

NEW YORK MARKETS.

There has been a very great rise in the price of cotton since our last market price table was published on page 300. Then prices ranged from 18 3/4 to 23 1/2 cents per lb.; now they range from 38 to 40 1/2 cents per lb.

The markets are very fluctuating, and common reports of prices are unreliable.



J. B. W., of Mass.—Try hot chloride of lime in bleaching saw-dust white. The resin contained in pine wood saw-dust will tend to resist the action of the chlorine.

A. M., of N. Y.—Do you mean to say that in your operations of amalgamating gold, the separation of the gold from the mercury "is sometimes almost impossible?"

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