Mobile 5th Nov. 1842

James Dellett. Esqr
Claiborne

Dear Sir

Your favr of the 1st Inst. is at hand — Contents noted.

Enclosed please find bill for Bagging Rope &c — which we have shipped to your address per Stevens Canebrake —

We have taken an Open Policy of Insurance to Cover your Crop of Cotton wherever found by what Boats you may Ship. —; all the Boats now running the Alabama are Insurable Save the Planter, Favorite and the New Albany — the latter is a new Boat upon our waters and She has not yet been examined & Classed.

The Canebrake, Belle Poule, Alabama Oriole — Native & Shoalwater, x are all pretty good Boats.

The demand for — Cotton Cottons to be limited, and Prices Still tending down — except for the finest Cottons which are in rather better Request —: We fear Prices will be lower with us when the Rivers become Navigable — Referring to the annexed Price Current We remain

Dear Sir Truly
Yours &c
Josha Shepherd & Co.

x The Stevens Bristol and Victoria are also among the best Boats now running the Alabama.

you will find the Bagging & Rope sent you, of Superior quality —

Josha Shepard to
5 Nov. 1842

Merchants and Planters Prices Current.

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Commercial Record.

Exports of Merchandize during the week.

BALTIMORE—Per schr D C Wilson—137 bales cotton.

HAVANA—Per Sp. Polacca Juno—173 bales cotton; 1m staves.

HAVANA—Per Sp brig Prestigio—198 bales cotton.

Receipts of Cotton during the week.

Per steamboat Belle Ponle fm Montgomery—E L Andrews & co 226 bales; Brodnax, Newton & co 111; E K Carlisle 85; W Bower 42; Allen & Haden 36; R L Walker 34; T Lesesne 32; F C Heard 30; Minge & Russell 28; H B Gwathmey 32; H A Schroeder 26; Hoyt & Ford 25; T Prime 24; Desha, Sheppard & co 24; C Labuzan 14; R Harwell 12; Jas Crawford 6; P T Harris 5; Dickinson & Eustis 5; Austill & Marshall 4; S P Bullard 3.

Per steamboat Planter from Wetumpka—Harrison & Blair 58 bales; McGinnis & Robinson 56; Wm Bower 48; Boykin & McRae 46; E K Carlisle 30; R L Walker 29; H A Schroeder 23; Austill, Marshall & co 27; Rives, Battle & co 20; S P Bullard 20; G W Tarleton 19; Desha, Shep pard & co 19; to order 18; Simpson & Roth 17; Minge & Russell 12; J C Donald 7; Brodnax, Newton & Haynes 6.

Per steamboat Alabama from Montgomery—Brodnax, Newton & co 53 bales; Austill, Marshall & co 49; Rives, Battle & co 41; G E Holt 31; Boykin & McRae 30; E L Andrews & co 28; J T Donald 23; W A Hardaway & co 16; W Bower 12; E K Carlisle 9; E B Savage 9; S P Bullard 2; Bull & Files 4; R L Walker 2.

Per steamboat Canebrake fm Montgomery—T Lesesne 150 bales; Rives, Battle & co 109; Austill, Marshall & co 72; E L Andrews & co 50; W Bower 46; W A Hardaway & co 34; Boykin & McRae 28; Hoyt & Ford 28; A E Ledyard & co 23; E K Carlisle 20; S Robinson 12; R Harwell 10; Leavens & Malone 10; Jno Simpson 9; S P Bullard 5; Stringfellow & Hanna 4; Desha, Sheppard & co 4; Jno H O'Neil 4; G E Holt 4.

Exports of Sawed Lumber,
commencing Sept. 1st, 1842.

Where Exported to	feet thisweek	feet previosly	feet total	same last year
Havana		65000	65000	181317
St Jago de Cuba				
Matanzas				
Tampico				
St Thomas				
Matamoras				
Laguira				
Montego Bay				
Porto Rico				
Truxillo				
Martinique				
Total West Indies &c.		65000	65000	181317
Galveston				
Matagorda				
Velasco				
Total Texian Ports				
New York				30000
Philadelphia				
Boston				
Baltimore				
St. Joseph, etc				
Hartford				
Franklin, La, etc		51000	51000	
New Orleans				45000
Providence, etc				
Newport				
Saybrook				
New Bedford				
Sag Harbor				
Nassau				
Port Leon				
Norfolk				
Somerset				
New Haven				
New-London				
Total Coastwise		51000	51000	75000
Grand Total		116000	116000	256317

The *New-Orleans* Commercial List of Wednesday, reports the general merchandize market very dull, owing to low rivers. In Cotton, transactions were 1300 bales on Saturday, 2200 Monday, and 5500 on Tuesday—nearly all in qualities below fair. Middling and middling fair reduced ¼c. English and French buyers principal operators. Middling fair 6½@7c.; fair 7½@7¾c. Stock 67,723 bales. Freights without change and rather inactive—some engagements. Exchange had improved and domestic brisk. Sterling par @½ prem.; New-York 60 days 4¼@4⅜ dis. Flour $3.87½@$4 —an improvement of 37½@50c. owing to light receipts. Bacon hams 7½@8½c.; sides 5@5½ and shoulders 4½@5c. scarce. Lard 6½@7c. quiet. Corn dull at 30@31c. Whiskey firm, at 20c.

LIST OF VESSELS IN PORT.
November 4th, 1842.

SHIPS.

Wm.Goddard, Potter	L'pool	536	Stevenson Forbes
Lorena, Urquhart	Havre	527	J. Auze & Son
Atalanta, Hart	New-York	391	Austin & Tardy
Tuskina, Spencer	New-York	420	F. Shaw & Co
Alexander, Andrews	freight	398	E. L. Andrews & Co.
Active, Beard	freight	332	H. A. Schroeder
Kalamazoo, M'Cerren	freight	708	Master
Milton, Dixon	freight	598	Master
Viola, Jameson	freight	495	W H Bunnell & Co.
Eliza. Dennison, Post	freight	644	F. Shaw & Co
Rockingham, Penhallow	frt	513	Master
Octarora, Smith	disch	548	Geo. Cleveland, Jr.

BARQUES.

Southerner, Hallett	Boston	276	James A. Hooper
Eliza, Talbot	freight	294	Master
Wm. & James, Sheppard	frt	363	Master
Quinnebang, Fulton	disch	284	Chas. LeBaron
Zenobia, Rennington	disch	280	T. H. Church
(Br)Superb, M'Millan	freight	635	Jas. Reid & Co

BRIGS.

Sarah Brown, Norton	NYork	217	John C. Ryan
Caucasian, Sprague	Philadel'a	161	C. C. Hazard
Exchange, Leavitt	Havana	210	Chas. LeBaron
Tampico, Neagle	Attakapas	126	W. H. Bunnell & Co.
Virginia, Talbot	disch	349	Hunt'g'n&Cleveland

SCHOONERS.

John, Young	Providence	142	Whitaker & Sampson
Vigilant, Barbour	Havana	82	H. A. Schroeder
Matilda, DeFeriel	NOrleans	——	Master
Creole, Bayard	New-Orleans	——	Master
Alexander, Russell	freight	96	Master
Ocean, Bishop	freight	95	Master
Choctaw, Loomis	disch	95	Master
Pompino, Dyer	disch	——	E. C. Center & Co

Cotton Statement—November 4, 1842.

Stock on hand, September 1st, 1842	bales	422
Received this week		2342
Received previously		19578—21920
		22342
Exported this week		508
Exported previously		6099—6607
Stock on hand and on shipboard, not cleared November 4th, 1842	bales	15735

Rates of Exchange—Nov. 4, 1842.

Bills on England, at 60 days	13 @14	percent	prem
Bills on France, at 60 days	5f@—	do	do
Bills on New-York, at 60 days	7¼@ 8	do	do
Do do at 30 days	8¼@ 9	do	do
Do do at 15 days	9 @ 9¼	do	do
Do do at sight & sh'ldo	10 @—	do	do
Bills on Boston at 60 days	7¼@ 8	do	do
Do do at 30 days	9 @—	do	do
Do do at 15 days	9¼@—	do	do
Do do at 5 days & sight	10 @—	do	do
Bills on Philadelphia, at 60 days	7 @—	do	do
Do do at 30 days	8¼@—	do	do
Do do at 15 days	9 @—	do	do
Bills on Providence, at 60 days	7 @—	do	do
Do do at sight & sh't sight	9¼@—	do	do
Bills on Baltimore, at 60 days	7 @—	do	do
Do do at sight & short do	10 @—	do	do
New-Orleans Checks	16 @—	do	do
Specie	15 @16	do	do

Rates of Freight—Port of Mobile.

Cotton per pound	Liverpool	Am. ships.	17-32d@—d
Do do	do	Br. do	—@—d
Do do	Greenock and Glasgow		—@—d
Do do	Havre		1¼@—c
Do do	Trieste		—@—c
Do do	New-York		⅛@—c
Do do	Philadelphia		⅛@—c
Do do	Boston		⅛@—c
Do do	Providence		—@—c
Do do	Baltimore		⅛@—c
Do do	New-Orleans		—@—c

COMPARATIVE VIEW OF VESSELS LOADING IN UNITED STATES FOR FOREIGN PORTS.

		1842			1841		
		G. B.	Fr	O. P.	G. B.	Fr.	O. P.
New-Orleans	Nov. 1	10	7	0	12	5	0
Mobile	Nov. 4	1	0	1	2	0	0
Florida	Oct. 8	0	0	0	0	0	0
Savannah	Oct. 28	9	1	0	2	1	0
Charleston	Oct. 28	4	3	1	3	3	2
Virginia	Oct. 22	0	0	0	0	0	0
New-York	Oct. 25	9	5	0	10	6	1
Total		33	16	2	29	15	3

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Exports of Cotton from the Port of Mobile,
commencing 1st September, 1842.

WHITHER EXPORTED.	This week.	Previously.	Total Bales	Last season.
Liverpool				
London				
Glasgow and Greenock				
Cowes and a market				
Belfast				
Total to Great Britain				
Havre				
Bordeaux				
Marseilles				
Nantes				
Rouen, &c				
Total to France				
Amsterdam				
Rotterdam				
Antwerp				
Hamburg				
St. Petersburgh				
Havana	371		371	683
Genoa, Trieste, &c				
Ghent				
Other Foreign Ports	371		371	683
New-York		4483	4483	1511
Boston				
Providence				
Philadelphia		256	256	333
Baltimore	137	331	468	
New-Orleans		1029	1029	
Other Ports				
Total Coastwise	137	6099	6236	1844
Total	508	6099	6607	2527

Imports of some of the Leading Articles, of
WESTERN PRODUCE, PROVISIONS AND GROCERIES.

Articles	This week.	Previously.	Total	Last season.
Bagging, assorted pieces	140	3036	3176	2661
Bale Rope coils	137	1485	1622	1910
Bacon hhds	13	362	375	209
Coffee bags	713	1549	2262	988
Cotton—Alabama bales	2342	19578	21920	5958
Florida bales				
Texas bales				
Flour bbls	357	4176	4533	1674
Grain—Corn sacks	1022	5581	6603	8015
Oats sacks	895	2097	2992	810
Hay bales	1634	1383	3017	475
Lard kegs	133	1009	1142	191
Lime bbls	800	200	1000	2500
Molasses bbls	101	137	238	
Potatoes—Irish bbls	1417	4286	6703	3048
Pork bbls	10	440	450	131
Rice tierces		350	350	
Sugar hhds	62	211	273	59
Salt sacks		12	12	
Whiskey bbls	70	1575	1645	375

Exports of Staves and Cedar Logs,
FROM THE PORT OF MOBILE.

WHERE SHIPPED.	STAVES. 1842	STAVES. 1841	CEDAR. 1842	CEDAR. 1841
Liverpool				
Havre				
Marseilles				
Antwerp				
Bremen				
Nantz				
Trieste				
Cadiz				
Havana	1000			
New-York		8000		
Boston				
Portsmouth				
Portland				
Providence				
Philadelphia				
Fall River				647
Sag Harbor				
New-Bedford				
Newport				
Baltimore				
Plymouth				
Total	1000	8000		647

COMPARATIVE NUMBER OF VESSELS IN THE PORT OF MOBILE.

November 4th.	1842	1841	1840	1839	1838	1837	1836
Ships	12	13	13	5	5	13	12
Barks	6	4	2	1	0	0	1
Brigs	5	7	6	7	9	9	10
Total	23	24	21	13	13	22	23
Of which British	1	0	0	0	0	0	1

MOBILE.

SATURDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER 5, 1842.

LATEST ADVICES.

London.....October 3 | Havre.....September 30
Liverpool.....October 4 | New York.....October 26

Review of the Mobile Market.

COTTON—Since our last weekly report the receipts have been only 2342 bales, and the exports 508 bales—leaving a stock on hand, including what is on ship-board uncleared, of 15,735 bales.

We left the market firm at our last notice with light sales, attributed to the stiffness of holders, since then the market has presented an unsettled aspect, with limited operations—prices ruling in the main, as last quoted, except in "fair" qualities, which being in good request, have become very scarce, and we advance quotations ¼c. Holders are very reluctant to accommodate their prices to the views of buyers, and hence the irregularity—some refusing to sell to any extent, at current rates, while others, having less confidence in future prices, or from the scarcity of money, are more disposed to negotiate. The enquiry for two or three days has principally run upon fine cottons, for the French and Spanish markets, and small northern orders, the execution of which is attended with difficulty. Receipts have fallen off considerably; owing to the low stage of our rivers, which renders selections more circumscribed.

The opinion is general with buyer and seller, that we shall have large receipts at this port, certainly 400,000 bales—some are sanguine that they will reach 425,000.—The weather continues auspicious to the getting out of the crop—no frost, it is believed, having yet been experienced, sufficiently severe to injure the weed. These circumstances tend to confirm the opinion, independent of the discouraging character of the European markets, that prices will rule very low during the present season.

We report the week's business at 2500 bales, in daily transactions as follows—Saturday 800; Monday 100; Tuesday 350; Wednesday 400@450; Thursday 450@500; and yesterday 300 bales. The stock on sale is estimated at 8@9000 bales of all qualities.

LIVERPOOL CLASSIFICATION.

	Nov 4, 1842	Nov 5, 1841
Good and Fine,....	—@— none.	—@— none.
Good Fair,.....	—@— nom'l.	—@10c.
Fair,.....	8¼@8½c.	9½@9¾c.
Middling Fair,.....	7½@7¾c.	9 @9¼c.
Middling,.....	7 @—c.	8¼@8½
Inferior and ord...	—@— nom'l.	—@— nom'l.

EXCHANGE—The market has exhibited more firmness and regularity, in both transactions and rates, than in any former week probably since last spring. Present figures seem to be a kind of resting point, any material departure from which, we have generally noticed as unfavorable to steadiness in rates. The Bank of Mobile is understood to be well prepared for exchange operations, and while she continues in market, we think some degree of uniformity may be anticipated. Sight and short date continue as last quoted, but 60 day bills on the north have been sold on rather better terms. The demand has been good and offerings of time bills limited. The bank checks on N. York at 10, and offers to buy 60 day bills at 7 p. c. prem; it is expected the latter rate will be advanced, unless the transactions in cotton should be more extensive the ensuing week. Outdoor dealers take up all the good bills readily at 7¼@8 per cent, and draw as much as they wish at par. Remittances are made to New Orleans, to some extent in sight and short sterling bills, are in very limited request and best signatures will not command over 14 per cent prem. on currency. Specie continues to arrive in small quantities, but readily finds its way back to New Orleans, to pay for groceries and western produce. Several thousand dollars in dimes have been brought in, which brokers work off in large, at eight to the dollar—a profitable business. The State Commissioners are busy in their examination of the books, preparatory to their annual report.

FREIGHTS—Both foreign and coastwise have been very dull. We hear of no further engagements for Europe, and cannot learn that there is anything offering, except small lots for the Goddard and Lorena, now nearly filled. A ship on the berth, at last notice, has been since withdrawn, being unable to effect engagements—she is now for freight. Coastwise, New York ⅛c; very little offering. Boston ⅛c; last engagement. A brig for Philadelphia taken up yesterday at ⅛c. Two or three vessels have gone round to New Orleans in ballast.

GROCERY PRODUCE AND PROVISION MARKET.

[DUTY—Bagging 4c. per square yard; Rope 4 1-2c. per lb; Bacon 3c per lb; Butter 5c. per lb, Coffee free in American vessels, others 20 per cent ad valorem; Candles, sperm 6c. tallow 4c. per lb; Corn 10 cts. per bushel; Flour 70c. per 112 lbs; Lumber 20 to 30 per cent ad valorem; Lard 3c. per lb; Molasses 4 1-2 mills per lb; Oats 10c. per bushel; Pork 2c. per lb; Rice 20 per cent ad valorem; Sugar, brown 2 1 2, white clayed 4, refined 6c. per lb; Salt, 8c. per 56 lbs; Whiskey 60 cents per gall.]

GENERAL REMARKS—There has been a considerable improvement in business since our last notice and particularly since Tuesday; and the execution and shipment of numerous small orders, for planters and country dealers, have imparted an air of activity to Commerce and Front sts., which we trust is precursory to a more spirited and general movement in all our business thoroughfares. The continued low stage of our rivers are however serious drawbacks, and until these are removed no satisfactory improvement can take place. The lighter draught boats ply regularly on the Alabama, but have met with more detention than heretofore in the performance of their trips; they tow barges down, by means of which our receipts of cotton are larger than they would otherwise be. The Belle Poule left on Wednesday, and the Alabama and Canebrake last evening, all with fair up freights. Since this day week the weather has been warm, and latterly, indications are favorable for rain; no frost this week. A few cases of fever have occurred during the week, but no apprehensions exist as to the general restoration of the health of our city. We continue to receive large accessions daily to the population of the city. Money matters have undergone no amelioration, The notes and certificates of the Planters Bank are sold at all rates from 20 to 30 per cent dis. for currency, and even at these rates there is no great confidence in investing in them. It is right tho' to state, that many persons express confidence in their ultimate redemption at par, with interest, and will not sell at anything like this discount. The sales making are small, and chiefly by those who are unable to await the issue of events. We learn that the bank has reduced its liabilities to depositors very considerably since it stopped, by settlement of debts due or running to maturity. Money is very scarce.

BAGGING AND ROPE—We notice more doing in these articles during the past week, altho' transactions are far from extensive—merely the execution of planters orders. A fair proportion of India has been sold, but for Northern and Scotch there is no enquiry. We quote cash prices of Kent 18@20c. according to quality, and India 18c; on short time the rates are from 19 to 22c. Kope, 7½ to 10c. for Kent., and 11@13c. Manilla. The market is well supplied for any probable demand.

BACON—Uncanvassed hams and shoulders are still very scarce—only 13 casks of all qual. received during the week. We quote canvassed hams 11@12½c; sides 6¾@7¼.—with a moderate request.

BUTTER—The supply of prime Northern light, and holders firm at 25c; an indifferent article is offered at 22 cts. Western 16@18c. but little in market.

COFFEE—An arrival from Havana since our last has given the market a sufficient present supply. The demand is very slack and confined to small parcels of 5 or 10 bags. We quote Havana 10½@11c. for ordinary to good 2nds.; Rio 11@12 cents.

CHEESE—The market is well supplied and prices continue steady at 10 to 12c.—the latter for choice in box.

CORN—For a prime article of white 62½c. is the current rate—red and mixed lots selling at 56@58c. A good supply. Ear corn is plenty and sells from boats at 75@$1 per barrel.

CANDLES—Pure sperm 37@38; ordinary brands 36c. Compost 30@31c. Demand limited, with a good supply.

FLOUR—Following the advance at New Orleans, our market has gone up fully 50c. per bbl. since our last. Receipts have been very light, and the stock is a small one, tho' equal to the demand. We quote s. f. western $5¾@5½ by the quantity, or at auction, and $5¼@6 by the dray load or single bbl. Holders firm.

HAY—We have had further arrivals the past week, increasing the stock in importers hands to some 2000 bales.—No sales of importance have come to our knowledge; holders are anxious to sell, but meet with little encouragement from dealers, who anticipating free receipts thro' the season, are averse to laying in stocks at present. At auction there is more or less worked off daily at 75@87½ cents per 100 lbs.

LARD—Prices have receded to 9@10c. at which sales.—Supply moderate.

LIME—A few lots of the Caucasian's cargo arrived this week, has been engaged, at $2, but builders will only buy for present uses, hence the prices paid this week cannot be regarded as other than retail rates.

MOLASSES—The demand is still very dull, and we quote old at 21@23c. nominal. A small lot of new crop is offered at 25@26c.

OATS—Dull at 45@48c. with a good stock.

PORK—The sales have been small, chiefly at former prices—Mess $11@12; prime 8@9½; soft prime $6@6½.

POTATOES—Additional receipts this week of over 1400 bbls. Prices have declined to 87½@$1 per bbl. at which they are freely offered, with but limited sales.

RICE—We quote $4@5 per 100 lbs. as the range of the market, with a very light demand. There has been no further receipts and holders are firm.

SUGAR—There is no change in notice in prices of old crop, say 7½@8 for fair and 8½ for choice. It is however heavy at these rates, the arrival of some parcels new, of handsome quality, inducing grocers to buy sparingly at present prices. New is held for 7@7½c. for a fair article from store; a few casks have been disposed of at public sale at 6¾c.

SALT—The market is entirely nominal—no transactions except by retail, or at auction, the latter chiefly in bad order. We quote $1½@1¾ as the extremes this week. We learn that $1¼ is asked for a cargo daily expected from Liverpool,—but no offers.

WHISKEY—Prices have improved 2@3c. per gallon, and the article was firm yesterday at 24@25c. Sales fair.

Comparative Statement of Receipts, Exports and Stocks of Cotton at the following places at the dates annexed.

PORTS.		Stocks on hand 1st of Sept.		Received since 1st of Sept.		Exported since 1st of Sept. to Great Britain.		From Sept. 1st, 1842, to dates. to other Foreign Ports.		Total to dates. to U States North'n Ports.		From Sept. 1st, 1841, to dates. To Great Britain.		To France.		to other Foreign Ports.		Total to U States North'n Ports.		Stocks on hand and on shipboard. 1842	1841
NEW-ORLEANS	November 1	4428	14490	128639	103273	36795	19220	6278	55283	114521	16320	18979	5412	40711	6547	67723	68156
NATCHEZ	September 1																
MOBILE	November 4	432	360	21920	13807					371				371	6236	15735	10530
SAVANNAH	October 28	2651	1509	31878	15194	5506	1452		6958	8670		663		663	1844	16338	16830
CHARLESTON	October 28	3975	4552	37111	18938	8121	3353	1357	11831	9787	3362	1100	63	3525	7884	19570	12081
FLORIDA	October 8	950	1000	872	139							194		194	162	1066	600
VIRGINIA	October 1	100	925	614												425	
NORTH CAROLINA	Oct. 8	250	300	440	392											690	420
AUGUSTA & HAMBURG	Oct. 1	2459	4367													2459	4367
MACON (Georgia)	October 1	313	235													313	235
NEW-YORK	October 19	16017	29000			7557	1892	3114	12063		5348	6335	1733	13616		9000	13000
PHILADELPHIA	October 22	450	938													500	500
Total bales		31315	57579	221060	150397	57970	17418	11190	86577	36145	26783	26849	7691	61323	22502	138463	116912
Total to dates in 1841		57579		150397		26783	26849	7691	61323	22502						118912	
Increase to dates this season.				70663		31196		3499		13643						19571	
Decrease to dates this season		26264					9431		24994		20119	19849	5960	45817	22502		500

☞ We have taken from N. Orleans the receipts from Mobile and Florida, from Charleston the receipts from Savannah, and from Mobile the receipts from Florida. The exports from Georgetown to New-York are added to Charleston receipts, and from Darien to Liverpool and New-York added to Savannah receipts.