COMMERCIAL MATTERS.

Sales at the Stock Exchange....APRIL 7.

35,000 Virginia 6s	89 93/4	300 Erie Railroad	b60 57
500 do	93 1/4	310 do	s3 56 1/4
10,000 Ind. State Fives	84	100 do	b30 56
24,000 Missouri 6s	84	300 do	s60 56
10,000 do	b3 84	300 do	b10
4,500 California 7s '70	89 1/4	50 do	s5 56
2,000 Erie 2d Mort. Bonds	95	500 do	c 56
7,000 Erie Bonds of '75	b3 91	50 do	b60 56
3,000 Hud. R. 3d Mort. B's	72	300 do	c 56
9,500 Ill. Cen. R. R. B's	82 1/4	200 do	s10 56 1/4
35,000 do	s30 87	250 do	c 56 1/4
2,000 do	87	100 do	b3 56 1/4
1,000 do	87	200 Harlem Railroad	13
3,000 Ill. Fr. Bs. w. priv	85	968 Reading Railroad	c 92
10,000 do	b3 84	100 do	b60 92 1/4
5,000 Terre Haute & Alton 2d Mtge. Bonds	77	250 Hudson Riv. Railroad	32
25 Phenix Bank	115	100 do	s60 35
76 Del. & Hud. Ca. Co.	c 129	50 do	b30 35
10 Metropolitan Bank	105	100 do	b30 36
10 Commonwealth Bank	95	200 Mich. Central R.R.	c 95
10 Ohio Life & Trust Co.	92	100 do	b60 95
50 Beekman Insur'e Co.	101	24 Mich. So. & N. Ia. R.	s3 8 1/4
50 Canton Company	23	100 do	b3 96
20 Cumb. Coal Co.	c 23	410 do	s3 96
150 do	c 23	200 do	b60 96
50 Nicaragua Transit Co.	10	150 do	b15 96
100 do	14	70 Cleve. C. & Cin. R.	b3 100
200 do	14	20 do	100
150 do	b3 14	30 do	100
160 Pennsylvania Coal	b3 100	100 Illinois Central R.	b3 98
100 do	s3 100	100 Panama Railroad	99 105
100 do	s3 100	100 Cleve. & Pittsb'g R.	b3 65
50 do	s3 101	110 Galena & Chicago R.	114
300 N. Y. Central R. R.	b60 92	300 do	b60 115
50 do	b3 92	100 do	s3 114
25 do	92	550 Cleve. & Tol. R. R.	s3 81
50 do	91	100 do	s10 81
5 do	91	100 do	b60 81
100 do	92	100 do	b30 81
100 do	s60 91	100 do	b30 81
108 Chicago & R.I. R.R.	b30 91	100 do	s10 81
200 do	s30 90	100 do	b10 81
150 do	s90 90	100 do	c 81
50 do	c 91	100 do	c 81
115 Milwau. & Miss. R. R.	86	10 Wis. Lake-Shore R. R.	74
100 do	b60 86		

SECOND BOARD.

10,000 Missouri 6s	84	150 Erie Railroad	56
10,000 Virginia 6s	s60 93	100 do	s3 56
5,000 Ill. Cen. R. R. Bds.	b60 87	50 do	56
5,000 do	87	100 do	s3 56
5,000 do	b3 87	28 Panama Railroad	105
5,000 do	87	100 Reading Railroad	s30 92
25 St. Nicholas Bank	98	100 do	c 92
100 Canton Co.	s3 23	200 do	b60 92 1/4
200 Nicaragua Transit Co	13	5 Hud. Riv. R. R.	36
150 do	13	300 Mich. So. & N. Ind. R.	b10 96
200 do	b60 14	850 do	b30 96 1/4
100 Flor. & Kayp't Joint	4	200 do	b30 96 1/4
200 Cumb'd Coal Co.	s60 23	200 Galena & Chi. R.R.	b60 115
200 do	b60 23	6 do	114
50 N. Y. Cen. R.R.	94 91	200 Clev. & Toledo R. R.	s30 81
100 do	b60 92	100 do	s30 80
100 Erie Railroad	s60 56		

MONDAY, April 7—P. M.

The Stock market was active to-day but the tendency generally was downward, especially at the Second Board, after the features of the Bank Statement were made known. Nearly all the active Stocks were offered after the Second Board lower than the closing printed sales. As a general thing the Western shares were the strongest stocks on the list. Galena advanced to 114¼ and sold as high as 115¼, buyer sixty; Chicago and Rock Island was firm at 91, which is better. It is rumored that a corner has been made in this Stock. Cleveland and Pittsburgh was steady, selling at 65¾; Milwaukee and Mississippi, 86¼; Cleveland and Toledo, 80¾@81, &c. Cleveland, Columbus and Cincinnati sold as low as par. Illinois Central was firm at 98. Erie has been heavy for the last day or two and closed offered at 56¼. The business of April is very large, the receipts for the first six days have been over $160,000. Reading was 92, which is lower—Philadelphians are selling. The market for Nicaragua is falling off; it sold as low as 13¾. In Railroad Bonds there is no change of importance excepting in Illinois Central, which have declined to 87¼—a decline of ¾ ⅌ cent. This is the result of a decline in the London market and a falling off in the demand there. State Stocks continue to show increased activity. Some $50,000 Virginia sold at 93¼@93¾, seller sixty. About the same amount of Missouris at 84¾. For Louisianas 93¾ was bid—an improvement of 3¼ ⅌ cent within three or four weeks. Quite a large amount of Louisianas have been bought recently on orders from New-Orleans for investment.

The Exchange market is dull for the Boston steamer, and heavy, without any quotable change in rates for Sterling, which is quoted at 9@9 ⅌ cent, with but few sales above 9¾ ⅌ cent. Good commercial bills sold at 9 ⅌ cent, and with bills lading at 8¼@8¾ ⅌ cent. Franks are heavy, and other Continental bills are lower.

The Freight market is extremely dull. To Liverpool, 30,000@40,000 bush. Corn at 6d., in bulk; 1,000 bales Cotton, ¼d.@9-32d.; 2,000 bxs. Bacon, 25c.@27s. 6d.; 800 tcs. Beef at 3s.@3s. 6d.; 600 bbls. Rosin at 2s. 3d., and by the steamer Emeu, 400 bales Cotton. To London, 200 tcs. Beef, 3s; some Pork, 3s., and 1,000 bbls. Oil Cake, 25s.

The business of the Sub-Treasury was large. Paid, $278,011 01; Received, $219,950 69; Balance, 7,516,916 92; Paid for Assay Office, $9,975 13; Paid on Disbursing Checks, $37,558 61.

Sales of Bonds and Stocks at auction by A. H. Nicolay:

3,000 Sacramento City Water Fund, 10s, interest added.... 89¼
5,000 Hudson River Railroad 1st Mortgage, interest added.. 93½
5,000 Flushing Railroad, 1st Mortgage, interest added..... 65
1,000 Canandaigua and Corning R. R. 1st Mtge., int. added.. 68½
5,000 Great Western (Ill.) R. R. 10s, 1st Mtge., int. added.. 85
1,500 Louisville and Portland R. R. 6s, 1st Mtge., int. added 40
1,000 Toledo and Illinois Railroad 2d Mtge., interest added.. 52½
500 Chicago and Mississippi R. R. Income 8s, int. added.. 53
225 shares Jersey City Gas Light Company..... 86½
2 shares Pacific Mail Steamship Company..... 73½
100 shares Cleveland and Toledo Railroad..... 81½
50 shares Panama Railroad..... 104½
40 shares Lenox Fire Insurance Company..... 90
40 shares St. Nicholas Insurance Company..... 69
30 shares Hamilton Fire Insurance Company..... 51
10 shares Williamsburgh City Insurance Company..... 94½

We call attention of the creditors of Adams & Co. of California to the advertisement of Gilbert A. Grant, Referee.

There was an increased activity in the Money market to-day, but the supply is still abundant.

The commerce of this port for the last three and nine months has been as annexed:

FOREIGN IMPORTS FOR THREE MONTHS, FROM JANUARY 1.

	1854.	1855.	1856.
Ent. for consumption	$37,269,365	$23,451,214	$40,880,557
Ent. for warehousing	5,052,144	7,357,681	5,334,163
Free goods	3,206,196	4,150,673	5,439,624
Specie and bullion	1,012,703	240,798	237,936
Total imports	$46,540,408	$35,200,366	$51,871,305
Withdr'n fm. warehouse	6,344,729	7,320,296	6,245,971

FOREIGN IMPORTS FOR NINE MONTHS, COMMENCING JULY 1.

	1853-4.	1854-5.	1855-6.
Six months	$96,261,129	$86,559,097	$89,912,809
January	19,607,819	12,945,827	15,578,061
February	11,995,860	12,081,492	16,035,283
March	16,557,074	10,173,057	20,256,958
Total for 9 months	$143,521,692	$121,759,473	$141,784,114

EXPORTS FROM NEW-YORK FOR THREE MONTHS FROM JAN. 1.

	1854.	1855.	1856.
Domestic Produce	$16,267,937	$12,958,884	$18,710,798
Foreign Mdse. (free)	326,149	2,211,529	235,422
Foreign Mdse. (dutiable)	1,246,025	1,632,130	824,465
Specie	5,891,533	4,570,805	3,893,573
Total exports	$21,731,694	$21,381,346	$23,714,256
Total, exc. of specie	17,840,161	16,892,543	19,820,683

EXPORTS, EXCLUSIVE OF SPECIE, FROM NEW-YORK FOR NINE MONTHS, COMMENCING JULY 1.

	1853-4.	1854-5.	1855-6.
Six months	$37,975,595	$28,892,747	$39,915,729
January	5,844,785	5,895,517	5,511,230
February	5,850,097	4,365,091	5,606,209
March	6,037,269	6,341,935	8,703,244
Total for 9 months	$55,816,656	$45,495,290	$53,736,412

The imports for the first three quarters of the fiscal year it will be seen are $20,000,000 larger than for the same period of the previous year, but less than for the same period of 1853-54. The exports, exclusive of specie, for the same period, show an excess of $14,000,000 over the same period of last year.

In Flour the market is heavy for common brands, but the better descriptions are firm. The arrivals are moderate. State brands are selling at $6 50@$7. The features of the market for Southern brands are much the same as for the Western. Good and standard brands Western are $7 25@$7 75. Good Wheat is firm, and in moderate stock. There is an export inquiry. A sale of 12,000 bush. good Red Western was made at $1 70. Corn is better, with more inquiry for export. Sales at 60@68½c. There have been 3,000 bales Cotton sold at full prices. Groceries are not active, but are firm. The Pork market is heavy, but fair sales of Prime could be made at a concession. Beef is inactive and heavy. Bacon is in demand; but Cut Meats are more plenty and less firm. Lard has a downward tendency.

The Bank Statement shows a general expansion, with the exception of the very important item of Specie. The Loans have touched a higher point than ever before, and one which indicates a disastrous revulsion, sooner or later, and for which the business world would do well to prepare. The Loans now stand $16,500,000 higher than they did in January last, when the Banks held the same amount of specie as at present, and $[illegible],800,000 higher than they did in August last, when the specie line was $15,300,000. Meantime the deposits have increased from $74,600,000 to $91,000,000, by the gradual centralization of business at this point. A portion of the increased loans for the past week is due to the commencement of business by the Park Bank, the paid up capital of which is $1,328,736, and loans $471,541. The increased loans, some $600,000 of the Metropolitan Bank, are due to the same source, a large portion of the funds of the Park Bank having been deposited with its Clearing-House agent, the Metropolitan. There has, however been, in addition, a general increase of loans, which we are sorry to see, and which is we believe entirely undemanded by the legitimate wants of the business world. The circulation, it will be noticed, has increased $400,000, which is a novel feature, the circulation having continued, with but little variation, below eight millions for many months. The deposits show a nominal increase of $2,800,000, but the actual increase is as follows, $323,734.

Deposits March 29	$88,186,648
Average clearings	20,524,704
Actual deposits	$67,661,944
Deposits April 5	91,008,408
Average clearings	25,022,730
Actual deposits	$67,985,678
Increase	$323,734

The comparison of the present statement with the previous week is:

	Loans.	Specie.	Circulation.	Deposits.
March 29	$104,745,307	$14,216,841	$7,943,236	$88,186,648
April 5	106,962,018	13,321,454	8,347,498	91,008,408
Increase	$2,216,711	.....	$404,245	2,821,760
Decrease	.....	$835,387	.....	.....

The movement for the last thirty-five weeks has been as follows:

1855.	Loans.	Specie.	Circulation.	Deposits.
Aug. 4	$100,118,569	$15,298,358	$7,642,963	$88,279,931
Aug. 18	101,154,060	14,649,245	7,610,106	81,945,991
Sept. 1	100,436,970	12,852,523	7,629,178	81,057,250
Sept. 15	99,597,099	12,213,240	7,721,828	80,510,307
Sept. 22	98,581,734	11,655,391	7,716,492	80,105,147
Sept. 29	97,385,226	9,919,124	7,724,970	76,818,109
Oct. 6	98,515,621	11,110,687	7,858,217	77,582,628
Oct. 13	95,659,420	11,133,878	7,740,114	77,661,580
Oct. 20	95,169,376	12,461,723	7,888,164	77,852,551
Oct. 27	94,216,372	11,165,521	7,829,499	76,974,885
Nov. 3	95,369,079	11,106,298	8,071,508	77,767,570
Nov. 10	92,454,290	10,855,526	8,089,608	75,762,493
Nov. 17	92,529,920	11,362,917	7,941,979	75,323,541
Nov. 24	92,312,468	11,715,259	7,779,567	74,678,154
Dec. 1	92,526,521	11,227,134	7,841,654	79,047,983
Dec. 8	93,189,848	11,844,625	7,861,741	78,060,110
Dec. 15	93,800,018	11,564,075	7,701,052	76,926,947
Dec. 22	94,380,497	12,088,559	7,778,895	77,241,066
Dec. 29	95,114,060	10,788,099	7,841,944	80,438,627
Jan. 5, '56	95,903,390	11,637,269	7,908,656	83,334,893
Jan. 12	96,145,401	11,777,711	7,612,507	77,931,495
Jan. 19	96,352,968	12,385,260	7,462,700	82,532,822
Jan. 26	96,887,221	12,733,659	7,466,996	78,918,318
Feb. 2	97,970,611	13,640,437	7,622,827	82,269,061
Feb. 9	98,244,077	14,233,329	7,819,122	82,848,152
Feb. 16	99,401,315	15,678,736	7,693,441	88,065,944
Feb. 23	100,745,447	15,835,874	7,664,688	87,690,478
Mar. 1	102,652,235	15,640,686	7,744,392	88,604,377
Mar. 8	103,909,688	15,170,946	7,889,176	89,749,636
Mar. 15	104,528,298	14,045,024	7,863,148	86,621,176
Mar. 22	104,833,876	14,369,556	7,912,581	89,590,251
Mar. 29	104,745,507	14,216,841	7,943,235	88,186,648
April 5	106,962,018	13,381,454	8,347,498	91,008,408

The statement is as annexed:

TABLE *of the Loans, Specie, Circulation and Deposits of the Banks of the City of New-York, for the week ending on Saturday, April 5, 1856, to which is affixed the Capital of each Bank.*

NAMES OF BANKS.	Amount of Capital.	Average amount of Loans and Discounts.	Average amount of Specie.	Average amount of Circulation.	Average amount of Deposits.
	$	$	$	$	$
B. of N. Y.	2,000,000	3,675,919	571,937	263,378	3,160,221
Manhattan	2,050,000	5,007,556	663,134	329,495	3,985,539
Merchants'	1,490,000	4,692,476	1,099,723	216,783	5,606,393
Mechanics'	2,000,000	4,069,144	517,236	385,657	3,346,478
Union	1,500,000	2,991,789	511,609	195,977	2,840,661
Bk. of Amer	2,000,000	4,876,954	1,485,790	54,179	5,618,668
Phenix	1,200,000	2,393,148	215,654	131,637	2,107,222
City	1,000,000	1,696,189	143,521	45,274	1,242,968
North River	655,000	1,046,763	89,547	172,974	876,351
Tradesm'n's	850,000	1,366,917	76,841	278,236	782,249
Fulton	600,000	765,467	131,708	128,698	1,151,691
Chemical	300,000	1,564,293	289,346	253,295	1,329,121
Mer. Exch'e	1,235,000	3,177,161	305,375	159,159	2,476,414
National	750,000	1,570,455	193,965	191,327	1,097,258
Butch. & Dr.	600,000	1,485,875	175,725	92,761	1,170,522
Mech. & Trs.	200,000	717,729	53,729	112,775	497,773
Greenwich	200,000	806,156	36,499	22,785	510,800
Leather Mf.	600,000	1,976,757	164,482	273,316	1,444,396
Ville Ward	500,000	1,202,904	149,478	252,614	687,601
Bk. St'n N. Y	2,000,000	3,809,984	404,651	324,463	3,022,772
Am'r. Exc'e	3,000,000	7,007,068	875,270	327,403	6,638,740
Mec. B'g Ass	652,000	1,251,378	49,420	200,495	884,979
Commerce	5,000,000	8,610,232	1,102,071	2,690	6,046,577
Bowery	350,000	1,029,654	74,188	171,275	855,985
Broadway	600,000	1,479,771	136,743	234,846	1,304,595
Ocean	1,000,000	1,481,520	120,919	165,849	1,179,615
Mercantile	1,000,000	2,388,067	270,160	101,664	1,825,170
Pacific	422,700	964,892	57,773	120,379	653,823
Bk of Repub	1,500,000	3,422,710	575,433	91,928	3,090,095
Chatham	450,000	615,146	62,151	130,351	392,360
People's	412,500	737,954	52,793	156,376	404,365
North Amer	1,000,000	1,564,201	185,505	79,778	1,421,866
Hanover	1,000,000	1,350,445	92,656	107,489	781,052
Irving	300,000	578,536	50,258	119,552	509,439
Metropoli'n	2,000,000	6,781,364	1,013,741	218,952	6,803,077
Citizens'	400,000	727,655	78,573	158,823	655,501
Grocers'	500,000	657,900	136,091	90,333	605,527
Nassau	500,000	1,234,693	144,118	117,036	1,061,886
East River	313,013	449,924	48,125	95,159	333,479
Market	650,000	1,443,917	119,296	125,025	1,236,954
St. Nicholas	500,000	713,786	33,020	95,743	493,515
Shoe & Lea'r	600,000	1,255,555	72,657	166,347	810,063
Corn Exch'e	814,000	1,554,431	99,127	89,015	1,492,163
Continental	1,500,000	2,871,028	269,920	80,839	2,145,936
Common'th.	750,000	1,172,885	171,664	92,144	1,192,659
Oriental	300,000	561,354	99,428	114,150	359,747
Marine	500,000	845,848	47,559	94,926	630,945
Atlantic	350,000	550,008	52,242	99,154	394,738
Imp. & Trd.	1,000,000	1,684,711	123,537	117,308	1,094,220
Island City	200,000	430,838	40,761	93,271	280,109
N.Y. Dry Dk.	130,000	428,282	16,643	79,811	193,194
N.Y. Exch'e	175,280	258,296	12,048	128,733	178,544
Bull's Head	200,000	278,113	22,774	119,100	*174,157
N.Y. County	299,200	317,452	10,216	93,316	147,572
*Park	.....	471,541	78,829	—	975,529
Total	49,042,429	106,962,018	13,381,454	8,347,498	91,008,408

* Balances due from city Banks, $871,614 38. Capital paid in, $1,328,736 55.

* CLEARING-HOUSE TRANSACTIONS.

Clearings for week ending March 31	$125,148,223
Clearings for week ending April 7	138,116,380
Balances for week ending March 31	5,821,535
Balances for week ending April 7	6,964,990

Judge E. P. Cowles, we understand, has been appointed Receiver of the Eighth Avenue Bank. An attempt is being made to inforce the individual liability clause of the bank law against the stockholders.

The bids for $1,600,000 six per cent and $2,800,000 five per cent City Stock for the Central Park were opened at the Controller's office to-day by Mr. Flagg, in the presence of Robert Kelley, Chamberlain of the city, and other persons interested. The five per cents are redeemable in 1898, and the six per cents in 1859. The bids for the six per cents were within less than $200,000 of the amount needed, not including those which did not specify the amount that would be taken. The bids for the five per cents were very small, some $175,000, but there were several bidders for any amount to be awarded, but who probably scarcely expected to have $2,600,000 divided among them. The bids for both descriptions ranged, with small exceptions, from par to ¼ per cent premium. The result was as follows:

	5 ⅌ ct.	6 ⅌ ct.
Samuel C. Thompson	1-100	— $500,000
John Thompson	5-100	— 100,000
Seaman's Bank for Savings	at par.	— 5,000
Seaman's Bank for Savings	at par.	— 25,000
Seaman's Bank for Savings	¼ of 1 ⅌ cent.	— 25,000
Joseph Potter	at par.	5,000 * —
Robert Laton	at par.	5,000 —
John Dowling	¼ ⅌ cent.	— 5,000
Smith D. Bellows	at par.	— *
John Pitts	at par.	1,000 * —
The Brooklyn Saving's Bank	at par.	— 30,000
W. H. & J. Hays	at par.	— 2,000
Francis Priest	¼ ⅌ cent.	— 5,200
Hugh Martin	¼ ⅌ cent.	— 1,000
Nicolas Noman	at par.	— *
Nicholas Seagrist	at par.	— *
William J. Wright	at par.	— *
E. L. Buxton	at par.	— 25,000
Henkle Reff	at par.	* —
John Bredun	—	* —
Townsend W. Burtis	97.	— 3,100
Amasa S. Foster	at par.	— 30,140
J. P. Stanton	at par.	— 7,500
James Wilkins	at par.	— 4,000
R. Reed	at par.	* —
Rufus Prime and others	—	* —
J. W. Pope	—	* —
Samuel Ford	—	* —
P. W. Espy, Vice-Pres. Mart's Savings Ins.	—	— 20,000
George Shrady	at par.	25,000 —
James Phalen	at par.	40,000 —
Henry Nicoll	at par.	20,000 —
Solomon Rohnstamm	at par.	5,000 —
Robert Laton	at par.	5,000 —
James Murson	at par.	5,000 —
Charles Yates	at par.	— *
Aaron Livingston	at par.	* —
Joseph Munson	at par.	— 5,000
Maria Shrady	at par.	10,000 —
Ezra B. Weston	at par.	* —
John Costello	at par.	* —
M. S. Friend	at par.	* 1,110
Edward Kearney	at par.	* —
W. P. Furniss	at par.	— *
E. P. Howell	at par.	— *
B. Delaprine	at par.	3,000 —
John A. Bullard	at par.	— 5,000
John E. Ashton	¼ ⅌ cent.	— 10,000
John E. Ashton	¼ ⅌ cent.	— 10,000
John H. Power	at par.	— 4,000
Elizabeth H. Townsend	at par.	— 1,000
Charles Davis	at par.	* —
Ward & Co.	3-100 ⅌ cent.	— 500,000
Michael Dougherty	at par.	— *
John R. Tallman	at par.	— 50,000
Martin Zabriskie	at par.	* —
Maitland, Phelps & Co.	at par.	20,000 —
Commissioner Sinking Fund	at par.	24,800 —
Irving Savings Institution	at par.	— 30,000
Mariners' Savings Institution	at par.	— 20,000

* These parties consent to take the amount of the award by the Commissioners.

The bids having all been opened, Mr. Flagg stated that any person not having subscribed for 5 ⅌ cent stock, could, if they desired, receive stock at par to the amount of their awards.

Of Land Warrants *Thompson's Reporter* says: Our present quotations are a trifle lower than last week, but the market appears to be assuming a more healthy tone, and we do not look for a further decline at present.

We are at this date (April 7) buying and selling as follows:

	Buying.	Selling.
80s and 160s	$1 00	$1 10
60s and 120s	1 03	1 05
40s	1 15	1 20

We hear of about $200,000 in gold going to Boston for the steamer.

The business of the Clearing-House to-day was $25,683,000.

We hear that all the Boston Banks have joined the Clearing-house in that city. Three of them had been standing out.

A petition signed by the largest stockholders of the Cleveland, Columbus and Cincinnati Railroad Company went forward to-day, asking that a meeting of stockholders be called to consider the question of the refusal of the directors to pay the interest on the guaranteed bonds of the Columbus, Piqua, and Indiana Company, and to take measures to obtain an act of the Legislature to legalize the guarantee. We annex an opinion upon this question given by two leading legal authorities in Ohio—Judge Andrews and Mr. F. T. Backus:

M. G. MITCHELL, ESQ., President Columbus, Piqua and Indiana Railroad Company:

SIR—We have been requested to give an opinion as to the validity of the indorsement made by the Cleveland, Columbus and Cincinnati Railroad Company of the 3d Mortgage Bonds to the amount of some $400,000 of the Columbus, Piqua and Indiana Railroad Company. We understand such indorsement to have been made under the following circumstances:

The guage of the Cleveland, Columbus and Cincinnati Road is four feet teninches; that of the Columbus, Piqua and Indiana Road is but four feet eight and a half inches. The latter Company claimed to have an arrangement with the Indianapolis and Bellefontaine Company, by which the latter was compelled to adopt the guage of the Columbus, Piqua and Indiana Road. All the Companies, including the Bellefontaine and Indianapolis, being desirous of a running connection it was finally agreed between them that the guage of the Cleveland, Columbus and Cincinnati Road should be adopted, and that as a consideration for the change of its track and machinery and the relinquishment of its claims upon the Indianapolis and Bellefontaine Company, the other three Companies agreed to indorse the Bonds of the Columbus, Piqua and Indiana Company to the amount above stated.

We are further informed that in pursuance of the above arrangement the litigation then pending in the premises has been stopped, the costs paid and the indorsement in question made by the three Companies.

From the above statement it is evident that there can be no question as to the sufficiency of the consideration received by the three Companies respectively for such indorsement. Is there any as to their power?

Whatever might be the conclusion to which we should come respecting the power of the corporations to do that which natural persons could, without any questions, do in like circumstances, the legislation of our State has been such as to free the question now under consideration from all doubt by the 4th section of the Act of March 3, 1851, entitled "An Act relating to Railroad Companies," (Ohio Laws, vol. 49, p. 96,) it is provided that any Railroad Company heretofore or hereafter incorporated may at any time, by means of subscription to the capital stock of any other Company, or otherwise, aid such Company in the construction of its Railroad for the purpose of firming a connection of said last mentioned Road, owned by the Company furnishing said aid, or any Railroad Company organized in pursuance of law, may have or purchase any part, or all, of any Railroad constructed by any other Company, if said Company's line of road are continuous or connected as aforesaid, upon such terms and conditions as may be agreed on between said Companies respectively, or any two or more Railroad Companies whose lines are so connected, may enter into any agreement for their common benefit, consistent with and calculated to promote the object for which they were created; provided that no such aid shall be furnished, nor any such purchase, lease, or arrangement perfected until a meeting of the Stockholders of each of said Companies shall have been called by the Directors thereof at such time and place, and in such manner as they shall designate, and the holders of at least two thirds of the stock of such Company represented at such meeting, in person or by proxy, and voting thereat, shall have assented thereto.

By the 24th section of the act passed May 3, 1852, entitled, "An Act to provide for the creation and regulation of Companies in the State of Ohio," the same provision is reenacted without, in our opinion, repealing any portion of the act above quoted from.

The action of the Cleveland, Columbus and Cincinnati Board of Directors in the premises was duly submitted to the Stockholders of said Company, at their meeting held at the principal office of said Company, at Cleveland, on the 1st day of July inst., by whom said arrangement was unanimously assented to and approved. Under these circumstances, we have no hesitation in expressing the opinion that the above-named indorsement is entirely valid and obligatory upon said Cleveland, Columbus and Cincinnati Railroad Company.

(Signed) S. J. ANDREWS.
Cleveland, July 25, 1854. F. T. BACKUS.

The Legislature have under consideration an amendment of the Limited Partnership Law, which meets the approbation of our business men, and against the passage of which there appears to be no good reason adduced. Many capitalists are now prevented from investing money in business as special partners, because they cannot take any part in the management of the business without becoming general partners. The present amendment is intended to obviate this difficulty. The bill is as follows:

SECTION 1. The 3d, 17th and 23d sections of title 1 of chap. 4 of part II of the Revised Statues are hereby amended so that the same, respectively, shall read as follows:

SEC. 3. The special partners may take part in the management and conduct of the business of the partnership, but only the general partners shall be authorized to sign for the partnership, and to bind the same.

SEC. 17. No special partner shall be made liable beyond the fund contributed by him to the capital, by reason of his taking part in the management or conduct of the business of the firm, but any special partner who shall sign the firm name shall be liable as a general partner upon every such signature.

SEC. 23. Any special partner may loan or advance money to the partnership, and stand upon the footing of a creditor of the firm therefor; and in case of the insolvency or bankruptcy of the partnership, for all such loans or advances the special partner shall be entitled to payment *pro rata* with the other creditors of the partnership. In case of the insolvency or bankruptcy of the partnership, no special partner shall be allowed to claim as a creditor thereof upon or for any other cause or consideration than for money loaned or advanced to the partnership, until the claims of all the other creditors shall be satisfied.

SEC. 24. This act shall take effect immediately; but any existing limited partnership shall remain subject to the provisions of the law regulating the same previous to the passage of this act.

The Circular of Messrs. Marié & Kanz for the steamer says:

NEW-YORK, Monday, April 7, 1856.

The absence of speculation which we have noticed for several weeks past still continues, and neither the abundance of capital, nor the general conviction since the Asia's arrival that peace is now a certainty, has been able to communicate a serious movement to public stocks. Quotations have been well sustained during the week, and show on the whole a slight improvement on our previous advices.

STATE Stocks well sustained, with some activity in Missouri's. Louisianas have risen 3; Missouri ¼; Virginia ½ per cent.

CITY AND COUNTY BONDS inactive, and without change.

BONDS NOT QUOTED AT THE STOCK EXCHANGE—No transactions, excepting a few purchases of Michigan Central 8 per cent, 1869, and of Terre Haute and Alton 1st Mortgage.

MONEY remains without change. Loans on call, 6@7 per cent, chiefly at 7; first class paper, 7@8; names less current, 8@9.

Messrs. Decoppet & Co., say:

NEW-YORK, Monday, April 7, 1856.

We have no prominent feature to notice since our advices of the 1st inst. There has scarcely been any variation in our money market; the export of specie is too moderate to affect it unfavorably, and rates of exchange too weak just now, to create any fear of its immediate increase.

The business of the week in securities for permanent investment as well as in those for speculation has been moderate, and there is but little speculative spirit in the market, notwithstanding that the news from Europe to the 23d March is looked upon as very favorable, it remains without any material effect, and our subjoined table of daily quotations shows no important transactions.

IN CITY BONDS there have been moderate transactions in Wheeling, O., (Municipal), Detroit 7s at better rates, in Milwaukee 7s, Cleveland 7s, Chicago 6s and 7s, and St. Louis 6s at well maintained prices; and in San Francisco 6s at a decline.

RAILROAD BONDS—At private sale we notice some purchases of Terre Haute and Alton First Mortgage; Milwaukee and Mississippi Third Section; and Peoria and Oquawka First Mortgage. The demand generally has been very limited.

MONEY without any alteration from 6@7 ⅌ cent for loans on call, and 7@9 ⅌ cent for business paper.

Markets..CAREFULLY REPORTED FOR THE TRIBUNE.

MONDAY, April 7, 1856.

ASHES—The market is buoyant; the supply was light; small sales of Pots at $6, and Pearls at $8 12½@$8 25.

COTTON—There has been a fair business done at full prices; sales of 3,000 bales, including a line of 450 bales barely middling St. Marks at 10½c., and 500 bales in transitu from New-Orleans to Liverpool. We continue to quote as follows:

NEW-YORK CLASSIFICATION.

	Uplands.	Florida.	Mobile.	N. O. & Tex.
Ordinary	8¾	9¼	9¼	9¼
Middling	10¼	10½	10½	10¾
Middling Fair	11	11	11¼	11½
Fair	11½	11½	12	12½

COFFEE—We have had a very quiet day. Holders are still firm in their views. Sales of 350 bags Rio Skimmings at 10½c. and 400 bags Rio at 11½@12c., and 50 bags Laguayra at 12@12½c. The stock of Rio is 33,500 bags.

SUGARS—There is a moderate business doing at full prices. Parties generally are holding off for the landing of considerable stocks now on board vessels. An active business is looked for during the immediate future. Sales of 550 hhds., mostly Cuba Muscovado, at 6¼@7½c.

FLOUR AND MEAL—The market is quite heavy for the inferior qualities of Flour, but good brands are firm and in fair request for the home trade only; the arrivals are light, but the trade purchase only for their most pressing wants. The sales of Western Canal are 3,800 bbls. at $6 50@$6 75 for common to good State and ordinary to good Michigan, $6 87½@$7 25 for superfine Indiana and Upper Lake, $7@$7 50 for common to good superfine and low grades of Ohio extra, and $8 25@$10 for extra Genesee. Canadian Flour is in small stock, and but few sales have transpired; we quote $7 50@$8. Southern Flour is without much change; the stock is small; the low grades are heavy and very slow of sale, while the better grades are in fair request; sales of 1,700 bbls. at $7 25@$7 75 for mixed to good standard brands Baltimore, Alexandria and Fredricksburg Country, and $7 87½@$8 37½ for favorite fancy and extra brands. Rye Flour is very steady; sales of 100 bbls. at $4@$6. Corn Meal is a shade firmer