New York Stock Market

New York, December 23.—Irregular fluctuations of stocks to-day indicated that the market was steady on an uncertain footing. Prices at times moved with a rapidity disproportionate to the amount of trading, shifting about in a way which indicated no well defined current of speculative opinion. The trend as a whole, however was toward a lower level, and at the end of the day a large part of the leading issues had fallen a point or more. Trading was dull and professional. Uncertainty whether the Supreme Court would announce its decision in the Minnesota case to-day restricted trading in the morning, and the bear element took advantage of the situation to bring about a recession. With the announcement in the noon hour that no decision would be announced to-day, there came a sharp upward movement, during which Union Pacific rose two points above the last quotation on Saturday. The gains were quickly lost, however, and during the remainder of the session the tendency was downward.

The call money rate rose to 6 per cent late in the day, which may have been a factor in the heaviness of the stock market. With the easing of the strain in Europe, apprehension is felt as to the monetary conditions at the end of the year, although money rates will be watched closely near the end of the month, and may constitute a more important influence. Germany, whose needs are most urgent at this season, succeeded in obtaining more than half of the week's offerings of South African gold in London.

Baltimore and Ohio, the first of the large railroad systems to make December reports, showed a further gain in revenue.

The bond market moved irregularly, but fluctuations were unusually narrow.

Total sales, par value, $1,263,000. United States bonds unchanged on call.

New York, December 23.—Money on call steady, 4 3-4@6 per cent; ruling rate, 4 3-4; closing bid, 5 3-4; offered at 6. Time loans easier; sixty and ninety days, 6 per cent; six months, 5 1-2. Close: Prime mercantile paper, 6 per cent. Sterling exchange firm, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.8150 for sixty-day bills and $4.8560 for demand. Commercial bills, $4.80 3-4. Bar silver, 62 1-4. Mexican dollars, 49. Government bonds steady. Railroad bonds irregular.

Official Range and Sale of Stocks in New York

BY THOMAS BRANCH & CO., Bankers and Brokers.

Sales.	Stock.	Open.	High.	Low.	Closing. Bid	Asked.
2,000	Allis-Chalmers, $2 paid..	1¼	1¼	1¼	1¼	1½
500	Allis-Chal., pfd., $4 paid.	5	5	4¾	4⅝	5
26,750	Amalgamated Copper ...	76¼	76¾	75	75	75⅛
	Amer. Agri. Chem., com. ...	...	...	...	54½	55
1,000	Amer. Beet Sugar, com..	32	32	31	30¾	31¼
4,100	American Can	31	31	30⅝	30¾	31
400	American Can, pfd.......	116¾	117	116¼	115⅞	116¼
200	Amer. Car and Foundry.	55	55	55	54⅞	55½
100	American Cotton Oil....	56⅜	56⅜	56⅜	...	56
100	Am. Hide and Leather, pr	27	27	27	26	29
	American Linseed Oil....	...	...	...	11¼	12
700	American Locomotive ...	42¾	43½	42½	42¼	43
	Amer. Malt Co., pfd......	...	...	...	58	58¾
4,300	American Smelting	72⅛	72½	71¾	71⅞	72
300	American Snuff, com.....	189⅞	189⅞	189⅞	190	192
	American Sugar	...	...	...	117	118
600	Amer. Tel. and Tel. Co...	140½	140⅝	140	139⅞	140
210	American Tobacco, com...	102⅞	102	102⅞	275⅝	277
100	American Tobacco, pfd..	102⅝	102⅞	102⅞	102½	103
2,500	Anaconda Copper	39½	39⅝	39	39⅞	39¼
10,500	Atchison	106	106¼	105½	105	105½
350	Atlantic Coast Line......	131½	131½	131½	131	132
	A. C. L. of Connecticut..	...	...	...	250	264
900	Baltimore and Ohio......	104⅞	104⅞	104½	104½	104⅞
700	Bethlehem Steel Co., com	37	37	36¾	36½	36⅞
	Bethlehem Steel Co., pfd	...	...	...	67	68
1,200	British-Amer. Tob. Co...	23¾	24	23¾	23¾	23⅞
2,200	Brooklyn Rapid Transit.	89⅞	90	89⅜	89⅛	89⅜
100	Central Leather, com....	28¼	28¼	28¼	28½	29
28,400	Canadian Pacific	259⅞	261	259⅞	259⅝	259½
3,400	California Petroleum ...	54½	55	53⅞	54½	53⅞
400	Chesapeake and Ohio....	79	79	78⅜	78⅞	78⅝
	Chicago Great Western..	...	...	...	16½	17¼
	Chi. Great West., pfd.....	...	...	...	31	32
1,500	Chi., Mil. and St. Paul...	112¾	112⅞	111⅞	111⅞	112¼
695	Crucible Steel Cor., com.	16⅞	17¼	16⅞	16⅝	17
95	Crucible Steel, pfd	92½	92½	92½	92⅝	92⅞
200	Colorado Fuel and Iron.	33½	34	33½	34	34¼
	Colorado and Southern.	...	...	...	32	33
	Consolidated Gas	...	...	...	140	141½
300	Corn Products, com......	14⅞	14⅞	14¾	14	14½
150	Den. and Rio Gran., pfd.	38⅜	38⅜	38¼	38¼	39½
1,600	Erie	31½	32	31¼	31⅝	31½
400	Erie, 1st pfd............	49⅞	49½	49	48¾	49⅝
	Fed. Min. and Sm., pfd..	...	...	...	39	42½
100	General Electric	183½	183½	183½	183	184
	Geo. W. Helme Tob. Co..	...	...	...	175	188
5,200	Great Northern, pfd.....	134½	134½	132⅝	132¾	133
600	Great Northern Ore ctfs	42	42	41	40¾	42
100	Illinois Central	127	127	127	126¼	127½
500	Interboro-Met.	18⅛	18¼	18	18	18⅛
1,000	Interboro-Met., pfd.......	62	62⅜	61¾	62	62½
400	Int. Harvester, com......	113½	113⅝	112	112	113
	Int. Mer. Marine, com....	...	...	...	4½	5

Sales.	Stock.	Open.	High.	Low.	Closing. Bid	Asked.
700	International Paper ...	12¾	13	12¾	12	13
500	Int. Paper, pfd..........	49	49½	49	49¼	49¾
	Kan. City South., com..	...	...	...	26¼	27½
12,900	Lehigh Valley	172	172	170¼	170¾	171
	Liggett and Myers, com	...	...	...	210	214
	Liggett and Myers, pfd.	...	...	...	110	114
	Lorillard Tobacco, com.	...	...	...	204	208
	Lorillard Tobacco, pfd.	...	...	...	112	115
500	Louisville and Nashville	140¾	141	140¾	140	141
500	Mexican Petroleum	73½	74	73½	73¼	73¾
100	Miami Copper	26	26	26	26	26¼
	Mo., Kan. and Texas....	...	...	...	26¾	27
1,400	Missouri Pacific	41½	42	41½	41⅛	41½
700	National Biscuit	125	125⅛	124⅞	...	...
460	National Lead	55½	56	55½	55½	56
1,010	New York Central......	108½	108½	108	108	108½
100	N. Y., Ont. and Western	31½	31½	31½	31½	32
100	Norfolk and Western...	113	113	113	112¼	113¼
4,300	Northern Pacific	121	121¾	120¼	120	120¼
100	Pacific Mail	30⅞	30⅞	30⅞	30	31
1,675	Pennsylvania	122⅛	122⅛	121⅝	121⅝	122
	People's Gas	...	...	...	113	113½
100	P., C., C. and St. L., com.	103	103	103	102	103½
	Pittsburgh Coal, com...	...	...	...	22	23¼
	Pressed Steel Car......	...	...	...	33	34½
	Ry. Steel Spring, com...	...	...	...	33	35
43,900	Reading	167½	168⅜	166⅞	167	167⅛
200	Republic Iron and Steel	26⅞	27⅛	26⅞	26½	27
100	Republic I. and S., pfd..	85⅞	85⅞	...	84⅝	86
500	Rock Island	23½	23½	23½	23¼	23½
	Rock Island, pfd.......	...	...	...	43½	46
100	Seaboard Air Line, com.	18¾	18¾	18¾	18¼	19¼
	Seaboard Air Line, pfd.	...	...	...	45½	46
200	St. Louis-South., com...	35½	35½	35½	35½	36½
	Sloss-Sheffield	...	...	...	40	46½
1,100	Southern Pacific	104⅝	105¼	104⅝	106	105⅛
	Southern Railway	...	...	...	27⅞	28
	Southern Railway, pfd.	...	...	...	89	89¾
	Standard Oil	...	...	...	1035	1080
100	Texas Pacific	22½	22½	22½	22½	23
29,100	Union Pacific	159⅝	162	159	159	159⅛
	U. S. Cast I. Pipe, com.	...	...	...	17½	18
1,000	United Cigar Stores.....	110	110½	109⅛	109	109⅛
1,200	United States Rubber...	65½	65½	64⅝	64⅞	65¼
63,720	United States Steel......	68¾	69	67⅞	67⅞	67½
1,100	United States Steel, pfd	110	110	109½	109⅝	109⅞
	Va.-Car. Chemical	...	...	...	42	44
	Va.-Car. Chemical, pfd..	...	...	...	114	117
	Va. Ry. and Power, com	...	...	...	...	51
	Va. Ry. and Power, pfd.	...	...	...	89	...
	Wabash	...	...	...	4	4¼
	Wabash, pfd............	...	...	...	13⅛	13¼
900	Western Union	74¼	75	74	75	77
	Weyman-Bruton To. Co.	...	...	...	250	300

Total sales for day, 272,800 shares.

RICHMOND STOCK MARKET.

By Richard W. Maury, Stock and Bond Broker, 1015 E. Main Street.

Richmond, Va., December 23, 1912.

STATE SECURITIES.	Bid.	Asked.
Virginia 3s, Old, C. and R., 1932..	85½	...
Va. Centuries, 2-3, C. and R., 1991.	84½	...
RAILROAD BONDS.		
A. C. L. R. R. Con. Tr. 4 p. c....	96	...
C. and O. Gen'l M., 4½s, 1992......	101	...
Georgia, Southern and Fla., 1945...	105	...
Georgia and Ala. con. 5s, 1945......	105	...
Seaboard Air Line 4s, 1950..........	85	...
Seaboard Adjustment 5s, 1949......	76	...
Southern Railway 1st 5s, 1994......	105	...
So. R. Dev. and G. M. 4s, 1956......	77	...
Western N. C. 1st 6s, C., 1914......	102	...
STREET RY. STOCKS. Par.		
Va. Ry. and Power Co. pfd....100	89¾	90½
Va. Ry. and Power Co. com....100	49½	...
RAILROAD STOCKS. Par.		
Atlantic Coast Line com.......100	122	...
Chesapeake and Ohio..........100	79	...
Norfolk and Western com......100	112	...
Southern Railway pfd..........100	80	...
Southern Railway com..........100	28	...
BANK AND TRUST CO. STOCKS.		
American National..............100	...	220
Broad Street.......................25	60	...
Bank of Commerce and Trusts.100	197½	...
Central National Bank.........100	140	...
Commonwealth Bank............100	114	...
Merchants National.............100	900	...
National State and City Bank.100	216	...
Richmond Bank and Trust Co.25	29½	...
Richmond Trust and Savs. Co..100	109	100½
Savings Bank of Richmond......25	93	...
Union Bank of Richmond.........50	250	...
Virginia Trust Company.........100	159	...
West End............................25	42	45
MISCELLANEOUS.		
R'd Realty Corporation pfd...100	100	...
Union Secur. and Realty Corp..100	100	...
Va.-Car. Chem. pfd. 8 p. c......100	114¾	...
Va. Building and Loan Co.......100	109	...
Jefferson Realty Corp. 1st pfd..100	101	...
Jefferson Realty Corp., 2nd pfd., issue 1902...............................100	97	...
Jefferson Realty Corp., 2nd pfd., issue 1912...............................100	75	...
Jefferson Realty Corp. com.....100	30	...

Quotations for interest-paying bonds are at a price to which interest must be added. Income bonds and certificates of indebtedness are flat.

BOND LIST.

Allis-Chalmers 5s (sales)	58
American Tobacco Co. old 4s (bid)	90¾
American Tobacco Co. old 6s (asked)	121½
Atlantic Coast Line 1st 4s (asked)	93¼
A. C. L.-L. and N. 4s (bid)	91½
A. C. L. conv. 4s, in Baltimore, bid)	100
Chesapeake and Ohio conv. 4½s	93¼
Liggett and Myers 5s	97
Norfolk and Western conv. 4s (bid)	112½
Seaboard Air Line stamped 4s (asked)	85¾
Seaboard Air Line adj. 5s (asked)	76
Southern Railway 4s	77½
Southern Railway 5s	106¾
United States Steel 2nd 5s	101⅞
U. S. registered 3s, 1908 (bid)	101
U. S. registered 2s, 1918 (bid)	102⅞
U. S. Panama new 3s (bid)	101⅞
Virginia-Brown Bros. ctfs. (bid)	52
Virginia-Car. Chem. 1st 5s	97¼
Va. Ry. and Power Co. 5s (asked)	95½
Wabash deb. 4s	62
Wabash-Pitts. Term. 1st 4s	37

COTTON MARKETS.

New York, December 23.—The cotton market was generally quiet to-day and fluctuations were irregular with the close steady at a net advance of 1@3 points. Both American and foreign markets will be closed on Christmas Day and the Thursday following and evening-up for over the holidays was supposed to constitute a large part of the day's business. The market opened steady at an advance of 4@11 points in sympathy with higher Liverpool cables than expected and reports of a continued good continental demand in the English market. Realizing or scattering liquidation was quite active around the opening figures and the market soon turned easier, with prices selling about 3@4 points net lower late in the forenoon. Trade buying and covering of shorts checked the decline around this level, and prices rallied rather sharply during the afternoon on bullish spot advices and a flurry of local shorts. The close was within a point or 2 of the best, and from 1@3 points net higher on most of the active months. The posting of storm signals along the Gulf Coast attracted comparatively little attention, although there was some talk that the disturbance might interfere with the movement during the balance of the week.

Cotton futures closed steady:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
January	12.60	12.80	12.62	12.77
February	...	...	...	12.65
March	12.63	12.71	12.59	12.71
April	...	...	...	12.68
May	12.66	12.71	12.58	12.71
June	...	...	...	12.62
July	12.59	12.61	12.49	12.60
August	12.40	12.49	12.40	12.38
September	12.00	...	...	[illegible]
October	11.80	11.84	11.80	11.87
December	12.75	12.77	12.62	12.74

Spot cotton closed steady; middling uplands 13.10; middling gulf, 13.35; sales 1,500 bales.

Cotton, steady; middling, 12.56; net receipts, 59 bales; gross, 7,466 bales; sales, 1,500 [illegible]

[illegible] bales; stock, 111,815 bales; export to France, 606 bales; to the Continent, 150 bales; Coastwise, 4,954 bales.

Total to-day at all ports—Net receipts, 50,132 bales; export to Great Britain, 7,924 bales; to France, 11,452 bales; to the Continent, 24,575 bales; stock, 1,288,646 bales.

Consolidated at all ports—Net receipts, 99,752 bales; export to Great Britain, 20,073 bales; to France, 17,174 bales; to the Continent, 31,665 bales.

Total since September 1 at all ports—Net receipts, 6,721,717 bales; export to Great Britain, 2,564,529 bales; to France, 706,493 bales; to the Continent, 1,911,732 bales; to Japan, 111,967 bales; to Mexico, 1,600 bales.

New Orleans, December 23.—Cotton futures opened steady at an advance of 2@7 points on favorable cables and a moderate amount of covering by shorts in anticipation of the holidays. At the close prices were 5@8 points over Saturday's quotations. Immediately after the call prices were 3@9 points up. Bears called attention to the weather map, which indicated heavy rainfall over the better part of the cotton region, and selling orders increased. At the close of the first half hour of business prices were 6@8 points under Saturday's close. Traders consider rains at the present time as most favorable in connection with the new crop work. A holiday feeling was in evidence all morning and the volume of business done was small. After the middle of the morning the demand from shorts increased and on a scanty supply of contracts prices did somewhat better, although the market was not strong. At noon prices were unchanged to 1 point up, compared with the final figures of Saturday. In the afternoon the market was dull but steady. Spot cotton quiet and unchanged; middling, 12⅞c. Sales on the spot 467 bales and 300 to arrive. Closing futures: January, 12.82; March, 12.87; May, 12.90; July, 13.00; December, 12.94.

LOCAL MARKET QUOTATIONS.

(Furnished by Levy Commission Co., Commission Merchants, Richmond, Va.

Richmond, Va., December 23, 1912.

ACTUAL WHOLESALE QUOTATIONS OF MARKET.

LIVE POULTRY.			
Chickens, choice, lb.	13	@	15
Hens, lb.		@	11
Roosters, each	30	@	35
Geese, fat, large, each	70	@	90
Geese, small, each	60	@	65
Ducks, large, young, lb.		@	14
Ducks, small, young, lb.		@	12½
Turkeys, lb.		@	17
DRESSED POULTRY. (Head and Feet Off.)			
Turkeys, choice, lb.	19	@	20
Turkeys, fair to good, lb.	17	@	18
Chickens, lb.	16	@	18
Ducks	16	@	17
Geese, lb.		@	12½
GAME.			
Rabbits	15	@	20
EGGS—Crated.			
In crates, nearby, fresh, doz.		@	28
In crates, other sections, doz.		@	27
Guinea eggs, doz.		@	15
BUTTER.			
Family, choice, fresh, lb.		@	25
Merchants', fair, lb.		@	21
LIVE STOCK.			
Veals, choice to fancy, lb.		@	10
Veals, poor to fair, lb.	8	@	9½
Calves, runners, lb.	4	@	6
Sheep, lb.	2½	@	4½
Lambs, spring, lb.	6	@	7
Cattle, fair to prime, lb.	3	@	6½
Hogs, lb.	7	@	7¼
COUNTRY-CURED BACON.			
Hams, well smoked, small, lb.	20	@	21
Hams, well smoked, large, lb.	18	@	19
Sides, well smoked, lb.	13	@	14
Shoulders, well smoked, lb.	13	@	14
HIDES.			
Dry flint, lb.		@	20
Dry salt, lb.		@	18
Green, salt, lb.		@	12½
Green, lb.		@	11½
Green, damaged, lb.	6	@	8
Tallow		@	6
Beeswax		@	25

MARKET CONDITIONS.

Live Poultry—Market steady. Dressed Poultry—Choice dressed turkeys in good demand; poor quality are hard to sell. Ducks, geese and fowl in splendid demand. Eggs—Market overstocked and dull. A large surplus accumulating, which cannot be disposed of at reasonable prices. Game, country bacon and hides continue very active.

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKET.

New York, December 23.—Flour—Steady. Wheat—Firm; No. 2 red, $1.05@1.09; No. 1 Northern, Duluth, 97⅛c. Corn—Steady at 55c. Hides—Dull. Leather—Firm. Petroleum—Steady. Wool—Quiet. Rosin—Quiet; strained common to good, $6.15. Turpentine—Quiet; machine barrels, 41⅛c. Rice and Molasses—Steady. Sugar—Raw and refined, steady. Butter—Firm. Cheese—Quiet. Coffee—Quiet; Rio, No. 7, 14⅛c.; Santos, No. 4, 16⅛c.; mild, quiet; Cordova, 16¼@19c.

Potatoes—Dull and weak; Bermuda, $4.50 @6.00; Virginia and Maryland, late crop, barrel, $1.75@2.00; Maine, in bulk, $1.90@2.25; Long Island, barrel, $2.00@2.00; State, in bulk, $1.50@2.15; Western, $1.50@2.00; Southern, [illegible] barrel, $1.50@2.00; Jersey, barrel, [illegible]. Cabbages—Steady; Danish seed, [illegible]; domestic, $3@4.00; red, $5.00@7. Freights—Barely steady; cotton to Liverpool, per 100 pounds, 40c.; grain to Liverpool, [illegible]; grain to London, [illegible]. Peanuts—Steady; fancy handpicked, Virginia, [illegible]; Virginia shelled, Nos. 1 and 2, 2½@ 6¼c.

Cottonseed was quiet with prices steady in absence of pressure and in sympathy with the strength in lard products. Trading was professional in character. Closing prices were 1 point lower to 2 net higher. Prime crude, [illegible]; prime summer yellow, spot, [illegible]; December, 6.50; January, 6.15; February, 6.21; March, 6.25; April, 6.26; May, 6.32; June, 6.34; July, 6.37; prime winter yellow, [illegible]; prime summer white, 6.20@ 6.50.

CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET.

Chicago, December 23.—A decrease in the domestic visible advanced wheat price ⅛@ ¼c. to-day. Corn closed ⅛@¼c. to ⅛c. up, and oats a shade to ⅛c. down. Provisions gained from 2½@10c.

Leading futures ranged as follows:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
WHEAT—				
Dec.	87¼	88⅜	88	88¼
May	91	91	90⅝	91⅛
July	88⅛	88⅜	87⅝	88⅛
CORN—				
Dec.	46⅜	47½	47⅛	47½
May	48⅞	49	48⅝	49
July	49½	49⅝	49¼	49⅜
OATS—				
Dec.	32	32⅛	32	32⅛
Jan.	32⅛	32⅛	32⅛	32⅛
May	33⅛	33⅜	33⅛	33⅛
July	33⅛	33⅛	33⅛	33⅛
MESS PORK—Per bbl.				
Jan.	17.85	18.00	17.80	17.95

May	18.12	18.22	18.10	18.20
LARD—Per 100 lbs.				
Dec.	10.15	10.20	10.15	10.20
Jan.	9.90	9.96	9.90	9.92
May	9.95	10.00	9.92	9.97
SHORT RIBS—Per 100 lbs.				
Jan.	9.72	9.77	9.70	9.77
May	9.75	9.80	9.72	9.77

Cash grain closed: Wheat—No. 2 red, $1.09½@1.10½; No. 2 hard, 89@90c.; No. 1 northern, 89@90c.; No. 2 northern, 88@89c. Corn—No. 2 yellow, 48½@49c. Oats—No. 2, 33½@33⅝c.; No. 2 white, 35¼c.; standard, 34@34½c.

Baltimore, Md., December 23.—Wheat—Strong; contract, $1.03@1.05. Corn—Firm; contract, 53⅛c. Oats—Firmer; No. 2 white, 39@39½c.; standard, white, 38@38½c. Rye—Inactive; No. 2 western, domestic, 72@74c.

RICHMOND GRAIN MARKET.

Richmond, Va., December 23, 1912.

WHOLESALE QUOTATIONS ON 'CHANGE.

WHEAT—Car lots.			
No. 2 red, Western		@	$ 1.11
No. 2 red, Virginia		@	1.10
No. 3 red		@	1.06
Virginia, bag lots (for seed)	1.00	@	1.07
CORN—Car lots.			
No. 2 white		@	58½
No. 3 white		@	55
No. 2 mixed		@	56
No. 3 mixed		@	54
Virginia, bag lots	55	@	59
Corn on the cob	55	@	58
OATS—Car lots.			
No. 2 mixed		@	38
No. 3 mixed		@	38½
No. 2 white		@	39½
No. 3 white		@	38½
RYE—Car lots.			
No. 2		@	72
No. 3		@	69

RICHMOND HAY MARKET.

Richmond, Va., December 23, 1912.

Following are the quotations on the Richmond Hay Exchange:

Car lots—			
No. 1 Timothy		@	$18.50
Standard		@	17.50
No. 2 Timothy		@	16.00
No. 3 Timothy	13.00	@	15.00
Light Clover, mixed		@	17.50
No. 1 Clover, mixed		@	16.00
No. 2 Clover, mixed	12.50	@	14.00
No. 1 Clover	16.50	@	
No. 2 Clover			Nominal
HAY—Sample			Nominal
STRAW—Compressed		@	9.50
Loose-pressed, large bales		@	11.00
SHUCKS—Compressed	11.00	@	11.50
Loose-pressed, large bales		@	11.00

Load your cars so that hay at doors represents contents and thus avoid rejections. This market grades hay in accordance with the National Hay Association.

CATTLE MARKETS.

New York, December 23.—Beeves—Irregular. Steers, $4.75@9.00; bulls, $4@6.00; cows, $2@6.00. Calves—Steady to slow and shade lower. Veals, $7.50@12.00; culls, $5@7.00; barnyard calves, $4@5.00; yearlings, $3@4.50; western, $4.25@7.00. Sheep and Lambs—Strong. Sheep, $2.25@4.25; culls, $1.50@2.00; lambs, $7@8.75; culls, $4.50@6.00; yearlings, $5@6.50. Hogs—Firm to 10c. higher. Light to heavy, $7.75@7.90.

Chicago, Ill., December 23.—Cattle—Generally 10@20c. higher. Beeves, $5.65@9.50; cows and heifers, $2.75@7.50; calves, $8.50@9.75. Hogs—Generally higher; bulk of sales, $7.15 @7.40. Sheep—Strong, 10@20c. higher at $4@ 5.25; lambs, $5.65@8.25.

MISCELLANEOUS MARKETS.

PETERSBURG PEANUT MARKET.

(Reported by Rodgers, McCabe & Co.)

Petersburg, Va., December 23.—Peanuts—Spanish—Market firm; farmers' Spanish, $1.27½ per bushel; jumbo Spanish, $1.32 per bushel; No. 1 shelled, Spanish, 7¾c. per pound; No. 2 shelled, Spanish, 4c. per pound. Virginias—Market firm; fancy jumbo, 3⅜c. per pound; fancy handpicked, 3⅛c. per pound; extra, 3¼c. per pound; prime, 3c. per pound; machine picked, 2@2¾c. per pound; shelling stock, 2⅛c. per pound.

DRY GOODS MARKET.

New York, December 23.—The cotton goods markets were steady to firm with demand in the mills of very fair proportions, considering the period of the year. Yarns ruled firm. Sales of embroideries were being made at lower figures.

NAVAL STORES.

Wilmington, N. C., December 23.—Spirits Turpentine—Steady at 37½c.; receipts 42 casks. Rosin—Steady at $5.30; receipts 12 barrels. Tar—Firm at $2.20; receipts 11 barrels. Crude Turpentine—Firm at $2@4.00; receipts 11 barrels.

Savannah, Ga., December 23.—Turpentine—Firm at 39¼c.; sales 356 casks; receipts 389 casks; shipments 1,625 casks; stock 24,731 casks. Rosin—Firm; receipts 3,382 barrels; shipments 11,450 barrels; stock 145,194 barrels. Quote: B, $5.65.

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

PORT OF RICHMOND, DECEMBER 23, 1912.

ARRIVED.

Steamer Brandon, Harney, Norfolk, merchandise and passengers, Old Dominion Line.

Steamer Berkeley, Shelly, Norfolk, merchandise and passengers, Old Dominion Line.

Steamer Aurora, Furman, Petersburg and James River landings, merchandise and passengers, Furman Line.

SAILED.

Steamer Brandon, Harney, Norfolk, merchandise and passengers, Old Dominion Line.

Steamer Berkeley, Shelly, Norfolk, merchandise and passengers, Old Dominion Line.

Steamer Pocahontas, Graves, Norfolk and James River landings, merchandise and passengers, Virginia Navigation Company.

Steamer Aurora, Furman, Petersburg and James River landings, merchandise and passengers, Furman Line.

King—Allensworth.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

Fredericksburg, Va., December 23.—W. H. King and Miss Pearl Allensworth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. Allensworth, of King George County, were married a few days ago at Howard View Baptist Church, in that county, Rev. J. H. Newbill performing the ceremony. Mrs. R. L. McGinnies was matron of honor, and R. L. McGinnies was best man.

RAUDE IS VICTIM OF MURDER PLOT

Wealthy Contractor Killed Soon After Willing Property to His Wife.

Chicago, December 23.—A coroner's jury to-day returned a verdict declaring that Frank Raude, a wealthy contractor, who died at his home last Friday, several days after making a will, leaving all his property to his wife, was the victim of a murder plot. Physicians who anayzed Raude's viscera testified that they found a large quantity of poison in the organs.

Mrs. Mary Raude, the dead man's wife, fainted at the coroner's inquest, after Dr. W. H. Burmeister had testified that a chemical analysis of the victim's viscera revealed thirty grains of one kind of poison and nineteen grains of another.

INVESTIGATION ORDERED

Entire Mileage Book Question in the Southeast Will Be Gone Into.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

Washington, December 23.—The entire mileage book question as pertaining to its connection with the railroads of the Southeast will be thoroughly investigated by the Interstate Commerce Commission. It was announced here that Commissioner Franklin K. Lane would go to Charleston on December 27 and begin at that place a most thorough and comprehensive investigation into this matter.

Not only South Carolina, but other States in the Southeastern section of the country, have had occasion to complain from time to time against operation of the railroads with reference to the use of mileage books, and it is to determine whether present regulations are fair and just that the investigation will be made.

While the present case was instituted in South Carolina, the result of the investigation will be of equal interest and importance to other States in the South. More than eighty railroads have been made parties to the hearing and will be represented when the case is called.

P. H. McG.

CONVICTED OF THEFT

St. Louis, Mo., December 23.—Bessie Crittenden, aged seventeen, worked in a department store. She received $4 a week. Her husband is a soldier at the Jefferson Barracks. He receives $12 a month. The girl was given seven cash books, each containing $10, to deliver to various departments. She took the money. She was arrested, confessed, and was sentenced to the Girls' Industrial School at Chillicothe, Mo.

Last night she was free under a special parole issued by Judge Kinsey, at the request of the club women of St. Louis, who interested themselves in the girl's case.

"I couldn't get by on $4 a week," she sobbed when brought before the court. "I tried hard, but I was getting hungry. Then Christmas was near. I wanted to go back home to Hutchison and take my mother some little present. That's why I stole the money."

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*8.00 A.M. Main St. Sta.	†11.35 A.M. Byrd St. Sta.
*8.40 A.M. Byrd St. Sta.	*12.50 P.M. Main St. Sta.
*10.25 A.M. Byrd St. Sta.	*2.50 P.M. Byrd St. Sta.
*12.01 noon Byrd St. Sta.	*6.50 P.M. Byrd St. Sta.
†2.00 P.M. Byrd St. Sta.	*7.30 P.M. Byrd St. Sta.
*3.50 P.M. Byrd St. Sta.	*9.00 P.M. Byrd St. Sta.
‡4.15 P.M. Elba Station.	*11.17 P.M. Main St. Sta.
*5.15 P.M. Main St. Sta.	*12.30 night Byrd St. Sta.
*8.20 P.M. Byrd St. Sta.	*1.05 night Main St. Sta.

ACCOMMODATION TRAINS—WEEKDAYS.

Leave Byrd St. Sta. 4.00 P. M. for Fredericksburg.
Leave Elba Sta. 7.30 A. M., 6.20 P. M. for Ashland.
Arrive Byrd St. Sta. 8.25 A. M. from Fredericksb'g.
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For Norfolk: 9:00 A. M., 3:00 P. M., 4:10 P. M.

For N. & W. Ry. West: 6:15 A. M., 9:50 A. M., 3:00 P. M., 9:20 P. M.

For Petersburg: 1:00 A. M., 6:15 A. M., 8:15 A. M., 9:00 A. M., 9:50 A. M., 3:00 P. M., 4:10 P. M., 6:00 P. M., 6:50 P. M., 7:30 P. M., 11:45 P. M.

For Goldsboro and Fayetteville: *4:10 P. M.

Trains arrive Richmond daily: 5:25 A. M., 6:40 A. M., 10:15 A. M., *8:37 A. M.; **10:45 A. M., *11:40 A. M., *2:10 P. M., **1:40 P. M., 6:05 P. M., 6:35 P. M., 8:00 P. M., 9:00 P. M., 11:30 P. M.

*Except Sunday. **Sunday only.

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7:50 A.—Local—Daily—Newport News
8:15 A.—Local—Daily—Ch'ville. Ex. Sun. Thurmond.
†9:00 A.—Express—Daily—Norfolk, Old Point
†10:00 A—Local—Daily—Lchbg., Lex., C. Forge.
*12:00 Noon—Express—Daily—Norfolk, Old Pt
*2:35—Express—Daily—Cin., L'ville
†4:00 P.—Express—Daily—Norfolk, N. News
5:00 P.—Local—Daily—N. News, Old Point
5:15 P.—Local—Ex. Sun.—Gordonsville.
5:15 P.—Local—Ex. Sun.—Lynchburg.
*6:40 P.—Limited—Daily—Cincin'ti, Chicago.
*11:00 P.—Express—Daily—Cincinnati, L'ville.
*Sleepers. †Parlor cars.

TRAINS ARRIVE RICHMOND—Local from East: 9:45 A. M., 7:40 P. M. Through from East: 11:30 A. M., 2:05 P. M., 6:30 P. M. Local from West: 8:30 A. M., **9:35 A. M., and 7:2. P. M. Through: 8:20 A. M., 11:55 A. M. and 5:20 P. M.

James River Line: **8:35 A. M., 7:10 P. M.

**Daily except Sunday.

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Leave Byrd Street Station, Richmond, FOR NORFOLK: *9:00 A. M., *3:00 P. M., *4:10 P. M.

FOR LYNCHBURG AND THE WEST: *6:15 A. M., *9:50 A. M., *3:00 P. M., *9:20 P. M.

Arrive Richmond from Norfolk: *11:40 A. M., *6:35 P. M., *11:30 P. M. From the West: *6:40 A. M., a2:10 P. M., b1:40 P. M., *6:05 P. M., *9:00 P. M.

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Trains Arrrive Richmond.

From the South: 6:50 A. M. and 8:40 A. M., 2:00 P. M., 8:05 P. M. daily; 12:55 Ex. Sun. From West Point: 9:30 A. M. daily; 11:35 A. M., Mon. Wed. and Fri.; 4:25 P. M. Ex. Sun.

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*6, 7, 8, *9, 10, 11, *12 A. M., 1, 2, *3, 4, 5, **5:45, *6, 7, 8, *9 10 P. M.

11:00 P. M. for Chester, 12:00 midnight for Petersburg.

Cars leave Petersburg, foot of Sycamore Street, for Manchester:

†5:15, 6:35, **7:15, *7:35 8:35, 9:35, *10:35, 11:35 A. M.; 12:35 *1:35, 2:35, 3:35, *4:35, 5:35, 6:35, *7:35, 8:35, 9:35, *10:40, 11:40 P. M.

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