GOTTON NEAR 14 AGAIN.

After Census Bureau Report Was Received Shorts Began to Cover and Prices Went Up Sharply,

And Went Within 30 Points of This Year's High Record.

that there had been ginned up to and including Saturday, December 12, 8,848,747 commercial bales, compared with 9,311,835 bales up to and including December 13 of last year.
The census found that 29,971 gin-

neries had been operated this season, against 30,194 up to December 13 of

Counting round bales as half bales, the number of bales ginned is 8,526,-244 this season, against 8,905,503 last

season. This report will be followed by two others, showing the quantity of cotton ginned from the growth of 1903, up to and including January 16, 1904, and a final report at the end of the ginning season, about March 15, which will distribute the crop by counties, segregate upland and sea island cotton and give weights of bales. Of the total of 8,848,727 commercial bales for the United States 8,144,493 were square bales, 645,006 round bales and 59,284 sea island crop bales,

The report by States follows:
Alabama, 946,656 commercial bales against 896, 994 Inst season; 3,850 active ginneries, against 3,889 last season. Arkansas, 514,630 bales, against 768, 861 last season; 2,509 active ginneries,

against 2,510 last season. Florida, 50,064 bales, against 54,443 last season: 269 active ginneries, against 284 last season.

Georgia, 1,202,815 bales, againt 1,-376,850 last season; 4,978 active ginneries, against 5,046 last season. Indian Territory, 238,731 bales, against 372,042 last season: 485 active ginneries, against 428 last season.

Kansas, no crop reported. Kentucky, 428 bales, against 1,207 last season; 2 active ginneries, against 3 last season. Louisiana, 686,600 bales, against 670,485 last season; 2,167 active gin-

neries, against 2,143 last season.

Mississippi, 1,211,744 bales, against
1,135,557 last season: 4,192 active ginneries, against 4,276 last season. Missouri, 28,811 bales, against 39,185 last season; 74 active ginneries,

against 59 last season.

North Carolina, 502,591 bales, against 17,068 last season; 2,715 active ginneries against 2,683 last season. Oklahoma, 155,242 bales, against

163,190 last season; 232 active ginneries, against 218 last season. South Carolina, 747,828 bales against 863,989 last season; 3,173 active ginneries against 3,187 last sea-

Tennessee, 210,668 bales, against 272,135 last season; 778 active ginneries, against 315 last season.

Texas, 2,310,725 bales, against 2,167,-472 last season; 4,431 active ginneries, against 4,542 last sesson.

Virginia, 11,143 bales, against 12,537 last season; 116 active ginneries, against 109 last season.

New York, Jan. 6.-Trading in cotton was less active today and prices showed a reactionary tendency after the sharp advance of yesterday. This was chiefly due to disappointing ca-bles and considerable selling here for Liverpool account as well as for the account of profit-taking longs. By the end of the first half hour of trading the market was about 19 to 23 points net lower, but showed considerable

stability around that level.

During the forenoon the market broke badly, following a turn for the worse in eastern news accompanied by heavy liquidation. Prices were soon driven down to 13.25 for March, 13.43 for May and 13.49 for July, these being net losses of 39 to 49 points. Later the market rallied about 10 to 15 points from the bottom on bull support and covering, while there was also some outside buying as a result of smaller receipts. The steadier tendency was of short duration, however, for shortly after midday more disquieting rumors were in circulation concerning the far eastern situation, and everything gave way to consideration of possible war, with all the months selling down to new low levels for the day. March touched 12.88: May 13.05 and July 13.05, or 81 to 85 points lower, placing prices to the level occupied before yesterday's advance. Toward the close there was a slight rally. The market closed easy at a net decline of 70 to 75 points. The sales were estimated at 1,200,000

IN NEW ORLEANS.

New Orleans Jan. 6.—Heavy liquidation induced by unfavorable Liverpool cables and disquieting war rumors, caused a decline of from 30 to 33 points in the cotton market to-

There was a general tendency to lower crop estimates on the census report of yesterday, and one firm came out with an estimate of 9,250,000 bales, which is the lowest estimate made thus far by any member of the cotton exchange.

New York, Jan. 7.—Cables were better than expected by several points today, and paved the way for a firm opening of the New York cotton market, which started at an advance of 9 to stories of the wing have already been 17 points on active covering by shorts and a good run of buying by commission houses on wire orders accumulated during the night. The early firmness was increased by indications of subsiding interior receipts and reports of a firmer spot market in the South. Immediately following the opening call the market ruled irregular and lower under liquidation, and by 10.20 was a dozen points off from the open-

.ing. Towards noon the market developed great strength and activity on covering and renewed public demand, fol- tionally bad I was about to throw down liable remedy for colds and croup, we have with pain," writes C. W. Bellamy, a locolowing what were considered to be the evening paper when I saw an item in the never been without it in the house since motive fireman, of Burlington, Iowa. "I more peaceful indications as to affairs in the far East. By 1 o'clock the market showed about the same advance that it is not discussed by that time. We have have five children and have given it to all of them with good results. One good feature of this remedy is sults. One good feature of this remedy is sults. One good feature of this remedy is that time. We have have five children and have given it to all of them with good results. One good feature of this remedy is after the second dose. After using two

were also greater than last year, but this fact was offset by reports of enor-mous exports at New Orleans, which, however, did not get in the official total. The average of the afternoon influences gave a steady closing at a net advance of 10 to 14 points. The sales were estimated at 700,000 bales.

New York, Jan. 8 - With the New Orleans cotton market closed celebrating the aniversary of the battle of New Orleans, the bull forces concentrated their energies on Liverpool and Washington, Jan. 5.—The census bureau today issued a report, showing that there had been ginned up to and had been accumulating lately. Cables that would have matched the New York closing by an advance of only 41/2251/2 points had reported a rise of 22 points before the opening of business here. This, with indications of light receipts, prepared the way for a strong opening. Shorts were eager buyers and there was a pretty good showing in the way of wire orders.
The market opened at an advance of 13 to 21 points. Houses with New Orleans connections were large buyers.

Later in the session the market became more active and firmer in view of smaller receipts than had been forecasted with the movements for the week falling below that of last year. Confidence was further increased by reports of a still more peaceful ten-dency to affairs in the far East. At the best point the market showed a rise of 26 to 30 points and was finally very steady at a net gain of 28 points. The volume of business was small, largely owing to the closing of the New Orleans exchange. The sales of the day were estimated at only 4000,-000 bales.

HESTER'S COTTON STATEMENTS.

For the 130 Days of Season Aggregate is 139,000 Bales Ahead of Same Days Last Year.

New Orleans, Jan. 8.—Secretary Hester's weekly Cotton Exchange statement, issued today, shows for the eight days of January an increase over last year of 2,000, and a decrease under the same period year before last

For the 130 days of the season that have elapsed the aggregate is ahead of the same days of last year 139,000 and ahead of the same days year before last 114,000.

The amount brought into sight during the past week has been 284,141, against 294,319 for the same seven days ending last year, and 355,036 year be-

The movement since September 1 shows receipts at all United States ports to be 5,483,141, against 5,150,581 last year; overland across the Mississippi, Ohio and Potome rivers to Northern mills and Canada, 411,228, against 613,716 last year; interior socks in excess of those held at the close of the commercial year, 437,070, against 430,848 last year.

The total movement since September 1 is 7,200,439, against 7,061,817 last year, and 7,086,044 year before

Foreign exports for the week have been 242,291, against 211,668 last year, making the total thus far for the season 4,028,377, against 3,730,863 last year. The total takings of American mills, North and South and Canada, thus far for the season have been 1,985,724, against 2,014,945 last year. Stocks at the seaboard and twentynine leading Southern interior centres have decresed during the week 98,087 bales, against a decrease during the corresponding period last season of 41,-

Incuding stocks left over at ports and interior towns from the last crop and the number of bales brought into sight thus far for the new crop; the suppy to date is 7,368,238, against 7,276,891 for the same period last year. THE WORLD'S VISIBLE SUPPLY.

New Orleans, Jan. 8. - Secretary Hester's statement of the world's visible supply of cotton, issued today, shows the total visible to be 3,932,743, against 3,902,719 last week, **3,894, 892 last year. Of this the total of American cotton is 3,240,743, against chine."
3,288,719 last week, and *3,168,892 last year, and of all kinds, including When Egypt, Brazil, India, etc., 692,000, against 614,000 last week, 726,000 last

Of the world's visible supply of coton there is now affoat and held in Great Britian and Continental Europe 2,124,000, against 1,871,000 last year; in Egypt 231,000, against 192,000 last year; in India 198,000, against 273,000 last year and in the United States 1,380,000, against 1,559,000 last year. *Corrected by Galveston, minus cor-

rection to date, 46,520.

**Corrected by Galveston, minus correction this week, 2,674.

Raleigh, N. C., January. 5.-Nine negro pisoners escaped from the Wake county jail at an early hour this morning. Most of them were awaiting trial on charges of larceny, but one was a Federal prisoner and another a prisoner awaiting trial for criminal assault on a white woman. He had been sent made by prying off a section of a steel remedy I have ever tried and I have used cell in the corridor and removing the many different remedies. I am nearly trace of the men.

Taunton, Mass., Jan. 5 - The woman's wing of the Taunton Insane Hospital caught fire about 11.30 last night and is now burning fiercely. Every effort is being made to save the inmates and at midnight it looked as the year 1903 the Philippines had cost note, in connection with the tick

Years.

B. F. Hare, Supt. Miami Cycle & Mfg. Co., Middletown, O., suffered for ten years with dyspepsia. He spent hundreds of was a baby he was subject to croupy spells dollars for medicine and with doctors and we would be very uneasy about him. without receiving any permanent benefit. We began using Chamberlain's Cough He says, "One night while feeling excepthat was current on the opening call. after the second dose. After using two that it is not disagreeable to take and our after taking it, I felt as well as I ever did In the late afternoon less attention bottles I am stronger and better than I babies really like it. Another is that it is in my life." Weak, sickly, run down was paid to so-called news from the have been in years, and I recommend Ko not dangerous, and there is no risk from people always gain new life, strength and was paid to so-called news from the dollars, and there is no lisk from people always gain new tile, strength and giving an overdose. I congratulate you vigor from their use. Try them Satisfaction guaranteed by J. F. W. DeLorme. pates by several thousand bales, and there is no lisk from giving an overdose. I congratulate you upon the success of your remedy." For sale by China's Drug Store.

A MACHINE THAT FLIES.

The Wright Brothers Declare that They Have Solved the Problem of Navigating the Air.

Dayton, O., Jar. 6.-The Wright brothers, inventors of the flying machine which has attracted such widespread attention, have prepared the following, which they say is the first correct statement of the successful trials made by them:

"On the morning of Dec. 17, between 10.30 and noon, four flights were made, two by Orville Wright and two by Wilbur Wright. The starts were all made from a point on the level and about 200 feet west of our camp, which is situated a quarter of a mile north of Kill Devil Sand, in Dare county, N. C. The wind at the time of the flight had a velocity of 27 miles an hour at 10 o'clock and 24 miles an hour at noon as recorded by the anemometer go steamship builders for deep sea at the Kitty Hawk weather bureau and the American Great Lakes serstation. This anemometer is 30 feet from the ground. Our own measurements, made with an anemometer at a height of four feet from the ground, and she had plenty of room for pairs showed a velocity of about 22 miles when the first flight was made and that are classed by Buffen—244—and 221/2 when the last flight was made. The flight was made directly against the wind. Each time the machine started from the level ground by its own power with no ssistance from gravity or other source whatever. After a run of about 40 feet along the monorail track which held the machine eight inches from the groundd, it rose from the track and under the direction of the operator climbed upward on an inclined course until a stacessiul, as records of the times show, in making money for her owners. Noah, the "Father of Naval Architecture," is held in profound respect by naval architects of today, who ward on an inclined course until a know how immensely the Phoenicians, height of eight or ten feet from the Greeks and Romns and all other ship-ground was reached, after which the builders fell short of the excellence of course was kept as near horizontal as the type of the ark as a commodius, the wind gusts and the limited skill safe and economical vessel." of the operator would permit. Into the teeth of a 25-mile gale the 'flyer' made its way forward with a speed of 10 miles an hour over the ground and 30 to 35 miles an hour through the air. It had previously been decided that for reasons of personal safety these first trials should be made as close to the ground as possible. The height chosen was scarcely sufficient for manoeuver-

ing in so gusty a wind and with no previous acquaintance with the conduct of the machine and its controlling mechanism. Consequently the first flight was short. The succeeding flights rapidly increased in length and at the fourth trial a flight of 59 seconds was made in which the machine flew a little more than half a mile through the air and a distance of more than 852 feet over the ground. The landing was due to a slight error of judgment on the part of the operator. After passing over a little hummock and the machine turned downward more quickly than had been expected.

"Only those who are acquainted with practical aeronautics can appreciate the difficulties in attempting the first trials of a flying machine in a 25mile gale. As winter had already set in, we would have postponed our trials to a more favorable season, but for the fact that we were determined before returning home to the machine whether possessed sufficient power withstand the shock of landing and of sufficient capacity of control to make

the ground and thus ending the flight.

ing machine had come at last.
"From the beginning we have employed entirely new principles of control and as all the experiments have been conducted at our own expense without assistance from any individual or institution, we do now feel ready at present to give out any pic-

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ture or detailed description of the ma-When bilious try a dose of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets and realize for once how quickly a first-class upto-date medicine will correct the disorder.

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San Antonio, Tex., Jan. 5.—John Alexander Dowie, founder of Zion City, is not going to Australia on this trip. He arrived here to investigate Mattegorda Island, off the Texas coast, as a site for the new "Eternal City." Dowie's plan is to enter extensive stock farming and factory work. He has an option on the island which embraces 30,000 acres. He admits that he has had this plan in mind sometime, and may bring his entire fol-lowing to the new settlement.

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It is estimated that at the end of

land Texas News, has written a letter of fessor Charles Shirley Potts, in the congratulations to the manufacturers of American Monthly Review of Reviews Chamberlam's Cough Remedy as follows: for January. "Sixteen years ago when our first child Remedy in 1887, and finding it such a re-

THE STORY OF THE ARK.

Question Has Arisen as to Authenticity of Voyage.

As in the case of the story of Jonah

and his brief but intimate acquain-

tance with the whale, questions have been raised about the authenticity of the story of the trip of the first houseboat, the ark. Was it possible to construct a vessel having the reputed capacity of the famous craft? What were its dimensions anyway? These questions have buzzed in the head of more than one "old subscriber" and "constant reader." The editor of the Syren and Shipping has undertaken to answer these questions and allay for all time any doubts as to whether the writer of the story of the deluge was ignorant of the subject of ship-building. "Within the last ten years," he says "the general dimensions of the ark have been closely followed by carand the American Great Lakes service. According to the bible, the ark was 480 feet long, 80 feet wide and 48 feet deep. Her tonnage was 11,413, for the storage of supplies. In the seventeeth century Peter Jansen, a Hollander, built a vessel of the exact proportions of the ark, and she was successful, as records of the times

Cattle Fever.

Nothing positive was known in regard to either the cause of the disease of the manner of its transmission until the subject was taken up by the Bureau of Animal Industry in 1889. Under the general supervision of Dr. D. E. Salmon, chief of the bureau, a systematic investigation of the subject tematic investigation of the subject was begun at the experiment station, near the city of Washington. In the laboratories of the station, one of the best pieces of biological research that this country has witnessed was carried on by Dr. Theobald Smith, chief of the Division of Animal Pathology, now a member of the Harvard medi cal faculty. One of the most characteristic symptoms of Texas fever in its of sand in attempting to bring the machine down to the desired height the operator turned the rudder too far and the machine turned downward tries, the name of "red-water." It has also been observed that the kid-The reverse movement of the rudder neys, liver, and especially the spleen was a fraction of a second too late to were greatly enlarged and engorged prevent the machine from touching with blood, from which fact the disease is sometimes known as "splenetic The whole occurrence occupied little fever." But Dr. Smith now demonif any more than one second of time. strated that the fever is not primarily strated that the fever is not primarily a disease of these organs, but of the blood. He discovered the presence of a micro-parasite in the red corpuscles of the blood, by which the corpuscle itself is destroyed. There is an enormus multiplication of these parasites during the earlier stages of the disease, resulting in the destruction of one-fourth to three-fourths of the red corpuscles. These dead corpuscles are eliminated through the kidneys, and give rise to the characteristic symptoms of the disease. The same microorganism was found in the blood of well as in calm air. When the points

healthy Southern cattle.

While these discoveries were being once packed our goods and returned made in the laboratories, equally important results were reached in the field experiments that were being carried on at the same time. Under the immediate direction of Dr. F. L. Kilbourne, a series of experiments was carried on, covering a period of three years, for the purpose of determining what part, if any, the cattle tick has in the transmission of Texas fever. From these experiments several important facts were definately established. It appeared that the plague always broke out among Northern cattle when they were allowed to run on pastures occupied by "ticky" Southern cattle, or over which ticks picked from Southern cattle had been scattered. The same results were obtained when ticks were transferred directly from Southern to Northern cattle. Not only so, but even young ticks hatched artificially, which had never been in contact with Southern cattle, were found to transmit the fever when they were applied to Northern cattle or were scattered over the pasture occupied by them. On the other hand, Southern cat*le were found to be en-tirely harmless if carefully cleared of ticks before being placed in the same pastures with the Northern animals. It was proved that the fever could not be contracted by taking the germs into the digestive tract, for large quantities of ticks were fed to susceptible animals along with their food without the least sign of the disease. On the other hand, it was found that the disease could be readily transmitted da points.
by inoculating susceptible animals For fu with the blood drawn directly from the veins of cows suffering from the disease, or with the blood drawn from the veins of healthy Southern cattle, thus proving that the disease germs are always present in the blood of immune Southern cattle. It is of interest to

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