Roseville, Ohio, writes: "About a year ago I was troubled with indigestion and had sick headache that lasted for two or three days at a time. I doctored and tried a number of remedies but nothing helped me until during one of those sick spells a friend advised me to take Chamberlain's Tablets. This medicine relieved me in a short time." For sale by all dealers.

Geisberg's Holiday Shoe Sale

BEGINS

WEDNESDAY MORNING

Promptly at 9 o'clock Wednesday morning we inaugurate a Sale of Men's, Women's and Children's Shoes of the Very Highest Grades at Sacrifice Prices. The reason:

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We bought Shoes for the Fall and Winter trade before the War broke out, anticipating good business this Fall.

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We Want Our Friends to Profit By Our Mistake

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$5.50 Forbush Shoes $4.95
$6.00 Forbush Cushion Shoes $4.95
1 lot J. E. French $5.50 Shoes (tan and black) $4.45
1 lot Alden, Walker Wilde shoes (tan and black) $5.00 grade $4.25
1 lot Forbrush shoes $5.00 grade $3.75
All Shapes and Different leathers, worth $4.00 ..... $3.45

WOMEN'S

Wichert and Gardner shoes with new heels, $6.00 grade .. $5.00
Utz & Dunn Shoes, $.00 grade (in this lot you will find all kinds) $4.25
1 lot $4.50 shoes, (Utz & Dunn) $3.55
1 lot $4.00 shoes (Utz & Dunn make) $3.45
1 lot $3.50 shoes (Utz & Dunn make $2.95
1 lot $4.00 Cravenette, Utz & Dunn make shoes $2.75
1 lot Shoes, $2.50 grade all leathers, and bluchers and button $1.95

WORK SHOES

1 lot $3.00 Work shoes for Men $2.45
1 lot $3.00 Work shoes for Women $1.65
1 lot $3.00 Scout Shoes for Men $2.65

BOYS' SHOES

$3.50 grade Boy's shoes now $2.95
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$2.50 grade Boy's shoes now $1.95
$2.00 grade Boy's shoes now $1.65

CHILDREN'S SHOES

40 pairs $1.25 grade Children's shoes at 80c
1 lot $2.00 grade Children's shoes at $1.65

HOUSE-SLILPERS FOR CHRISTMAS

Daniel Green's "Peerless Comfys", recognized the world over as being he very best that money can buy—all colors at $1.50.

1 lot Tailor made Houseslippers—spring heel and cushion sole, worth $1.50 now 95c.

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