

THE FALL OF GOLD, from whatever causes, indicates a tendency of the paper circulation to approximate nearer to gold in its value.— It is true that commodities generally have not yet fallen in price in proportion to the fall in gold; but let gold decline four or five per cent. more, and then stand for a few weeks in that position, and there will be a general crash. Commodities will come down to a level with gold, adding, however, to their price, the Government taxes and duties.— When gold was on the rise holders of goods and Government contractors marked up their prices to the gold standard, and to twenty or fifty per cent. beyond; but when it is on the decline they hold on to their prices, in the expectation of a rise. Two or three weeks hence we shall probably see gold still lower, and then we shall witness a general decline in prices.— *Nat. Int.*

RAILWAY ACROSS THE ALPS.—“While waiting,” says the *Italia* of Turin, “for the piercing through of the Alps, the passage of Mount Cenis is of great interest, and we learn that a first attempt on the railway there has been made with success. In spite of the difficulties presented by the season, Mr. Fell did not hesitate to make a trial, and he was zealously seconded by Mr. Blake, the engineer, who has charge of the works. The ascent was made on the 25th of February, Mr. Fell being accompanied by Mr. Blake and Mr. Holland. The rails are only laid to the length of two kilometres (1¼ miles,) but they pass over the most difficult slopes of the Alps. Mr. Fell’s locomotive ascended and descended the line many times, which goes from Lans le-Bourg, and it answered in every way the most sanguine expectations of the inventor. We are informed that in a short time complete experiments will be made, and then will be solved that grand problem of the ascent of the Alps by means of steam—a problem so deeply interesting and important to Turin and the whole of Italy.”

PROSPECTS OF CROPS.—A gentleman who has travelled extensively in the West and Southwest reports that, in the States of Illinois, Indiana and Ohio, fuller crops will be planted this spring than perhaps during any of the past three years. In Tennessee, in the counties below Nashville, where the soil is of the first quality and the demand enormous, very little can be produced the ensuing summer, and the supply will have to come chiefly from the North. In Kentucky less than an average crop of grain and vegetables will be planted this spring.

FREIGHTING COAL.—A consultation was held last week between the coal agents and a committee of the boatmen, in reference to the price to be paid during the season for freighting coal. The boatmen demand \$4 per ton, while the agents of the several companies stand upon the old price of \$3. We have no doubt, however, the differences will be amicably adjusted, and the business be prosecuted with more than former energy and success.— *Cumberland (Md) Alleganian.*

Collector Simon Draper has made an official report concerning the cotton taken at Savannah by Gen. Sherman. The total number of bales is 28,500, of which 6,000 bales are sea island. It had been gathered in from the various States, partly to prevent its falling into possession of the raiding forces, but principally that it might easily be shipped by blockade runners. The great portion of it belonged to the Confederate Government. It was found stored in various sections of the city.

At a large sale of dry goods in Philadelphia, on Thursday, domestic goods sold at about the prices obtained last week; woollens advanced, and the linen goods went off fairly. Paris dress silks and *grö de Rhine* brought good prices, and were largely duplicated.

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Government Bonds,
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feb 9—1f

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REAL ESTATE AGENT,
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MEALS AT ALL HOURS—Oysters and all the delicacies of the season always to be had.

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jan 3—1y

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NEW STOCK AND NEW STYLES.
I have just received a fine stock of custom-made Goods.
Comprising a great many new styles,
LADIES', MISSES', CHILDREN'S, GENTS', BOYS'S
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BOOTS, SHOES AND GAITERS,
Of every kind and description;
Which will be sold LOW for CASH.
Call and examine before you buy, at No. 80,
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feb 24—3m

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Wholesale and Retail Dealers in
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GRAIN,
HAY,
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Our goods are bought at lowest cash prices in the leading markets, and from the extent of our sales and the necessity of constantly replenishing stock, we are enabled to sell at all times at very low prices.
All Country Produce bought.
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ON HAND and constantly receiving Fresh
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Welch's Family Flour in barrels and bags;
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Choice new crop Green and Black Teas, for
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Railroad track, where Sunday and night calls
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No 52 King street.

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Jan 3—1y

A CARD.
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All work done on the Shortest Notice and Warranted.
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jan 3—1f