COMMERCIAL.

LATEST DATES.

New-York	may 4	Boston	may 4
Philadelphia	" 4	Baltimore	" 4
Charleston	" 2	Washington	" 4
New-York	mar 24	Liverpool	april 4
"	" 26	London	" 1

NEW ORLEANS MARKET.
FOR THE WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 7, 1837.

200 bales Mississippi,		16
158 do Louisiana,	(selected)	20
1236 do Alabama,		14½
108 do do		16½
121 do Western District,		13½
256 do Mobile,		16
2,079		

REMARKS.

Cotton.—The sales of the week amount to 10,485 bales, at prices which are considered a little below those of the previous week; notwithstanding the late favorable advices we have from Liverpool to the 4th ult. which represents an advance in that market of ¼ d per lb. Purchasers do not consider this advance sufficient to induce them to pay any higher, and the season being far advanced a number of planters are leaving the city. The sales which have come to our knowledge during the week were as follows: 81 bales Mississippi at 20 cts; 12 at 18½; 1054 at 17½; 126 at 17½; 23 at 17; 14 at 16½; 572 at 16½; 51 at 15¾; 100 at 15½; 471 at 15; 24 at 14½; Louisiana at 20; 76 at 19½; 110 at 19; 225 at 17½; 169 at 16½; 187 Tennessee at 13; 108 Alabama at 16½; 51 at 15¾; 30 at 14½; 1236 at 14½; 48 Arkansas at 19½; 11 at 17½; 50 at 15; 14 Western District at 13½; 1532 at 13 9-16; 256 at 13½; 515 Dist. & Miss. at 14; 108 Mobile at 16½; 37 at 18.

Sugar.—The market seems to be on the decline; a parcel of 138 hhds sold at 5¾, 7, 8 and 8¾ cts, and a half cent per lb more was offered for last week; 207 hhds long leaf Tennessee sold at 5½, 6½ and 7½.—We alter our quotations accordingly from 5½ to 7½ cts per lb.

Sugar.—This article remains as at our last week's report, but it is dull at our quotations.

Molasses.—The stock although small meets with a very limited demand, but what sales are made are at our quotation.

Flour.—We again reduce our quotations to 5¾ to 5½ and a very small demand compared with the quantity arriving.

Provisions.—We make no material alterations in our quotations, the market may however be said to be extremely dull not only for articles of that kind, but of all kinds of produce of the western states.

Freights.—We quote to Liverpool, ¾ to ⅞d; Havre 1½ to 1¾c for cotton; northern ports U S, cotton ⅞ to ⅞ct; Tobacco 7 to 8 do per hhd; but it is only vessels of the smaller class which obtain our highest quotations.

NEW ORLEANS PRICES CURRENT.

COTTON—Good & Fine,	per lb	19 a	20
Good Fair,		18 a	18½
Fair,		16½ a	17
Middling,		15 a	15½
Ordinary,		13½ a	14
TOBACCO—First quality,		7½ a	7½
Second,		6½ a	6½
Creased X,		5½ a	5½
Cuba,		25 a	30
SUGAR—New Orleans,		11 a	12
Cuba—white,		14 a	15
brown,		11½ a	12
MOLASSES,		40 a	42
BAGGING—Western,	per yd	30 a	32
Dundee,		23 a	25
BALE ROPE,	per lb	13 a	15
COAL—Western,	per bbl		62½
Liverpool,		75 a	1 05
Scotch,			70
CANDLES—Sperm, N Bedford,	per lb	36 a	36
" " Nantucket,		34 a	35
Tallow,		12½ a	13
COFFEE—Cuba,		14 a	15
Rio,			12½
St Domingo,		11½ a	12½
FLOUR,	per bbl	5 75 a	5 87½
FRUIT—Raisins,	per box		2 87½
" "	half box		1 75
" "	qr box		88
Almonds, soft shell,	per lb	13 a	14
" hard do,			7
FISH—Cod,	per box		1 50
Herring,			75
Mackerel, No 1,	per bbl	60 00 a	12 00
" No 2,		10 50 a	11 00
" No 3,	per bbl		7 50
GRAIN—Corn in ear,	per bbl	75 a	87
" shelled,	per bush	55 a	57
Beans,	per bbl	7 00 a	7 50
HAY,	per 100 lb	1 75 a	1 87½
HIDES—La & Miss,	per lb	9 a	11
Mexican,		10 a	12
LEAD—Pig,	per 100 lb	6 00 a	6 25
Bar,	per lb	7½ a	8
LIME—Western,	per bbl		1 00
Tennessee,			2 50
PROVISIONS:			
Beef—Mess,			13 00
Prime,			a 11 00
Pork—Clear,			a 24 00
Mess,		21 00	a 22 00
Prime,			a 18 00
Hog round,			a 8 00
Bacon—Hams,	per lb	12½ a	14
Sides,		11½ a	12
Shoulders,		a	8½
Hog round,			10
LARD,		13 a	14
BUTTER—Northern,		28 a	30
Western,		12 a	15
Liverpool blown,	per sack		2 50
ground,	do		1 75
Tuck's Island,	per bush	35 a	37½
ONIONS,	per 100 lb	4 25 a	4 50
BRANDY—Cognac, 4th pr.	per gal	1 35 a	1 62
Amelia, 1st proof,		42 a	45
GIN—Holland,		1 20 a	1 25
Northern,		40 a	45
Holland,		1 00 a	1 25
American,		50 a	55
WHISKEY—Common,		32 a	33
Rectified,		34 a	35

FREIGHTS.

To Liverpool, cotton per lb, ⅞ a ¾d
Havre, " " 1½ a 1¾c.
Northern pts in U S, cotton, per lb, ⅞ a ⅞c
" " " tobacco, per hhd, 87 a 90

EXPORTS OF COTTON & TOBACCO SINCE 1st OCT. 1835.

EXPORTED TO	BALES COTTON. This wk.	Previously.	Total.	HDS TOBACCO. This wk.	Previously	Total
Liverpool,	4019	152765	157784		561	561
Other Br ports,	1030	3354	4384	511	21	532
Total to Br ports,	5049	157119	162168	511	582	1093
Havre,	1980	79009	79989			
Other Fr ports,		19388	19388			
Total to Fr ports,	1980	97397	99377			
North of Europe,	3113	9639	11746	800	1057	1857
Other For. ports,	234	9535	9769	1638	871	2503
Total to for ports	9376	273690	283060	2949	2510	5459
Northern pts U S	2676	73761	76637	1085	8065	9150
Total,	12052	347451	359697	4034	10575	14609

Friday, May 20.

STOCKS,
As corrected by Thomas Fellows, Exchange Broker.

Louisiana State Bank, ... 124 asked.
Bank of Orleans, ... 117 last sales—at auction.
Bank of Louisiana, ... 122 last sales.
Consolidated Association, ... 107 last sales.
N. O. Canal and Banking Co. ..... 105 asked.
City Bank, ... 105 offered.
Union Bank of Louisiana, ... 123½ last sales.
Citizens' Bank, ... 105 offered.
Commercial Bank, ... 104 asked.
Mechanics' and Trad. Bank, ... 54 asked.
Gas Light Bank, ... 104 asked.
Carrollton Railroad Bank, ... par offered.
Amphibious Bank, ... par asked.
Algiers Bank, ... par asked.
Exchange & Banking Co. ..... par asked.
Louisiana State In. Co. ..840 for 880 paid—$400 shares
Louisiana In. Co. ..... 8120 for 800 pd—last sales.
Lafayette In. Co. ..... no sales.
Mechanics Marine and Fire Ins. Co. ..83 prem asked.
Louisiana In. Co. ..... 8344 last sales.
Western Marine and Fire Ins. Co. ..... 69 sales.
Atlantic Mar. and Fire Ins. Co. ..... per asked.
Ocean Ins. Co. ..... 53 last sales.
Commercial Ins. Co. ..... per asked.
Eagle Ins. Co. ..... 23 for 25—at auction.
Orleans Navigation Co. ..... no sales.
Pontchartrain Railroad Co. ..... 94 for 100 asked.
Nashville Railroad Co. ..... no sales.
Orleans Cotton Press Co. . 150 for 500 pd—last sales
Lower Steam Cotton Press Co. ..... par asked.
Old Archives Co. of 1828. ..... 130 last sales.
Architect Block of 8th District. ..... 130 last sales.

NEW YORK, May 3.

[illegible] shares U S Bank, ... 124 a 124½
75 do N O Canal, ... 102
50 do do 60 days, ... 103¾
[illegible] do N O Gas bank, ... 101 a 101¼

STOCK MARKET.—Every thing is dull. Money is tight. Stocks very dull today. Bills on England are [illegible] at 7 a 8 prem.

NEW YORK, May 4

[illegible] shares U S Bank, ... 123¾ a 123¾
[illegible] do do 25 days, ... 124
[illegible] do N O Gas bank, ... 101¼ a 101
[illegible] do do 14 days 102
[illegible] do Southern Trust, ... 104 a 105

COTTON MARKET.—The sales in Cotton continue moderate. Flour very dull. Sales Genessee Wheat at 127 [illegible]c. Rye, 94 a 95c. Northern Corn, 99 a 99c. Oats, [illegible] 55c. Wilmington Turpentine commands 95.—[illegible] Whale Oil at 41c. Sugar sells rather more freely. Lard remains quite scarce. [illegible] on France, 5f 25; on England, 7½ a 8 prem.

FOR SALE—The handsome 3 story store, situated in Chartres st No 57, between Bienville and Custom House sts, and now occupied by Messrs F Gillet & Co. The portion of this store, in the centre of business, offers to capitalists a chance of a very profitable investment.

Also—a lot of ground situated in Burgundy st, between St Louis and Conti sts, measuring 34 ft front on Burgundy st, by 60 ft depth.

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m 16 ANDREWS & BROTHERS, No 19 Chartres street.

FOR SALE—Several Tracts of valuable Sugar & Cotton Lands, most delightfully situated. For the terms, which will be accomodating, and for further particulars, apply to L. Millaudon, Esq. m 9—6m

THE BEE.

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NEW ORLEANS
SATURDAY MORNING, MAY 20, 1836.

FOR PRESIDENT
M. VAN BURE.
FOR VICE PRESIDENT
RICHARD M. JOHNSON.

A public meeting was held last evening at Hewlett's Exchange, to devise measures for the relief of the sufferers by the fire on Wednesday in the lower municipality. Mr Bernard Marigny was called to the chair; Messrs Nott and Rasch were appointed vice-presidents; and Messrs Claiborne and Musson, secretaries.

Messrs Marigny and Chinn having addressed the assembly, and the latter having concluded an animated address by a pompous donation of 50 dollars, Mr C de Armas presented the following resolutions, which were unanimously adopted.

Resolved that a subscription be opened in the different municipalities of this city, for the relief of the sufferers by the late fire in the 3d ward of the 3d municipality.

Resolved that the following places be fixed to effect the subscriptions: In the 1st municipality, at Hewlett's exchange, under the superintendence of Messrs J Hewlett, P Bertus, L Bernard, A Rasch, and J St Romes;—in the second, at Bank's arcade, under the direction of Messrs B Story, S J Peters, T Banks, T Barrett and R Layton;—and in the 3d, at Power's hotel, under Messrs P Power, William Nott, L Feriet, H Domingon, G Montamat and B Marigny.

Resolved that the amounts contributed will be given to the council of the 3d municipality, to be distributed by it as judged proper, to those who suffered by the late fire—provided that the distribution shall be made among those who have been rendered destitute.

Mr Musson was appointed treasurer, to receive the subscriptions, and transmit them to said council.

The council of the 1st municipality met in session last evening.

The mayor sent a letter stating that he considered one police commissary for the 1st ward would be inadequate. Referred to a select committee.

Mr G R Stringer took his seat, as alderman of the 1st ward.

The Recorder's salary was increased to $3500, to enable him to bear all the expenses of his office;—with privilege to have one or more of the city guard at his disposal.

Mr P Soulé was appointed attorney of the municipality, and Mr J Bayon was elected printer.

Mr Morriere Faxardo was appointed keeper of the powder magazine.

A resolution to continue Orleans street to Marais was referred to a select committee.

It was resolved that the engineer shall make estimates and plans of the improvements necessary for the port.

The mayor was authorized to effect a loan of $200,000 on behalf of the municipality—to purchase shares in the Improvement Banking company stock, to the amount of $50,000—and open a credit of $100,000, payable in a year at 6 per cent interest.

By the last resolution, the council of this municipality will have funds at their disposal to promote all objects of internal improvements within its limits.

Tobacco.—Loud complaints have been made concerning the manner of packing the tobacco in hogsheads, as well as the cotton in bales, both here and in Europe: and we cannot wonder at it, when such base practices are resorted to like that exposed yesterday at Banks' Arcade. There we saw three blocks of wood weighing 130 lbs, that had been imposed on the dealers here as the mere bottom of a hogshead. They were labelled as having been sent by Benjamin Piper of Smith county, Tennessee: he may dance in this manner; but who will pay the Piper?

We have been informed that James Saul Esq has been appointed the agent of the Pennsylvania U S bank in this city; and Mr George Poe jr, in Mobile.

Prize.—A premium of 500 dollars is offered, per advertisement, by the Pontchartrain railroad company, for any invention which will prevent the emission of sparks in the flues of their locomotive engines.

Will not the Carrollton company make the same generous offer?

Query.—Is Mr John Wilcox legally qualified to be an alderman? If he has not in his own right landed property to the value of $1000, is he entitled to a seat in the council? If he has, what becomes of his New York creditors?

Liverpool packets.—The following are the gentlemen appointed as a committee to receive subscriptions for the stock of a company to establish a line of packets between this city and the ports of Liverpool and Havre:—

Messrs E J Forstall, T Barrett, S W Oakey, S T Wilcox, J L Bagort, F H McKenna, G Burke, J Grimshaw, Victor David, — Cohen, E Yorke W H Avery and J N Niven.

Subscription books will be opened on Monday at the various insurance offices in this city; and it is expected will soon be filled, so as to raise a capital of 2 millions.

The company when formed can procure an act of incorporation from the legislature, with insurance privileges, and the power of constructing dry docks.—They may also (if they please) establish auction warehouses for the public sale of such goods as they choose to import from Europe for the southern and western markets: and thus realise a profit not otherwise attainable.

Speculation in real estate has advanced to such a pitch of extravagance in the upper parts of this city, that the purchase money of some sales made—particularly near Carrollton—cannot be realized in less than 20 years: and such a period is a little too long for one to lay out of his money. A person purchases at auction, and gives 300 times what the property cost 3 years ago, on his own notes, with mortgage on the property: he sells out in a few weeks afterwards for the notes of others—forgetting the risk incurred; but speculation nowadays has little foresight—like prejudice it is purblind.

The best place for making valuable speculations in real estate is in the lower municipality: for if but 5 or 6 energetic capitalists become there interested and involved, they could astonishly promote the natural advantages of the district. These advantages are manifestly superior to those of any other part of the city. A natural port having always 15 or 20 feet water in front, subserves the shipping interest. The navigation and trade of both the lakes Pontchartrain and Borgne are subservient to its interests and trade—not only by the railroad to the former lake now in existence, but by that surveyed and projected to the latter; and by a canal of some 4 or 5 miles in extent to the bayou Beauvenue. Hundred speculations have been made on not one half these advantages. The drawback is the supposed inertness of the lower council; but this may and will be proved chimerical at best: for there are many intelligent aldermen and inhabitants of that municipality, who are determined that its vital interests shall go ahead.

The Seminoles seem to have partially slumbered after the determined opposition met with by them from General Gaines, on the Withlacoochee. The last accounts from Jacksonville state that they had attacked the fortification thrown up by Captain McLemore on that river; and had massacred the garrison of 40 men. Volusia has been abandoned; and Generals Scott and Eustis have comfortably betaken themselves to St Augustine,—to await further demonstrations. The Floridians are vainly and importunately imploring aid; and may be obliged to abandon the territory—because General Scott disdains to proceed otherwise than *secundum artem* with any foe! He is an honorable; gentleman but too fastidious or foolish to compete with an Indian enemy.

The Creek nation in Alabama and west Georgia has become very trouble-some to the settlers. Their insurrection is likely to be as bad as that of the Seminoles—probably worse for the time it may endure! Travelling and trade are completely intercepted, even as far as Montgomery. The mail had been attacked and plundered near that town, on the 14th inst.

The North American Reader, by Lyman Cobb of New York, is an excellent work for schools. It contains elegant extracts from the prose and verse writings of native authors, eligible for schools and students.

Foster's republication of the principal English reviews and magazines, may be regularly had at the bookstore of Bancroft in Camp street.

[COMMUNICATED.]

Sir:—In vindication of my character from the accusation published in your paper of yesterday with an apparent intention of raising a personal prejudice against myself and injuring my interests by representing my saw mills below this city to be the sole cause of the deplorable calamity which took place on the 18th inst. I am compelled to state—That the fire did not originate in the Black smith shop or Forge belonging to the mill but in the large where house distant from the shop or forge more than seventy feet a large building being between them the whare house (distant from the mill upwards of two hundred feet) being Empty with the exception of some Iron machinery had been during the day to clear it to receive Hay my supply having been intirely exhausted and was left open unfortunately on the street while the people went to dinner that the fire communicated thence to the stables on each end which were the nearest buildings and lastly to the building you are and Black smith shop which were the last buildings burnt on my premises; the fire therefore cannot be attributed to any thing connected with my mills and was only one of those accidents which daily occur in populous establishment. The saw mills were not kept working for my benefit but in consequence of public calamity but that on the contrary the carriages were kept constantly employed in hauling water and lumber to the place where the fire was employed in pulling down carrying water to keep my mills from destruction and also removing the wood to prevent the fire from communicating to those which was accomplished by those slaves and a number of my friends who will when necessary give testimony to these facts—

Respectfully
JOHN F. MILLER.

Note.—It is singular that good actions are often attributed to unworthy motives, by those who choose to measure by their own standard. When noticing the late fire in the lower municipality, we stated simply what we considered to be an accredited fact; and it must have been apparent that the English account of that fire was taken and condensed from the Picayune, without however descending to particulars: yet Mr Miller is willing to believe that we sought to raise a personal prejudice against him; and to answer the French part by a reply in English—Thus doing injustice to himself and us: for our intention was not so; we had no private or public motive to do so; and the remarks were not on the English side.

P. S. The letter is published precisely as written; and we must exculpate the compositor from any apparent errors in spelling, etc.

For the Bee.

CAPTURE OF THE POCKET.
No. 2.

The statement in the protest of Capt. Howes has no reference to the officers and crew of the Invincible, except as to the fact of the capture, and the flag displayed at the time of the capture; the capture not being disputed, and the good conduct of Captain Brown having been publicly acknowledged by Howes—It only remains to be proved that the statement of Howes, in regard to the flag displayed by the Invincible was false, ample depositions have been left with the Editor which are at the disposal of any one interested, to prove that the flag used by the Invincible was the national flag of Texas. On the arrival of the Pocket at Galveston, she was by the evidence of the captain and crew given up to the Texian authorities all the allegations made in the protest, which carry upon their faces the appearance of oppression, were made under direction of, and by order of the Texian government, and being out of the jurisdiction of the United States, and neglected to stop said scene in fact de facto. that government is alone responsible. Almost every allegation made in the protest is proved to be false, (so far as one man's evidence can stand against another,) by the proof given on the trial. Seven witnesses deposed as to the extreme delicacy used in the examination of the baggage of the passengers, and that American property was in every instance respected. So far as it regards the treatment of the crew while on Galveston Island, being put into a tent on the beach and being short of provisions, the president of Texas was at the same time living with his family under the same shelter and equally destitute. The refusal to admit him on board his own vessel, named in the protest, was caused by his own conduct of which ample evidence can be given.

In regard to the money handed by Mr. Taylor to the Secretary of the Navy and by him handed to the person, the Secretary was not the person to receipt for it Mr. Taylor being imperitinent and troublesome, was ordered forward in charge of a marine, but was not put in irons, the money was fully subject to his order as has been, or will be, restored to him when demanded.

Capt. Howes states in his protest that the government had determined to keep his brig as a store ship, and so informed him, it was not so, he was advised by the government that they had no stores in which to place his cargo, and were consequently obliged to detain his vessel until they would obtain other vessels to take it out, and when Capt. Howes determined to proceed to New Orleans every assistance was rendered him, and the passage of himself and crew was paid by the government upon the schooner Congress.

The second mate Sowerbrey, was one of the passengers put on board at New Orleans, he held a commission as Lieutenant in the Mexican Navy, and was furnished with funds by the Mexican Consul, as was proved by evidence on the trial, his name was not on the roll of the crew, and he was well known as an enemy and a spy. The other passengers excepting those who had business to be settled, were treated with attention and respect, and the amount of their passage in the Pocket, and in the Congress to New Orleans, together with all damage sustained by them has been paid by the government. The owners have been paid for the vessel. Charter passage money and demurrage. The captain has been paid for all the arrisdemurrage. The captain has been paid for all the arrisdemurrage. The captain has been paid for all the arrisdem