CITY ITEMS.

AMUSEMENTS THIS EVENING.

WALLACK'S THEATER—No. 844 Broadway. "Time Works Wonders."
WINTER GARDEN—Broadway. "Geraldine," and A Musical Melange.
NIBLO'S GARDEN—Broadway. "The Enchantress."
LAURA KEENE'S THEATER—Broadway. "The Old Guard;" "The Elves; or, The Statue Bride."
BARNUM'S AMERICAN MUSEUM—Broadway, Commodore Nutt, Whale, &c., day and night; "Adelaide of Brescia; or, The Seven Escapes," afternoon and evening.
NATIONAL ACADEMY OF DESIGN—No. 623 Broadway, day and evening.
ALLEGHANIANS—Stuyvesant Institute.
COOPER INSTITUTE—Carey's Horse-Taming.

Miss Bateman will take a benefit at the Winter Garden to-night, closing her engagement, and advertised as "her last appearance." The play will be Geraldine, with the customary cast. In addition, Madame Strakosch, Miss Carlotta Patti, and Mr. E. Mollenhauer will appear in a musical melange. Miss Bateman has made a very successful engagement, as we have already had occasion to notice.

MISS HENRIQUES'S BENEFIT TO-NIGHT, AT WALLACK'S THEATER.—Miss Madeline Henriques, a young lady who has received during her brief theatrical career many flattering evidences of public regard, invites attention to her first benefit, this evening, at Wallack's Theater. Opportunities for recognizing the talents and encouraging the aspirations of an artist, in a directly personal way, are not so frequent that the public can afford to slight them when they do come. A regular benefit at the end of a season affords almost the only occasion for testifying generous appreciation for individual merit. In the present case there is something else to be effected by a handsome response to the appeal. It is the young lady's first benefit, and, if visited with the consideration it deserves, formally establishes her in the artistic position which she has labored for with sincerity, and to which her excellent qualities entitle her. The evening's entertainment is to be Douglas Jerrold's comedy, "Time Works Wonders." The cast calls forth the best resources at Wallack's Theater.

TWENTIETH WARD LECTURES—The Rev. R. M. Hatfield of Brooklyn delivered the last of the series of lectures before the Twentieth Ward Republican Association at Continental Hall on Thursday evening. Through the commendable zeal of the Lecture Committee and the President of the Association, Samuel Sinclair, esq., the members have had the pleasure of hearing, during the season, George Wm. Curtis, the Rev. Dr. Cheever, Henry Ward Beecher, Horace Greeley, Theodore Tilton, and other distinguished gentlemen. On Thursday evening, the hall was filled with an intelligent audience, who manifested their approbation by frequently applauding the eloquent remarks of the speaker. The Rev. gentleman argued that while we will (by the help of God) put down this wicked rebellion the only way to restore the Union is to remove the cause of the rebellion—even Slavery itself.

THE FASHION COURSE TROT.—Yesterday the visitors to the Fashion Course, who had gone with the anticipation of seeing a good trot for a $100 purse, mile heats, in harness, between Lady Emma, Nimble Dick, What Is It, Jilt, and James Lynch, according to announcement, were grievously disappointed. Fortunately the attendance was very limited, as the threatening appearance of the day prevented many from going who would otherwise have done so. The rain having ceased just about the usual hour of starting, the proprietor of the track, in order that those present might not be disappointed, notwithstanding the limited attendance entailed a loss upon him, hung up the purse in the Judge's stand. Here another difficulty presented itself which had not been anticipated; only Lady Emma of all the five entries appeared on the track. Two of the others—Jilt and James Lynch—were said to have gone amiss, while the owners of the remainder—Nimble Dick and What Is It—evidently thought they had no chance of winning against the Lady, and would not start them. The race was consequently void. Attempts were made on the course to get up some other matches, all of which were unsuccessful, although the proprietor liberally offered to give the gate money to be trotted for. This is the first disappointment that has taken place on this course, and could not possibly have been foreseen. If Jilt, who had shown symptoms of lameness at her morning exercise, had remained all right, a capital trot would have been witnessed. It will be seen from the advertisement in another column that Tallman's entry of Jilt and Panic in the double-team race on Monday on this track is drawn. The race will now be of a more open character, as their superiority was generally acknowledged. The race will undoubtedly be a very interesting on.

Mrs. Joseph Allen has again volunteered as Directress in the service of her country, and left this city last evening with a band of nurses, expecting to place them all in active service, when she arrives at Falls Church, Va.

EXCISE.—The business of the Excise Commissioners is not very brisk. On Tuesday, they granted two licenses, at $30 each, and on Friday nine, at the same sum. Thus far, 104 licenses have been granted.

ATTACHMENT AGAINST THE GREAT EASTERN.—In the case of Hamilton E. Towle agt. the steamship Great Eastern, the sureties having failed to justify on the bond tendered, an attachment was issued against the vessel, which will have the effect of preventing her intended departure to-day, unless she is bonded anew in the mean time.

THE TAX ON FLINT GLASS.—Yesterday the flint-glass manufacturers of this city held a meeting at the Astor House to consider the bearings of the new National tax upon their business, and the propriety of raising the prices of their manufactures.

THE SUSPECTED BARK REINDEER.—The proprietors of the bark Reindeer, which was libeled by the United States Marshal several days since, have gone to Washington to apply to the authorities there for the release of their vessel.

CUSTOM-HOUSE SEIZURE.—The officers of the revenue are very vigilant in detecting frauds upon the Government. Yesterday Messrs. A. J. Plumb and Penfold seized a case of watches and chains which they found in the baggage of one of the steerage passengers on board the Kangaroo.

A NEW ARRANGEMENT—STEAMBOAT AND RAILROAD CONNECTION.—On and after Monday, June 2, the steamer Continental leaves New-York for New-Haven, from Pier No. 25 East River, at 3½ p. m. A steamboat train will be in waiting on the wharf at New-Haven, and will leave for Springfield and all the intermediate stations at about 7½ p. m., or on the arrival of the boat. Returning, the steamboat train leaves Springfield for New-Haven at 8:25 p. m., stopping at intermediate stations and running direct to the boat. Passengers reach New-York in time for the early morning trains South and West. The steamer Continental was recently built expressly for this line, and is one of the strongest and staunchest boats on the Sound.

AN UNSUCCESSFUL DODGE.—Yesterday afternoon, as John J. Blair, esq., President of the Belvidere Bank, New-Jersey, was passing down Courtlandt street, having in his possession the sum of $53,000, he was accosted by a boy, who ran up to him breathlessly, asking him to come back and pay for some windows and glass which he had broken. A crowd collected, and eventually a police officer coming up, arrested Mr. Blair on the faith of the boy's statement. Mr. B. was taken before Alderman Hall at the Tombs, and after explaining the matter, he was discharged.

DESCRIPTIVE PAPERS FOR SOLDIERS.—The deficiency in descriptive papers is not only a source of annoyance to the surgeons and agents, but a serious inconvenience to the sick and wounded soldiers. Two-thirds of the men who reach our hospitals have no descriptive papers whatever, and the few who have them generally find them so imperfectly drawn that they are almost worthless. Without properly-drafted descriptive papers, the sick and wounded cannot get their pay nor their pensions. There are scores and hundreds of men who have claims upon the Treasury, but they cannot obtain a dollar from the Paymaster to relieve the wants of their suffering wives and children, because the captains of their companies have given them no descriptive papers, or the inconsiderate surgeons by the way have heedlessly detained them in their pigeon-holes, instead of forwarding them with the men to the hospital. A descriptive paper should contain the name of the soldier, a description of his personal appearance, state the time when he enlisted, the letter of his company and the number of his regiment, when and by whom he was last paid, and the quantity of clothing he has received. With such a document the soldier will find no difficulty in securing his back pay and a pension if he is entitled to it. Government is expected to furnish blanks to the Captain of each Company. It is the duty of the Captain to make out the descriptive list. If he has no blanks he is not excused from that duty, and its non-performance argues indifference or incompetency or both. It will not answer to make out more than one descriptive paper upon one sheet. We mention this because there are instances in which several names have been appended to one paper, thus making it useless to the holder. The descriptive papers are usually placed by the captains in the hands of the surgeon who accompanies the sick and wounded men. When he surrenders his charge, it is his duty to deliver the papers to the next surgeon in charge; if he fails to do this he subjects the agents and doctors to great inconvenience, and the soldier and his friends to great pecuniary loss, and brings discredit upon the army and the Government, when neither are to blame, and he alone is culpable.

PROMPT ARREST OF A HOTEL THIEF.—Yesterday morning, John Miller, alias James Brown, a well-known hotel thief, was detected in the room of Don Mariano Hernandez, at the Astor House, which he had entered with a false key, and robbed of $79 in gold coin. One of the waiters who saw him in the room, caught him, and tried to take him to the office, but lost his grasp, and he ran away. He was, however, caught by an officer of the Third Precinct, in Barclay street, and taken to the Third Precinct Station-House, where the stolen money, a diamond breastpin, a diamond ring, a gold watch and chain, $100 in treasury notes, $70 in bank bills, and a £10 Bank of England note, No. 78,104, were found on his person. All these were supposed to be the result of hotel thefts recently committed. He was taken before Justice Brennan, and committed in default of bail.

SALE OF PRIZE VESSELS.—To-day the United States Marshal will sell at auction, under the direction of the United States Prize Commissioners, the bark Sallie Magee, and the Stephen Hart. The vessels lie at Wheeler's stores, near the foot of Montague street, Brooklyn, and the sale will take place on board.

THE SONS OF RHODE ISLAND.—The following-named gentleman were elected officers of the Sons of Rhode Island in this city at the last meeting of the Executive Committee:

Dr. Francis Vinton, President; John E. Williams, Vice-President; B. G. Arnold, Treasurer; G. W. Curtis, Corresponding Secretary; and W. J. Hoppin, Recording Secretary.

Governor Sprague has been elected an honorary member.

CORPORATION CONTRACTS.—Yesterday bids were opened and contracts awarded at the Street Department for various jobs, as follows:

Repairing and relagging in Thirty-fourth street, between Madison and Lexington avenues, and in Fourth avenue, between Thirty-fifth and Thirty-eighth streets; to Michael Mahoney, at $39 75.
Repairing and relagging the public lamps for one year; to Alexander Brandon, at $4,440.
Furnishing 1,300 gas lamps; to John Broderick, at $2,715.
Building new steam fire-engine for Engine Company No. 9; to A. B. Taylor, Son & Co., at $2,190.
New hand engine for Engine Company No. 35; to James Smith, at $2,000.
New tenders for Engine Companies Nos. 42 and 2; to Joseph Pine, at $670.
New truck for Hook and Ladder Company No. 6; to C. E. Hartshorn, at $730.
New hose carriage for Hose Company No. 4; to Jos. Pine, at $525.
New house for Engine Company No. 43; to Edward Linnen at $4,797.
New house for Hose Company No. 39; to John Fettetch, at $13,600.
New house for Hook and Ladder Company No. 11; to C. L. Purdy, at $4,850.
New house for Hose Company No. 1; to Wm. Coulter at $3,000.
Alterations and additions to house for Hose Company No. 31; to John Rodgers, at $2,420.
Repairing pier No. 29, N. R.; to David Babcock, at $4,850.
Stand of Colors for 8th Regiment; to Alexander Brandon, at $334.
New steam fire-engine for Hose Company No. 52; to A. B. Taylor, Son & Co., at $3,190.

TO THE HOMEOPATHISTS OF NEW-YORK.—It is requested that all donations and contributions intended for the Homeopathic Hospital in Washington, should be sent to the Secretary of the "Homeopathic Sanitary Commission" of that city, Mrs. Blanchard, No. 341 North G street, Washington, D. C.

FATAL SHOOTING CASE.—Yesterday, Coroner Collin held an inquest on the body of John Quigg, late of No. 334 Tenth avenue, who died from a gunshot wound received several days since at his liquor store. The jury rendered a verdict of "Accidental death." Peter Hirschfield, who had been arrested on the charge of shooting deceased intentionally, was discharged. Deceased was a native of Ireland, and was 50 years of age.

[Advertisement.]
GRAND FAMILY HOLIDAY THIS DAY, at BARNUM'S MUSEUM, with two splendid Dramatic Performances, at 3 and 7½ o'clock p. m. The grand Baby Show commences next Monday. Ladies wishing to avoid the crowd had better go early—not later than 9 or 10 a. m.

[Advertisement.]
"DR. LELAND'S ANTI-RHEUMATIC BAND."
A permanent cure for Rheumatism, Gout, Neuralgia, and all Similar Affections. Sent per Express upon receipt of price, $2; or mailed, postpaid, for $2 24.
ILLUSTRATED TREATISE, with Certified Testimonials, sent free. G. SMITH & Co., Proprietors, No. 491 Broadway, New-York.

[Advertisement.]
BUSINESS MEN WANT CLERKS AND APPRENTICES who have just the right talent for their particular pursuit. A Phrenological Examination at FOWLER & WELLS, No. 308 Broadway, will direct the right man to the right place.

BOOKS RECEIVED.

Helps Over Hard Places. Stories for Boys. By Lynde Palmer. 18mo., pp. 224. American Tract Society.
Primary Arithmetic. By Charles Davies, LL. D. 18mo., pp. 96. A. S. Barnes & Burr.
Infantry Tactics for Schools. By the author of "School Amusements." 18mo., pp. 180. The Same.
Lyrics for Freedom, and other Poems. 12mo., pp. 239. Carleton.
The Bible Exposed, by Erasmus. 8vo., pp. 351. J. P. Mendum.
The Broken Chain. By A. L. O. E. 18mo., pp. 183. Carter & Brothers.
The Black Cliff. By A. L. O. E. 18mo., pp. 180. The Same.
Why Paul Ferroll Killed his Wife. By the "Author of Paul Ferroll." 12mo., pp. 235. Carleton.
The Works of Charles Dickens. (Barnaby Rudge, 3 vols.) Sheldon & Co.
The Altar at Home. Second Series. 12mo., pp. 336. Walker, Wise & Co.
Officers of the Union Army and Navy. By Dean Dudley. 12mo., pp. 148. L. Prang & Co.
Victor Hugo: Les Misérables. Translated by Charles E. Wilbour. 8vo. Carleton.
Lockhart's Life of Sir Walter Scott. (Household Edition.) 2 vols., 12mo. Ticknor & Fields. Sold by Sheldon & Co.
A Practical Guide to the Study of the Diseases of the Eye. By Henry W. Williams, M. D. 12mo., pp. 317. The Same.

COMMERCIAL MATTERS.

Sales at the Stock Exchange.....MAY 30.

43,000 U. S. 6s '81, Reg...	104	11 Park Bank	107
30,000 U. S. 6s, '81, Coup..	104½	5 Manuf. & Merch. Bk..	99
30,000 do	104½	150 Erie Railway Pref....	62
4,000 U. S. 6s, '81, Oregon War Loan ½ yearly..	101½	50 do.....b30	62
1,000 Texas 7 3-10 Notes..	104½	100 do.....	61⅞
5,000 do	104½	100 do.....	61½
3,000 Ohio State 6s '69....	102	100 Hudson River RR....	43
5,000 Illinois War Loan..	95	100 Harlem RR.....	13½
1,000 Ind. St. 6s War L'n	99½	150 Harlem RR. Pref.....	33½
1,000 Mich St. 5-week Bs.	96	200 do.....	33½
540 Mich. 7s War Loan..	104	100 do.....	34
19,000 Virginia State 6s...	56½	50 Mich. Cent. RR.....	59
5,000 Missouri State 6s...	51	100 do.....	59½
9,000 do	50½	150 do.....	59¾
5,000 California State 7s..	93½	200 do.....b10	59½
3,000 Min. State 6s c. Rs.	97	60 do.....	59½
1,000 Brooklyn City W.L.	104	25 Mich. S. & N. I. RR...	23
3,000 New-York Cen. 6s..	109	10 do.....	23½
1,500 New-York Cen. 7s..	106	250 Mich. S. & N. I. G. S.	54½
1,000 Erie RR 2d M. 6s '83	97	50 do.....	54½
2,000 Hud. Riv. RR 2d M.	105	50 do.....b30	54½
1,000 Harlem 1st M. 6s	102½	7 Panama RR.....	121
10,000 Mich. So. 2d M.....	81	10 Ill. Cent. RR. Scrip...	60½
1,000 N. Ia. 1st M.....	100	250 do.....	60
4,000 do.....s10	100	50 Cleve. & Pitts. RR....	21½
4,000 Chic. & N.W 1st M.	58½	107 do.....	21½
2,000 Chic. & N.W. As'd.	44	12 Cleve. Col. & Cin. R.R.	110
6,450 Tol. & Wab 2d Mt.	63½	50 Gal. & Chic. RR.....b60	67
10,000 do	63½	50 do.....b60	68½
20 Bank of Commerce....	57	250 do.....	68½
200 Pacif. M. Steamship Co.	113½	200 Cleve. & Tol. RR.....	41½
50 do	112½	200 do.....	41½
50 do	112½	100 do.....b30	42
50 do.....s30	112½	100 do.....s30	41½
25 do.....s60	111½	50 Chic. & R. I. RR.....	64½
25 do.....s15	112	50 do.....s30	64½
251 N. Y. Central RR....	86½	100 do.....	64½
500 do	86½	200 Mil. & P. Du Ch. RR.	26½
100 do.....b30	86½	15 Mil. & P. Du Ch. 2d P.	64
200 do.....bnw	86½	23 Tol. & Wab. RR.....	14
340 Erie Railway	30½		

SECOND BOARD.

25,000 U. S. 6s '81 coup....	104½	50 Pacif. M. St'mship Co.	113½
10,000 do.....s10,bn	104½	100 Cumberland Coal Pref.	8½
30,000 do	105	150 Erie Railway	36
1,000 U. S. 6s '81 Reg'd..	104½	100 do.....	36½
2,000 U. S. 6s '67	104½	50 Erie Railway Pref. s60	62
3,500 U. S. 6s '81 Reg. W'r Loan ½ yearly	101½	100 do.....	62½
14,000 do	102	200 do.....	62½
700 Treas. 7 3-10 ⅌ ct. n.	105	50 Hudson River RR....	43½
5,500 do	105	1000 Harlem RR. Pref....	35
5,000 Missouri State 6s..	51½	100 Mil. So. & N. Ind. RR.	23½
5,000 do	51½	50 Mil So & N. I. Guar. Stk.	55
10,000 Virginia State 6s.s30	56	50 Panama RR	122
4,000 Cle. & Tol. S. F. R.	95	150 Ill. Cen. RR. Scrip....	60½
3,000 Mic. So. S'g Fd. Rs.	97½	100 do.....b30	60½
3,000 Goshen Branch Rds.	90	50 do.....	60½
10,000 Mich. So. 2d Mt....	81	300 Clev. & Toledo RR....	42½
10,000 Pitsb., Ft. Wayne & Chic. 1st Mt.....	90	300 do.....b30	42½
21 Del. & Hud. Canal Co.	100	100 do.....s30	42½
400 N. Y. Central RR....	87	100 do.....	42½
800 do	87	50 Chi. & Ft. Il. RR.....b30	61
100 do.....b60	87½	75 Mil. & P. du C. RR....	27
		30 M. & P. du C. RR. 2d Pref.	64

FRIDAY, May 30—P. M.

The Stock market this morning was irregular for shares, still evidently suffering under the incubus which has paralyzed speculation for the past week. Governments, however, were very strong, the 6s of 1881 selling at 104¼ for coupons, and 7.30 ⅌ cent Treasury Notes at 104¾. The speech of Mr. Simmons in the Senate yesterday, confirming the statements of Mr. Dawes in the House in regard to the amount of the public debt and the daily expenditures of the Government, had a very favorable effect, and has attracted anew the attention of investors and speculators to Government securities. The supply offering is not large, and holders are disposed to hold on for higher prices. The changes in shares were not generally important, but the tendency of prices was downward. After the Board there was more firmness, under the rumor of the evacuation of Corinth, and at the Second Board the better feeling still prevailed. Government Stocks were active and buoyant, selling up to 105 for Coupon Sixes, 1881, an advance of 1 ⅌ cent during the day. The Sixes of 1867 sold at 104¼, and Treasury Notes were 105¼ against 104¾ yesterday. The share market was also firmer and the shorts were free buyers at ¼ to 1 ⅌ cent advance. After the regular session there was an active demand for the leading fancies, and still higher prices. Central sold at 87¼, an improvement of ¾ ⅌ cent in the morning. The Erie issues were in demand at 1 ⅌ cent advance for Common, and 1¼ ⅌ cent for Preferred shares. Toledo advanced 1 ⅌ cent, and the Western shares generally were established at higher points. Pacific Mail was very buoyant selling at 114¼ against 112 yesterday, &c. The evacuation of Corinth being considered as confirmed there was quite a rush to buy. In Railroad Bonds there is a large business doing at private sale at rather better prices than are quoted at the Board. Speculators are turning their attention to the descriptions which have not yet taken their proper position on the list, and investments are daily made at advancing rates. The latest quotations are very strong at: United States 6s, 1881, Coupons, 105; United States 7 3-10 Treasury Notes, 105¼; Tennessee State 6s, 58¼@59; Missouri State 6s, 51½@51¾; Pacific Mail Steamship Company, 114¼@114¾; New-York Central Railroad, 87¼@87¾; Erie Railway, 36¼@36¾; Erie Railway Preferred, 63@63¼; Hudson River Railroad, 43¼@43¾; Harlem Railroad, 17¼@17¾; Harlem Railroad, Preferred, 34¾@35; Reading Railroad, 47¼@49¼; Michigan Central Railroad, 61¼@61¾; Michigan Southern and Northern Indiana Railroad, 24¼; Michigan Southern and Northern Indiana Railroad, Guaranteed, 55¾; Panama Railroad, 131@132; Illinois Central Railroad, 61; Cleveland and Pittsburgh Railroad, 21¼@21¾; Galena and Chicago Railroad, 67¼@68; Cleveland and Toledo Railroad, 42¾; Chicago and Rock Island Railroad, 61¾@61¼; Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad, 72@72¼; Milwaukee and Prairie du Chien Railroad, 27@27¼.

The market is firmer at the close for exchange, and sterling is 114¾@115 for bankers'. France are 4.92½@4.90.

Freights are lower and more active. To Liverpool, the engagements are 96,000 bush. Corn at 9d., in bulk and ship's bags; 84,000 do. Wheat at 9@9½d., in bulk and bags; 16,000 bbls. Flour at 2s. 3d; 200 pkgs. Lard at 27s. 6d.; and per steamer, 300 pkgs. Bacon at 50s., and 400 firkins Butter at 60s. To London: 6,500 bush. Wheat at 10d., in bulk; 12,000 do. at 10½d., in bulk; 6,500 do. at 11d., in ship's bags; 600 bbls. Flour at 3s. 3d.; 300 do. Oil at 35s. To Havre: 18,000 bush. Wheat at 20c.; 150 tcs. Lard at ⅞c. ⅌ lb. The charters are an American bark with 36,000 bush. Wheat to Dublin at 12d., in bulk and bags; a vessel with 16,000 bush. Wheat to Cork for orders at 12½d. ⅌ 60 lb; a vessel with 700 hhds. Tobacco to Genoa at 47s. 6d., and a brig of 190 tuns to Porto Rico and back at 40c. for Sugar, and $5 for a deck-load of Molasses.

The business of the Sub-Treasury was: Receipts, $1,489,993 00—for Customs, $169,000; Payments, $894,401 69; Balance, $15,484,052 58.

The coupons upon the bonds of the New-York and New-Haven Railroad Company due June 1 will be paid on that day, at the office of the Company or at the Bank of the Republic.

The Hartford Fire Insurance Company has declared a semi-annual dividend of 10 ⅌ cent, payable June 2. A surplus has been retained from the earnings of the six months equal to the dividend declared.

The business of the Clearing-House to-day was $19,500,000.

The Sub-Treasurer received another million of Treasury demand notes from Washington, in 5s, 10s, and 20s.

The Money market is unchanged. The supply is abundant on call at 4@5 ⅌ cent, and on leading paper at 4@6 ⅌ cent. The banks are free lenders, but the demand is moderate.

The advices from New-Orleans of the receipt of Cotton from up river had a depressing effect yesterday upon that staple, and lots could have been picked up at 1 to 1⅛c. ⅌ pound decline. To-day, however, the market is firmer.

The transfer books of United States Stocks close to-morrow night, and remain closed until July 1.

An auction sale of Woolens and Tailoring Goods went off to-day at a slight decline on previous sales. A sale of White Goods and Embroideries went off well.

A semi-annual dividend of 4 ⅌ cent on the capital stock of the Pennsylvania Railroad will be payable to the stockholders on the 15th of next month.

The *entente cordiale* between the New-York and New-Haven, and the New-Haven, Hartford and Springfield Roads, has been broken, and the Hartford Road has put on a line of boats between this city and New-Haven in competition with the road.

Demand Notes receivable for customs dues are selling at ⅛@¼ ⅌ cent premium. Debt Certificates are firmer, and have sold to considerable exten at 100¼.

Gold is again firmer, and is quoted at 103¾@103⅞, with not much offering.

Comparative statement of the Imports of Foreign Dry Goods at the port of New-York for the week ending May 29 and since Jan 1:

For the Week.	1860.	1861.	1862.
Ent. at the port	$9,2,,24	$466,075	$654,172
Withdrawn	797,894	266,617	747,048
Since June 1.			
Ent. at the port	$44,266,239	$22,631,330	$20,783,069
Thrown on the market	44,373,950	22,401,424	23,933,605

ENTERED FOR CONSUMPTION.

Manuf. of	Pkgs.	Value.	*Manuf. of*	Pkgs.	Value.
Wool	692	$252,995	Flax	301	$29,773
Cotton	436	89,686	Miscella'ous	65	25,425
Silk	131	146,218			
			Total	1,654	$573,197

WITHDRAWALS.

Manuf. of	Pkgs.	Value.	*Manuf. of*	Pkgs.	Value.
Wool	172	$46,674	Flax	894	$50,491
Cotton	254	49,631	Miscella'ous	753	7,434
Silk	39	19,919			
			Total	2,83	$173,151

WAREHOUSED.

Manuf. of	Pkgs.	Value.	*Manuf. of*	Pkgs.	Value.
Wool	145	$32,102	Flax	20	$5,602
Cotton	96	13,853	Miscellan's	2	1,171
Silk	31	26,462			
			Total	294	$89,275

The steamers of the Michigan Southern Road, advertised for sale, will be sold at Toledo instead of Buffalo.

The Domestic and Dry Goods market, as has been indicated in our previous reviews, is strengthening under the influence of the opening of the ports and the removal of the restrictions of trade. More than 500 vessels are reported as offering to take cargoes to the extreme Southern ports. Many of our more enterprising merchants are availing themselves of the increased facilities and are making up assortments from their own stocks. The merchants of the South-Western cities are also in the market furnishing themselves with supplies that are requisite as the armies advance. This condition of the market cannot remain long without affecting values, particularly as the cotton market is advancing. Notwithstanding the unfavorable advices from Europe during the last two weeks many cotton mills engaged on the fine numbers—which have been during the last year working short time—have stopped production entirely. This has been done with great reluctance, as the operators are thrown out of employment and the machinery necessarily injured; yet the great law of self-preservation has required it, as the lesser of the evils. Some mills which have been entirely idle for the past year, will resume in part, as the diminished production has given them a market which bears a better remuneration than hitherto.

The woolen market, as a general thing, is in a better condition than for a long period. It is true, that a great many goods are on the market, which are unsalable, from the fact that they represent no particular standard, as to style or quality, yet it is far different with cloths that are made with care, as to design and perfection of manufacture. For instance, the fancy cassimere market never for years has been so active, and all makers have received good prices, and the strife for goods among dealers, is quite refreshing. It is useless to give quotations at present, and we omit our usual detail, remarking that all are hopeful, and any change in the market will be that of an advance. We annex extracts from the foreign and domestic markets below:

MANCHESTER, May 10.—The accounts from Manchester report a better yarn market, but no improvement for cloths. In the yarn market there is a decidedly more cheerful feeling, and a fair amount of business is reported at last week's prices. The improvement is mainly due to a telegram from Calcutta to the 15th of April, which states that prices had advanced ¼d. ⅌ lb on yarns, and that the import duties were reduced to 5 ⅌ cent on piece goods, and 3½ ⅌ cent on yarns. In cloth there has been an exceedingly dull market. There is a strong impression at Manchester, as at Liverpool, that some negotiations are going on which may bring about a settlement of the difficulties between the North and South in America, and while this continues, and buyers of cotton cloths have a fear of a sudden reduction of values before their eyes, they will not add to their investments.

At Leeds there has been a moderate market for light goods in the Colored Cloth Hall, but, as lately reported, the general condition of the Woolen Cloth trade in this town and district is rather dull.

At Rochdale there has been again a little more animation in the Flannel trade, generally, the manufacturers of both light and fancy sort are moderately well employed.

At Bradford there is a steady business doing in Worsted Yarns, but chiefly for the home trade. The piece department is rather dull.

At Leicester rather more activity is perceptible in the Hosiery trade. Orders are given out a little more freely, and business in the warehouses is slightly on the increase.

At Nottingham there is more doing in the Silk branch of trade this week. There is a slight improvement in the Hosiery trade. Manufacturers now think that they have seen the worst.

HALIFAX, May 3.—The carpet and worsted trades here both remain in much the like condition to what they have been in for some time. The former keeps the more active. The worsted trade is disadvantageously affected in several ways by the greatly distressed condition of the cotton trade of the neighboring county, and with that improves the former is likely to soften. There is not less doing by the worsted manufacturers than there was a month ago; yet the trade is scarcely as good. The damask trade is quiet. Wools are rather easier, but not so much as to justify any specific change being named.

GLASGOW, May 3.—*Cotton.*—We have had hardly any market for cotton this week. Holders are very firm in price. Stock estimated not over 2,000 bales. Goods and Yarns.—The market continues dull and inactive, though prices are maintained with firmness.

MADRAS, March 27.—*Imports.*—We have at length to note some improvement in the demand leading to an advance of about two annas per piece on shirtings, and two annas per pondie on mule yarn. There have been no arrivals from home during the fortnight, although several ships with assorted cargoes are now fully due. Upon the whole the market is in a healthier condition, although ruling rates still contrast very unfavorably with last Manchester values.

BOMBAY, April 15.—Cotton steady. Twist advancing. Piece goods in moderate demand.

CANTON, April 1.—Gray Shirtings and Water Twist unchanged.

SHANGHAE, March 27.—Gray Shirtings advancing. Silk to tenls higher. No. 2 Taeliee, 300. Settlements to fortnight, 3,900 bales. Export to date, 12,900 bales. Freights for Silk 120s.

The Boston Shipping List of last Saturday, says: There has been considerable inquiry for cotton goods the past week, but transactions have been confined to small lots. Prices are irregular and unsettled, and there is evidently a lack of confidence among buyers as to the continuance of present high prices. Others on the contrary, anticipate a period of unexampled speculation and activity, and that business must continue to improve. Heavy Amoskeag A sheetings have been sold at 13c., but other standard makes are held at a higher figure, and are not offered under 14c. Prints move off moderately at previous prices. All other kinds of cotton goods have been comparatively quiet, with no transactions of any importance, and nothing to add to our previous reports. The Pacific Company's chalties, prints and lawns are all sold up close, and the goods of the Manchester Company also maintain their previous high reputation. For woolen goods there has been a steady demand. Fancy cassimeres are in active request, and heavy merino cloths, suitable for Fall, are beginning to move.

The Philadelphia North American of last Saturday says: The security goods trade holds on well, and several buyers from Cincinnati, Louisville and St. Louis are in market purchasing quite freely. Orders, too, are coming in from the West from those who bought lightly early in the season, and business generally is fair for the season. Cotton goods are steady, and of heavy brown sheetings and shirtings the stocks are moderate and holders not disposed to make concessions. Bleached goods are quiet, and low-priced denims and ticks receive and high. Prints of good styles are firm, and taken freely at fully former rates, with very light stocks for the season. In woolens there is a fair business doing in fancy cassimeres without change in prices. Some of the Western clothiers are purchasing a few staple goods to make up for Fall sales, and the market generally is steady.

The statements of the banks of the three principal cities of the Union for the last week compare with the previous one, and the corresponding time of 1861, as follows:

	Loans.	Deposits.	Specie.	Circul'n.
N. Y., May 24	$142,950,149	$122,067,864	$30,674,760	$4,592,676
Boston, May 26	60,746,275	26,252,656	8,108,695	5,563,716
Phil., May 26	31,540,653	23,973,478	5,387,612	4,186,053
Total	$234,755,077	$172,340,998	$44,260,467	$18,282,437
Last week	233,471,360	169,132,854	44,114,452	18,375,816
Last year	203,457,500	125,331,734	50,668,669	17,493,506

The statement of the Boston Banks for the last week compares with the previous week, and with the corresponding week of 1861, as follows:

	May 19, 1862.	May 26, 1862.	May 27, 1861.
Loans	$60,059,635	$60,266,275	$60,525,098
Specie	8,204,534	8,108,695	6,012,658
Deposits	25,793,916	26,264,656	18,806,333
Circulation	5,602,844	5,563,716	6,240,811

The statement of the present week as compared with the preceding shows an increase of $206,640 in the items of loans and discounts, $170,740 in deposits, and a decrease of $99,083 in circulation, and $195,839 in specie.

In the case of David Heaton against The Manhattan Fire Insurance Company of New-York, the Supreme Court of Rhode Island decided on the 20th inst. that the plaintiff could not recover, unless the renewed premium was actually paid, in accordance with the provision of the original policy. The action was to recover the sum of $2,000 on a policy of insurance held by the plaintiff as mortgagee of the machinery in a woolen mill in North Providence, destroyed by fire in the month of December last. The renewal of the policy is claimed to have been effected by a parole contract to that effect with Immanuel Steele, the agent of the Company, on the day of the fire. No certificate of renewal was issued or indorsed upon the policy, nor was any premium paid at the time of the alleged contract.

Thompson's Bank Note Reporter, issued to-day, furnishes the following information relative to the interest and debt of the State:

It is understood that New-York will pay the $900,000 due June 1st, next Monday, in gold; and on the 1st of July, $800,000, and all State interest on the direct debt—also in gold. This will disburse about $2,250,000 in five weeks, on State account. It is also understood that the State war debt, issued in June, 1861, at one year, will be paid in currency. This being a debt for account of the Federal Government, the State feels no moral obligation to pay anything better than Government currency.

The Chicago Tribune of the 27th says:

The weather during the past week has been unsettled, with rather a low temperature, and on the whole, not very favorable to the growing crops. Corn planting in the country is very well advanced—in some places entirely over; and as far as we can learn the breadth is large. The breadth of Spring wheat sown is less than last year in the low grounds, but in the rolling lands there is a good average amount in the ground. The crop looks well, though about two weeks later than the crop of 1861.

The receipts and shipments of produce at Chicago last week were:

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls	39,974	47,060
Wheat, bush	173,490	226,000
Corn, bush	380,738	893,735
Oats, bush	61,566	130,416
Rye, bush	19,543	61,425
Barley, bush	8,948	25,300
Seeds, lb	35,959	28,100
Pork, bbls	309	6,346
Cut Meats, lb	966,697	2,292,201
Lard, lb	173,994	233,604
Tallow, lb	4,379	171,631
Live Hogs, No	6,628	4,349
Dressed Hogs, No	2	.....
Beef Cattle, No	3,939	3,102

The receipts from the first of January for three years were:

	1862.	1861.	1860.
Flour, bbls	461,076	456,730	468,567
Wheat, bush	2,357,073	2,962,908	1,413,451
Corn, bush	3,866,655	5,474,634	5,664,985
Oats, bush	444,22	275,846	483,582
Rye, bush	224,208	122,411	57,316
Barley, bush	390,314	260,523	117,877
Seeds, lb	2,207,753	2,424,134	2,507,409
Pork, bbls	34,718	30,975