

Financial and Commercial.

LAST WEEK'S NEW YORK STOCK MARKET.

Saturday's New York Evening Post, reviewing the financial week, notes that the fact that trading was less active than for two months, money was as easy in New York...

Table with columns: High, Low, Amalgamated Copper, American Sugar, etc. Includes various stock prices and market data.

THE WESTERN POOL

And What Happened to it on Wall Street Lately.

Referring to the western clique on Wall Street, the New York Evening Post says: "If anything could revive this sense of humor, however, it is the present position of the lately omnipotent 'Western pool'...

How is it possible that such financial dances should be entrusted with the preposterous sums of money which were employed in the 'rigging' of this autumn's market?

LOTS OF GRAIN.

Not for months has there been the immense quantity of grain in Portland, as the elevator men have been so busy...

But now the immense quantities of grain in the west are being received in this city to give each ship a small share...

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NEW YORK STOCK QUOTATIONS.

Table with columns: Description, Yesterday's Close, Open, Noon. Lists various stock prices and market movements.

CHICAGO MARKET.

Table with columns: Dec. Corn, Wheat, Rye, May Oats, May Pork. Lists grain prices.

MONTEAL QUOTATIONS.

Table with columns: Dom Coal, Dom Iron & Steel, Nova Scotia Steel, etc. Lists Montreal market prices.

N. Y. COTTON MARKET.

Table with columns: Dec Cotton, March Cotton, May Cotton, July Cotton. Lists cotton market prices.

TODAY'S COMMENT.

(Received by E. E. Beck & Co., Bankers and Brokers, over the wire.) Nothing better than a narrow and professional market expected today...

FOREIGN PORTS.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 19.-Ard schrs. Sebago, from Dalhousie via Halifax, Wm. Booth, from Long Cove. Ard, schr Charles W. Church, from Boston.

BRITISH PORTS.

PLYMOUTH, Dec. 19.-Ard stmr Kaiser Wilhelm II., from New York for Cherbourg and Bremen and proceeded. GREENOCK, Dec. 17.-Sld stmr Siberia, from St. John, for Liverpool. AVONMOUTH, Dec. 19.-Ard stmr Montclair, from St. John via Liverpool.

GRAIN TRADE.

Winnipeg, Dec. 18.-That the province of Manitoba has made remarkable agricultural progress in the past year, is indicated by the fact that the increase in the production of grain has been 1,100,000 bushels according to the government's annual report...

CURRENT CASH.

Current cash is worth more than one hundred cents on the dollar at our store. We have a large variety of suitable gifts for gentlemen at very low prices.

EXPORTS.

For City Island for orders per schr. Paris A. Colwell, 196,591 ft deal, 1,599,700 lath.

N. Y. COTTON MARKET.

New York, Dec. 20.-Cotton futures opened easy. Dec. 7.32; Jan. 7.39. Feb. 7.45; March 7.48; April 7.50; May 7.64; June 7.70; July 7.76; Aug. 7.78-80.

DEATHS.

TRITES.-In this city, after a short illness, Truman T. Trites, aged 41, leaving a widow, two sons and two daughters to mourn their sad loss.

THE WORLD OF SHIPPING.

MINIATURE ALMANAC.

Table with columns: Sun, Tides, Rises, Sets. Lists astronomical data for December.

PORT OF SAINT JOHN.

Arrived. December 20th. Royal Mail steamship Sicilian, 3964, Fairhill, from Liverpool via Halifax, Wm. Thomson & Co., pass and mdsd.

DOMINION PORTS.

HALIFAX, Dec. 19.-Ard stmr Parisian, from St. John, and sailed for Liverpool; Minia from St. John; Halifax from Boston.

REPORTS, DISASTERS, Etc.

ST. ANDREWS, N. B., Dec. 19.-The Canadian fishery protective cruiser Curlew, Capt. John H. Pratt, has been in the bay for St. Andrews since the week after a two weeks' cruise along the neighboring Dominion islands in the Bay of Fundy and Passamaquoddy bay, where the royal captain looks carefully after the fishing interests of the Canadian government.

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WALL STREET.

New York, Dec. 20.-The opening trading in the stock market today was dull and the changes in the price level narrow.

VESSELS BOUND TO ST. JOHN.

Alcedes, at Glasgow, Dec. 15. Corinthian, from Liverpool, Dec. 29. David, New York, via Savannah, Dec. 11.

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AMUSEMENTS.

YORK THEATRE!

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OPERA HOUSE.

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Matinees, Wednesday and Saturday. Evening prices, 15, 25, 35 and 50c.

Matinee prices 15 and 25c. With every dollar purchase or reserved seats two numbered coupons will be issued for the drawing which will be held at the end of the Dailey Company's season.

"Auto" drawing will take place at the close of Dailey season. Coupon holders should be careful of their numbers and not mislay them. Those holding coupons and who are obliged to leave the city should register numbers and address at Opera House box office. If auto is not claimed one month after date of drawing, a second drawing will be held.

Next Week-"Raffles" and "Our New Minister."

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