







Special Message of President Grant.

These are the facts in this case, as I understand them to be. To hold the people of Louisiana generally responsible for the late and lamentable fate of the State is to hold the people of the State not only justly but also justly.

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To say that lawlessness, turbulence and bloodshed have characterized the political affairs of that State since the organization under the Reconstruction acts, is only to repeat what has become well known to a people who have seen the progress of the Government from the election of 1868, by which the Republican vote of the State, through fraud and violence, was reduced to a few thousand, and the bloody riots of 1868 and 1869 to show disorder.

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It is the duty of the Federal Court to enforce the provisions of the Constitution of the United States and to prevent any interference thereof is too clear for controversy. Section 15 of said act, after numerous provisions therein, provides that the jurisdiction of the Circuit Court of the United States shall extend to all suits arising under the provisions of said act and of the act amendatory thereof.

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FINANCE AND TRADE. Weekly Review of the Chicago Market. There was a better demand for loans, and the money market ruled steady and rates were firm at 10 per cent. Grain and provision markets are the principal subjects for speculation.

The visible supply of grain, comprising the stock on hand, in transit and on order of accumulation, at lake and seaboard ports, and in transit by rail Jan. 9, 1875, and the comparative stocks of the preceding corresponding periods, were as follows:

Table with columns for Wheat, Corn, Oats, and other grains, showing supply and demand figures.

The following are the receipts and shipments for the week, as compared with the same time last year:

Table showing receipts and shipments for various commodities like Flour, Sugar, and Coffee.

The following were the current quotations at the opening and closing of the market:

Table with columns for various commodities and their current market prices.

The cattle market was steady and firm and quiet active business was transacted. The receipts were liberal, but the quality was poor.

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