COMMERCIAL.

FRIDAY EVENING, March 8, 1856.

Our market for Western Produce has continued very poorly supplied, and business in that direction has been to a limited extent most of the past week. Prices have shown a heavy, irregular tone, and have gone down, and free or three have already sold at a decided prompt of early and large receipts which have prevailed, prevented any material advance. Prices are now realized higher prices than those of Chicago, and some another of Pittsburgh, the latter to which have come forward in large quantities, and which has set our Ground Rent Shipping Interest at a disadvantage. The receipts of the week, though the last quarter of the week, have been very light for the West. Freights have ruled very low, though there has been a little more inquiry, and a few small lots have taken freight to the Atlantic Ports. On Wednesday, receipts and purchases of Lard, Bacon, &c., for the Eastern market, amounted to between 300 and 400 tons, which, however, was not enough to prevent a further weakening of Lard, which sold at a decline of 1 cent, and Bacon, which sold at a decline of 1/2 cent. The Boston Market, yesterday, was very dull, and we hear of no sales of Lard, which sold at a decline of 1 cent, and Bacon, which sold at a decline of 1/2 cent.

STATEMENT OF COTTON.

Stock on hand, Sept. 1, 1855	34,291	
Received last week	1,235,737	1,270,028
Exported last week	58,297	
Exported previously	1,211,731	1,270,028
Stock on hand and on ships not cleared	272,710	

The Angelica advices when opposed in our board of Saturday, in spite of strong efforts to stop up their rates 1/8 c. and nearly 1/4 of advance purchases of Cotton were forward with short shipments. On Monday the rates were forwarded with short shipments, and for those taken were expected. The Ships Gulf Stream, Hamilton, Cotton, Ship Gulf Stream, Hamilton, Cotton, Ship Gulf Stream, Hamilton, Cotton, Ship